

## Capital Improvements Minutes

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
January 26, 2016

The Capital Improvement Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday, January 25, 2016 following the Service Committee with these members present:

Curtis Johnson, Chair  
Dee Hall  
Jeff Rath

Mark Fraizer  
Alex Rolletta

We wish to Report:

1. **Resolution No. 16-12** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.

Section 1. A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 335, Capital Improvement Fund, in the amount of \$15,000.00

Account	Description	Amount
335.121.5271	Building Maintenance	\$10,000.00
335.121.5502	Land Improvements	5,000.00

**Director Rhodes-** the first item I want to point out is the \$15,000.00 we are appropriating is left over capital improvement dollars from 2015. This is not this year's capital improvement dollars. When money is moved into the capital improvement accounts it stays there. This is unspent money. I have two items that I need taken care of and I will break them apart. The first one is building and maintenance, of that \$10,000.00, \$7500.00 of that will go into a roof for a house that the city owns. It is for a roof that is dead, I have been out there. There is water coming through it. We looked at several different ways to repair it but it is not really repairable. The other \$2500.00 will go into the building maintenance fund which I will only spend if we have an emergency such as an air conditioning unit goes out or something of that nature. So that would speak to the first \$10,000.00 and if the Committee decided that they didn't want to appropriate that extra \$2500.00 and they would like me to come back I would be happy to do that but I just thought that I would get it all out since it was last year's

money. The \$5,000.00 is for down at the new parking lot that was built between the Fire Station and the Police Station. We want to put a sidewalk between the parking lot that leads to the Fire Station and we also want to put a gate in the fence of the Police Station. Both of these items were determined by the Auditor to be items that we can't use loan money for because it didn't have anything to do with the buildings. He felt it was a better use to use these dollars for that. What that does is that when the fire people park they don't have to walk clear out to the front of the building, down the sidewalk and down so they don't track mud in. For the Police Department, you don't have a Police Officer parking, walking around the building and coming in the back of the building; they just go through the gate right there. Both of them make sense. The actual expenses of both of these are a little closer to \$8500.00. I do have \$3500.00 for donations from the Evans Foundation towards that project but I do need the \$5,000.00.

**Mr. Rath-** how much more do you have in the 2015 Capital Improvement budget?

**Director Rhodes-** this is it, the total appropriation of the 15 and that is why I asked to appropriate it all that way it cleans it out.

**Motion by Mr. Rath to send to full Council, second by Ms. Hall**

**Mr. Fraizer-** where is the house at?

**Director Rhodes-** TJ Evans Park

**Mr. Fraizer-** is it occupied?

**Director Rhodes-** it is

**Mr. Marmie-** with our definition of capital improvements, roofs, I think we have in the past seen those at capital improvement, I think the sidewalk is but the extra \$2500.00 will it meet the definition? We have a building maintenance account in the General Fund that normally that little maintenance type of items falls under that. I don't see where we are going to be able to spend \$2500.00 where it says it is a true capital improvement unless we put it towards other things. If you put it under that building maintenance than I really feel that may not be the appropriate place for it and I would rather we put it over into paving.

**Director Rhodes-** I would be happy to put it into paving too, my intent was to clear the balance out to get it off the books for the Auditor. I am ok if somebody puts an amendment in that says the \$2500.00 goes towards paving or I am ok with letting it sit and having me come back here and telling you what the use of that \$2500.00 would be.

**Mr. Fraizer-** when do we have to have it off the books?

**Director Rhodes-** we don't, it's nothing more than a housekeeping item and that is why I wanted to break it apart.

**Motion by Mr. Rath to amend the first line item for \$7500.00 to go towards the roof and the remaining \$2500.00 to go into paving, second by Mr. Fraizer**

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

**Motion to send Resolution 16-12 to full Council as amended passed by a vote of 5-0.**

Curtis Johnson, Chair