## **Finance Committee Minutes**

Honorable Council City of Newark, Ohio March 21, 2022 5:45pm

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers March 21, 2022 with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie – Chair Spencer Barker Jeff Harris sitting in for Cheri Hottinger Colton Rine sitting in for Jonathan Lang Michael Houser

## We wish to report:

**Mr. Marmie** – To bring everyone up to date, the unappropriated balance of the General Fund is \$485,744.00, the Budget Stabilization Fund is \$1,053,837.00

1. **Resolution No. 22-24** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF NEWARK TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE STATE OF OHIO 2022 NATUREWORKS GRANT.

**Barbara Gilkes** – This is just allowing us to apply. We don't know the funding level yet, but we're looking at 75% city, 25% local share, looking at doing a shelter house and restroom enclosure at Reddington Road Park. **Motion to send to full council by Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Houser, motion passed 5-0** 

2. **Resolution No. 22-25 Exp** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MUNICPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 Comp Abs Fund, in the amount of \$5,000.00 (Payout for resigning firefighter Nathaniel Greene)

153.205.5144	Termination	3,500.00
	Vacation	
153.205.5145	Termination Comp	1,500.00

Tim Hickman, Safety Director – We have a firefighterwho has tendered a resignation and this will be his payout. Motion to send to full council by Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Rine, Motion passed 5-0

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund, in the amount of \$41,774.58 (Insurance check from car hitting cemetery bldg.; Bluebird Grant money; Money rec'd in 2021 from LC Veterans services for concrete work in veteran section)

100.432.5271	Maint.	Bldg	&	26,274.58
	Grounds			
100.432.5271	Maint.	Bldg	&	500.00
	Grounds			
100.432.5271	Maint.	Bldg	&	15,000.00
	Grounds			

**David Rhodes, Service Director** – The first item, \$26,274.58 is a reimbursement from insurance for a car that hit the side of Cedar Hill Cemetery building. The next \$500 is a grant we got to put up bluebird boxes in the parks,

and the third is money we received from Licking County Veteran Services to do some concrete work. This is a different Veteran Section right behind the building up there.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Houser, motion passed 5-0

## 3. **Resolution No. 22-28** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE MUNICPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund, in the amount of \$60,000.00 (Drainage work at pathways and other misc drainage work)

100.121.5271	Maint	Build	&	60,000.00
	Grounds			

David Rhodes, Service Director – You can see in the finance form paperwork it talks about the drainage work at pathways, let me explain this a little bit. If you go up Bryn Mawr Drive on the left side is Pathways of Licking County. Some past administrations decided to take in the hillside right behind it. When it rains real hard their basement gets flooded with water that comes off the hill. So, Brian Morehead and myself have spent about a year and a half working with pathways, we had Jim Roberts do his analysis. The total project cost is about \$180,000 of which Pathways is paying \$90,000 of that per the agreement we negotiated out of this \$60k I'm going to use \$45k and take the other \$45k from storm water utility which leaves me \$15k for a couple of various storm water drainage issues that we have.

## Motion to send to full council by Mr. Barker, second by Mr. Rine

Mr. Marmie – Are there any long term solutions such as getting rid of that property, because it's useless.

Director Rhodes – I agree, but I don't know who would want to take it. I'm not so sure why the City did take it. If it would've been brought to me I would've declined it, but it's ours. It's our hillside. Hopefully what we've got now is a fix and we're lucky enough to have Pathways as a good partner in this, but I don't find this property to do any greater good for the City.

Mr. Marmie – Would it do any good for Pathways?

**Director Rhodes** – They would probably run from it. They've been a good community partner and really good to deal with and they do a lot of good in the community.

**Mr. Marmie** – I agree

Motion passed 5-0

Finance Committee meeting stands adjourned

Doug Marmie, Chair