

**STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES
APRIL 6, 2021**

The Streets Committee meeting was held on April 6, 2021 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Vincent Weimer, Vice Chair Paul Marnecheck, Jessica Fenos; **Council:** Jeremy Dietrich, Linda Barath; Mike Vos; Joanne Krejci **Administration:** Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, Law Director Thomas Kelly, City Engineer Justin Haselton; Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi; Wastewater Superintendent Mark Smith **Other:** Dan Langshaw; Jonah Pichette, Michael McDonald

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of March 2, 2021 Committee minutes. Moved by Mr. Marnecheck, seconded by Ms. Fenos. Vote: Yeas: 3; Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Updates on sidewalks and connections**

Mr. Haselton stated Bowen is continuing to work on the State Road Sidewalk Project. They submitted plans, ODOT came back with some comments. There is one issue we need to get involved with and help with driveway slopes. He will be working with Mark on that issue. No update on Bennett Road; it will be designed this year with no construction until 2023.

2. **Service Department Report**

See attached report.

3. **Rte. 82 Widening Project**

Remove from agenda

4. **Intersection of York and Albion**

Remove from agenda

5. **2021 Road Maintenance Program**

Mr. Cinquepalmi stated we have recommended Set In Stone to do the concrete work. We've already started doing our own concrete work. We got off shifts 2 weeks ago and we were already prepping before that with sawing and getting everything ready. Also pouring concrete every day, except for last Thursday when it snowed. Same with crack sealing and getting ready for asphalt work soon.

Mr. Weimer asked Mr. Cinquepalmi when he believes asphalt work will start back up. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated we will start as soon as the asphalt plants open. The only one that is open now is too far from us; it is on Broadway and 480. They are supposed to open on the 12th of April.

Mr. Marnecheck asked how hard is it if the plants decide to open Friday; is it just a matter of them firing up a machine and saying we are open on Friday. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated no, he is sure they are already getting their kiln, all of their conveyors ready and have been working on it for weeks. Mr. Marnecheck stated we can freeride when other communities are in need and we go off of them. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes, with other cities we tag along. Mr. Marnecheck stated if the weather cooperates then they may open earlier. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes, but you don't want it too warm when the asphalt is coming out at 300 degrees; you have to lay it and let it cool.

6. Ridge and Royalwood Intersection

Mr. Haselton stated last month we submitted to ODOT to try and get information on funding for them. Their safety funding threshold to be considered is 10 crashes in a 3-year period with serious or fatal injuries as a part of it. This intersection has only had 6 crashes in a 3-year period with no serious or fatal accidents. It is not going to do well with the ODOT safety funding perspective. Our next steps are that Tom Jordan is checking with NOACA to see if there are funding options there and we are also going to look at OPWC.

Mr. Was asked Mr. Haselton if we met the deadline on the State Road project working with Bowen? Mr. Haselton stated yes, Bowen worked with ODOT to extend the deadlines and they did meet the most recent submittal. They haven't approved yet with comments but they keep making progress towards this. ODOT will be somewhat satisfied. Mr. Was stated then it will most likely happen this year. Mr. Haselton stated yes.

7. Street Sweeping

Mr. Cinquepalmi stated the street sweeper has not missed one day, except for last Thursday (snow day). It's been out there every day for the last 2 weeks and it will continue to be out there until we get through the whole city. We have a system we started at the north part of the city; north of Rte. 82. We are about $\frac{3}{4}$ through the north part of the city. Once we get south of Rte. 82 it will go a lot quicker. We are doing development by development, right down the line so we don't skip anything and we do the mains as we go along; rather than send a truck out to do all of the mains for a week. This way everybody is getting it.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Proposed Ordinance - Set In Stone (concrete rebid) – 2021 Road Maintenance Program

Ms. Fenos asked what the price difference between the 1st time and this time. She understands that the price that was bid this time was a little lower. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes, we were able to give the quantities out and it brought bigger players to the table. Once they can see we are going to do this amount of work, 3 of the big contractors bid it and they were all within \$30k of each other. The winning bid was \$558,834.00. It shows you how they compete against each other in other cities. They go back and forth; they want to beat the other guy out. He stated he took last years prices what we paid for work last year and he had all of the square yardage we are going to do this year; at last year's prices this project this year would've cost us \$717,281.00. Because we were able to put quantities out, which the smaller contractors folded, the big boys came in; saw the amount of volume where they can make it up. Typically, from last year's prices to this year's prices, we are \$158,447.00 lower. So that is almost \$160k less and that frees up other monies for more work. The contractors this year were very aggressive and very competitive due to the fact the way the bidding was set up this year. We are good with any of the 3 contractors; they are all well known, they do work in other cities, and they have been doing work for decades.

Ms. Fenos asked if there was a difference in the 1st round of bidding with Set In Stone. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes. Ms. Fenos stated that there was a savings. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes, the 1st bid there was no quantity, so it was a guessing game of how we were going to do. If they are going to do a small amount, they have to raise their unit cost, which is a square yard price, because they are guessing like we are guessing. We had the opportunity with the Mayor and the budget to know we have this much money, if we put it together and we gave it to them. For example, Set In Stone bid it a month earlier; he bid \$91.95/yard. The same guy comes back 6 weeks later and he basically had a \$75/yard price. You multiply that by 7300 yards, you are saving \$20 and there's the \$147k. Mr. Marnecheck stated it went down by about \$17/sq. yard. Ms. Krejci stated because it was a greater volume. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated yes, because before there was no volume. So, it was a guessing game. If they have to come out here and assume that we are going to do a little bid, they have to raise that cost. They have to bring the equipment, the men, all of the same steps whether it's a big job or a smaller job. The

bigger the job the lower the cost per unit. Mr. Marnecheck stated because we buy it in bulk. We went from being a customer to a wholesaler. Mr. Cinquepalmi stated they buy their wire in bulk, their concrete, rebar, rods and they can go to their vendors and say I just signed a contract with the City of North Royalton; I am going to use x amount, you have to give me a deal or I'll go somewhere else. So, it just trickles down; the more you can do, it lowers the cost.

Ms. Krejci stated that will not be until 2022, am I correct.

Mr. Marnecheck stated that is Rte. 82 north and Mayor, that's the 80/20 match. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated what you are approving is the 80/20 match and the money we are getting.

Mayor Antoskiewicz stated on the Road Program he believes we were pretty aggressive; we are actually doing a lot more concrete. One of the things we are trying to do is to take some of these concrete developments and fix them with concrete to maintain them that way. This will last us 20-30 years. You spend a little more initially but in the long haul, we are going to save money and we are going to save those developments. We are trying to get away from cutting the seams and filling them with asphalt. That is why you are seeing more concrete this year because the section of Royal Valley; it's the 1st phase of Royal Valley from way back when. If you go through there, that is the phase that is really torn up. We started this last year with Timber Ridge; we got through most of it, they are actually finishing up a little section this year on Yvonne which is on your list. The other couple of things we're doing are York Road ball field; asphalt needed there. We had that piece sitting there that the old building used to sit on that was concrete; we tore that up and we are asphaltting it. We are going to be able to get a dozen more parking spaces and those are badly needed. That got asphalted yesterday and today. We will be putting the striping down next week. We are also going to do a bit of work at the Service Yard and Service Department building.

Mayor asked Mr. Haselton if he has an update on Abbey Road. Mr. Haselton stated we are finishing up the plans now and they will be submitted to the review agency and that will be ready to bid.

2. **Proposed Ordinance - Ridge Road Resurfacing – ODOT**

No discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Marnecheck, seconded by Mr. Fenos to **adjourn the Streets Committee meeting of April 6, 2021**. Roll Call: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Service Department Monthly Report – March 2021

3/1/21 Mon.

Empty salt truck trucks & wash out V-bodies [nice weather all week].

Patching – Continue checking our developments, S.E. corner of the City.

3/2/21 Tue.

Patching – Working on the S.W. corner of our developments.

3/3/21 Wed.

Dales Ct. – Clean up debris on the tree lawn [some loose stone and old patch from plowing the cul-de-sac].

Garage – Working in our back yard, [clean-up all the debris in the yard].

3/4/21 Thur.

Landscaping – Start in Cedarwood Estates. The weather was warm enough to repair some turfing done by our snow plows.

Julia & Ridge – Cut two trees & hauled them out. They were on City property and leaning over the sidewalk.

3/5/21 Fri.

Recreation Department – Razed the building by the batting cages.

Tree Trimming – Industrial Parkway. When we finish trimming, we noticed some holes needed patched. Sent the same crew back to finish-up in the Industrial Park, with cold patch.

3/8/21 Mon.

C.W.D. water main break – At 5020 Bunker Rd. We salted over the weekend and needed to clean up all the mud left behind after repairs were done.

3/9/21 Tue.

Patching – Sherwood Estates, finished in the morning.

Landscaping - In the afternoon we sent the same crew out to repair some turf damage in Oakridge Development.

3/10/21 Wed.

Landscaping – Continue our turf repairs in the N.E. corner of the City.

3/11/21 Thur.

Landscaping – 8289 Claridge Ct. We received a work order for restoration of her front yard. Last year when we repaired the curb & gutter, we restored the curb to its correct height causing the yard to hold water. We just needed to add some dirt and regrade for proper drainage. We finished this in the morning and went back on our turf repairs.

Recreation Department – We will remove the floor & footer of the old building we razed.

3/12/21 Fri.

Landscaping – Continue turf repairs in the central developments.

3/15/21 Mon.

Landscaping – Continue our turf repairs in the N.W. corner of the City.

Recreation Department – Remove concrete slab in the parking lot of old Rec. Bldg. This will be repaved with asphalt at a later time.

3/16/21 Tue.

Recreation Department – continue tearing out concrete floor next to the building.

Garage – Tear down two salt trucks. [remove V box & plow] We will need a couple of single axles trucks for next week when we come off shifts.

3/17/21 Wed.

Recreation Department – Finish removing the concrete floor of the old building.

Patching.

3/18/21 Thur.

Garage – Set up the chipper & single axle for tree clean-up [a high possibility of downed trees with 50mph winds forecast for the next couple of days].

Saw Cutting – Start cutting C.W.D. repairs from over the winter. Concrete work will start when the plant opens.

3/19/21 Fri.

Saw Cutting – Yvonne Dr.

Garage – Set up crack sealing truck for Monday morning.

3/22/21 Mon.

Crack Sealing – Seal the Rec. Dept. parking lot. [the new lines for parking will be done at a later time].

Concrete – C.W.D. repairs from over the winter. We will tear out and set up for two pours tomorrow. [High-view, Royalwood & Ridge].

3/23/21 Tue.

Crack Sealing – Continue sealing the Rec. Dept. parking lot.

Concrete – In the morning pour Royalwood & Ridge, and High-view Dr. In the afternoon start tearing out & setting up on Yvonne dr.

Saw Cutting – Finish cutting in Timber Ridge.

3/24/21 Wed.

Crack Sealing – Continue sealing the Rec. Dept. parking lot.

Concrete – Continue tearing out & setting up on Yvonne Dr. We will pour on Thursday.

Street Sweeping – Start sweeping the N.W. corner of the City.

Saw Cutting – Start cutting on Shaker Dr.

3/25/21 Thur.

Concrete – In the morning pour 4 sections on Yvonne Dr., in the afternoon continue tearing out more sections.

Crack Sealing – Finish the Rec. Dept. parking lot.

Street Sweeping – Finish the N.W. corner of the City.

Saw Cutting – Finish cutting on Shaker Dr. Start cutting on N. Gateway.

3/26/21 Fri.

Patching – Abbey Rd., Ridge Rd. and Akins Rd. The same crew is bouncing around the City cleaning up tree debris from the high wind gusts [50 mph plus at times].

Saw Cutting – Continue on N. Gateway.

Street Sweeping – Start on the central part of the City.

Concrete – Finish tear-out & set-up on Yvonne for a Monday pour.

3/29/21 Mon.

Crack Sealing – Start Wiltshire Rd. [the county has a preventative maintenance program and will reimburse us for all material used. 8 county roads will be done].

Saw Cutting – Hillside Dr.

Concrete – In the morning pour Yvonne Dr. In the afternoon start tearing out on Shaker Dr.

3/30/21 Tue.

Crack Sealing – Continue on Wiltshire Rd.

Concrete – In the morning pour part of the turnaround at the end of Shaker Rd. Continue tearing out in the afternoon.

Street Sweeping – Continue on the central part of the City.

3/31/21 Wed.

Tree Trimming – We need to trim & clean-up several areas throughout the City.

Concrete – Continue work on Shaker Dr.

Saw Cutting – continue on Hillside Dr.

4/1/21 – Thur.

Plowing – Called guys in early to plow and salt. [4 to 5 inches of wet snow]. We needed to put two trucks together for plowing & salting [V boxes and plows].

Concrete – We are still able to excavate & set-up for a Friday pour [weather permitting].

Tree Clean Up – Branches are hanging low from the heavy snow. Some have snapped and are laying in the road.

4/2/21/Fri.

Patching.

Mailboxes – Sent two crews out repairing boxes.

H.H.W. Drop off.

Garage – Tear down two trucks [V boxes and plows] for Monday projects.

