

MINUTES OF RAVENNA CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 3, 2020

The Regular Meeting of Council of the Ravenna City Council was called to order at 7:00 P.M., February 3, 2020, by Council President, Andrew Kluge.

The following were present on the roll call: Cheryl Wood, Christina West, Tim Calfee, Paul Moskun, Rob Kairis, Amy Michael and Matt Harper.

Also attending the meeting were: Mayor Frank Seman; Finance Director, Kim Cecora; Law Director, Frank Cimino; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Fire Chief Geoff Cleveland; Finance Director-elect, Brian Huff; Larry Selinius of 123 North Walnut Street, Ravenna, Ohio; Clifford Soudil of 464 Woodland Street, Ravenna, Ohio; Robin Nelson 467 Pratt Street, Ravenna, Ohio; Greg Francis of 558 Coolman Avenue, Ravenna, Ohio; James Carozzi of 1233 Shadowlawn Drive, Ravenna, Ohio; Bruce and Lucy Ribelin of 710 Summit Street, Ravenna, Ohio and Leona and Robert Boone of 839 South Diamond Street, Ravenna, Ohio.

A moment of meditation and silence was then observed. President Kluge then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Minutes: A motion was made by Ms. Michael, seconded by Mr. Harper to approve the minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of December 23, 2019; Special City Council Meeting of December 31, 2019; Regular City Council Meeting of January 6, 2020; Special City Council Meeting of January 14, 2020; Special City Council Meeting of January 15, 2020 and Special City Council Meetings (2) of January 21, 2020. **Voice Vote: All Ayes.**

Communications: None

Delegations: Ms. Ribelin introduced herself as the City of Ravenna representative on the Portage County Health Department Board. She likes to come to Council once in a while to let them know what is going on and how they are being served by the tax dollars. The people in Ravenna pay approximately \$12.00 a year to have the services provided for them through their taxes. A lot of people don't know what those services are or how much is available. She knows they all receive email reports which are very extensive and guessing they probably don't read those which she understands. She would like to give a quick, brief explanation of some of the services, especially new members if there are constituents who come to them with problems, they will know where to send those people or refer them to her at any time. There are four departments now. They just took on the WIC services, Well and Infant Children. That was with the County Commissioners for many years and seems more logical to be under the Health Department. They've taken over the administration of that service. They provide excellent services, which are really needed in this community, for young children; preschool ages, they meet with new moms, do breastfeeding education, medical and social referrals, dental education, which once they start children at four years of age visiting the dentist, there will be a better outcome later. They do a lot of community outreach, going to the schools; participate with Head Start and Help Me Grow which is a very important program for the very young children. The earlier they get to these children, the better their chances are once they reach school age, to succeed.

Ms. Ribelin went on to say the Environmental Health Department did 490 food inspections in the county in the last year. They do these approximately one to four times a year. They inspect campgrounds, making sure they are clean and safe; they go to the schools in the entire county twice a year. They help the schools out with epidemics, viruses; inspect tattoo parlors. They check on storm water and solid waste inspections. They also inspect public swimming pools. There are a lot of services from Environmental within the City of Ravenna without having to worry about the sewers because that is taken care of by the City. They also have nursing services, providing adult and children immunizations. Last year they did over 850 residents, take care of dog bites; cat and bat bites. Any of those get reported to the Health Department. The animals are sent for testing to make sure they are not rabid. They also have flu clinics. The emergency preparedness is working on the corona virus, to get ready for it. The flu is still very rampant and there are many new cases and there were five deaths in Portage County from the flu. It's not too late to get that flu shot. The Health Department does those for children and adults.

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Ms. Ribelin said the Health Department does emergency preparedness; they've been working for years on h1n1. Most people don't worry about the Health Department until there is an actual emergency. They do have emergency preparedness and are ready hopefully when something big happens. They do TB testing which a lot of people might have to do for a job. The other department, Health Education and Promotion is a very active department. They conduct bicycle safety programs in the fall. They provide bicycle helmets to children or adults. There are no income qualifications either. They do car and safety seat inspections. If you're not sure how to install a baby car seat, they will show you how to do it. They dispense car seats; approximately 24 per year. Those are for low income people and are recommended by the hospital. They do cribs for kids. You'd be surprised how many people still don't put their children in a safe environment to sleep. They provide pack and plays. They provide education to people when the children are born as far as how to lay them in the beds so they are safe. They are keeping us all safe in many, many ways. This is all run through Safe Communities. They do motorcycle training. If you need to go to training to get your motorcycle endorsement, they do training there which has been authorized by the State of Ohio. One of the big programs is Project Dawn, which the Police Department works with them on. They provide classes for how to use the naloxone. They dispensed 172 doses in Portage County between October and December. There is still an epidemic of overdoses in this community. They also conduct tobacco cessation classes which are free to anyone. There is a vision care program. If you are a low income person, you can get eye exams and glasses or contacts. She thinks a lot of people don't understand that they are the Portage County Combined Health District. It belongs to Ravenna. She is here to represent the City. If they ever have any questions, please let her know. If there are any constituents who have problems and don't know what to do, she'd be happy to point them in that direction or they can call the Health Department. They have a wonderful new website that was just updated. They were accredited nationally in June of 2019. They never would have gotten an accreditation if the City still had its own health department; with one employee, it would have cost millions of dollars to go through the accreditation process. There are only 35 counties in the State of Ohio that are accredited. It's going to be required in the next two or three years. The Portage County Health District went through a great deal of planning, explaining, etc., to the national boards. They went through one its very first time. It's accredited and approved. It's really quite an honor. They should all be very proud Ravenna is part of that. We belong to this department. It belongs to our Citizens.

Reports of Officials: There being no other comments, a motion was made by Mr. Kairis, seconded by Mr. Moskun to accept the reports of officials. **Voice Vote: All Ayes.**

Report of Committees: President Kluge said Committee meetings will be held Monday, February 10, 2020 starting at 5:30 PM.

Utilities: Mr. Moskun this committee had one item on the agenda. If a meeting is needed, it will be held February 10.

Information Systems: Ms. Wood said there was nothing to report at this time.

Planning Committee: Mr. Kairis said this committee had six items on the agenda. A meeting will be held February 10, if needed.

Committee of the Whole: President Kluge said Committee of the Whole meeting will be held Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 7:00 P.M. That is a Tuesday because of the Monday holiday.

Public Health & Safety Committee: Ms. Michael said this committee had several items on the agenda. A meeting will be held on February 10, time to be announced.

Streets & Sidewalks Committee: Mr. Harper said this committee two items on the agenda. A meeting will be scheduled on February 10, if needed.

Personnel: Mr. Calfee said this committee had nothing to report.

Community & Economic Development: Ms. West said this is committee had no items on the agenda. If a meeting is needed, it will be held February 10, time to be determined.

Cemetery: Mr. Moskun said there was nothing to report at this time.

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First Reading of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-008: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$15,408.00 FROM THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT FUND (65-74) TO PAY FOR NEW HEATERS AT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR POOL, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Ms. Michael noted this was discussed in the Committee Meeting. The old heating system is not operational. Chief Wallis went ahead and had the heaters installed due to the cold weather.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. Michael moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Mr. Moskun seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Harper moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Michael. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. Michael, seconded by Mr. Kairis that Ordinance No. 2020-008 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-008 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-009: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$12,000.00 FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO SECURE THE BUILDING LOCATED AT 645 SOUTH CHESTNUT STREET, RAVENNA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Ms. Michael said this was previously approved to move forward. This is the old Oak Rubber building. This is Phase I. The next phase is not being planned at this point in time. This is for the first floor. This is to prevent any people from getting injured or harmed in any way.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. Michael moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Mr. Harper seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Kairis moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Calfee. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. Michael, seconded by Mr. Harper that Ordinance No. 2020-009 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-009 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-010: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$6,300.00 FROM THE WATER FUND TO PAY FOR A SIPHON DRAIN FOR THE LAKE HODGSON DAM, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Moskun said this is highly recommended by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources in case of a drastic emergency that the lake does have to be drained, that's what this is what this drain is for. The existence of the water treatment plant that's never had to be drained; never been close to. But to comply with ODNR regulations, that's being done to prevent any penalties, etc., by them in the future. One other comment, there are pictures going around right now.

Mr. Finney said the location of the work being done is on Summit Road.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Harper moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. West seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Calfee moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. West. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. West, seconded by Mr. Moskun that Ordinance No. 2020-010 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-010 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-011: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH QUALITY CONTROL INSPECTION, INC. (QCI), TO PROVIDE INSPECTION SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FOR THE YEAR 2020, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

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Mr. Finney said this is a contract that can be used if needed for inspection services. This locks in the rates and other particulars with the company for the year. Currently there is no project for them but it is a contract they can put on the shelf so if it is need, it will be available. This doesn't exclude them from using another inspection service. This is a housekeeping issue that they have been doing for about twenty years.

Mr. Calfee said when Mr. Finney talked about this earlier, he noted there was money paid for the inspection services are reimbursed from a utility. Are those the only projects QCI is used for; with utilities only or what is the nature of the different projects they would be doing inspections for.

Mr. Finney responded in the affirmative. They would be doing inspections specifically for utility work. That could be gas, water lines, fiber optics, underground work. As of late, there is a water line inspector in-house who has been doing them for several years. In the past QCI has done these and have been used as a backup on water line projects. Primarily, the last three years, they have been inspecting Dominion Gas projects. When the utility companies work in a City right of way, the City is able to charge them inspection fees. That's how those are reimbursed.

Mr. Calfee noted the rate is about \$60.00 an hour; is that a high rate or a low rate?

Mr. Finney responded that there are different levels of inspection service they can pay for; through engineering consulting firms, the rates can vary from \$70.00 to \$125.00. Specifically, the level of inspection they've asked QCI to provide sets that rate. QCI may provide service to other municipalities that want their inspector to perform more services. Therefore, the rates would go up. This is a very fair price comparatively. They have, in the past, hired a person who worked for the City of Ravenna and paid much less on an hourly basis. They capped how many hours he could work a year to keep those lower. He wasn't paid health insurance, etc. He found a fulltime job and doesn't work for the City any longer.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. Michael moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Mr. Moskun seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Harper moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Michael. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. West, seconded by Ms. Wood that Ordinance No. 2020-011 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-011 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-012: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RAVENNA, PART 12 – PLANNING AND ZONING CODE – TITLE SIX – ZONING; CHAPTER 1278 – SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS; SECTION 1278.23 – DONATION BOXES, BY ALLOWING THE DISPOSAL OF BOXES AFTER SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER IMPOUNDMENT, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Harper explained that the current ordinance reads the City has to retain this property for twelve months. These boxes are cumbersome and take up a lot of room in the impoundment yard. They are trying to relief some space by shortening the amount of time to keep those to 60 days if the owners cannot be contacted.

The clerk noted this legislation requires a public hearing and will be left on the first reading. A date and time of the public hearing will be announced next week.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-013: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, ACCORDING TO LAW, FOR THE 2020 PAVING PROGRAM, TO INCLUDE ASPHALT, CONCRETE STREETS, CRACK SEALING, SIDEWALKS AND STRIPING, PURSUANT TO SPECIFICATIONS NOW ON FILE IN THE MAYOR'S OFFICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Harper said this has been discussed at length several times. This is the 2020 paving program as well as the crack sealing, sidewalks and pavement striping program.

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Mr. Harper asked if the bids are going to exclude the company that was here last year.

Mr. Finney said when the bids are opened, the Board of Control will look into the past performance of contractors. That decision would be up to the Board of Control. The Engineering Department would make recommendations. Board of Control would then decide what direction they would like to go.

Mr. Cimino said they can't exclude anyone from bidding. They go with the lowest and best. The best plays into past performance.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Harper moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. Michael seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Calfee moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wood. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Mr. Moskun that Ordinance No. 2020-013 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-013 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-014: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS, ACCORDING TO LAW, FOR THE TOWER LODGE IMPROVEMENTS, ACCORDING TO THE SPECIFICATIONS NOW ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Kairis said Tower Lodge at City Park is not ADA compliant. They are upgrading the bathrooms and the kitchen. The architectural drawings were completed. This is to authorize the mayor to bid the project.

Mr. Calfee asked if the improvements are going to be just to the bathrooms and kitchen. What type of ADA compliant things have to be done in the kitchen?

Mr. Cecora said the top cabinets have to be lowered and the counter needs to be lowered as well as the sink. The doorways have to be widened.

Mr. Calfee asked if the improvements are only to the two areas and not the rest of the Tower Lodge.

Mr. Kairis responded in the affirmative.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. West moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. Michael seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Harper moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. West. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Mr. Kairis, seconded by Ms. Michael that Ordinance No. 2020-014 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-014 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-015: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE WILDLIFE GRANT THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; RECORDING ESTIMATED REVENUES IN THE SUM OF \$500.00 AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$500.00 FOR THE "EDUCATIONAL POLLINATORS IN THE PARK PROGRAM" IN THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Kairis said this, and the next item, are for grants that were received last year for \$500.00 each. This one is for the Educational Pollinators in the Park Program. This is just a matter of accepting the grant, record and appropriate the funds.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. Wood moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. Michael seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Harper moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wood. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. West, seconded by Ms. Michael that Ordinance No. 2020-015 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-015 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-016: AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING THE WILDLIFE GRANT THROUGH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES; RECORDING ESTIMATED REVENUES IN THE SUM OF \$500.00 AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$500.00 FOR THE “KIDS FOR CONSERVATION PROGRAM” IN THE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Kairis said this is the second grant received from ODNR, for Kids for Conservation Program. This accepts, records and appropriates the money.

Ms. Michael said she is really proud of all of the departments for going after the grants. It seems like they are going after them more aggressively than they have ever done before and these are being awarded. Now Parks & Recreation is getting grants. She just wanted to say thank you to all of the department heads for going after these grants.

President Kluge said the Parks and Recreation Department had two people trained in different areas to apply for both of these grants.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Harper moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. Michael seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Ms. West moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Wood. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. Michael, seconded by Mr. Kairis that Ordinance No. 2020-016 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-016 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-017: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF \$5,266.05 FROM THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 450 LAKE AVENUE, RAVENNA, OHIO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Kairis said this was approved last year but the funding didn't roll over so it has to be redone this year.

There being no further comments or questions, Ms. Wood moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Mr. Moskun seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Ms. Michael moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kairis. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Mr. Harper, seconded by Ms. Wood that Ordinance No. 2020-017 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-017 adopted.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-018: AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE TRANSFERS AND ADVANCES FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2019 LISTED ON EXHIBIT “A” ATTACHED HERETO, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the first time, by title only.

Mr. Cecora said there were only transfers to report. There were three sources of revenue funding the Vine and Gill Project. There are some returns from unspent project costs coming back from the Prospect-Central project.

There being no further comments or questions, Mr. Harper moved to waive the requirement that legislation be read at three separate meetings. Ms. West seconded the motion. **Vote: All Ayes.** Mr. Kairis moved to approve this Ordinance as an emergency measure for the reason set forth in the Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Ms. Michael. **Vote: All Ayes.** A motion was made by Ms. Wood, seconded by Ms. West that Ordinance No. 2020-018 be adopted. **Vote: All Ayes.** The President of Council declared Ordinance 2020-018 adopted.

Second Reading of Ordinances:

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-006: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF RAVENNA, PART FOURTEEN – BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE; TITLE FOUR – BUILDING ADMINISTRATION; CHAPTER 1422 – PERMITS AND FEES, BY ADJUSTING BUILDING FEES AS OUTLINED IN EXHIBIT "A" AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the second time by title only.

Mr. Finney noted that there are a few additional fees he would like to make. One adds a fire alarm fee. They are adding a fire alarm from a sprinkler. The other item is adding a plan review fee for residential which isn't shown. This would be a new fee. The sprinkler fire alarm, they are differentiating. They charge for those but only one written.

ORDINANCE NO. 2020-007: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES PART TWO – ADMINISTRATIVE CODE; TITLE FOUR – LEGISLATION; CHAPTER 222 – ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS; SECTION - 222.01 PREPARATION AND SECTION 222.02 – INTRODUCTION AND PASSAGE, BY UPDATING THOSE SECTIONS TO BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CURRENT PRACTICE, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, was read for the second time, by title only.

Mr. Kairis said there are still a few changes that need to be made. He will send the suggested changes to the clerk.

Third Reading of Ordinances: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Mr. Calfee said the City is a member of the Ohio Municipal League. The Ohio Municipal League has some training for newly elected officials. He was wondering how they go about going to the event, how it's funded and if they can participate. He doesn't know the mechanism for doing that.

Mr. Kluge said he was speaking to the clerk about this before the meeting. There is some money in the training. There hasn't been any training for them previously. Mayor Seman said that there are people who go to training but sometimes the method of doing it is they have to turn in receipts and then the checks are written.

The clerk noted that she will take care of the registration for the event.

Mayor's Remarks: Mayor Seman said there will be a meeting of the Health Department. It's an opportunity to see what's going on. He will check to see how open it is but it is a dinner meeting. The City has voting rights and he attends it.

Mayor Seman said they have received the list of appointments for 2020. These are just reappointed people. Civil Service calls for their terms to go for six years. The Parks & Recreation wanted to get the terms staggered so they did put some on for six years. All of them needed to be reappointed and they agreed to stagger the appointments so they don't have them all needing to be reappointed at one time. The last three organizations are separate but the City does have representation on them. Those are Debbie Davison to the PARTA Board; CAC Board, Bruce Ribelin has been on for a number of years. When he retired from Council, Mr. Ribelin asked if he could stay on. That's a board where he can be the representative or designate someone. Mr. Ribelin does a nice job with it. The Portage County Health Board; Lucy Ribelin was reappointed. Right now the Portage County Health Board is listed in the Charter. What is in there is of no real value and that part will have to be rewritten when there is a Charter Review. When the City's Board of Health was closed down, it made the Charter out of date. The Portage County Board has really gotten the City more involved. They've had immunization events at the City for employees, etc. If there are any problems with this list, please let him know. It was noted by the clerk the list will be discussed and approved by Council at a later date.

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Mr. Finney noted four or five new street lights have been installed in front of the post office and the Key Bank. They are lighting up the sidewalk really well.

Ms. Michael asked if Mr. Finney has been able to check on the turn light at the corner of Main and Chestnut.

Mr. Finney he needs to have discussions with the Mayor and Service Director about that.

Ms. Boon said she lives at 839 South Diamond Street, Ravenna. She knows they got a grant to do roads. She would like to know why South Diamond Street isn't going to be done. Have any of them ever drove down it? How does their car run after they've been down it a few times? She also would like to know why on Lake Street, two roads were done off of Lake; Collins Pond and Diamond Circle. Them houses haven't even been there for probably not even ten years. They redone both those streets. Still, nothing has been done on South Diamond Street. Last year, she watched the City fill holes in the rain. Who does that? They filled the holes and watched the rain push it right out. The reason why she knows, the hole is right in front of her house. When she talked to the Engineer, he said that South Diamond Street hasn't been done since 2003. That's 17 years ago. There are so many cars that go up and down that road it's not funny; she'd like to know why it's not done. Riddle is another one; where it comes into Mill, she would rather drive in a cow pasture. That's how bad it is. They are doing all these other streets but South Diamond Street isn't getting done.

Mayor Seman said it was his understanding there is a plan for South Diamond Street.

Ms. Boon said that is in two years. Then they won't even have a road.

Mr. Finney said there are certain roads in the City that are federally classified. Therefore, they are able to apply for grants to resurface those roads. It's a four year cycle, meaning it's four years from the time they receive the grant until the time they are able to construct the road. That's a four year window. They've been through two years so that's why it's coming up in 2022. They have a lot of people asking if they can move it up a year. But this helps them spread the paving levy funds out farther. Collins Pond was paved in 2003 or 2004. He understands what Ms. Boon is saying but they do this specifically to spread the dollars out further. They were just awarded two more grants for South Chestnut Street and Riddle Avenue which will be done in four years from now. That's in 2024. Riddle Avenue is in pretty bad shape, too. They are going to keep making repairs to the roads and still stay on the list to be paved.

Ms. Boon said when they tore up the road in the first place to put in water lines, they were supposed to do it then but it was never done.

Mr. Finney responded that traditionally, they allow a water line to settle and then pave it in year two or three, depending on weather, etc.

Ms. Boon said that the lady across the street from her told her she was going down South Diamond and the water is so heavy on the roads that she couldn't drive home. She had to drive in the middle of the road to go down the road without hitting a hole and a truck was coming the other way. She almost flooded her car because the water was so high.

Mr. Finney said that he was referring to the water line they use for drinking, under the ground. They would typically follow with pavement a year or two after that water line is constructed in case it does happen to settle. If there are specific holes in the road, they can and will pave them to make the road safe to drive. He isn't familiar with the holes Ms. Boon is talking about. He does drive that road regularly and hasn't seen anything that scares him from driving on it but he will certainly take a look at it.

Ms. Boon responded that they should do it when it's not raining. It doesn't make any sense to fill a hole while it's raining. Who is going to pay for their cars; for the front wheel alignments because you hit holes? Flat tires because there are holes; who is going to pay for that; the City? Is that who they turn it into, the City?

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Ms. Dubinsky asked if Ms. Boon has called the Service Department when there are large holes so that they can patch them.

Ms. Boon responded that she hasn't but she will. She has no problem with that.

Ms. Dubinsky said to call them, that's what they are here for.

Ms. Michael said they could also call a councilperson and let them know. They will go to the Service Department for something like that. That's what they're here for, too; to help bridge the communication with the administration. She lives close to Mrs. Boon. She travels Diamond every day.

Ms. Boon said they came by today. She watched the truck. The hole might not even be there anymore. She didn't know if she needed to get a petition to have people sign it. She doesn't understand. If they wait another two years, there isn't going to be a road.

Mr. Finney said that paving Diamond is a \$350,000.00 project.

Ms. Boon asked how much is Collins Pond and Diamond Circle cost to pave. That's more than the length of Summit Street to the end of Mill.

Mr. Finney said they may have been \$30,000.00 to \$40,000.00. South Diamond Street and Mill are much longer than those two combined. He doesn't have the numbers in front of him but he could get them. He does know the project cost is \$350,000.00 for those two streets. The City's match of the total project would be 20% of that cost.

At 8:05 P.M., a motion was made by Ms. Michael, seconded by Mr. Moskun to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. **Vote: All Ayes.**

A motion to adjourn Executive Session was made by Mr. Calfee at 8:41 P.M. to adjourn the Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Ms. West. **Vote: All Ayes.**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M. The next Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2020 at 7:00 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Council President