

## Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council  
City of Newark, Ohio  
August 16, 2022

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on August 15, 2022, following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath - Chair  
Jeff Harris – Vice Chair  
Spencer Barker  
Beth Bline  
Ms. Hottinger

### We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 22-74** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ACCEPT BIDS AND SELL CERTAIN SURPLUS PERSONAL PROPERTY NOW OWNED BY THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, AND DECLARING THAT SUCH PROPERTY IS NO LONGER NEEDED FOR ANY MUNICIPAL PURPOSE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**David Rhodes, Service Director** – We want to have another auction on our Impound lot, to take place on October 8<sup>th</sup>. The reason for the emergency clause is to do advertising.

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

2. **Resolution No. 22-77** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO TO PROCEED WITH THE STEPS NECESSARY TO DESIGNATE A PORTION OF ALLEY RUNNING WEST FROM NORTH 4<sup>TH</sup> STREET IN THE DOWNTOWN AREA AS LEWIS E. CLAGGETT WAY.

**Director Rhodes** – Ten years back, or longer, there was a fire station named after a former Mayor, then council made a rule that if we wanted to name something after somebody it had to go through council to do that and I was on council at the time and thought it was a good idea. We're wanting to recognize Mr. Claggett for some of the things he did in town, so we decided to name that small portion of the alley, and they are a community minded family, this alley is currently unnamed, so we aren't taking someone else's name off and putting this on, so we ask for your support.

**Motion by Ms. Hottinger to send to full council, second by Ms. Bline**

**Rochelle Volen-Smith, 237 Violet Ct.** – I just can't see a reason for doing this frankly, I think it's inappropriate.

**Mark Mauter, Director of Community Development** – I wasn't prepared to speak on this, but what I can say is that Mr. Claggett was extremely involved in the real state community and other parts of our community economically. He ran the festival for years

and he also organized and was the promoter for many home and garden shows that were put on in our community. We'd bring thousands of people every year to this event to help other local businesses that are part of the home and garden industry of our community and he did that extremely well and it had a tremendous economic impact on our community and actually built the community because it brought people together, it brought businesses together. He was very influential and he was selfless in the time he gave to numerous organizations, one of which is the building association, now that is the Buckeye Valley BIA. I served on that for almost 20 years and I've known Mr. Claggett since I was a young boy and I grew up with his sons, Phil Claggett, who runs the business on this alley and his other son Steve, which are all men now who are giving back to their community in many ways, Phil serves on how many committees here for the City of Newark. So, I think this is extremely appropriate to give this consideration and to give this man who gave so much to his community to help his community some recognition. Lew, if I remember correctly, led the campaign to have Woody English recognized, so I would live to see this committee forward this to council to have this happen. I think he is very deserving.

**Motion passed 5-0**

3. **Resolution No. 22-78** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT WITHOUT COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR THE PURCHASE OF BREATHING APPARATUS EQUIPMENT AND RIT PACKS WITHIN THE DIVISION OF FIRE AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**Tim Hickman, Safety Director** – Some of the air packs for the fire department are getting ready to expire, they have a certification date on them. So, we need to replace those units. We're asking to waive competitive bidding because we need the new units to be compatible with the ones that we have in service, there's a compatibility issue. We're asking for the emergency clause because the manufacturer told us there is going to be a 4-6 month waiting period for those units to come in so we will be running up against the expiration of the ones we have.

**Mr. Rath** – What is an RIT pack?

**Director Hickman** – It's a rescue pack. It's basically a spare air, so if they go into a fire and see someone's air doesn't work they can pass this on to them, or if you're trapped in a building they can provide you with that air pack.

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

Meeting stands adjourned

Jeff Rath -Chair