

Finance Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
August 7, 2018

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday August 6, 2018 with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie
Sean Fennell for Jeremy Blake
Ryan Bubb
Bill Cost Jr.
Mark Fraizer- Mr. Labutis for Mark Fraizer for item 1

1. **Resolution No. 18-66** authorization for the City of Newark to pick up the statutorily required contribution to the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System for the employees of city pursuant to Internal Revenue Code Section 414(H) (2) was considered.

Steve Johnson, City Auditor- this is a housekeeping issue in order to be compliant with PERS and IRS, it deals with pension pickups. There are two kinds of pickups, one is a fringe benefit pickup and that is what we are currently doing with AFSME which is where the city pays a portion or all of the employees PERS contribution in the form of a benefit. That is not what we are doing here. The second pickup is a salary deduction pickup. That is what we are dealing, where the employee's gross salary is reduced by their portion of the pension and the city will act as their paying agent and pay it to PERS for them. That is what we have always done but this legislation is telling us that we will continue to do that. We have a PERS audit and they gave us the template for this legislation and explained it the best they could. The IRS is involved because the employee's pensions are on a tax deferred basis and they want us to have formal legislation stating that we will continue to do this as well as PERS. This will not cost the city or the employee anything.

Motion by Mr. Cost to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. **Resolution No. 18-63** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered. -Expedite

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 Compensated Absences Fund, in the amount of \$3,525.00 (Payout Jeff Haas)

Account	Description	Amount
153.302.5144	Termination Vacation	3,300.00
153.302.5145	Termination Comp	225.00

Director Rhodes- this is a termination payout for Jeff Haas out of the Street Department.

Motion by Mr. Fraizer to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 General Fund, in the amount of \$65,250.00 (Payout Ron Walsh)

Account	Description	Amount
153.205.5143	Termination Sick	17,500.00
153.205.5144	Termination Vacation	32,000.00
153.205.5145	Termination Comp	15,750.00

Director Baum- this is a payout for Ron Walsh of the Fire Department, he has retired.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 3. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 General Fund, in the amount of \$55,500.00 (Payout Brian Webster)

Account	Description	Amount
153.202.5143	Termination Sick	12,500.00
153.202.5144	Termination Vacation	26,500.00
153.202.5145	Termination Comp	16,500.00

Director Baum- this is a payout for Brian Webster from the Police Department he has retired.

**Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer
 Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Section 4. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 General Fund, in the amount of \$39,500.00 (Payout Craig Riley)

Account	Description	Amount
153.202.5143	Termination Sick	15,500.00
153.202.5144	Termination Vacation	24,000.00

Director Baum- this is a payout for Deputy Chief Craig Riley from the Police Department.

**Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer
 Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Section 5. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 231 Probation Grant Fund, in the amount of \$175.00 (SCRAM Unit replacement)

Account	Description	Amount
231.232.5319	Miscellaneous Supplies	175.00

Kevin Sadd- this is one of those occasions where one of our offenders cut off their scram strap and have paid it back.

**Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer
 Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Section 6. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 231 Probation Grant Fund, in the amount of \$2,920.43 (Money back to State)

Account	Description	Amount
231.113.5289	Inter/Intra Government	1,172.20
231.232.5289	Inter/Intra Government	1,748.23

Kevin Sadd- this is the request from the Ohio Department of Rehabilitation Corrections, they would like us to refund them all refunds that we received from Bureau of Workmen’s Compensation. Jackie from the Auditor’s office gives me these totals periodically and I will send them to the State and they invoice us both of those.

Motion by Mr. Fraizer to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb
Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 7. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 661 Sewer Department Fund, in the amount of \$12,745.00 (River Gauge Contract)

Account	Description	Amount
661.712.5238	Service Contracts	12,745.00

Brian Morehead- this is for the annual River Gauge contract, basically we have a contract to monitor the level of the rivers; Raccoon Creek, North Fork, South Fork and Licking River. It is to assist in our flood control efforts.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Cost, second by Mr. Fraizer
Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

- 3. **Resolution No. 18-64** authorizing and directing the Mayor of the City of Newark to prepare and submit applications to the Ohio Department of Environmental Protection Agency, for fiscal year 2018 Diesel Mitigation Trust Fund (DMTF) Program for equipment replacement, repower, retrofit and anti-idle was considered.

Barbara Gilkes- this grant opportunity came about as a result of a lawsuit because Volkswagen violated the Clean Air Act. The State of Ohio decided to target certain areas of the county which Licking is one. We will be applying for funding for two additional dump trucks for the Street Department.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer
Mr. Fraizer- is this awarded in 2019?

Barbara Gilkes- no they are saying they are going to award it in October so Dave will have to put that into his Capital Improvements budget for our share of it. We have proposed a 70/30 split. You have to have a minimum of 25% we went with 30% because you score better with the grant if you have a little higher match.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

- 4. **Resolution No. 18-65** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund, in the amount of \$24,246.00 (Copier Payoff)

Account	Description	Amount
100.121.5211	Rent/Lease	24,246.00

Director Rhodes- we switched copiers upstairs and when this happens the company that we switch to refunds us this amount so it is an in and out transaction.

Motion by Mr. Fraizer to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 661 Sewer Dept Fund, in the amount of \$20,000.00 (Pavement Program)

Account	Description	Amount
661.715.5276	Maintenance of Streets	20,000.00

Brian Morehead- this is for manhole adjustments that go a long with all of our street maintenance programs.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Fraizer- is this used during the paving in 2018?

Brian Morehead- the project will be bid out in 2018 but it is unlikely that there will be much work done yet. **Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Section 3. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 621 Water Dept Fund, in the amount of \$15,000.00 (Pavement Program)

Account	Description	Amount
621.706.5276	Maintenance of Streets	15,000.00

Brian Morehead- same situation except these funds come out of Water Value adjustments and these come out of the Water Department fund

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 4. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund, in the amount of \$3,335.90 (Reimbursement of overtime funds)

Account	Description	Amount
100.205.5118	Fire Uniformed Overtime	3,335.90

Director Baum- this is overtime that the Fire Department expended at fireworks detail and they would like to put it back in their account.

Motion by Mr. Cost to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Doug Marmie, Chair