

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
September 11, 2012

The Capital Improvements Committee met in Council Chambers on September 10, 2012 following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Duke Frost, Chair	Jeff Rath
Ed Houdeshell	Rhonda Loomis
Shirley Stare	

We wish to report:

1. Resolution No. 12-74 appropriating monies for current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.

**Director Rhodes-** stated that the request is for equipment for the Parks and Cemetery department. He stated that the department has taken over cutting the lots on properties for Property Maintenance. The items are mowers, trimmers and a bush hog. The department goes through trimmers regularly trimming around the headstones.

**Ms. Best-** inquired which lots they were cutting for Property Maintenance, and how much the property owner will be charged for that.

**Director Rhodes-** explained that this system makes the cutting of lots that are in violation with Property Maintenance more efficient. Previously, Property Maintenance hired outside contractors which could take up to a week or two and now the department can simply call their department and get the lot taken care of within a day or two. He stated that the Parks and Cemetery Department bills Property Maintenance and the bill still gets collected by Property Maintenance or assessed to property taxes by their department. An average bill is approximately \$50.00-\$60.00.

**Mr. Greene-** asked if there was a listing of City owned properties.

**Director Rhodes-** advised that there are a few lists of City properties that are categorized.

Motion by Mr. Rath, second by Ms. Stare  
Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

Chair, Duke Frost