

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
September 9, 2014

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday September 8, 2014 with these members in attendance:

Jeremy Blake, Chair	Carol Floyd
Doug Marmie	Bill Cost Jr.
Ryan Bubb	

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 14-71** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.
 - a) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 333, Infrastructure Fund, in the amount of \$1,102,800.00 (Various purpose bond note sale)

Account	Description	Amount
333.122.5502101	Canal & Market St	\$150,000.00
333.122.5502102	West Church St	565,000.00
333.122.5502103	Various Parking Lots	202,800.00
333.122.5502104	Sidewalk & Lighting	185,000.00

Mr. Johnson- if you recall about a month ago you authorized the City to borrow 1.1 million dollars for various projects. Two weeks ago this Committee passed legislation that allows us to reimburse ourselves with borrowed money so tonight is the third step, you are actually appropriating the borrowed money. If I might speak on reimbursing ourselves, there is an ODOT project on West Church Street and 30th Street intersection upgrade where we had to front the money quickly so Mr. Morehead used the License Plate Permissive Tax money. Legislation you passed a few weeks ago allows us to take the borrowed money and put it back where we loaned ourselves from. The other things are just various construction projects that I think we explained when the borrowed note was before you. This will appropriate so the projects can commence.

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

- b) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 247, Downtown Special Improvement District (SIDS) Fund, in the amount of \$102.99

Account	Description	Amount
247.147.5284	Collection Fees	\$3.00
247.147.5283	Detac Fees	5.15
247.147.5611	Refunds	94.84

Mr. Johnson- a lot of times I come before the Committee with some sort of housekeeping measure and that is what this is. The City has a special improvement district established for downtown for planting flowers on the square; the program is over however some additional money came in from the County. This appropriation will allow us to book the charges that the County charged us for collecting money and allow us to send it on to where it is supposed to go.

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

- c) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100, General Fund, in the amount of \$50,000.00 (Professional Services)

Account	Description	Amount
100.114.5231	Professional Services	\$50,000.00

Director Buskirk- I am requesting this money for professional services. We still have an arbitrator to pay for the new contract with the Police Department and we have several arbitrations coming up.

Mr. Blake- was there some unemployment thinks in there also?

Director Buskirk- no

Mr. Blake- so this is just for attorney fees basically

Director Buskirk- yes

Mr. Blake- my understanding is that this will be coming out of worker's comp money that we will be receiving in October.

Director Buskirk- yes, the State of Ohio is refunding the City in the excess of \$200,000.00.

Mr. Marmie- so we have an unappropriated balance now?

Mr. Johnson- \$200,000.00 in the General Fund for the Worker's Comp refund anticipated in October.

Mr. Marmie- so it is not actually in the fund?

Mr. Johnson- no it's like all of the revenue collections it is based on projections. We anticipate that in October it will be so we can certify this to the County Budget Commission and we will have an appropriation for it. It is very much like the budget. The whole budget is based on anticipated revenue.

Mr. Marmie- right

Mr. Johnson- this is just the same thing.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 4-1 (Mr. Marmie)

- d) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153, Compensated Absences Fund, in the amount of \$9,610.00 (Termination Payout for Scott Fulton & Promotion Payout for Kevin Saad)

Account	Description	Amount
153.116.5144	Vacation Payout	\$9500.00
153.116.5145	Comp Payout	110.00

Mayor Hall- spoke to these payouts. They are typical payouts when someone moves on or changes positions. In the case of Adult Probation Scott Fulton resigned and went to the County in that position so Kevin Saad was appointed as the new Director and he is cashing in some accruals as he moves up to a management position. Director Spurgeon could speak to the other two but they are standard procedure for employees that no longer work with us who have payouts.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to Section 4 full Council, second by Mrs. Floyd
Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

- e) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153, Compensated Absences Fund, in the amount of \$3,300.00 (Termination Payout for Adam Pfannenschmidt & Beth Underwood)

Account	Description	Amount
153.202.5144	Vacation Payout	\$600.00
153.202.5145	Comp Payout	350.00
153.203.5144	Vacation Payout	2,350.00

Director Spurgeon- spoke regarding the above request for payout within the Police Department and asked that the appropriations be expedited.

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

- f) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153, Compensated Absences Fund, in the amount of \$7,600.00 (Termination Payout for Heath Kempton)

Account	Description	Amount
153.205.5144	Vacation Payout	\$7,500.00
153.205.5145	Comp Payout	100.00

Director Spurgeon- spoke regarding the above request for payout within the Fire Department and asked that the appropriations be expedited.

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

2. Consider **Resolution No. 14-75** authorizing and directing the mayor of the City of Newark to prepare and submit to the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) a five year consolidated plan and a one year use of funds/action plan along with an application for FY 2015 Federal Community Development Block Grant Funds (CDBG), as required by 24 CFR part 91.220, for various programs related to housing and community development.

Barbara Gilkes- this is our annual request to apply for funding. This year we are doing a 5 year plan and it will also incorporate funding for 2015.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Mr. Blake-is this the part that we had community meetings to get input on, is that what those contributed to?

Barbara Gilkes- this is tied to it, we have to have authorizing legislation to submit with

our grant application but the public forums were connected to the preparation of this grant.

Mr. Blake- so this isn't the actual plan

Barbara Gilkes- no this is just the legislation. The plan is a large document.

Mr. Blake- when does that actually get started?

Barbara Gilkes- that will be submitted by November 15th unless there is a change by Congress regarding the appropriation

Mr. Marmie- this is where you are voting on the plan. The plan is going forward from this point the only thing that this body votes on is the actual funding once they find out and how they separate it out based upon this plan and that comes after the fact and it is usually after the budget. It probably won't be until 2015 that we will get that because we don't usually get CDBG dollar allocations anywhere from February to July.

Mrs. Floyd- when is that public meeting here?

Barbara Gilkes- October 9th

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

3. **Resolution No. 14-76** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.

- a) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100, General Fund, in the amount of \$6,474.12 (Reimbursements for Parks Dept related to costs for the LCJFS Summer Youth Programs)

Account	Description	Amount
100.432.5230	Temp Services	\$5026.65
100.601.5299	Contingency	1447.47

Barbara Gilkes- this is the reimbursement costs from our summer youth program for the Division of Parks to be placed in their temporary services account and the remaining amount of \$1447.47 that is for the Department of Development. It will go into a contingency account.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Jeremy Blake, Chair