

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
May 9, 2017

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday May 8, 2017 following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath
Bill Cost Jr
Mark Fraizer
Carol Floyd
Ryan Bubb

We wish to report:

1. **Resolution No. 17-30** authorizing and directing the Director of Public Service of the City of Newark, Ohio to apply for, accept and enter into a water pollution control loan fund agreement on behalf of the City of Newark for planning, design and/or construction of wastewater facilities (anaerobic digester project) and designating a dedicated repayment source for the loan was considered.

Roger Loomis- this is just authorization to enter into the loan plan. The project is being designed right now; we will be bidding it later this fall then hopefully enter into a loan the first part of 2018. Our cost estimates right now are somewhere between 6.5-7 million.

Mr. Rath- this is the same project that we have been talking about through stages?

Roger Loomis- the same project I was here a couple of weeks ago talking about hiring the engineers for.

Motion by Mr. Bubb to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. **Resolution No. 17-31** authorizing the conveyance of certain real property now owned by the City of Newark, Ohio to Newark Development Partners as its agent for industrial, commercial, distribution, and research development and declaring an emergency was considered.

Director Rhodes- you are probably asking yourself didn't we do this 15 months ago and the answer to your question is yes we did upon preparing the title work there was an old parcel number included in these parcels therefore for housekeeping reasons we should include that parcel number in this legislation and run it through Council one more time.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Rath- what is that parcel?

Mr. Rhodes- I don't have the exact numbers but all three of them are listed in this legislation. They are correct. They were checked by Mary Albright, Stimson Title and Doug Sassen. The address and the parcel numbers are on the back page.

Mr. Rath- 33-41 South Third Street. Why the emergency?

Director Rhodes- because we are in the process of transferring it. It has been hanging around for a while.

Mr. Rath- I don't mean to be persistent but why do we need to put the emergency on it?

Director Rhodes- if you don't want to put the emergency on it, don't. The reason is we are in the midst of getting the title work done to get it transferred and we are held up because of this. If you want it to wait 6-8 weeks you're not going to change the day but Doug Sassen thought it was appropriate because of finding that other parcel number. If you feel that doesn't fit then remove the emergency.

Mr. Rath- would we accomplish everything by waiving the two day reading rule?

Director Rhodes- you can do it either way, it's your choice.

Mr. Rath- would that be alright?

Director Rhodes- that would be fine.

Mr. Rath- I would prefer that just to not be using the emergency clause.

Director Rhodes- somebody needs to make a motion to that affect.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

3. **Resolution No. 17-32** authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into contract for the purchase of certain real property on behalf of the City of Newark appurtenant to the Don Edwards Park was considered.

Director Rhodes- I was hoping there would be a map on here, if you go down to Don Edwards Park there is a house where the South Newark Civic Association is housed and if you go down the road there is a yellow house then a couple of vacant lots. We have an opportunity to pick up one of those vacant lots at a favorable price. It is in a flood plain and nothing will ever be built on it. When there are cookouts done individuals generally set up on this person's lot and they approached the city about buying the lot since we are using the lot. The price is \$1500.00 and I thought that was pretty fair and we should do it. I didn't think that I needed Council's approval to do it and Doug said I probably don't but in the thoughts of being transparent we would like to add that to the city's parcel down there at Don Edwards Park. It backs up to the Licking County Park District so if we ever want to do anything bigger with the Park District we have the site a little better put together.

Mr. Rath- is there a real estate agency involved in this?

Director Rhodes- no

Mr. Rath- who is the current owner?

Director Rhodes- the last name is Martin

Motion by Mr. Cost to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Fraizer- as you drive in is it to the right side?

Director Rhodes- you would turn right at the corner of the South Newark Civic Associations house then you have the vacant lot then you have the yellow house then you have the vacant lot we are looking at.

Mr. Fraizer- are you planning on putting a sign up to state whether parking is allowed, or setting up?

Director Rhodes- we haven't gotten that far. What we'd really like to do is work out a greater development with the Licking County Park District. Maybe an overview of the river or a little further canoe livery something along that nature. We would like to take advantage of some of the funding that they have.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

4. **Resolution No. 17-34** authorizing and directing the Director of Public Service to accept bids and sell certain surplus personal property now owned by the City of Newark, Ohio, and declaring that such property is no longer needed for any municipal purpose, and declaring an emergency was considered.

Director Rhodes- we are going to have another auction at the impound lot. We are pushing very hard out there to clean that up and bring funds in. The reason for the emergency clause on this is just timing for public notification to meet all of the deadlines to be able to sell all of these vehicles at auction.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd to send to full Council, second by Mr. Fraizer

Mr. Fraizer- what is the date of the auction?

Director Rhodes- June 24th.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

5. **Ordinance No. 17-21** amending chapter 1054, section 1054.16 of the codified ordinances of the City of Newark, Ohio regarding the Stormwater Management Code was considered.

Brian Morehead- the stormwater management code was passed back in 2007 by Ordinance 07-46. Over the years there has been some changes and updates that have been requested from Ohio EPA to match up with the current NPDES requirements. If you look through the document there are several typo's and so forth that were corrected but the major points of it are updates and more detail on the requirements for construction sites and the submittals that the city requires for plans; also post construction, the details that the designers need to submit to the city.

Motion by Mrs. Floyd to send to full Council, second by Mr. Bubb

Mr. Fraizer- for the Service Water Protection is this just getting in line with all the other regulatory agencies?

Brian Morehead- that's correct we aren't doing anything different. You are exactly right it brings us in line with what the EPA requirements and puts enough detail to it. If you happen to look at the older version it was a little bit more generic in wording and doesn't have the detail that this does.

Mr. Fraizer- for construction, is it changing the way we do business with construction companies or just making sure they follow environmental standards?

Brian Morehead- it's not changing the way that we are currently doing business it is giving more detail to the designer. If they pull this document up on the website they will see exactly what we are looking for.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Jeff Rath, Chair