

STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES OCTOBER 3, 2023

The Streets Committee meeting was held on October 3, 2023 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:** John Nickell, Jeremy Dietrich, Mike Wos, Heidi Webber; **Administration:** Mayor Larry Antoskiewicz, Law Director Tom Kelly, Wastewater Superintendent Mark Smith, Finance Director Jenny Esarey, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi, City Engineer Justin Haselton; **Other:** Joel Spatz, Susan Stohlman, James Sepik, John Noel, Dave Seligman, Dorothy Lettus, A. Davis, Tom Fitzgerald, Mary Gorjanc.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of September 5, 2023 Committee minutes. Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Ms. Barath. Votes: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Updates on sidewalks and connections

Mr. Haselton reported on the Bennett Road Path Project, in which the contractor would be paving the path, as well as pouring the driveway aprons this week. Following that, would be the pouring of two concrete curb ramps and they are still expecting to be complete in mid-October.

2. Service Department Report

See attached.

Ms. Krejci inquired about the cutting back of tree branches. Mr. Cinquepalmi explained that cutting them back is basically for the rubbish trucks and plow trucks; especially in the winter time. He went on to say that we have a rule that if you follow the curb, those need to be cleared to protect the mirrors on our trucks. We normally go in the center of the road when plowing. Now we have to clean it all the way to the curb, therefore we are somewhat hugging that curb. There have been broken mirrors, broken windows, etc., when the branches are not cut back. We are not a tree service; however, those need to be cut.

Ms. Krejci asked if Council were to discover any issues in the area, whether they should be reporting it. Mr. Cinquepalmi agreed. We actually did some last week, although we try to hold off somewhat. They grow back often. Many times, he will go into a development for one area, and discover it is an issue for the entire development; it is a constant battle. We also do it throughout the winter on days without snow. Ms. Krejci wanted to know if it would be okay to tell the residents that the Streets department may have to cut the branches that are hanging over where the plows have to come. Mayor Antoskiewicz explained that if a resident has questions, he would suggest explaining that if it is 'low hanging', we will come out and cut it. However, some people get upset if the tree does not look uniform as it did before. He reiterated we will come out and cut them, however if the residents prefer, they can take care of the branches themselves; he would suggest letting them know that up front. He would tell them if they can do it themselves, to get the lower branches.

Ms. Webber inquired about scenarios if the branches are resting on a utility line. The Mayor stated that if it is in the power lines, the company will usually come out. Often times, the cable companies have a routine, however they won't rush out to take care of it; those are not as much of an emergency situation. He noted they usually work by section if it is their lines.

3. 2023 Road Maintenance Program

Mr. Cinquepalmi explained that our cement contractor just finished two small projects on South Gateway, which are the handicap ramps and a few sections of road. Also, a small project on Bunker Court. Our cement crews have been caught up with all the work in-house that we have been wanting to do. We are finally in the Beverly Hills Estates area, which is Sheron Lane, Douglas Court, and Milan Court east end. We are getting it prepared doing all the curbs and handicap ramps. From there, he believed we would be completed in a few weeks. As long as the weather permits, we want to get into other streets such as Saturn, Mercury, and Apollo. He would like to continue doing the same thing. We can always fill in spots by doing that as long as the weather permits, and we do the concrete before we shut down. We are out every day doing concrete or crack sealing. You will see our crews every day all over the City.

Mr. Marnecheck shared that the resident on North Gateway spoke to him on Sunday and conveyed he was thankful that those were going in. Mr. Cinquepalmi noted we started it last week. They did one day there, and they went back yesterday; it looks beautiful. Ms. Barath agreed the residents were happy.

Ms. Krejci raised question about York Road. Mr. Haselton clarified the final surface course was placed last week. The final pavement markings will go down on Friday. They have to do some detector loop work next Monday. Then some final clean up toward the middle of the month; they are essentially done.

Mr. Nickell brought up a couple of man hole covers, stating that when he hits them, they make noise. He would provide the addresses to Mr. Haselton.

4. Sprague Road

Mr. Haselton summarized that the contractor is still making progress. They have been installing driveways and aprons, sidewalks on our side, also doing rough and final grading for the residents' yards. They also are doing some landscaping, such as top soil and grass seed. They still anticipate completion for December 12th.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ms. Krejci, seconded by Ms. Barath to **adjourn the Streets Committee meeting of October 3, 2023.**
Roll Call: Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

Service Department Monthly Report – September 2023

9/4/23 Monday

Holiday

9/5/23 Tuesday

Excavate and tear out concrete sections on Bunker Ct, set up for Wednesday pour.

Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Stoney Creek Dr and Oakridge Dr.

Haul away tree debris from Service Yard to yard waste facility.

9/6/23 Wednesday

Poured concrete sections on Bunker Ct.

Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Oakridge Dr and Greenwood Rd.

9/7/23 Thursday

Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Oakridge Dr and Greenwood Rd.

Sent two workers to help the Recreation Department.

9/8/23 Friday

Backfilled in front of 4121 Bunker Ct for driveway access.

Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Oakridge Dr and Greenwood Rd.

Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.

Sent one worker to help the Recreation Department.

9/11/23 Monday

Saw cut curbs on Sharon Ln for concrete repairs.

Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Greenwood Rd.

9/12/23 Tuesday

Saw cut curbs on Sharon Ln for concrete repairs.

Grind out and install asphalt in berm at 7300, 7406, and 7420 Edgerton Rd and NW corner of Edgerton Rd at State Rd.

Installed asphalt strip for new driveway apron at 8565 Albion Rd.

Cut back vegetation around fire hydrant for sanding and painting maintenance at 19439 Bennett Rd.

Sent one worker to help the Recreation Department.

9/13/23 Wednesday

Saw cut curbs on Sharon Ln and South Gateway Dr for concrete repairs.

Installed asphalt strip for new driveway apron at 8603 Albion Rd.

Grind out bump across road and install new asphalt patch at 12181 State Rd.

Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.

Sent one worker to help the Recreation Department.

9/14/23 Thursday

Catch basin repairs on South Gateway Dr and Dan Dr.

Grind out and installed new asphalt patch at 15641 State Rd.

Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.

9/15/23 Friday

Saw cut on Eastend Dr for concrete repairs.

Catch basin repairs on South Gateway Dr.

Grind out and install asphalt in berm at 6693 Cady Rd and 10232 Albion Rd.

Crack sealed road transition where concrete meets new asphalt on Forestwood Ln, and recent road work on Cady Rd, Albion Rd, Hi-View Dr, and White Swan Ct.

Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.

9/18/23 Monday

Saw cut on Bunker Ct for concrete repairs.

Reinstalled C.W.D. cap in road at 9465 W 130th St.

Grind out and install asphalt in berm at 5812, 6336, and 6350 Cady Rd.

Crack sealed recent road work in Southampton Development and City Hall parking lot.

Check Veteran Banners for any that need straightened.

9/19/23 Tuesday

Excavate and tear out concrete curbs on Sharon Ln, set up for Wednesday pour.

Excavate, grind out and install asphalt in ditch line and berm at 18507 and 18517 Ridge Rd.

Removed two no turn on red signs at Ridge Rd at Royalwood Rd intersection.

Sent two workers to help the Recreation Department.

9/20/23 Wednesday

Poured concrete curbs on Sharon Ln.

Grind out bump across road and install new asphalt patch at 16844 Ridge Rd.

Patched pothole at 9330 Sharon Ln, and curb at 12464 Saturn Dr.

Trimmed back branches for line of sight on all four corners of York Rd and Akins Rd intersection, and on Bennett Rd just before Edgerton Rd.

Straightened stop sign post at York Rd and Bennett Rd intersection.

9/21/23 Thursday

Grind out, install new asphalt patch, and re-stripe pavement markings in straight lane Royalton Rd at York Rd intersection.

Trimmed back branches for line of sight on Sherwood Trl between Tudor Cir and Kings Way, branches hanging over curb on Goodman Cir, and broken branches hanging in street at 4451 Sir John Ave.

Cleaned up around Service Garage.

Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.

9/22/23 Friday

Crack sealed recent road work on State Rd, Edgerton Rd, Albion Rd, and in Harley Hills Development.
Trimmed back branches hanging over curb on Dales Ct and Tanglewood Dr.
Picked up litter in front of 7830 Royalton Rd and dumped trash bag at 10450 Castle Dr.
Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.
Haul away asphalt from Service Yard to asphalt plant.

9/25/23 Monday

Excavate and tear out concrete curbs on Sharon Ln, set up for Tuesday pour.
Grind out and install new asphalt patch over road transition on State Rd on northside of turnpike bridge in SB lane.
Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.
Trimmed back trees blocking signs on York Rd between Royalton Rd and Bennett Rd.
Check Veteran Banners for any that need straightened.

9/26/23 Tuesday

Poured concrete curbs on Sharon Ln. Excavate and tear out another section of concrete curbs on Sharon Ln, set up for Wednesday pour.
Grind out and install new asphalt patch over road transition on State Rd on northside of turnpike bridge in NB lane.
Installed asphalt strip for new driveway apron at 7203 Cady Rd.
Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.
Trimmed back trees blocking signs on Abbey Rd and Edgerton Rd.
Installed No Dumping signs on Wildwood Dr at deadend.

9/27/23 Wednesday

Poured concrete curbs on Sharon Ln.
Grind out and install asphalt in berm on SE corner of W 130th St at Albion Rd.

9/28/23 Thursday

Excavate and tear out another section of concrete curbs on Sharon Ln, set up for Friday pour.
Grind out and install new asphalt patch on Royalton Rd near Stoney Creek Dr.
Installed asphalt strip for new driveway apron at 9203 Wallings Rd.
Cleaned up around Service Garage.

9/29/23 Friday

Poured concrete curbs on Sharon Ln.
Grind out and installed new asphalt strips on Greenwood Rd and Woodside Dr.
Installed asphalt strip for new driveway apron at 8768 Royalhaven Dr.
Mowing and weed whacking around guardrails and other city owned property.