

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
March 21, 2023

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on March 20, 2023, following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

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

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 23-28** Cooperating with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the replacement of two deficient bridges on Moull Street and Jefferson Road over Log Pond Run, and declaring an emergency.

David Rhodes, Service Director - The emergency all has to do with legislation getting back to ODOT. ODOT's share in this is going to be a little over \$1 million and our share is going to be about \$87 thousand. Our funding is coming from the license plate permissive tax. As you mentioned this is an expedited piece of legislation. It's the final piece of legislation we need for ODOT to do these bridges.

Mr. Rath - Okay, what is the timeframe when it will be started.

Director Rhodes - It goes out to bid and then we'll work with the contractors, so it will depend on their schedules.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Barker, second by Ms. Hottinger, motion passed 5-0

2. **Ordinance No.23-07** AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 882 WEIANT AVENUE, CITY OF NEWARK, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, PARCEL TAX ID#054-226500-00.000 FROM THAT OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE - RH - HIGH DENSITY DISTRICT TO MFR - MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO

Director Rhodes - As is normal we have to pass this on to Council then to Planning Commission so we can get a look at it and come up with an opinion.

Ms. Bline - It's a little different, I was looking at it and it's had two structures on it for quite some time.

Director Rhodes - And full disclosure, I haven't come up with an opinion on it yet. The applications come in, this is kind of a formality to go through Council to make the public aware. When it comes to Planning Commission we hear the pros and cons, the Mayor, myself and Brian Morehead and we talk about it a little bit, if there's a Council Person that's interested because

it's in their area, kind of like Merchant Street, we talk with them before we come up with an opinion.

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

3. **Ordinance No.23-08** AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY, GENERALLY DESCRIBED AS 281 ELMWOOD AVENUE, CITY OF NEWARK, LICKING COUNTY, OHIO, PARCEL TAX ID #054-278850-00.000 FROM THAT OF SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE - RH - HIGH DENSITY DISTRICT TO TFR-TWO-FAMILY RESIDENCE DISTRICT, ZONING CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO

Director Rhodes - The same case, we ask that you pass this on. I will say this, the Mayor and I have spoken with the property owner and I'm going to go out after it comes to Planning Commission and walk the property and then come up with an opinion.

Motion to send to full Council by Ms. Bline, second by Ms. Hottinger, motion passed 5-0

4. **Resolution No. 23-31** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LICKING COUNTY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Lindsey Brighton, Stormwater Coordinator - The City has an MS4 Stormwater permit with the State and the EPA requires that we have 6 minimum control measures each year. Three of those minimum control measures are being fulfilled by the solar and water education folks, we had a previous demo from them from 2011 and it was way old and outdated, so this just updates that and spells out specifically what they are going to do for us and what we're going to do for them.

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

5. **Resolution No. 23-32** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE FOR THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH NEWARK DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS AND OTHER AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS FOR REPLACEMENT OF A SEWER LINE

Roger Loomis, Water Administrator - This is just allowing the Service Director to enter into a negotiated agreement. AS you know the Arcade is being rebuilt and it's a very old building, they are finding some issues with some sewer lines over there that are interconnected into some other buildings and we don't have provisions to take the systems out into the streets because we didn't know all of this interaction was going on before we started rebuilding this thing. We don't really know where it's going to end up in the end but basically what's happening is the private and city is tying together and the City has to get involved and say this is going to be a City line this is going to be a private line. It' like you sewer line is going through her property and through his property and then coming back, so we need an agreement put in place in case there are any problems.

Mr. Rath - How is this going to affect everything we've done currently on Church?

Mr. Loomis - Hopefully not, that's why we need this agreement so we can keep those things tied inside the buildings because they are already in place.

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

6. Meeting stands adjourned

Jeff Rath -Chair