

## COUNCIL MINUTES

August 1, 2016

Council Chambers

7:00 P.M.

7:00 P.M. - President Ellington called the Monday August 1, 2016 Newark City Council Meeting to order

**ROLL CALL-** Mr. Rath, Mr. Rolletta, Mr. Blake, Mr. Bubb, Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Fraizer, Ms. Hall, Mr. Johnson

**INVOCATION** – Mr. Johnson

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE-** President Ellington & William Butcher

**CAUCUS-** Motion by Mrs. Floyd to excuse Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Rath. Motion was carried by acclamation

**MINUTES of July 18, 2016** Motion by Mr. Johnson to approve the July 18, 2016 Newark City Council Minutes as presented and the reading be dispensed with in view of the fact each member of Council has received written summary of same, second by Mr. Rath. **Motion carried by acclamation.**

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance- **Received & Filed**

Service- **Received & Filed**

Street - **Received & Filed**

### REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

**Barb Jobs, Income Tax Administrator-** income tax revenue report for the period ending July 15, 2016. - **Received & Filed**

### COMMUNICATIONS

**Ohio Division of Liquor Control-** new application for Los Cazaguates LLC at 1150 Mt. Vernon Rd- **Received & Filed**

**Teresa Moats-** an email to members of Council inviting them to National Night Out on August 2<sup>nd</sup>- **Received & Filed**

**Ohio Division of Liquor Control-** transfer request from Newark Foods LLC to MK of America Inc- **Received & Filed**

### COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**William Butcher, 263 Union St-** still would like Union Street to be paved and potholes fixed. He also stated that people are speeding on Union Street and not stopping for emergency vehicles. A weather forecast was given as well.

### ORDINANCES ON SECOND READING

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Johnson**

**16-30** AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS BEING APPROXIMATELY 2.0 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, LOCATED IN NEWARK TOWNSHIP, TO THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO.

**Motion by Mr. Rath to adopt Ordinance No. 16-30, second by Mr. Fraizer**

**Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.**

### ORDINANCES ON FIRST READING

**By: Mr. Rath, Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Johnson**

**16-31** AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A BACKFLOW PREVENTION PROGRAM WITHIN THE CITY OF NEWARK AND ESTABLISHES UNIFORM REGULATIONS FOR THE PROTECTION OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN CONFORMITY WITH ALL APPLICABLE LAWS.

**Held for a second reading**

## RESOLUTIONS ON SECOND READING

**By: Mr. Marmie, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Cost, Mr. Rath, Mr. Johnson**

**16-61** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

**Motion by Mrs. Floyd to adopt Resolution No. 16-61, second by Mr. Johnson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.**

## RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

**By: Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Cost, Mr. Rath, Mr. Johnson**

**16-65** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

**Held for a second reading**

## COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**Michael Hill, 211 N Buena Vista St-** I just want to express gratitude for the work going on around downtown with the construction. I know that there have been recent criticisms about the construction so I just want to say as a small business owner and a non-profit director in the area I really appreciate the work and I will stand with you guys as you face fire and criticism when businesses are closing and other people aren't getting their way. Thank you for doing what is right but maybe what's not popular.

**Daniel Crawford, 163 S 2<sup>nd</sup> St-** I was hoping that Mr. Marmie would be here that is why I didn't speak the first time. I just wanted to clarify when I spoke two weeks ago when I spoke about privatization of fire. I didn't mean that housing insurance would be the only way of paying for it. Obviously there are a number of ways to pay for and I could come up with a couple of ways if I'd put my mind to it. I just wanted to reiterate my opposition to even the thought of that. Speaking of paying for things I want to announce how happy I am to hear that our measure that we circulated with the 99% to try to put an initiative on the ballot to help give the citizens of Newark a chance to vote on whether they think that the Constitution should be amended to clarify the money isn't speech and that only individual human beings should be recognized as persons with legal rights by the Constitution. We got enough signatures to get that on the ballot so people in Newark will have a chance to vote on it.

**David Greene, 1791 Olympic Ct-** I just had a question for Council about the failure to itemize certain items on the agenda and about that practice in terms of the value to people who come to City Council meetings for the first time, saying that monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation doesn't tell anybody very much at all and it could be misinterpreted in a lot of different ways. So the question is why aren't these items itemized on the agenda?

**Mike Hill, 211 N Buena Vista-** I was curious about that, maybe it is because I wasn't here at previous meetings and haven't looked into enough but I also that there could have been more detail in the explanation of the annexation of certain territory about where that was in general. I agree with his comments.

**President Ellington-** we'll discuss that

**William Butcher, 263 Union Street-** he made the board and his first meeting is Tuesday August 16<sup>th</sup>.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Mayor Hall-** a quick thank you to everybody that helped out and volunteered at the Flags of Honor this weekend in front of Cherry Valley School. It was a wonderful tribute and memorial to fallen heroes in the fight against terrorism from Ohio. A gentleman did that whose only son, only child passed away with Lemman Company so that motivated him to do this. The Friendship Club of Licking County, Veteran Services of Licking and a whole lot of other volunteers put that on and it was a great event. It was a great way to honor them and I wanted to say thank you.

**Mr. Rath-** called a Service Committee Meeting

**Mrs. Floyd-** called a Finance Committee Meeting

**Mr. Fraizer-** I am very excited for the commercial development going on around the town. The newspaper article really highlights the progress that we are making in our community. Additional businesses come with additional opportunity and increased quality of life and welfare of our community. With more competition in wages it offers the ability to have higher wages and have people with dependents and families allows them to care for each other and to have health insurance, adequate food and shelter. I like the progress that our city is going in and I commend the Mayor and the

Economic Development Director and the administration for the progress that we are making as well as this Council. I look forward to continuing to work with you and continuing to make progress.

**Mr. Johnson-** First of all I think that we have a great city and we do a lot of great things. As you all know I initially voted against the income tax raise and I wanted to explain my vote. It wasn't because I'm not for it because I am very much for it; it was because I didn't really believe that it could pass in November when we have a presidential and everything else. I have to say this; people who come are more interested in what happens on the national level than what happens in the city level and unfortunately for them what happens in the city level impounds their life considerably more than what happens at the national level. I am very much for it and I will do everything that I can to see that it becomes effective and I will help in any way I can.

**President Ellington-** Mr. Greene and Mr. Hill I will look into the comments you had about the agenda. I think that we have slipped away from that, we used to do that a little better. I would like to thank everyone here for coming. Our next committee meeting is Monday August 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and the next Council meeting is August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M.

**ADJOURNMENT- Motion by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Johnson. Motion carried by acclamation.**