



**Ravenna City Council
Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes
February 13, 2023**

The public meeting was held in Ravenna City Council Chambers.

Council present: Council President Andrew Kluge, Amy Michael, Rob Kairis, Paul Moskun, Cheryl Wood, Tim Calfee, Christina West

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Police Chief, Jeff Wallis; Fire Chief, Mark Chapple; Finance Director, Brian Huff; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor, Arasin Hughes, Amy Adams, Bill Barber, Lou Dudek, Larry Silenius, Cliff Soudil, John McFarland, and Diane Smith

Utility Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:14 P.M. by Chairperson, Paul Moskun.

The first item was the Meridian St. and Murray Ave. water line project.

Mr. Finney stated that it is an OPWC project, and the item is to advertise for bids for the water line project. He explained that there will be a section of Murray Ave. that will be replaced that continues to leak, adding that the majority of the waterline on Meridian St. will be replaced between Riddle Ave. and Hazen, to an 8" inch line from a 4" inch line. Mr. Finney stated that there will be work done at the intersection of Harris and Sycamore to upsize the water pipe and that all the hydrants will be upgraded.

- The item was moved forward.

The second item was a contract with CT Consultants.

Mr. Moskun stated that the Wastewater Treatment Plant is planning to have CT Consultants do an assessment of items to understand the life expectancy of the equipment and when it should be replaced. He said that the assessment is set to start in April and the cost will be dependent on the assessment. Mr. Moskun stated that there was an RFQ process with four interested firms, and that the cost of the assessment is in the budget.

Mr. Finney stated that Portage County Water Resources was contacted to see if they would be interested in assisting with the funding of the assessment. He said that the debt of the plant will be falling off and that they are dealing with 20-year-old infrastructure.

- The item was moved forward.

Management Update

Mayor Seman stated that the Waste Water Superintendent, Bill Bregant, has been proactively working on the assessment project and that the City needs an evaluation to work out a plan to keep the plant functioning optimally.

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:23 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

**Paul Moskun, Chairperson
Utility Committee**