

**STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES
NOVEMBER 1, 2022**

The Streets Committee meeting was held on November 1, 2022 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Joanne Krejci, Vice Chair Linda Barath, Paul Marnecheck; **Council:** Michael Wos, Dawn Carbone-McDonald, Jeremy Dietrich, John Nickell; **Administration:** Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, Law Director Tom Kelly, City Engineer Justin Haselton, Wastewater Superintendent Mark Smith, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi; **Other:** Joel Spatz, Nancy Murray, Connie Mayer, Michael McDonald, Jim Kulikowski.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of October 4, 2022 Committee minutes. Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Mr. Nickell. Votes: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Updates on sidewalks and connections

Mr. Haselton summarized the Bennett Road Path Project, whereas final drawings were submitted to ODOT (Ohio Department of Transportation) in October. The project is set to be bid in January, with construction anticipated in the spring or summer of 2023.

2. Service Department Report

See report.

Mr. Cinquepalmi noted that it was business as usual. They are still doing concrete and asphalt work, which they will continue doing so until snow fall.

3. 2022 Road Maintenance Program

Mr. Haselton reported on Ridge Road. The project is mostly completed. The loop detectors were being installed the first half of this week, and striping will be finished this week. There are a few areas of concern that need work over the next two weeks. Basically, we are 99% done with a few minor things that need cleaned up. Ms. Krejci stated that she thought the project went really well. She felt that Ridge Road looked great and expressed her appreciation.

Ms. Carbone-McDonald conveyed that she received a lot of compliments on it; it went very smooth and quick. Everyone was very appreciative. Mayor Antoskiewicz noted the few complaints we did receive, he felt Chagrin Valley handled it very well, and they were on it right away; he was pleased.

Mr. Marnecheck asked if they have laid the final layer. Mr. Haselton concurred. Mr. Marnecheck had a resident that emailed him inquiring about that. He can tell them the final layer has been applied. Mr. Haselton agreed. Mr. Marnecheck raised question if anything has been looked at, where there was still some ponding; where Julia meets Ridge Road. Mr. Haselton indicated that is one of areas they are going to come in the next couple of weeks to grind and improve the drainage.

4. Ridge Road and Royalwood Intersection

Mayor Antoskiewicz advised that he did have some estimated costs. If he had understood Council correctly, he would like to start putting money away for the project. The Mayor explained that will be in the budget as part

of the Road Program. With that being said, he does not believe it is essential to do a preliminary design yet. We are at least a couple of years away, before we would address that intersection. Next year, we have York Road, and in 2024, we have to pay for Sprague Road before we do anything; which is going to come to over \$1 M. He is not looking at Royalwood and Ridge Road. You never know if we may still get some funds for it. He felt that we should keep putting money away, as all will see when the budget comes out; to start building for that. He stated it is not good to do a preliminary design at this time; but rather closer to when we are actually going to do the project.

Ms. Krejci believed that we planned on budgeting money for next year to do the design, or figure out how much it was, and see if we could approve the money next year. Mayor Antoskiewicz pointed out, with Sprague Road in 2024, he did not want to do a design next year and have it sit there for a couple of years. He mentioned things going up, as they are currently. We are going to put money away for the project instead.

Mr. Dietrich brought up that without a design and knowing the exact cost, you do not know how much to put aside. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that it will be at least \$1 M - \$1 ½ M dollars. He feels that if he does the design next year and the project is not done for a couple of years, that design may not be good, as far as cost goes; it is not practical. Mr. Dietrich asked how long those quotes are good for. As discussion ensued, Mayor Antoskiewicz noted that an engineer's estimate next year is not going to make sense for two years down the road. Mr. Marnecheck wanted to know how much it would cost to do the design work. Mayor Antoskiewicz clarified that the estimated preliminary design, is roughly \$60,000. Mr. Marnecheck inquired about how long that usually takes to do. The Mayor was uncertain. Mr. Haselton added that it takes a few months.

Mr. Marnecheck raised question as to whether the Mayor felt there would be any benefit to getting it done next year for possible grants that might be awarded in 2024. We would have the design in 2023 to be able to apply for funds. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated that all you have is a preliminary. He recapped that the estimate he received from CT Consultants for a preliminary design next year would cost \$60,000. Then you have the regular design, which he has not reviewed fully; the regular design would cost \$250,000. Mr. Marnecheck remarked, therefore, you are in for \$310,000. He wondered if the preliminary design would help us identify whether we need to acquire land. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that we already know we have to acquire land; we have to acquire that corner. Mr. Marnecheck believed that it was multiple parcels. Mayor Antoskiewicz indicated that it is one parcel. Mr. Marnecheck did not agree. The Mayor mentioned that it entails the piece where we took the house down, to the street. Mr. Marnecheck believed there were multiple parcels; that first appendage on Julia Drive. Mayor Antoskiewicz noted that if it is, we have not done that yet. If we have to do that, it should be done before anything else. Mr. Marnecheck commented that was the reason he was inquiring whether this would help identify if we need to do all the parcels; how much land we need, etc. Mayor Antoskiewicz reiterated that we know we are going to have to do all of the land; we know we are going to have to do the parcels from the corner to the end of our property. Then you have a house on Julia, and we have to go up to there; we are already aware. That is the acquisition part that we have not done yet, as well.

Mr. Nickell wanted to clarify that we already bought the corner; where the house is torn down. Mayor Antoskiewicz explained that we have the house, that property from where the other house is on Ridge Road, and the house next to it, toward around the middle of the woods. From the middle of the woods to the street is owned by someone else. Mr. Nickell remarked that we are going to need that. Mayor Antoskiewicz concurred; we are going to need that later on. Mr. Nickell asked if we had a preliminary formal. Mayor Antoskiewicz noted that he would have to look it up again. He knew there was something done; however, he was uncertain as to when. As discussion ensued, he stated he would have to look it up again and there were some estimated costs.

Mr. Nickell inquired about the amount being put aside. Mayor Antoskiewicz explained that he has not finalized it yet, however, roughly over \$200,000. Mr. Nickell shared that his position was, Council likely wanted the estimate completed. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that without a definitive start date of getting the project done, you could just be blowing \$60,000. Mr. Nickell talked about that intersection as being the worst that we have. He felt that you have to start somewhere. Mayor Antoskiewicz reiterated that putting money away is how we start.

Mr. Dietrich expressed that he does not understand. The design should still be good two years later. He went on to say you are not even getting a quote, you are getting a design. Mayor Antoskiewicz pointed out, we may not be able to do it in two years. Mr. Dietrich believed the design is still good and that it does not change. He felt very strongly about the design being done next year. He agreed with the Mayor about putting money aside, however, in addition to that, perhaps putting less money aside and going ahead with the design. Mayor Antoskiewicz commented that if Council is insisting on a design, there would be less money put aside, period. Mr. Dietrich understood, however, that would show the residents some action being done towards it. He felt that it is better to do it now, and that it is still good in two years; although less money would be put aside. Mayor Antoskiewicz reiterated that he was not certain it is going to be two years. Mr. Dietrich believed that it would still be good even in three years and that it should not change.

Mayor Antoskiewicz deferred to Mr. Haselton about how long a design would be good for. Mr. Haselton conveyed, in this case, since we are only talking about a preliminary engineering, it would be good for quite a while. When we do the full engineering, that would have a shelf life of a couple of years. If just proposing a preliminary, then that would be good for a few years. You still must do that next step; the full engineering design. Ms. Krejci questioned if that would let us know whether we need to buy that other property. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated that we know we have to acquire that other property. We know that we cannot do it without taking the rest of that corner. Mr. Dietrich asked what amount the Mayor thought we would be able to set aside. Mayor indicated probably close to \$250,000. Mr. Dietrich remarked therefore, we can dump \$190,000 into it if it is going to cost \$60,000. You have to have the preliminary anyway, and it is good for a long time. That is what he would do; which was his personal recommendation.

As discussion ensued, Mayor Antoskiewicz shared that we will have to see what we can do next year on the budget, because we have Sprague Road coming up; which again, is over \$1 M. Mr. Nickell mentioned the desire to getting that intersection done. Mayor Antoskiewicz was on board with getting it done. He reiterated that he felt it is too early to do the design. Mr. Dietrich remarked that you have to spend that money no matter what; it is not like it is going to waste. The Mayor stated that if Council gets it done, he does not want to hear anything in future years; if somebody comes back and says it is going to cost more money because the design has changed. He reiterated that he does not want to hear "anything" from anyone if that happens. Mr. Dietrich mentioned that if we work with the same firm, the pre-liminary design is one fee, and the final design is a different fee, no matter what.

Mayor Antoskiewicz raised question to Mr. Haselton, if this job next year, were to be done, whether there would even be a preliminary design. Mr. Haselton explained that it would get lumped in with the entire project. Mayor Antoskiewicz wanted to clarify that it would be lumped in with the full design. Ms. Haselton concurred. It could be reduced a little, because there would be some redundancies. Mayor Antoskiewicz stated therefore, you would not need a preliminary design, you would just do a full engineering design. Mr. Haselton agreed. Mr. Dietrich asked how long the full engineering designs are good for. Mr. Haselton indicated the concern is how much things change. If not much changes in those couple of years, then the design is good. He would not expect anything to change, however, it was possible; such as, the utilities could change. How Mayor Antoskiewicz perceived it was: Hypothetically, you put the money away, and in two years, you want to do the project. He does the full design, it is going to cost less than the \$310,000, and you are going to have the money to pay for it, because you are putting money away. This was how he sees things.

Ms. Krejci inquired about when a decision had to be made and to discuss it. Mayor Antoskiewicz pointed out it is in the budget. Mr. Dietrich agreed; it is in the budget regardless. He would leave it on the agenda. Ms. Krejci suggested to perhaps, see how the budget looks when we go through the budgeting process, how it comes out, and then make a decision at that point. She continued that if you are able to put \$250,000 aside and we decide it is still a priority, then you can take it from the \$250,000 next year perhaps, and do it. However, she did not know if we need to decide that now. Mayor Antoskiewicz agreed, you do not. He is just making clear that when he presents the budget, that is what it will be. He was informing us of what is to come. As discussion ensued,

Mayor Antoskiewicz felt that it is not the way to do it right now. Ms. Krejci felt that we can discuss it more, see how it phases out in the budgeting process, and go from there.

5. Sprague Road

Mr. Haselton reported that there is still work being done predominately on the Parma side; a lot of storms, main line and catch basins. At some point in the near future, they are going to be getting closer to switching traffic and doing more work on the North Royalton side; in the next month or two. Mr. Nickell mentioned that he went down there today, whereas it appeared they might have 60% of the concrete laid down on the one side. Mr. Haselton was uncertain as to the amount. Mr. Marnecheck inquired about the traffic, once they flip it, how much longer the project may possibly take. Mr. Haselton explained that it is a long-term project, involving all of next year.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Winter Road Preparedness update

Ms. Krejci asked if there had been any changes since the last meeting. Mr. Cinquepalmi indicated that we did fill up the barn with salt last week. Four of the trucks are put together and ready. The others could be ready within a matter of hours. We are going on winter shifts on the 27th of November. That will get us started; we are ready and prepared.

REMOVE FROM AGENDA

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Mr. Marnecheck to **adjourn the Streets Committee meeting of November 1, 2022**. Roll Call: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Service Department Monthly Report – October 2022

10/3/22 Mon.

Sort chemicals from Saturday Recycle Yard.

Cut down canopy over the road on Edgerton Rd north of Bennett Rd. Next week we will clean up the whole side of the Old Cemetery, [dead trees, litter and weeds].

Tear out two sections on West Hampton and set up for a Tuesday pour.

Rebuild brick work around the water meter at the new splash pad.

10/4/22 Tue.

Trim trees on Edgerton east of Ridge Rd., they were hanging over the road and blocking the traffic light. We also trimmed the tree on Akins Rd. east of State for the same reason. Went back to the old cemetery and started our clean up.

Pour the two sections on W. Hampton in the morning, then went to Tudor Cr. to excavate two more sections.

Continue our work around the building by the splash pad.

10/5/22 Wed.

Remove all the dead trees on Applewood Dr. [28 total] and landscaped everything.

Poured the two sections on Tudor Cr.

Clean up pick-up trucks in the morning and put up fallen banners in the afternoon.

10/6/22 Thur.

Storm Water repaired four catch basins and we installed new asphalt around them. Afterwards we started crack sealing on Brookhaven Dr.

Tear out and set up a section on W. Hampton for a Friday pour.

Mowing, this will be the last round of cutting this year.

10/7/22 Fri.

Pour one section on W. Hampton.

At State & Sprague we removed an 80' section of stone berm and replace with asphalt. This will stop the erosion problem we have every time it rains hard.

Haul old asphalt and debris out of our back lot to the recycle plant.

10/10/22 Mon.

Sort chemicals from Saturday Recycle Yard.

Excavate and set up a large section on W. Hampton, this also includes a catch basin rebuild that will be poured Tuesday.

Along the side of the building by the splash pad we'll run new storm lines and drop in another catch basin prior to installing new asphalt. This will stop the water from entering the front of the building.

Continue Mowing.

10/11/22 Tue.

Poured the catch basin and large section on W. Hampton.

Continue working on the drainage at Memorial Park.

Crack Sealing on Brookhaven Dr.

Mowing.

10/12/22 Wed.

Saw cutting on Royal Valley Dr.

Continue sealing Brookhaven Dr.

Install new catch basin at Memorial Park.

10/13/22 Thur.

Tear out & set up two slabs and the double basin on Royal Valley for a Friday pour.

Clean up a dead tree that fell on Wallings Rd. Went back to the old cemetery and continued our clean up.

10/14/22 Fri.

Finished the clean-up at the old cemetery in the morning. Then went to Memorial Park to install the first layer of base around sewer work.

Pour the two slabs and rebuilt basins on Royal Valley Dr.

10/17/22 Mon.

Sort chemicals from Saturday Recycle Yard.

Start tree trimming on Sharon La.

Return to W. Hampton and excavate another section that will be poured today.

Put two guys in the back with the mechanics in order to get three more snowplow trucks together. Yes Snow!!

10/18/22 Tue.

Tear out and set up two sections on W. Hampton. We will pour this on Thursday or Friday when it warms up.

Finish tree trimming on Sharon La. and start on Rustic Dr.

10/19/22 Wed.

Tear out three sections on Royal Valley Dr. start setting up for a Thursday pour.

Continue tree trimming on Rustic Dr.

Patching on Abbey, Akins and Royalwood.

10/20/22 Thur.

Finish setting up for the Royal Valley pour, unfortunately the plant broke down. We'll pour tomorrow.

Continue tree trimming on Rustic Dr.

Installed asphalt around a catch basin at Willow Lake & Ridge Rd. Also cleaned out and installed two sections of new berm on Wiltshire Rd.

10/21/22 Fri.

Poured three sections and one catch basin on Royal Valley Dr.
Returned to Royalton Woods to crack seal our joint repairs.
Continue tree trimming on Rustic and all cul-de-sac streets.

10/24/22 Mon.

Sort chemicals from Saturday Recycle Yard.
Poured two sections on W. Hampton, this will finish our concrete replacement on West Hampton Dr.
Installed the second course of base around new basin at Memorial Park.
Mowing.

10/25/22 Tue.

Tear out two sections on Royal Valley Dr. We will pour tomorrow.
Crack Sealing Elaine Dr. and Perl Ct.

10/26/22 Wed.

Pour two sections on Royal Valley Dr. Excavate one slab and set up for a Thursday pour.
Continue Trimming Trees on Rustic Dr.

10/27/22 Thur.

Pour one slab on Royal Valley Dr. and tear out three sections for tomorrow's pour.
Return to Memorial Park to install the top coat of asphalt.
Stack Salt.
Put another salt truck together [Unit 31].

10/28/22 Fri.

Pour three sections on Royal Valley Dr.
Continue crack sealing in Royalton Woods.
Finish all of the asphalt work at Memorial Park. Also landscaped everything.