

Finance Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
September 13, 2016

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday September 12, 2016 with these members in attendance:

Carol Floyd, Vice Chair
Ryan Bubb
Bill Cost Jr.
Mark Fraizer
Curtis Johnson for Doug Marmie

We wish to report:

1. **Ordinance No. 16-37** to provide for the issuance of \$5,040,000 of bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of bonds for the purpose of refunding outstanding bond anticipation notes previously issued for the purpose of paying the cost of replacement water main and service lines and all necessary appurtenances including but not limited to hydrants, valves and fittings and to provide additional funds to pay for other water system improvements was considered.

City Auditor, Steve Johnson- what ordinance 16-37 will do is renew an existing 4 million dollar note that this city issued about two years ago to pay for the water portion of the downtown square improvements. When it is renewed this year it is going to be increased by a million dollars. \$500,000.00 of that will go for engineering of the water line project on the square. The other \$500,000.00 is for the riverbank filtration project. This will be renewed again should it be passed tonight in 2017 and then in 2018 we will begin to reduce the principal on this because we have a thirty year refunding bond issue for the waterworks improvement project that we are paying about 1.8 million dollars a year for. That will be eliminated in 2018 so that money will be channeled through. I would like this to be expedited because there is always a lot of things that need to be done before this note can be reissued and nothing can be started until the legislation is in place.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. **Resolution No. 16-83** 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 153, Compensated Absences Fund, in the amount of \$2,375.00 (Payout for Michael Thian)

Account	Description	Amount
153.205.5144	Termination Vacation	\$2,300.00
153.205.5145	Termination Comp	75.00

Chief Connor- this is a payout for an individual that has left our Division to seek employment elsewhere.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 231, Probation Improvement Grant Fund, in the amount of \$175.00 (Reimbursement for SCRAM Unit)

Account	Description	Amount
231.232.5312	Law Enforcement Supplies	\$175.00

Director Saad- this is a reimbursement as you said for a person cutting off the SCRAM unit. We received the payment of \$175.00 and then purchased some items from the alcohol monitoring system services totaling \$170.00. The bill should have been paid out of the 2015 calendar money but it was paid out of 2016 so that is why we are coming back again. From my understanding there was a clerical error made into the New World system.

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 a disappropriation of the appropriated balance of the 100, General Fund, in the amount of \$4,000.00 (Overtime)

Account	Description	Amount
100.432.5369	Misc	\$1000.00
100.432.5319	Misc Tree	1,000.00
100.432.5351	Vehicle Supplies	2,000.00

Director Rhodes- what we are looking for is a disappropriation and a reappropriation. We have had an unusual amount of burials on Saturdays so we have had to bring two or three people in to work on Saturdays and that is paid at time and a half. We have exceeded the amount of our overtime dollars.

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

Mr. Fraizer- this is the Parks Department that the overtime is coming from?

Director Rhodes- yes

Mr. Fraizer- is there any ways to gauge whether this will be sufficient?

Director Rhodes- we believe that it will be sufficient. When we bring people in our Saturdays they generally work a minimum of three hours.

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 \$4,000.00 (Overtime)

Account	Description	Amount
100.432.5118000	Overtime	\$4000.00

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

3. **Resolution No. 16-84** 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 \$694.67 (Overtime- HazMat Run)

Account	Description	Amount
100.205.5118	Uniformed Overtime NFD	\$694.67

Chief Connor- Federal law allows us to recollect a portion of our expenditures on overtime for a HazMat run so we have been working with the EMA very closely to try to recover costs that we have with providing that service whether in the city or outside of the city we assist. We paid that out of our current overtime budget and we are asking to put that back.

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

Mr. Fraizer- how many Hazmat runs have we had this year and how many do we typically have?

Chief Connor- on average we have no more than 10. Usually it is 6-10 Hazmat runs a year. The Federal Government allows us to collect anytime that we are on a scene for more than 2 hours. We can collect personnel and equipment costs. In years past we have collected very well and this year we are on top of those things trying to collect every dollar that we can that are federally granted to us by law.

Mr. Fraizer- is that 100% cost recovery after 2 hours?

Chief Connor- yes it is and a lot of times the company that has caused the incident is required to pay that.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

4. **Resolution No. 16-85** accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor and declaring an emergency was considered.

City Auditor, Steve Johnson- this is something that the city does every year at this time. The county sends us legislation saying what our millage will be, it is the 3.1 mils, we also have six tenths of a mil that goes towards the liability for Police and Fire pension. The Clerk of Council has to file this with the County Budget Commission by October 1 which is why it is an emergency.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Carol Floyd, Vice Chair