

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
August 9, 2016

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday August 8, 2016 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. 16-69** authorizing and directing the Director of Public Service of the City of Newark, Ohio to advertise for bids and enter into contract for polymer for use in wastewater treatment processes was considered.

Roger Loomis- this is a bid that we do every five years for polymer for our dewatering processes for our bio solids in the operations of the plant.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

2. **Resolution No. 16-70** authorizing the Director of Public Service to prepare and submit applications to participate in the Ohio Public Works Commission State Capital Improvements Program and to execute contracts as required was considered.

Brian Morehead- this is an annual event for us. The Ohio Public Works Commission has the State Capital Improvements Program grant and loan program available every year and would like to apply for another project this year. We have been successful every other year with that. This year we are looking at a project that will do street rehabilitation and resurfacing. We are currently assembling those street names and then cutting the list down although it is not final yet. It will be the more major streets in town as opposed to the smaller residential streets because those streets with a higher traffic count get a higher priority ranking in this grant application. We are aiming at a project in the range of about \$500,000.00-600,000.00. Your approval of this application would be tremendous.

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

Mr. Rath- you said grants and loans, which are we doing? Grants or loans or both?

Brian Morehead- when I get the list all together and see where we are at, we have been open to both grant and loan. Loans are 0% interest which is a nice feature. Sometimes through the application process we have been asked to cut our grant amount down and take a loan instead and we have done that. We obviously want more grant than loan.

Mr. Rath- so the way I understand it is that we have done this often enough and well enough that we are in favor with them that they tell us what we need to do to get what we need.

Brian Morehead- the County Engineer reviews the applications within our county and coordinates those. There is a dollar amount that he has to work with in the county and he has to divvy the funds up accordingly so we have been flexible and work together with them.

Mr. Fraizer- what is the time frame for submitting the application and getting a response and how does that go into the budget?

Brian Morehead- we submit the application in October and we find out July 1, 2017. We actually find out if we are successful in about April 2017 and the paper work comes to us the first week of July 2017 then at that point we can award a contract for the work. As far as the budget goes we will put a place holder in the 2017 budget anticipating that we will get this as we have done in the past.

Mr. Fraizer- the project will be executed in 2017

Brian Morehead- yes

3. **Resolution No. 16-71** authorizing and directing the Director of Public Service to advertise for bids and enter into contracts, subject to the appropriation of funds, for various construction projects was considered.

Brian Morehead- we have four projects that we would like the approval to bid. The first project is 2016 street maintenance project. As you recall you have just approved about \$380,000.00 in the last couple of months for street maintenance. We are in the process of getting that project together. Most likely with this late of a date the construction of this project would not be happen until early spring or early summer of next year. The second project is a concrete maintenance project where we would replace some ADA curb ramps at intersections of streets that will be getting paved. The third project is the Sharon Valley Road Evans Boulevard roundabout project which is this year's approved State Capital Improvements program. We will be working on the design of that and be ready to go to bid for that in spring of next year. The fourth project, full disclosure actually we bid that one out mistakenly so I am asking retro actively on that. We are

planning on awarding the project tomorrow at a Board of Control meeting so if there is any disapproval of this tonight we would hold up on the approval of that.

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

Mr. Fraizer- the first project, are you still trying to execute in 2016?

Brian Morehead- we will open bids this year but we will put a completion date of next year. In my discussion with some of the paving contractors they are booked up for the rest of the year.

Mr. Fraizer- is it the same for the other three on there that they are expected to be completed next year?

Brian Morehead- yes in 2017. The Log Pond Diversion Channel will be completed in November of this year.

Mr. Rath- the West Main project, is the completion of that further west towards the hospital, is that going to be done this year?

Brian Morehead- yes. The section from 30th Street west to 34th Street will not be done this year, it will be next spring. We are trying to get the portion that we are working on now from 29th Street west to 21st on the south side and then circle back and do the north side and get that done all this construction season.

Mr. Fraizer- for the Sharon Valley Road project what is the traffic pattern going to look like during construction? How is the detour going to look?

Brian Morehead- I don't know but they will probably need to use Granville Road instead of Sharon Valley road. You wouldn't be able to have through traffic while the roundabout is being constructed.

Mr. Fraizer- I know that there is a road there through the college

Brian Morehead- yes and we are working with them on that; they are in favor of the project and have been real cooperative.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Jeff Rath, Chair