

Finance Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
April 15, 2024
5:45pm

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers April 15, 2024 with these members in attendance:

- Doug Marmie – Chair
- Dustin Neely sitting in for Jonathan Lang - Vice Chair
- Bradley Chute
- Bill Cost Jr.
- Michael Houser

We wish to report:

Mr. Marmie - The unappropriated balance of the General Fund is \$767,169.00 and the balance of the Budget Stabilization Fund is \$1,651,498.00.

1. Resolution No. 24-36 APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 Fund, in the amount of \$39,974.03 (32450.00 from LCounty for portion of irrigations system and 7524.03 from LC Foundations for Horns Hill Improvements).

100.121.5238	Services General	39,974.03
--------------	------------------	-----------

Director Rhodes – There are two here. The first came from Licking County government for their share of the irrigation system on the square. We expanded the sprinkler system on the square, and I have the County Commissioners amendment to split the cost of it with us before we did it. The total price of that was \$64,000.00, and the Commissioners are just paying us their share. The second part of that came from the Licking County Foundation. We have an account set up there for the Horns Hill downhill, so we raised money through this Licking County Foundation. We did some work there. The city paid the bill, and this is also reimbursed.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Houser, Second by Mr. Cost, Motion passed 5-0.

2. Resolution No. 24-37 Exp APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 220 ARP Fund, in the amount of \$225,000.00 (Waterworks Road Dam Spillway Improvements Project).

220.100.5502.112	Land Improvements Spillway	225,000.00
------------------	-------------------------------	------------

Brandon Fox, Water Administrator – Good evening. This is ARP money originally allocated for lead service line replacements, and as you’re well aware, we’ve been getting some of the lead service line funding from Ohio EPA through low interest no interest loans. So, we are going to be unencumbering this \$225,000.00 and encumbering it for the spillway project at the Horns Hill and Waterworks Rd. roundabout. This is an ODNR project that we’re bidding in coordination with one of the engineer’s roundabout projects, so hopefully, we’ll get better bids than if we did it separately.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Houser, Second by Mr. Cost, Motion passed 5-0.

Mr. Marmie – I understand the bridge project has been backed up to a date to be determined? Just because that was supposed to happen all at the same time.

Brian Morehead, Chief Engineer – Next year.

Mr. Marmie - Which is good news for those out in that area, because that would shut it down for quite a while. This is a good project. Thank you. Let the record know that Councilman Lang is now in for Councilman Neely.

- Resolution No. 24-38** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEWARK AND NEWARK DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO THE OHIO HISTORY CONNECTION STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE 2024 CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANT.

Mr. Marmie – This is one that Barb wrote.

Director Rhodes - Nothing more than that. A resolution seeking to be able to submit an application.

Mr. Marmie – What this is, you can apply for a grant, due to the historic nature and preservation, you have a lot of hoops to jump through and everything else. For example, you can’t replace it with new windows. You have to have everything going back to authenticity. It is very beneficial for our downtown area. There are certain buildings that we are restoring to original type. As a matter of fact, this grant came about and it’s going to be done quickly. She is asking that it be expedited, so we will expedite it in the next council meeting also. It is something that can be very beneficial to our downtown area.

Mr. Houser – Is this related to the Arcade at all or is it completely separate?

Mr. Marmie – Yes. It can be used for any of that type of stuff. Yeah, the Arcade is probably the primary. That is what we are restoring as much as possible back to the original.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Lang, Second by Mr. Houser, Motion passed 5-0.

Meeting stands adjourned.

Doug Marmie, Chair