

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
April 2, 2014

There was a meeting of the Service Committee in Council Chambers following the Finance Committee, on Monday March 31, 2014. These members were present:

Bill Cost Jr., Chair	Alex Rolletta
Jeff Rath	Ryan Bubb
Jeremy Blake	

We wish to Report:

1. **Ordinance No. 14-06** changing the zoning classification of certain real property, generally described as 363 North 21st St, City of Newark, Licking County, Ohio, from that of single-family residence-RL- Low Density District, to LO-Limited Office District was considered.

Brian Morehead- we have had an application submitted to the office for a zoning change. The first order of business is to get it before you, then hopefully have it forwarded on to Council for its' first reading then from there it will go to the Planning Commission where a public hearing will be held.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Rath

Mr. Rolletta- do you have any indication as to what type of office they are planning to put in there?

Brian Morehead- no the property owner is just asking to change it from single family residence to limited office right now. No specific client or business is proposed there right now.

Motion to forward on to full Council passed by a vote of 4- 1 (Mr. Rolletta).

2. **Ordinance 14-07** an ordinance authorizing and directing the Newark City Safety Director to certify to the Licking County Auditor, the sum of **\$48,768.56** incurred by the Newark City Property Maintenance Department with respect to Property Maintenance violations to be placed as a lien upon certain parcels of real property situated in the City of Newark, Ohio was considered.

Director Spurgeon- I am asking for the committee's support. I would like to recover the costs on behalf of the citizens who have been issued a citation of non-compliance with the Property Maintenance Ordinance. You will see attached to this

piece the actual properties, the parcel number, the assessment and the 3% fee which is required by law to cover the County's administrative expense for doing this.

Mr. Bubb- Director Spurgeon I would like to say thanks and keep up the good work and with that I will make a motion.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Rath

Mr. Cost- thank you Mr. Spurgeon, do keep up the good work

Director Spurgeon- thank you for the kind words, the folks upstairs work very, very hard.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

3. Preliminary Legislation, **Resolution 14-27** bridge inspection program services, including, but not limited to bridge load rating calculations, scour assessments, bridge inspections, and fracture critical plan development was considered.

Brian Morehead- this is a new program that ODOT is instituting to try to get communities to better meet the Federal highway regulations for bridge inspections. ODOT will contract with engineering consultants to provide inspection, load rating calculations, under water scour analysis and etc. These services will be provided at no cost to the City. Legislation is needed in order to opt in to the new program.

Mr. Cost- this is going for an emergency, is there a deadline?

Brian Morehead- ODOT sent this legislation down and I think that they want it back as soon as possible but I apologize I don't know what the deadline for this is.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Rath

Mr. Blake- there isn't many opportunities that we get to talk about bridges so I want to take this chance if I can. In the, I guess it is considered a metric there are 20 some different metrics they look at. Under repair and maintain if they want to repair and maintain the bridge is there opportunities to upgrade the bridge. Like if you have an older bridge will they just fix it to be structurally sound or could it be upgraded?

Brian Morehead- typically no decorative enhancements just basically putting it back to structurally sound condition. This is actually just for engineering work not construction work.

Mr. Blake- discussed how Ohio St Bridge would benefit from a bridge cap and suffice to a bike path.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

4. Consent Legislation, **Resolution 14-28** demolition of structures located at Cherry Valley Road in the City of Newark. This work will be performed as part of Cherry Valley Road at State Route 16 interchange project was considered.

Brian Morehead- this is again consent legislation from ODOT to gain the City's cooperation. ODOT has been acquiring properties for the Cherry Valley Rd interchange project. This legislation would give the City's concurrence of the demolition of those structures on parcels that ODOT has acquired or is acquiring. The one most pertinent to the City is a small house on the south side of Cherry Valley Rd west of Reddington Rd east of Cherry Valley Lodge. It is just right across from the entrance that goes back to the church on the north side of Cherry Valley Rd.

Mr. Cost- my understanding is that this is through ODOT not us directly, we are a partner.

Brian Morehead- we are a partner in the project but we are not being asked for any funding at this point this is all at ODOT's expense.

Motion by Mr. Rath to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0

Bill Cost Jr, Chair