



**Ravenna City Council
Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes
October 16, 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, Matt Harper

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Finance Director, Brian Huff; Service Director, Kay Dubinsky; City Engineer, Bob Finney; Economic Development Director, Dennis West; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; Cliff Soudil, Larry Silenius, John Sferra

Utility Committee Meeting was called to order at 6:43 P.M. by Chairperson, Paul Moskun.

The first item was two contracts with Tank Industry Consultants (TIC).

Mr. Finney stated that the two contracts are for the demolition of the current water tank and the design of the replacement water tank. He said that there is no saving the current tank and that a successful salvage was not guaranteed. Answering Mr. Kairis' question, Mr. Finney stated that the consultants put the estimates together. Mr. Finney explained that the new water tank will be a steel bowl with a concrete base and could last up to 75-100 years.

- The item was moved forward.

The second item was backup power and electrical upgrades at the Freedom St. lift station.

Mr. Moskun stated that the age of the lift station north of the Hike and Bike Trail is unknown and that following the last big storm it was out of service for 3-4 days. He explained that the request is for a gas-powered generator which is critical to waste water services and that the generator is expected to last for decades.

- The item was moved forward.

The third item was a water tank update.

Mr. Finney explained the current water tank funding schedule and estimated that the new water tank will cost approximately \$3.8 to \$4 million dollars.

Ms. Michael asked if the city could scrap the old water tank.

Mr. Finney stated that he was unsure how much money could be recouped from the scraped metal and stated that the city could either do that or it could include it in the bid process to have the contractor responsible for removing the old water tank. He added that they are short on funds

and suggested the use of ARPA Funds. Mr. Finney stated that the City Park water tank is set to be repainted and taken out of service once the new tank is installed.

- The item was for discussion only.

Management

There being no further business for discussion, the meeting adjourned at 6:53 P.M.

ATTEST:

Clerk of Council

**Paul Moskun, Chairperson
Utility Committee**