

## COUNCIL MINUTES

January 4, 2016  
Council Chambers  
7:00 P.M.

**7:00 P.M.**- President Ellington called the Monday January 4, 2016 Newark City Council Meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**- Mr. Bubb, Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Fraizer, Ms. Hall, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Rath, Mr. Rolletta

**INVOCATION** – Mrs. Floyd

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**- William Butcher

**CAUCUS**- Motion by Mrs. Floyd to excuse Mr. Blake, second by Mr. Marmie. Motion carried by acclamation

**MINUTES of December 21, 2015**- Motion by Mr. Rath to approve the minutes from December 21, 2015 Newark City Council Meeting as presented and the reading be dispensed with in view of the fact each member of Council has received written summary of same, second by Mr. Johnson. **Motion carried by acclamation**

### APPOINTMENTS

#### Proposed Newark City Council Committee assignments:

#### Finance

Marmie, Chair  
Floyd, Vice Chair  
Bubb  
Fraizer  
Cost

#### Capital Improvements

Johnson, Chair  
Hall, Vice Chair  
Rath  
Rolletta  
Fraizer

#### Service

Rath, Chair  
Cost, Vice Chair  
Fraizer  
Floyd  
Bubb

#### Safety

Frazier, Chair  
Blake, Vice Chair  
Johnson  
Floyd  
Rath

#### Personnel

Bubb, Chair  
Rolletta, Vice Chair  
Marmie  
Hall  
Johnson

#### Recreation

Cost, Chair  
Rath, Vice Chair  
Blake

**Street**

Floyd, Chair  
Johnson, Vice Chair  
Rath  
Hall  
Rolletta  
Blake  
Marmie

**Rules**

Rolletta, Chair  
Johnson, Vice Chair  
Marmie

**Economic Development**

Blake, Chair  
Rath, Vice Chair  
Cost  
Fraizer  
Johnson

**Ways and Means**

Hall, Chair  
Bubb, Vice Chair  
Marmie

**Budget Review**

Mayor, chair  
Marmie, vice chair  
Auditor  
Service Director  
Bubb  
Floyd  
Blake

**Chaplains**

Floyd  
Johnson

**President Pro-tem**

Bubb

**Republican Leader**

Marmie

**Democrat Leader**

Floyd

**President Ellington**- according to Council Rules the City Treasurer is to be on the Budget Review Committee so without objection I will add him to the list. Motion to add the City Treasurer and to accept the Committee Assignments was carried by acclamation.

**ADOPTION OF RULES AND ORDER OF BUSINESS OF COUNCIL-** carried by acclamation

**REPORTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

**Barb Jobses, City Tax Administrator**- Income Tax Revenue Reports for the period ending December 15, 2015. - **Received & Filed**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**Paul Moran**- his comments from the December 21, 2015 City Council Meeting- **Received & Filed**

## COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**William Butcher, 263 Union St-** stated that there are side streets near where he lives that needs paved and that there are motorists not obey traffic laws by pulling over for emergency vehicles.

## RESOLUTIONS ON 2nd READING

**By: Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Rath**

**15-111** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACT FOR CERTAIN ESSENTIAL SUPPLIES FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO, FOR 2016.

**Motion by Mr. Cost to adopt Resolution No. 15-111, Second by Mr. Bubb**  
**Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.**

**By: Mr. Cost, Mrs. Floyd, Mr. Marmie, Mr. Rath**

**15-112** A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SERVICE OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, OHIO TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT, SUBJECT TO THE APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS, FOR THE OFF-SITE DISPOSAL OF LIME SLUDGE FROM LAGOON #1 AT NEWARK'S WATER TREATMENT PLANT.

**Motion by Mr. Cost to adopt Resolution No. 15-111, Second by Mr. Bubb**  
**Motion passed by a vote of 9-0.**

## COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS

**William Butcher, 263 Union St-** stated motorists were not yielding to emergency vehicles and provided a weather update.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Law Director Sassen-** I would like to appreciate Mrs. Floyd mentioning the passing of Mr. Gibney. Pete Gibney had a long history of involvement with City Council. As we know he was certainly not afraid to speak his mind and express his opinion and to make that abundantly clear to everyone. He was not a fan of politicians and he was not a fan of lawyers, being both I took his nickname "slick" as a compliment, I don't know if it was meant as a compliment but I took it as a compliment and I will miss Pete at these meetings. I also appreciate William giving us the weather forecast tonight because I will follow it up with the sports report. Go Tigers!

**Mayor Hall-** I would like to extend our condolences to the Gibney and the Kennedy family. Erin Kennedy was strong to the end. She was President of the Rotary and ran those up until recently. It was a tough weekend for those families and we extend our condolences. Welcome everyone and Happy New Year. I look forward to working with Council and thank everyone for 2015 and look forward to a good exciting year in 2016.

**Mr. Bubb-** I would also like to pass my condolences on to the Kennedy family and the Gibney family both will be missed. I didn't know Erin too well but I knew Scott her husband pretty well, I did a lot of business with him throughout the years. It is a huge loss for our community. Pete Gibney will be sadly missed. I enjoyed talking to him; he had great insight on city government. He had one of the most entertaining comments that I remember it was probably about 6 years, it had to do with Twitter and if I repeated it I would probably mess it up. I think the Law Director knows what I am talking about, it was entertaining. I want to really encourage fellow Council Members and all of the citizens here tonight; with the closure on 3<sup>rd</sup> Street coming up we really need to patronize those businesses because it is going to be rough. Let's hope that it is only going to be 3-3 ½ months for them. Traffic is going to be clogged up for a while and those businesses are going to be hurting so let's try to make the extra effort to go shop and eat down there around that whole downtown corridor around 3<sup>rd</sup> Street.

**Mr. Cost-** I would like to thank my wife and family for being here this evening, it means the world to me and I would like to thank Director Sassen for making the sports report brief.

**Mrs. Floyd-** I would like to welcome Mark Fraizer. Congratulations to the other persons who were re-elected and are back on Council and that is a good thing. I decided that I am supporting Clemson because I don't want the SCC to win. The Buckeyes look good and for once I am on Doug's side in a ball game. Happy New Year.

**Mr. Fraizer-** I would like to take this time to highlight the great opportunity before this Council and the administration. Our city finds itself in a unique period of time which public and private investment is making an unprecedented impact

on updating and restoring our historic downtown. The city has a 30 million dollar General Fund budget with an additional 51 million allocated in the other portion of the budget. The mandate of people is simple: manage the business of government, collaborate within all government and private entities and move our city forward to achieve even greater success. We must do what is prudent and wise for our city to remain the vibrant and distinct community that it is today. I look forward to the role of Safety Chair and the opportunity to work with Chief Connor and Chief Connell and our terrific safety forces as well as with Safety Director Spurgeon to make Newark a safer place. We need to ensure the ongoing safety and security of our all of citizens and provide the quality services expected by our constituents. Only by establishing trust and respect between all parties can we remove the political motives that often accompany talks of safety and then we can determine the real needs of those services. I am not here to score political points or further an unwritten agenda. I am here to service the people of Newark and further the causes of our community. We must continue to adequately staff and equip our safety forces and evaluate all solutions to bring what is right and expedient to fruition. This Council and administration will face tough decisions in 2016. I look forward to working together to find the best solutions for our city. It is crucial that the current progress continues and all citizens of Newark be taken in account for all future decisions. I would like to thank all those who have supported me throughout my life especially my family, my wife, my mother, my in-laws as well as my brother. I welcome your support and prayers for this new role. I would like to thank the administration for meeting with me last week and informing me on the current state of affairs and discussing my concerns. I also want to thank the people of Newark for this opportunity as I see limitless possibilities for the future of our great city. I would also like to announce that the Hudson Historical Association is having a chicken and noodles dinner that will January 16<sup>th</sup> at the Central Christian Church pre-order tickets are available as well as tickets at the door. Adults are \$8.00 and children are \$4.00. I hope all can attend. I want to say that it is a privilege to be up here with all of you and I look for to the next four years.

**President Ellington-** I want to add my welcome to you as well and that you just made it under the 3 minute time limit.

**Ms. Hall-** I just want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and stay warm.

**Mr. Johnson-** Happy New Year, I too will support Clemson.

**Mr. Marmie-** called a Finance Committee meeting. I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year and welcome Mr. Fraizer to Council and congratulate all those that are back in their elected positions. I want to extend my condolences to the Kennedy and Gibney families, in particular Pete Gibney. I respected him a lot he was a very intelligent individual. We did see eye to eye on a lot of things, not always but most things we did. He always had those subliminal zingers that he put in there and I really enjoyed that about him. He made you think and he challenged you because he would give you a different opinion and a different spin on things as far as did you think about it in this capacity. That will be greatly missed. I want to put out a special thank you to our safety forces. They do an incredible job all year round but while the citizens of Newark were able to enjoy the holidays in a safe capacity they stood their watch while we were with our loved ones. I really do appreciate what they do and the sacrifices that they make for those of us in the City of Newark so that we can enjoy living and raising our families in the City of Newark.

**Mr. Rath-** called a Service Committee meeting and an Economic Development Committee meeting. I wish everyone a Happy New Year. Welcome Mr. Fraizer. Council, Mr. Ellington you stole my thunder I was going to ask you to go over the rules with him including the time segment. In extending the sports report I want to put out a special thank you to the Buffalo Bills and say go Steelers! I want to extend my condolences to the Gibney and Kennedy families. I also had many conversations with Pete Gibney and he definitely gave you a unique insight and he will certainly be missed.

**Mr. Rolletta-** I would like to express my condolences to the Kennedy family. I didn't have the pleasure of knowing Mr. Gibney but I knew Mrs. Erin Kennedy quite well and I am thankful to have had the opportunity to know her. She touched the lives of many people through her community service and her work. The Kennedy family has done a lot of me personally as well. Several months ago I was sitting at the kitchen table with Mrs. Kennedy when she was helping me grieve the loss of my grandfather. She always helped others and showed compassion for others that is the kind of person she was. Her son is one of my very best friends so I would ask that you please keep her husband and her sons as well as other family members in your thoughts.

**President Ellington-** I would like to express my condolences to the Kennedy and the Gibney families. Pete would always have a comment on my haircuts, sometimes good, sometimes bad depending on the day and we always had some fun with that and I will certainly miss him. Our next meeting will be committee meetings right here January 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M. Our next Council meeting will be Tuesday January 19<sup>th</sup> since Monday is a holiday. We will also have The State of the City by Mayor Hall.

**ADJOURNMENT-** Motion by Mr. Rath to adjourn, second by Mr. Cost. Motion carried by acclamation.