

Honorable Council
City of Newark
August 14, 2012

The Finance Committee met in Council Chambers on August 13, 2012 at 5:30 P.M. with these members in attendance:

Doug Marmie, Chair	Carol Floyd
Ryan Bubb	Duke Frost
Bill Cost Jr.	

We wish to report:

1. Ordinance No. 12-25 providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$500,000 sanitary sewer system improvement bonds, series 2012, and declaring an emergency was considered.

Stephen Johnson- spoke regarding the first three items on the agenda. The first three pieces of legislation is to pay off short term debt and replace it with long term debt. It is carrying the emergency clause because we are under a tight timeline and we are going to undergo a Moody's rating and the legislation has to be in place at the time of the rating.

Mr. Marmie- asked when the rating was going to occur.

Stephen Johnson- he stated that he did not know. He stated he would receive a three day notice; it would be before the close of the bonds. Perhaps late August early September.

Mr. Marmie- what is the due date?

Stephen Johnson- The close on the bonds is approximately September 13.

Motion by Mr. Bubb second by Mrs. Floyd to carry all three ordinances to council. (Ordinance 12-25, Ordinance 12-26 and Ordinance 12-27)

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. Ordinance No. 12-26 providing for the issuance of not to exceed \$1,750,000 storm sewer improvement bonds, series 2012, and declaring an emergency was considered.

Motion by Mr. Bubb second by Mrs. Floyd to carry all three ordinances to council. (Ordinance 12-25, Ordinance 12-26 and Ordinance 12-27)

Motion by Mr. Bubb, second by Mrs. Floyd to send to council.
Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

d) Temp Services \$11,550.00

Jeff Hotchkiss- This is a request for an appropriation for money that has already been collected. The money requested is to replenish the part time help fund. There has been an increase in money spent for grass cutting due to the lack of snow this year.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd second by Mr. Cost to send to council.

Mr. Marmie- asked if this money is going into part time or salaries. He stated that he though it always went into contract hire.

The account number and description were changed on the legislation. Clarification came from Director Rhodes.

From: 206.432.5111 to 206.432.5230

Salaries Temp Services

Motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

e) \$100,000.00 for 2012 billings

Indigent Drivers \$30,000.00

Indigent Drivers Scram \$50,000.00

Indigent Contingency \$20,000.00

Judge Higgins- the request for this money to be transferred is for their various programs that came to their department from grants the State. The money is grant money. This is for associated costs regarding the programs.

Mr. Marmie- asked if the request needed to be expedited.

Judge Higgins- stated that it could wait

Motion by Mrs. Floyd second by Mr. Bubb to send to council.

Motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

f) Printing/Supplies \$4,000.00

Judge Higgins- This is for traffic citations that they provide to the Newark Police Department and others.

Mr. Marmie- asked if it needed to be expedited.

Judge Higgins- stated it did not.

Motion by Mr. Bubb second by Mrs. Floyd to send to council.

Mr. Marmie- clarified that the money is coming out of the unappropriated balance however with their tickets they supply the unappropriated balance of the General Fund.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0.

g) Postage \$16,000.00

Roger Loomis- postage in the Water office, there has been more collection letters being sent and the cost of postage increased which was not budgeted for.

Mr. Marmie- asked if the request needed to be expedited.

Roger Loomis- stated that it did not.

Motion by Mr. Bubb second by Mrs. Floyd to send to council.

Mr. Cost- inquired to Mr. Loomis if this would get him through a certain period of time.

Roger Loomis- it will get the Water office through the end of the year.

Motion was carried by a vote of 5-0.

h) Water Department \$24,000.00

Gas \$18,000.00

Temporary Services \$6,000.00

Roger Loomis- the first item on the agenda is for a gas bill for the Water Treatment Plant. This is not an additional expense. Another bill was improperly paid out of this account, this is just an adjustment.

The other item on the agenda is for an employee who is retiring due to health issues in her family. The Water office has allowed her to retire and then they will pay her on a temporary basis until her situation changes.

Mr. Marmie- asked if the request needed to be expedited.

Roger Loomis- stated that it did not.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd, second by Mr. Bubb to send to council.
Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Mr. Marmie- discussed that he is going to request for the Clerk of Council to add on the Finance Committee request forms, a place where departments can indicate the desire to have the two day reading rule waived. We normally do not do the emergency for financial issues because they are immediate if the two day reading rule is waived. We are going to have two piece of legislation, one for those items that don't need to be expedited and those that do not.

Stephen Johnson- stated that his office does the forms and he will see to it that the request is taken care of.

Mr. Marmie- suggested that perhaps a city wide email is sent out to make everyone aware of this change.

Lesla Best- asked chair if he and other chairs won't be asking any longer whether it needs to be expedited or not or will you just expect the director to know.

Mr. Marmie- stated that he will still verify if the request needs to be expedited or not if he does not see it on the forms.

Lesla Best- asked further as to why he stated he would continue to ask.

Mr. Marmie- stated the reason he will continue to ask is because mistakes happen.

Lesla Best- stated she feels the Director's should know whether or not something needs to be expedited.

Mr. Marmie- further stated he will continue to ask the Directors for verification.

Lesla Best- asked if he will continue ask why items need to be expedited.

Mr. Marmie- stated he will continue to do that just as he has been doing.

Chair, Doug Marmie