## **Finance Committee Minutes**

Honorable Council City of Newark, Ohio July 21, 2025 5:45pm

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers July 21, 2025 with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie – Chair Spencer Barker – Vice Chair Bill Cost Jr. Bradley Chute Jeff Rath sitting in for Michael Houser

## We wish to report:

**Mr. Marmie** - The unappropriated balance of the General Fund is \$270,841.00 and the balance of the Budget Stabilization Fund is \$512,928.00.

**1. Resolution No. 25-49** A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING MONIES FOR THE CURRENT EXPENSES OF THE MUNICIPAL CORPORATION

Section 1. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 258 One Ohio Fund, in the amount of \$22,780.79 (One Ohio disbursements)

258.100.5268	One Ohio disbursements	22,780.79

Mayor Jeff Hall - Yes, Mr. Chairman and Finance Committee. This is collections. It's fund 258, so it doesn't have to do with the General Fund. It's One Ohio Opioid Disbursement Fund. The collections through the first six months of this year, as you know, it varies quite a bit and goes all across the board. So, there's interesting timings. That's the first six months collection. I would like to get it appropriated and then we'll encumber it and get it paid for all of our agreements to Shepherd Hill.

## Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Barker, Second by Mr. Chute, Motion passed 5-0

Section 2. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 Fund, in the amount of \$12,321.96 (Request appropriation to put funds into Misc. account from department Gov Deals sales from March 2005 through July 2025 – see attached list)

100.204.5319	Miscellaneous	12,321.96

**Doug Vermaaten, Deputy Fire Chief** – Good afternoon, Mr. Chairman. This is monies that we have collected through selling certain items from the fire department through Gov Deals. We're asking for this money to be put back into our miscellaneous account for the use to purchase replacement turnout gear for the firefighters.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Barker, Second by Mr. Cost

Mr. Barker - This says March 2005 - July 2025. I'm guessing that's March 2025?

**Deputy Chief Vermaaten** - Yes, sir, I believe that's a typo. Everything has been sold the first part of this year. Thank you.

Mr. Barker – Alright. Thank you.

**Mr. Marmie** – Any other questions?

**Mayor Hall** – Just a compliment. Thank you for taking time to put those on Gov Deals. It takes a little bit of work, but we appreciate that.

## Motion passed 5-0

Section 3. There is hereby an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 100 General Fund, in the amount of \$1,450.00 (Remaining money left from donation for Coble Park)

100.601.5314500	Park Supplies Coble Park	1,450.00

**David Rhodes, Service Director** - Thank you, Mr. Chair. We're just asking this committee to disappropriate these dollars. It was a donation to Coble Park originally. We didn't spend it all. We want to disappropriate it. We're going to hold it in the unappropriated balance. I'm expecting a donation from another group where we'll combine it and we're going to do some fencing at Coble Park there. But we have to get it out of where it's at currently to do that.

Motion to send to full Council by Mr. Barker, Second by Mr. Chute, Motion passed 5-0

**Mr. Marmie** - One other item at the discretion of the Chair, I just want to ask the Mayor if he has heard anything further. I know that with the different facilities, the three facilities that we have for marijuana in our community, I understand the state is trying to repeal what the distribution of that is. Have you heard any further details of that as far as us getting our percentage?

**Mayor Hall** - I have not. I think it's a little bit quiet. Of course, now they're vetoing a few things on the budget issue. I think they're kind of focused on that. Heard a lot about it, as you probably did a couple months ago, and haven't heard any update. We're surely soliciting input and as is Ohio Municipal League and other entities are opposing that because we kind of think it's a shift in gear of what was kind of promised or just short of promised to us.

Mr. Marmie – Was it not voted upon?

Mayor Hall - Well, I'm not sure what details were included on that, but you would think.

Mr. Marmie - It was on the ballot.

**Mayor Hall** – Yeah. I would encourage everyone to speak out to the legislators on that because I think, you're right, it won't go away, but I think there was more focus on this budget right now, the state budget, obviously, but maybe that's something that will be next on the agenda. We'll keep working on it and I'll keep you updated if I hear anything.

Mr. Marmie - Thank you very much.

Meeting stands adjourned.