

## COUNCIL MINUTES

**August 18, 2014**

Council Chambers

7:00 P.M.

**7:00 P.M.** - President Ellington called the August 18, 2014 Newark City Council meeting to order

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

**INVOCATION** – Mrs. Floyd

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**CAUCUS**

**MINUTES**- August 4, 2014 Motion by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Bubb to approve the minutes of the presented and the reading be dispensed with in view of the fact each member of Council has received written summary of same.

**Motion carried by acclamation.**

### REPORTS STANDING COMMITTEES

Finance- **Received and Filed**

Service- **Received and Filed**

### REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

**Stephen E Johnson, City Auditor**- operating report for the period ending July 31, 2014. - **Received and Filed**

**Barb Jobes, City Tax Administrator**- income tax revenue reports for period ending July 31, 2014. - **Received and Filed**

### COMMUNICATIONS

**Rhonda Loomis**- pictures from the N. William block watch National Nite Out party and an email of appreciation from Theresa Moats to Chief Sarver. - **Received and Filed**

**Paul Moran**- written statement of his comments from the last City Council meeting on August 4, 2014. - **Received and Filed**

**Daniel Crawford**- written statement of his comments from the last City Council meeting on August 4, 2014. - **Received and Filed**

### COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**Paul Moran** – 63 N 4<sup>th</sup> St, commented on deteriorating condition of the Wilson St Bridge and the Ohio St Bridge and his safety concerns regarding such.

**President Ellington**- advised Mr. Moran that there was a piece of legislation on the agenda tonight that includes deck repairs to the Ohio Street Bridge.

### RESOLUTIONS ON THE SECONDING READING

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

**14-61 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING AND DISAPPROPRIATING MONIES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION (297 Fire Safety Grant-\$25.01: Close out AFG grant; DISAPPROPRIATE 297 Fire Safety Grant-\$5146.37: Close out Fire Prevention Grant; 294 Cops Grant-\$108,535.92: Close out grant)**

**Motion by Mr. Blake to adopt Resolution 14-61, second by Mr. Cost**  
**Motion passed by a 10-0 vote.**

**RESOLUTIONS ON THE FIRST READING**

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

**14-63** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION  
**(100 General Fund-\$700.00: Donation for Courthouse fountain; 221 Street Dept Fund-\$70,075.00:**  
**DISAPPROPRIATION Funds from two vacant positions in Street Dept; 221 Street Dept Fund-\$70,075.00: for temp**  
**services and road salt; 100 General Fund-\$17,864.00: Grant for walking path and disc golf course at Everett Park)**

**Held for a Second Reading**

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

**14-64** A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE AMOUNTS AND RATES AS DETERMINED BY THE BUDGET COMMISSION AND  
AUTHORIZING THE NECESSARY TAX LEVIES AND CERTIFYING THEM TO THE COUNTY AUDITOR

**Held for a Second Reading**

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

**14-65** PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION FOR RESURFACING PORTIONS OF STATE ROUTE 13 INCLUDING PORTIONS OF MT  
VERNON RD, WEST CHURCH ST, NORTH 3<sup>RD</sup> ST/ HUDSON AVE AND ST. CLAIR ST AS PART OF THE SR 13D-0.00  
BRIDGE WIDENING AND TWO WAY CONVERSION PROJECT

President Ellington stated it would be held for a second reading

**Law Director-** advised President Ellington that Resolution 14-65 has the emergency clause although it is not stated  
in the preamble. On the second page it does contain an emergency clause.

**Mr. Ellington-** asked if that would be sufficient the way that it is on the legislation

**Law Director-** yes

**Motion by Mr. Marmie to adopt Resolution 14-65, second by Mrs. Floyd**

**Motion passed by a vote of 10-0**

**Law Director-** advised President Ellington that Resolution 14-66 & 67 also have the emergency clause. These are an  
odd form of legislation. If there is any question to that they don't follow the standard form that we usually use with  
regards to resolutions and ordinances and that is essentially because it is designed to meet the needs of The Ohio  
Department of Transportation and their funding requirements. I don't want to say that we bend the rules it just  
takes a slightly different form than we normally take.

**Mr. Guthrie-** so ODOT is basically requiring that the emergency clause be a part of the legislation

**Law Director-** when I say required I mean form, the form of this legislation is what is required by ODOT. I think  
frankly that the calendar demands the emergency more than ODOT does.

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

**14-66** PRELIMINARY LEGISLATION FOR RESURFACING, CURB AND PAVEMENT REPAIR ON NORTH 21<sup>ST</sup> ST FROM  
GRANVILLE RD TO DEO DR

**Motion by Mr. Marmie to adopt Resolution 14-66, second by Mr. Bubb**

**Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.**

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

**14-67 BRIDGE DECK REPLACEMENT AND OTHER REPAIRS ON OHIO ST OVER NORTH FORK OF LICKING RIVER**

**Motion by Mr. Marmie to adopt Resolution 14-67, second by Mr. Johnson**

**Motion passed by a vote of 10-0.**

## **COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS**

### **ADMINISTRATION**

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

**Mayor Hall-** just a brief comment on bridges, we have many, many in the city limits and the Engineer's office inspects them regularly and knows what status they are in. If you recall in the past two years we have replaced 2 million dollar bridges already. If they are structurally unsafe we shut them down just as we did the Second Street Bridge. The capital improvement dollars from the State has helped to build the bridge on West Church Street. We appreciate the input and we will continue to look at them to know what the rate is.

**Mr. Rolletta-** announced that the 4<sup>th</sup> Ward block watch group will be meeting at 6:30 on Tuesday the 26<sup>th</sup> at 592 W Main St, the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church.

**Mr. Blake-** called for Finance Committee

**Mr. Cost-** called for a Service Committee meeting

**Mrs. Floyd-** I wanted to mention the CDBG public forums that are coming up, they are to discuss funding for the CDBG Consolidated Plan for 2015-2019. They want citizen input. There has been an ad in the paper and an article in the paper over the weekend. There is an anonymous online survey that citizens can take. There is going to be three meetings. The first one is August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 at First Presbyterian Church, second one is at the Library on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and the third one is September 3<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 at the Holy Trinity Church. This is a way for citizens to have input on what we are going to do with our HUD dollars.

**Mr. Guthrie-** I want to thank Auditor Johnson and HR Director Buskirk because I saw in some of the media, actually I first picked up on it in The Cincinnati Inquirer that there was going to be some fairly substantial workers' comp refunds going to employers and Mr. Johnson explained the distribution of it, Mr. Buskirk gave me the number. It appears the City's refund is going to be in the neighborhood of a quarter of a million. I believe I brought this up last year or the year before when we had a refund and suggested that we use that revenue to hire a couple of extra police officers and a couple of firefighters. Basically what we would be doing would be filling vacancies that have been created through attrition. I as one member of Council am willing to support anything that the administration would like to do as far as changing the appropriation because the way that this happens if I understand correctly the money goes back into the fund for the different departments and then it would need to be appropriated to the salary funds for police and fire to so that we could add a couple folks. I think everybody agrees to fill some needs in both of those departments.

**Ms. Hall-** called for a Capital Improvement meeting

**President Ellington-** the next Committee meeting is Monday August 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 and the next City Council meeting will be on Tuesday September 2 at 7:00. **ADJOURNMENT- Motion by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Johnson 7:17 P.M.**