



Ravenna City Council
Public Health and Safety Committee Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2022

The public meeting was held in person in City Council Chambers.

Council present: Council President Andrew Kluge, Rob Kairis, Paul Moskun, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West, and Matt Harper.

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Interim Fire Chief, Mark Chapple; Finance Director, Brian Huff; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; Parks and Recreation Director, Judy Watkins, Cliff Soudil

The Public Health and Safety Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:17 P.M. by Committee person, Matt Harper.

The first item was a Body Camera Grant.

Mr. Harper stated that the item is to authorize the Mayor to apply for a grant for additional body-cameras.

Chief Wallis stated that every officer is provided a camera and wears one on duty, but at this time they all have to share. With the addition of 15 body cameras, they would stop having to pass them around between shifts. Chief Wallis stated that the cameras include Cloud storage and charging stations.

Mr. Moskun stated that they are very important for the Police Department.

- The item was moved forward.

The second item was a Fire Department Service Maintenance Agreement.

Interim Chief Chapple stated that the 3-year agreement with Stryker has just expired and the City utilizes them to calibrate the heart monitors and AED. He explained that the agreement was for once-a-year calibration, but it will be changed to twice a year. The Fire Department currently has two heart monitors and one AED, but will soon be getting an additional heart monitor donated. The cost of a monitor is \$40,000 and the additional monitor will be housed in the squad vehicle. Chief Chapple explained that the maintenance cost has increased from \$4,000 to \$6,200 per year. The new maintenance agreement will be for 5 years at a total cost of \$32,000.

- The item was moved forward.

The third item was Trash Can Placement.

Mr. Harper stated that Council has received suggestions from other communities and explained that enforcement of our existing codified ordinance will be helped by neighbors helping to keep an eye on residents who do not comply creating a nuisance.

Mr. Kairis noted that the codified ordinance only refers to trash cans and not recycling cans which are taken care of by Portage County.

Ms. West stated that residents can call and complain to help identify an issue.

Mr. Kluge acknowledged a past Council discussion regarding Ward trash pick-up on scheduled days to help enforce trash can placement.

Mr. Kairis stated that there may be push back but Ms. West stated that it is worth the conversation.

Mr. Kairis stated that he did not see anything in other municipality documents that are superior to the City's codified ordinance regarding the matter.

Mr. Andrew added that it would be easier to enforce if Ward trash pick-up days were adjusted.

Mr. Harper stated that there is nothing to move forward on at this time.

- The item was for discussion.

Management Update

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

**Amy Michael, Chairperson
Public Health and Safety Committee**