

## Capital Improvements Minutes

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
February 7, 2022

The Capital Improvement Committee met in Council Chambers on February 7, 2022 following the Service Committee with these members present:

Cheri Hottinger- Chair  
Jeff Rath – Vice Chair  
Doug Marmie  
Mark Labutis  
Jeff Harris

We wish to Report:

1. **Resolution No. 22-10** A RESOLUTION 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 \$16,286.50 (Lowering Device is 30-40 years old, Tent & Frame is 12 years old, Jumping Jack is used for tamping graves)

335.432.5271	15'X15' steel frame tent, top 4 sides	7,152.00
335.432.5271	Imperial Stainless steel lowering device	3,758.30
335.432.5271	2496 HD Composite Mats	1,249.20
335.432.5271	Jumping Jack Tamper 3.50HP	4,127.00

**David Rhodes, Service Director** – All of these items listed are for the Cemetery. Over the years they have just kind of made do with the things they have, but these things do have a life and the life is at it's end. Things for like, the tent to be set up when we have services, the device we use to lower caskets, the tamper that we use to tamp the graves, all of these things need to be replaced and that's the total \$16,286.50.

**Motion to send to full council by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Harris**

**Ms. Hottinger** – Does this replace all of them or just like a cycle?

**Mr. Rhodes** – No, we are cycling to replace everything up there, these are at the top of the list.

**Mr. Rath** – How much of this is going towards lawn mowers?

**Mr. Rhodes** – None of this \$16,000 is going towards that. It’s a fair question that you asked. On the lawn mowers, we did appropriate some money last year to purchase lawn mowers.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 335 Capital Improvement Fund, in the amount of \$15,000 (TJ Evans Trail Reddington Rd to steel truss bridge at SR 16 Berm work – split cost with Park District)

335.121.5271	Maint/Buildings & Grounds	15,000.00
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**David Rhodes, Service Director** – If you remember last year, the City worked with the Park District and we got them to put \$100,000 into paving the bike trails, then we had a donor who gave another \$100,000, so we got \$200,000 in paving done. The bike trail hasn’t used any of our money. This year we approached the Park District to do some berming work to the new bike trails that we’ve done. I know Mr. Harris has been out there, if you go out on some of these trails, there’s quite a fall off and we want to do the berming kind of like what we do on the streets, so this \$15,000 is our share and the Park District is also putting \$15,000 in for this work and these trails all reside inside Newark District.

**Motion to send to full council by Mr. Harris, second By Mr. Labutis**

**Mr. Marmie** – I think my wife will be happy about this, she walks on the bike trails quite a bit and this makes it safer.

**Motion passed 5-0**

Section 3. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 335 Capital Improvement Fund, in the amount of \$7,604.75 (Rooftop Unit Cherry Valley Rd Crime Lab)

335.121.5271	Maint/Buildings & Grounds	7,604.75
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**David Rhodes, Service Director** – The old forensic lab was emptied out and we are ready, If you haven’t been out there, it is attached to the County Morgue, so you have the County owns part of the building and the City owns the other part. So what to do with this building, I talked to the County Commissioners, the people who do the autopsy’s, Dr. Campolo to see what part of the building they could use, because we really can’t rent part of that building out to anybody, because they do autopsy’s in the back, sometimes it smells. So what we looked at doing with it is make some of the rooms Newark’s storage site. The Clerk of Courts could store records there, we could take some of the Engineer’s records there and store them in different rooms so they could be locked. The front part we wanted to make a Field Office so maybe with the Thornwood Connector they could have desks in there. With that being said, we went through the building and found one of the rooftop units was disconnected and not working and we need to heat that area of the building. This is just that, a roof top unit to heat the front part of the building that the City owns. There are a couple, this is just one of them.

**Motion to send to full council by Mr. Marmie, second by Mr. Harris, motion passed 5-0**

Capital Improvements stands adjourned

Cheri Hottinger, Chair