

## Capital Improvements Minutes

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
June 27, 2017

The Capital Improvement Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday June 26, 2017 following the Service Committee with these members present:

Curtis Johnson  
Dee Hall  
Jeff Rath  
Mark Fraizer  
Mike Mangus

We wish to Report:

1. **Resolution No. 17-44** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation.

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 335, Capital Improvement Fund, in the amount of \$16,169.00 (Moving Newark Seal)

Account	Description	Amount
335.121.5231	Professional Services	\$16,169.00

**Director Rhodes-** if you head east on 16 and you look up on the hillside there is a city seal there that nobody can really see. We talked about trying to find some local funding to move that seal so that when you get off downtown you can actually see the seal of the city. With Barbara's help through the Licking County Foundation we got grant dollars. With my and Mark's persuasion we were able to get another \$3,000.00 from Newark Development Partners. We reached out into the community and got donations from State Farm. We decided to do this in conjunction with the new downtown bridge. We are going to execute the project once the monies are all received. We do have the \$3,000.00 from Newark Development Partners and we do have the letter in from the Licking County Foundations and I believe that is the last dollar matches. The Foundation will provide \$5,976.00 after we document to them that we have the other funds in place for the project. The timing is essential because they are going to be finishing the work downtown and we need to have our PO ready so we can execute. You look around and say should we do this or should we not but there are community partners that have donated in this excess amount for many different projects that would like to see this come to fruition.

**Mr. Johnson-** where exactly will the seal be?

**Director Rhodes-** as you get off the highway into downtown of you are east on the highway it will be located in front of the Licking County Chamber of Commerce.

**Barbara Gilkes-** the city will be providing the in-kind labor for all of this. We have 4 partners involved in this.

**Mr. Rath-** what is the city's cost?

**Director Rhodes-** out of capital improvements \$16,169.00

**Mr. Rath-** how much did we have in private contributions?

**Director Rhodes-** over \$10,000.00

**Mr. Fraizer-** what is the cost of the whole project?

**Director Rhodes-** if you add the in-kind in labor about \$35,000.00

**Barbara Gilkes-** it is actually more than that we are getting \$23,645.00 in cash. We are contributing and this was in 2014 our in-kind at that point was \$5,350.00 so it probably has gone up a little bit since then. Then the annual maintenance will be the responsibility of the city. It is a pretty big project.

**Mr. Fraizer-** is the Service Department taking care of the annual maintenance?

**Director Rhodes-** yes, we cut those grounds anyways.

**Barbara Gilkes-** the seal will be lit and you will be able to see the beauty of it and it will provide a gateway into the city. One of the biggest supporters has been Jerry McClain because of all the work he has done when you come into the city and the seal is the presentation that you are in Newark.

**Motion by Mr. Rath to send Resolution 17-44 on to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer**

**Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Curtis Johnson, Chair