



**RAVENNA CITY COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES
February 16th, 2021 at 7:00pm**

The public meeting was held via Zoom and live streamed via YouTube. A video recording of the meeting can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SggykAe6ps8>

The Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order at 7:07 P.M. by Council President, Andrew Kluge.

Council present via Zoom: Council President Andrew Kluge, Amy Michaels, Rob Kairis, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West, and Matt Harper.

- Mr. Moskun was not in attendance due to technical difficulties

Also attending the meeting via Zoom: Mayor Seman; Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Finance Director, Brian Huff; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky, and Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor

Mr. Kluge stated that the Arbor Day contest winners will be announced at the March 1st, 2021 Council meeting.

Ms. Michael stated that since Ravenna school students are not able to hold art shows, Council is able to take advantage of the opportunity to use Zoom to showcase student art prior to the next Council meeting and perhaps other Council meetings in the future.

The first item on the agenda was to approve the Committee of the Whole meeting minutes from January 19th, 2021.

- Motion to approve the January 19th, 2021 Committee of the Whole minutes by Ms. Michael, 2nd by Mr. Kairis- **All Ayes**

The second item was an ordinance to accept and appropriate a \$1,000 donation from Macedon Center Fire Department.

Ms. Michael stated that the item is accepting a \$1,000 donation in response to the Ravenna Fire Department donating equipment that was going expire, but that the Macedon Center Fire Department is able to utilize for training.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation

The third item was an ordinance to allow the Mayor to enter into a contract for the 2021 Paving Program.

Mr. Finney stated Perrin Asphalt was the low bidder that the Board of Control accepted. Their price is \$584,103. The next low bidder was Barbicas Construction at \$597,400, adding that there were two other bidders that did not come close. The Engineer estimate for the project was \$714,000.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

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The fourth item was an ordinance to apply for a Fruit Tree Planting Foundation Orchard Grant.

Mr. Kairis stated that the Parks and Recreation Department is looking to obtain a grant for 15 fruit trees to be planted in the Chestnut Hill Park. It is part of an educational program and the trees will be apple and/or pear.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

The fifth item was an ordinance to modify the zoning map and add the change to Table 1 Zoning map changes.

Mr. Kairis stated that the zoning change is on the southwest side of Sycamore St. from Main St. The proposal is to change the churches zoning from Central Business District to C1, and to change the property behind the church from I1 to C1 zoning.

Mr. Kluge stated the ordinance will need three readings and a public hearing.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

The sixth item was an ordinance to modify the fence code and add clarity.

Mr. Kairis stated that Mr. Finney had put some proposals together in response to some recent issues related to fences, shrubbery and other issues.

Mr. Finney stated that before the final ordinance it should be removed that barbed wire adjacent to a residential zoned area and that it is not appealable.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

The seventh item was an ordinance to authorize the acceptance of 3 vehicles to then transfer to Family & Community Services.

Mr. Kairis stated that there are three vans that the Stark County Board of Developmental Disabilities would like to transfer ownership to Family and Community Services. For legal reasons, the City of Ravenna will take title of the vehicles and then pass them on to Family and Community Services. There is no cost for the City of Ravenna.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

The eighth item was an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to transfer the Enterprise Zone Agreement from Paris Linen Service to Novo Health Services, LLC.

Ms. Wood stated that there was a merger with Paris Linen and Novo Health Services and the ordinance is to reflect the change.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

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The ninth item was an ordinance to authorize the Mayor to enter into a contract with Bricker & Eckler for CRA consultation services.

Ms. Wood stated that the ordinance is for consultation services with a group that is very familiar with the importance of the CRA program. One of the gentlemen in the group is one of the developers of the CRA program for ODSA (Ohio Development Services Agency). Mayor Seman stated that they have the expertise to deal with CRA's, adding that Mr. West will be talking to the owners of Riddle Block 9 about the possibility of a CRA.

- All Council present responded in favor to move the item forward for legislation.

There being no further business before Council, the meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

Council President