

Service Committee Minutes

Honorable Council
City of Newark, Ohio
April 3, 2018

The Service Committee met in Council Chambers on Monday April 2, 2018 following the Finance Committee with these members in attendance:

Jeff Rath, Chair
Bill Cost Jr
Jonathan Lang
Jeremy Blake
Ryan Bubb

We wish to report:

1. Joe Ebel gave an annual update on the Health Department
2. **Resolution No. 18-25** 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 municipal purpose, and declaring an emergency was considered.

Director Rhodes- this auction will be held May 19th and the reason for the emergency is so we can hit all of the deadlines for advertising purposes.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

3. **Resolution No. 18-29** authorizing and directing the Mayor of the City of Newark to prepare and submit applications to the Ohio Department of Transportation for the 2018 transportation alternatives program to partially fund two future projects was considered.

Brian Morehead- the two projects that we have in mind are the 4th Street pedestrian improvements on State Route 13. That will coincide with the next phase of the sewer separation and the infrastructure replacement that we are planning on 4th Street from Locust down to Walnut. The other project ODOT is beginning the work to replace the bridge on Main Street over State Route 79 and they asked us if we would like to add any

decorative elements to the bridge and since we did this on the Thornwood Crossing Bridge and our State Route 13 Bridge we have come up with a few items we would like to do there. They thought that this would be a way to fund those projects rather than strictly out of city general fund.

Mr. Rath- do you have a cost for either one of these?

Brian Morehead- the 4th Street pedestrian improvements we are asking for \$750,000.00 and then on West Main Street we are asking for \$300,000.00. The legislation states that it is currently a 5% local share. Those are two dollar amounts that we think we can get from the grant program. The design work isn't done so we don't know if that covers all of it or what but that is what we think we can reasonably get from the program. We will have to match 5% of the \$300,000.00 and 5% of the \$750,000.00.

Mr. Lang- we have a timeline of 3-4 years for the bridge on 79 is there a timeline for the 4th Street pedestrians' improvements?

Brian Morehead- design work will take place this year and into next year and construction end of 2019.

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

4. **Resolution No. 18-30** preliminary resolution cooperating with ODOT for the replacement of the Cherry Valley Road Bridge with in the City of Newark was considered.

Brian Morehead- this is the standard ODOT legislation that occurs at the beginning part of an ODOT project. This is the City's opportunity to say that we are on board with moving the project through to the stage design process.

Mr. Rath- from what I understand from this legislation ODOT will be paying for this project and Newark will be paying for any beautification.

Brian Morehead- there is federal funding in the project so that is the funding that will come through ODOT. That will not pay for the entire project, we have about 5 million dollars identified in Federal and State funding for the project the remainder will be the city's responsibility.

Mr. Rath- what is the timeline on this one?

Brian Morehead- the bridge is planned to be under construction in 2021.

Steven Smith, 237 Violet Ct- you mentioned 5 million funding coming from ODOT and the remainder would be the city's responsibility do you know what that remainder may be?

Brian Morehead- about 6 million dollars right now.

Steven Smith- 6 million additional?

Brian Morehead- correct the preliminary estimate is 10.8 million dollars. That will be revised here shortly. The preliminary estimate was based on the preliminary layout of

the bridge but we are into the first phase of the design and we will have a cost estimate that is associated with that. It should become a little clearer in a month or so.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

5. **Ordinance No. 18-09** approving the editing and inclusion of certain ordinances and resolutions as part of the various component codes of the codified ordinances; providing for the adoption of new matter in the updated and revised codified ordinances; repealing ordinances and resolutions in conflict therewith; and declaring an emergency was considered.

Law Director Sassen- our annual update of our codified ordinances requires a legislative action from Council for the publisher to make those updates.

Mr. Rath- the reason for the emergency?

Law Director- it is a deadline that the publisher has asked to meet and I honestly don't know why other than the publisher wants us to do it.

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

Motion passed by a vote of 5-0.

Jeff Rath, Chair