

Finance Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
 City of Newark, Ohio
 December 21, 2020
 5:45pm

The Finance Committee met via Zoom on Monday, December 21, 2020 with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie – Chair
 Ryan Bubb
 Jeff Harris
 Jonathan Lang
 Jeremy Blake

We Wish to Report:

1. Consider **Resolution No. 20-96** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund , in the amount of \$102,356.12 (Services General – Grant monies from LC Foundation to support paving of bike trail project throughout the Park District)

100.121.5238	Services General	102,356.12
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Service Director David Rhodes – It’s with great pleasure I tell you that the Mayor and I worked with the Licking County Foundation and were lucky enough to get \$102,356,12 grant with the help of Sarah Wallace and her family. In addition to this the Mayor and I spoke to Richard Wall from the Licking County Parks District and we secured a matching grant of this amount for bike path paving. So, this spring we will have \$204k going into paving of our trails and it’s not going to cost the city’s general fund one penny. These are two grants one from the Evans Foundation and the other one will be coming from the Licking County Parks District.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Bubb, second by Mr. Lang, passed 5-0

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund , in the amount of \$22,000.00 (Maint. Bldgs & Grounds – Monies from LC Park District for Horns Hill Park Bike Trails)

100.121.5271	Maint. Bldgs & Grounds	22,000.00
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Director Rhodes – At that same meeting, I talked to the Licking County Parks District about our Horns Hill project. They went and checked it out the following weekend and thought it was a good project so they are putting \$22k into it to help further the bike trails at Horns Hill.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Bubb, second by Mr. Lang, passed 5-0

Mr. Marmie – I do have one thing to ask. The gentleman that was hurt and life flighted out of there, how’s he doing?

Director Rhodes – I don’t know I’ll have to get back with you on that.

Mr. Blake – I just wanted to say congratulations to David on everything that you are doing with Horns Hill.

2. Consider **Resolution No. 20-97 Expedite** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund , in the amount of \$6,500 (Misc Fees - \$1,500 and Service Fees - \$5,000 – Replenish money spent & reimbursed with COVID Funds)

100.107.5297	Misc Fees	1,500.00
100.107.5238	Service Fees	5,000.00

Mayor Hall – I’ve not been informed on this. It’s Clerk of Courts and they’re just saying to replenish money that was spent with COVID Funds. Beyond that, I’m not aware of their intentions.

Mr. Marmie – It would be my recommendation that we go ahead and forward this. I would have a feeling they probably have to do this quickly. They’re not going to be able to get it done by the end of the year.

Mr. Bubb – Mr. Chairman, I agree with what you’re saying ,is it something that we might have to use Rule 11 for this evening? If the clerk is here for the council meeting maybe she can explain it then, but if not, I’d be glad to move it on but I would think this would need to be spent by the end of the year.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Bubb, second by Mr. Lang

Mr. Marmie – Whenever it’s dealing with COVID money right now I think we ought to move it forward. We’ll have time if we have questions in order to talk with them if it’s at our next meeting, or if it’s going to be tonight then I’m sure they’ll explain that, but no one’s approached me and I don’t know about you Jeremy about Rule 11 for tonight.

Mr. Blake – Not for this I haven’t heard anything.

President Ellington – I do know that Marcia will be on the Zoom meeting tonight, if that helps any.

Motion passed 5-0

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 153 Comp Abs Fund , in the amount of \$29,000.00 (Term Sick - \$11,750/Term Vaca - \$12,750/Term Comp - \$4,500 – Payout for retiring Officer Phil Palmisano, submitted for 2021 budget year as it will not be used in 2020)

153.202.5143	Termination Sick	11,750.00
153.202.5144	Termination Vacation	12,750.00
153.202.5145	Termination Comp	4,500.00

Mayor Hall – This is a retiring police officer. This was originally appropriated for 2020 but because it’s a deferred comp it’s actually going to come out in 2021 so we’re just getting it in the pipeline so it can be approved at the beginning of next year.

Motion to send to full council by Mr. Bubb, second by Mr. Lang, passed 5-0

3. The last item I want to go over is I wanted to leave time for anyone who has any questions about the budget, comments about the budget or anything along those line, we can talk about that now because it is going to be voted on this evening. It’s hard to have discussion during the actual council meeting. Does anyone have anything? I talked with the Auditors office directly on just a couple of items, but to me it looked pretty clear-cut. It’s a tight budget but definitely has some good things in it, it’s workable and I was happy that the Administration and the Auditors office was able to balance it.

Finance Meeting stands adjourned.

Doug Marmie, Chair