

**VILLAGE OF RAVENNA  
SPECIAL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 16<sup>th</sup> 6:35pm**

The special meeting was called to order by President Kathy Bensinger at 6:35 p.m.

Members present: K. Bensinger, B. Leszinske, S. Dohm, G. Plescher and E. Davis

Absent: none

Also: D. Hazen, S. Patterson, G Nelson, Barbara Marczak of Prein & Newhof and Mike Pierson of the Ravenna Independent.

The SAW (Storm and Wastewater) grant committee of Steve Dohm and Bill Leszinske met on the 9<sup>th</sup> of February to review the information provided by Prien & Newhof. Dohm and Leszinske presented each aspect reviewed as well as supporting findings.

By April of 2017, the Village must submit a storm and wastewater asset management plan to the State of Michigan. Considerations included: south (Thatcher Park) lift station replacement; north (Slocum Rd) lift station replacement; wastewater treatment lagoon sludge removal; Haymeadow Estates sanitary sewer inflow and infiltration elimination; potential sanitary sewer expansion areas and resulting system upgrades; and Adams Road sanitary sewer force main replacement.

To comply with DEQ requirements, the south lift station must be improved due to its elevation within a flood plain. The north lift station has had maintenance issues and upgrading it is also necessary. The sewer lagoon sludge removal and the Adams Road sanitary sewer force main replacement could be delayed based on their present condition, but will likely need to be addressed before 2030. The SAW grant committee did not recommend expanding the sewer coverage area due to cost.

**Dohm** moved **Leszinske** seconded to direct Steve Patterson to work with Prein & Newhof on the north and south lift station and preliminary engineering report under the SAW Grant and direct the DPW start a special project to reduce the sanitary sewer infiltration in the Haymeadow Estates subdivision. Motion carried 5/0

Barbara Marczak from Prien & Newhof will provide Steve Patterson updated budgetary amounts for the lift stations. With refined amounts, options for funding the improvements will be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Dee Hazen, Village Clerk