



Bridge contractor and designer to pay \$700,000 to settle water line lawsuit

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The Dayton City Commission is expected to vote on a settlement agreement this evening for the City's lawsuit against the bridge contractor and designer hired by the Montgomery County engineer for construction of the Keowee Street Bridge over the Great Miami River.

In the lawsuit, Dayton alleged that the design and construction of the bridge resulted in massive erosion of the riverbank, causing the City's 36-inch main water line to become dislodged and disrupting water service to much of Montgomery County on Feb. 13, 2019.

City Manager Shelley Dickstein stated: "This settlement is a vindication for the City of Dayton and its water ratepayers. Neither Dayton nor its ratepayers caused the damage and should not have to pay for its repair."

The funds collected will cover the costs incurred by Dayton to hire a contractor to replace and repair the water line.

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