



**Ravenna City Council**  
**Community & Economic Development Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**January 13, 2025**

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

Council present: Council President Rob Kairis, Amy Michael, Tyler Marovich, Paul Moskun, Cheryl Wood, Christina West, Matt Harper, Tim Calfee

Also attending the meeting: Mayor Frank Seman; Fire Chief, Mark Chapple; Service Director, Tim Contant; Finance Director, Tami Lorence; Controller, Brian Huff; Council Clerk, Chelsea Gregor; IT Director, Jonathan Bender; Larry Silenius, Cliff Soudil, Ted Manfrass, Lou Dudek, Cynthia Miller

**The Community & Economic Development Committee Meeting was called to order at 7:33 P.M. by Chairperson, Cheryl Wood.**

**The first item was a National Infrastructure Bank Resolution.**

Ms. Wood explained that due to infrastructure needs the City is encouraged to pass a resolution of support to increase funding from the federal government.

Mr. Kairis explained that there was a meeting about it and that the resolution would be sent to Congressman Joyce's office for support. He said that there would be grant opportunities if passed to help with bridges, roads, housing, broadband and infrastructure.

- The item was forwarded.

**The second item was the CHIP Grant.**

Ms. Wood explained that the City of Ravenna has received the allocation of funds from that State and that the CHIP grant includes Streetsboro, Portage County and the City of Ravenna. She explained that the State is requesting new language that defines that the City of Ravenna will oversee the funds. Ms. Wood acknowledged that the grant funds will be used for 8 full home rehabs and 14 home repairs.

Mr. Calfee asked if there will be extra work required by the City and Ms. Wood responded that there would be no extra work required.

- The item was forwarded.

Mr. Kairis stated there will be an addition from Mr. Finney to bring forward an item establishing a Consultant Selection Committee and its members. The item will be added to the Committee of the Whole agenda for discussion.

**There being no further business for discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 P.M.**

**ATTEST:**

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**Clerk of Council**

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**Cheryl Wood, Chairperson**  
**Community & Economic Development**