

Capital Improvements Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
January 14, 2013

The Capital Improvement Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday, January 13, 2014 following the Service Committee with these members present:

Dee Hall, Chair
Jeff Rath
Curtis Johnson

Bill Cost Jr.
Alex Rolletta

1. **Resolution No. 14-05** appropriating monies for the current expenses of the municipal corporation was considered.

- a) A request for an appropriation of the unappropriated balance of the 335, Capital Improvement Fund, in the amount of \$2,500.00

Account	Description	Amount
335.301.5351	Machinery & Equipment Parts	\$2,500.00

Director Rhodes– what I am asking for today is an appropriation of \$2,500.00 out of the Capital Improvements budget. What I would like to buy is what they call a low profile brine tank. This tank is 1600 gallons and can slide into the back of a current truck that we have and then we will have two brine trucks out. I will give you an example of a cost analysis and some benefits of future use. If you take the downtown area that would go from 2nd St to 6th then if you went from Locust St to Walnut our cost of salt would be somewhere in the neighborhood of \$480.00. Our cost in brine in that same area would be around \$260.00-270.00. Those costs can change a little bit depending upon how much salt is going down to the auger to the spinner and how wide open the nozzles are on the brine tank. We feel as though there is about a 30% savings with brine. A couple of other examples of benefits, brine are that it begins to work immediately, it doesn't have to wait for the heat of cars to pass over, and it doesn't have to wait for the sun to come up. Brine simply melts the snow away. This is the beginning of a brine program that I have talked intimately with Councilman Rath about and this would be the first step of implementing that.

Nancy Welu- where does the brine come from, is it fracking brine

Director Rhodes- the wells are on South 2nd and the brine comes from Phoenix.

**Motion by Mr. Rath, second by Mr. Johnson to send to full Council
Motion passed by a 5-0 vote.**

Dee Hall, Chair