



Ravenna City Council
Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting Minutes
September 12, 2022

The public meeting was held in person in 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 Streets & Sidewalks Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:33 P.M. by Chairperson, Matt Harper.

The first item was 2022 Street Tree Planting.

Ms. Dubinsky explained that in the past RFP's were sent out for the annual tree planting and the Service Director went ahead and awarded the lowest, best bid that was within the budgeted \$15,000. She stated that due to recent processes she is bringing it forward to Council, but that the \$15,000 has already been approved by Council in the budget and the winning bid will not exceed the allocated amount.

- The item was moved forward

The second item was 2022-2023 Salt Contracts.

Ms. Dubinsky explained that a salt consortium began during the Bica administration to be a pass-through service for providing bulk salt to local municipalities. There is no additional cost to the City.

Mr. Harper stated that there are scales that weigh the salt at the Service Department, the amounts are recorded and then invoices are sent out in April.

Ms. Dubinsky stated that the State solicits the salt prices, and that Morton will be the City's salt provider. \$196,000 has been appropriated for salt and approximately \$41,000 is expected to be invoiced in pass through salt service.

- The item was moved forward

Management Update

Mr. Huff addressed adding housing keeping items, such as items 1 and 2, into a blanket approval ordinance for Council to pass which would then allow administrative authority to execute the items.

Mr. Kairis stated his concern about ensuring funds are spent wisely.

It was stated that both items have already been approved and appropriated for in the Council approved budget.

Ms. Dubinsky stated that bringing an item forth to Council that has already been approved in the budget is redundant.

Mr. Huff will talk with the Law Director about the suggestion.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 7:49 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

**Matt Harper, Chairperson
Streets & Sidewalks Committee**