

STREETS COMMITTEE MINUTES
JUNE 7, 2016

The Streets Committee meeting was held on June 7, 2016 at North Royalton City Hall, 14600 State Road. The meeting was called to order at 6:22 p.m.

PRESENT: Committee Members: Chair Steve Muller, Vice Chair Larry Antoskiewicz, John Nickell; Council: Gary Petrusky, Dan Langshaw, Paul Marnecheck, Dan Kasaris; Administration: Law Director Thomas Kelly, City Engineer Mark Schmitzer, Service Director Nick Cinquepalmi; Other: Lou Krzepina, Maria Humayun, Ryan Burdick, Beth Burdick.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Mr. Antoskiewicz, seconded by Mr. Nickell to **approve the May 3, 2016 Streets Committee minutes**. Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Issue 1 Funding

No update.

2. North Royalton Alternative Transportation Study

Mr. Kasaris asked if there a time frame for when we will be installing the sidewalk in front of City Hall or going north towards Rt. 82. Mr. Schmitzer said that he is not aware of anything on this. Mr. Nickell asked if we need a Resolution of Necessity. Mr. Kasaris said he thought we were going to use storm water money for it. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that we talked about using storm water money for the storm water portion of the project. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that he believes that the Mayor informed us that we did not receive the grant for this project. He said before we do anything further, we need to contact the residents involved. Mr. Kasaris said that he thought that we had already decided that we were going to do from City Hall up to Rt. 82. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that we still need to inform the residents. He said that he is not sure that it was decided by everyone on Council or not. Mr. Nickell said that we would have to look back at the minutes, but he thinks we asked the administration to send a letter. He said why don't we start by drafting the Resolution of Necessity. Mr. Kasaris said that there are only two property owners. Mr. Nickell said that the Dolezal's are aware of it. He said that Mr. DeMattie is aware of it also. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that he is unsure if all of Council agreed to this project if we weren't awarded the grant. Mr. Kasaris said that he recalls all of Council agreeing to city owned property up to Rt. 82. He wanted to take it south to Akins as well. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that everybody thought it was a good idea, but he is unsure if everyone agreed to move forward. Mr. Kasaris said that we haven't passed legislation yet, but he thought that everyone was in favor of it up to Rt. 82. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that before we do anything we need to inform the residents. Mr. Nickell said that this is just a stall tactic in his opinion. Mr. Antoskiewicz said it is not a stall tactic. He asked Mr. Nickell if we were going to assess him \$10,000 and all of a sudden just send him a letter saying he owes the money, how would he feel. Mr. Nickell said that this is stalling. He said we asked the administration to send a letter saying that we intend to do this and to have a meeting. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that we haven't done this yet. Why wouldn't we want them to know what we are doing. Mr. Nickell said that he personally spoke to Mr. DeMattie and many of us have spoken with Mr. Dolezal. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that we still need to let them know officially what is going on and what the intent is. Mr. Nickell said he doesn't know how much more we can to do. He said the intent is to put a sidewalk in front of the main road that feeds City Hall. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked what the harm is in sending two residents a letter than says here is what Council is intending to do. Mr. Nickell said then let's have the Council Office send a letter. Mr. Kasaris said before we do this we need to find out if we are going to pipe this in with storm water money. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that the Mayor is not here this evening to address this. Mr. Kasaris said that this is a significant part of the project as far as costs are concerned. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that he is sure that waiting for the Mayor's answer will be considered another stall tactic. Mr. Nickell said yes, it is a stall tactic. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked if he thought the Mayor being out of town was stall tactic. Mr. Nickell said the whole thing is about having to do a study to see if we need a sidewalk to our main city building in the center of town. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that Mr. Nickell obviously has no problem putting a hardship on a resident or taking money out of residents pocket

without them having any information about it. Mr. Nickell said he does have a problem with this; he doesn't have \$10,000 just sitting in the bank. He said that this would be an assessment over 20 years. Mr. Antoskiewicz said anytime you are assessing residents you need to let them know. Mr. Nickell said that we asked the city administration many times to send a letter to have a meeting so we could get the ball rolling. He said that he has been patient because we had to do a study, then the study came back and said we should do this. Then all of a sudden there was a magical grant we were going to get, but we did not get that. Mr. Nickell said that the Mayor said that we would handle the piping in of the ditches in house. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that this is what we were going to put towards the project if we got the grant. Mr. Nickell asked why can't we still do this. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that the Mayor is not here to answer if he is still willing to do that. Mr. Nickell said that we will ask him at the next meeting. Mr. Nickell said that we need to do the Resolution of Necessity and notify the residents. He said let's have a vote. If it is 4 to 3, then it passes 4-3 and if the Mayor wants to veto it he can. Mr. Langshaw said that looking at the minutes from the May 3, 2016 Streets Committee meeting minutes it states that Mayor Stefanik said we did not receive the grant money for this year but they were looking at prior year projects where the money was not spent and to perhaps put this money into next year's projects. Mr. Langshaw said that he wants to hear from the Mayor since the budget is already set for 2016 and we need to find out if we have the money for this. He said we need to figure out if we can even do this project this year before we set anything into motion. Mr. Kasaris said that we can't even meet with the residents until we find out if we are going to pipe in the ditches ourselves. Mr. Langshaw said since this project is in Ward 6, he defers to Mr. Kasaris. Mr. Kasaris said that we need to get this done. He asked if we could have an answer by the next meeting as to whether or not we are going to pipe in the ditches on this portion of State Road. Mr. Petrusky asked if we use city money, are we setting a precedent if we decide to sidewalk the rest of the city. He said that there are some big ditches in other wards that would have to be piped in as well. He said that his recollection was that in the past the Mayor said the city would not pay for this and it would get passed on to the resident. He said that this is a concern for him. If we use city money on this project, then he feels that we are setting a precedent for any other similarly situated projects. He said that we need to keep this in mind. This sidewalk may cost the city a lot more money down the road. Mr. Langshaw said the Rt. 82 project will have sidewalks included and the residents are paying for that. He said that as we have major road work done in the city, we should see if we can get sidewalks included in these projects. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that the only reason we were going to put money into this grant originally was because there have been storm water issues in this area already that needed to be fixed at some point. We were going to come up with the money to do a storm water improvement since we would be putting in the sidewalk with the grant. He said this is different than just filling in a ditch. He said he understands what Mr. Petrusky is saying and we have to be careful as to how we approach it.

3. **Service Department Report**

A copy of this report is attached to these minutes. Mr. Marnecheck asked how much longer they plan on working in the Industrial Park. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that we are coming out of there now. We are done with the main stretch and now we are on York Alpha heading towards York Road. He said that they are going to finish what they have already saw cut and then in a few weeks evaluate what is left.

Mr. Cinquepalmi reported that they have finished roughly 30 catch basins on Fawn Haven and Harrow Place. He said they have a crew that works specifically on catch basins every day. He said that they also have a crew specifically for asphalt repairs throughout the streets and developments. He said they got through Cedar Estates, Chesapeake and have started on Villa Grande. He said that Royal Haven is going to need a good amount of work as well. He said we are starting with a catch basin crew in St. Thomas Woods. He said that we want to do the whole development at one time. From there he said that we will go to Cinnamon Lakes, and they we will do quite a bit on Queensbridge and Beckenham. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that we contracted out to have the streets striped again this year. He said the timeframe for this work is June 13, 2016 to August 13, 2016. He said that the contractor's schedule will allow them to be here in mid-July and it won't take them more than a week or so to do the entire job. He informed the contractor that we are going to exclude striping Lytle Road and a good portion of Bennett Road because the paving contractor will be replacing the temporary striping with permanent striping sometime this year. Mr.

Nickell asked if we are doing the whole city. Mr. Cinquepalmi said yes, with the exceptions mentioned earlier. Mr. Marnecheck asked how many are on the catch basin crew. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that it is a 2-3 man crew. He said that we don't need traffic control when we are working inside of the developments. He said that they saw cut, dig it out, rebuild the catch basin and pour the concrete. He said that we typically do four or five in stages at one time. Mr. Marnecheck asked how many they can get done in one day. Mr. Cinquepalmi said they can rebuild 2-3 in one day. We can pour a dozen of them at once. It goes pretty quick. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that he is very pleased with the quality of work that is being done.

4. **Outstanding punch list items**

Regarding the 2014 Road Program, Mr. Schmitzer said that the contractor will be out this month to address the items of concern, most importantly the water ponding situation at the Julia Drive and Ridge Road intersection. He said that they are going to have them carry out a little bit more asphalt into the southbound lane of Ridge Road. Where the contractor butted up his pavement there were a couple low points in the pavement so we are going to have them carry it out further to get the water to flow to the catch basins. This should take care of the ponding issue. Mr. Marnecheck asked if this work is included in the original payment the contractor received for the work. Mr. Schmitzer said yes, there will no extra funds for this work. He said that we are going to revisit all the streets and the work that they did and if there are any cracks or anything that needs to be touched up or fixed, it will be done as part of the warranty under the contract. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked if we ever solved the problems with some of the lawns in Cedar Estates. Mr. Schmitzer said that this contractor has the punch list and fully understands that of all the items, the biggest concern is the tree lawns. The contractor is coming out within the next 30 days to address all the items on the list. He said that they are going to use a process similar to slit seeding where you slit the soil and install seed into the ground. Rather than just spreading seed on top, this will actually imbed the seed into the ground. He said that they are also aware of some issues with a couple of driveways that have cracks, settling, etc. All of these will be addressed at the same time. Mr. Schmitzer said we are also having the contractor address two very minor concerns from the Lynn/Hawley/Delsy project regarding some seeding. Mr. Marnecheck asked about Goodman Drive. Mr. Schmitzer said that Goodman Drive is a 2015 road program project and this was under a different contractor which was Karvo Paving. He said that we have had a lot of calls from residents asking when the work is going to be done. Mr. Schmitzer said that they are having very serious discussions with Karvo Paving at this time and he does not have any further update at this point. Mr. Kasaris asked if this includes Abbey Road and Akins Road. Mr. Schmitzer said it involves Abbey Road, Akins Road, Goodman Drive and Hawley Drive. Mr. Kasaris asked if the Law Department is a part of the discussions. Mr. Schmitzer said yes, they are directly involved with these discussions. Mr. Nickell asked what the problems are. Mr. Schmitzer said on Hawley Drive and Goodman Drive it is basically the catch basins and restoration work behind the curbs. On Abbey Road the biggest discussion is the berm. On Akins Road there is a portion of the asphalt at the east end of the project by Ridge Road that has to be redone, as well as catch basins and restoration behind the curbs. Mr. Muller said that at the last meeting Mr. Schmitzer reported that he was going to have the contractor redo Abbey Road and he wanted to know what their response to this was. Mr. Kelly said that they had a meeting with the Karvo Paving representatives. Karvo sent the city a letter after this meeting. He said that we are trying to negotiate with them. If these negotiations are unsuccessful then we will seek whatever appropriate remedies we have under the contract. Mr. Kasaris asked if the contract provides for arbitration. Mr. Kelly said it does. Mr. Schmitzer said that they are doing their best to come to a resolution that is fair to our residents. He has asked the residents to please be patient but stressed that if they have any concerns to contact him and let him know what they are. He said they are tracking and logging each and every concern.

5. **Bennett Road**

Mr. Schmitzer said they are still working on the final punch list items. He said the contractor is having trouble ordering a lid for one of the manholes. He said they have received a few calls from the Police Department reporting that cars have hit it and it has actually flown off its frame and left a hole in the ground. We don't know when this will come in because it is a specialty item. He said that the berm will be worked on in multiple areas where there is rutting and water ponding south of the Bennett Road bridge. He

said there are a few action form items from the councilmen that will be addressed as well. Mr. Kasaris asked what has been done to ensure that the manhole cover doesn't fly off again. He said we put the contractor on notice that this is defective and we don't want anyone to be injured because of this. Mr. Schmitzer said that he was informed by the county that it has been secured, but he is unsure of what method was used to secure it. Mr. Kasaris asked that it be checked out by the city to ensure that it is indeed properly secured. Mr. Schmitzer said that he has informed the contractor that if it comes loose again that we will take our own action. Mr. Nickell said that we are not willing to wait until it pops off again. He asked that someone in the Service Department verify tomorrow that it is secured. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that they know exactly where this is at. He said that he will go out tomorrow and make sure that it is secured. He will send Council an email about what he finds. Mr. Kasaris asked if some of the ponding has to do with the area around the bridge that the county did back in 2009 where some of the water is pooling just south of the bridge on Bennett Road. Mr. Schmitzer said the pooling he has seen are south of the limits of the bridge construction that was done a few years ago. Mr. Schmitzer recapped what was said earlier about the striping on Bennett Road.

6. **2016 Infrastructure Program**

Mr. Schmitzer said that we will be going out to bid on the roads previously mentioned which were Prince Charles subdivision, Rolling Meadows subdivision and Lytle Road. Mr. Kasaris asked about Don Mar Road. Mr. Schmitzer said that Don Mar is not going out to public bid but we are securing 3 quotes as required. We are confident that we can keep this under \$50,000 which is the threshold for public bidding. Mr. Antoskiewicz said that the bid authorization is on Council's Consent Agenda this evening.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Cargill – bulk road salt 2016-2017 renewal**

Mr. Cinquepalmi said that the consortium had an option to negotiate for a second year renewal. This was voted on last month and accepted by Cargill. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that we have about 900 tons in the barn currently. We have to commit to taking 3,000 tons because everyone had such a mild winter that they didn't use the 80% of what they would normally use. Mr. Antoskiewicz asked if the minimum was lowered. Mr. Cinquepalmi said yes. We lowered the minimum down to 4,000 tons from 7,500 tons because we know that we are going to be sitting on a stockpile. He said that every city across the state has an abundance of salt and must take possession of it by the end of the year. Mr. Nickell asked how much our salt barn holds. Mr. Cinquepalmi said it holds about 1,200 tons. Moved by Mr. Nickell, seconded by Mr. Antoskiewicz to **recommend approval of Ordinance 16-90 to Council**. Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Mr. Nickell asked if we are planning to at least do some patching on Royal Haven this summer. Mr. Cinquepalmi said that we were out there today. He said that we are going to have to do some cleaning and patching. He said that Mr. Schmitzer will be able to assess it after the patching is done and see where it falls in next year's ratings. He said that we will do what we can this year. Mr. Nickell also asked about the big ruts that are on Rt. 82 coming up the hill. Is this something we have to wait for the county to fix. Mr. Schmitzer said that he will follow up on this. He believes that the state has a repaving of Rt. 82 scheduled for 2018 which included border to border. He said we are going to take the funding for the portion we are going to redo and apply that towards our match for the widening. He said that he will verify if this is still on the schedule. He said that he believes that it will be a mill and fill. He said that we will do some base repairs on the edges but he thinks that this is the best we can do at this point with ODOT. He said that he will look to see if it can be moved up at all. Mr. Nickell said that when you come up the hill it goes from three lanes to two lanes and back to three lanes. He said that it is a big congestion point. He said that he disagrees with the Police Chief that it is not a problem. He feels that it is a problem, he travels it every single day. He asked if we have plans to get 700 feet of lane. He said that this is the entrance to our city and it looks like the worst streets in Cleveland. He said that the traffic flow coming up the hill is always a congested mess. He understands that this would be very expensive but this is something that he is asking that we keep in our back pocket and look at it as we improve Rt. 82. Mr. Kasaris said that it's just not on the hill. He said there are also ruts from trucks east from State Road all the way down to Broadview Hts.

He asked if we are responsible for maintaining the road and the state is responsible for the paving. Mr. Schmitzer said that typically with a state route the local municipality is responsible to maintain it. The state will provide funding. Mr. Kasaris said that we have spent a lot of time repaving the berms in front of mailboxes and asked if we get reimbursed for this. Mr. Schmitzer said they won't reimburse us for that because it is not part of the main roadway, it's more of a preservation effort on our part because of the mail trucks. Mr. Schmitzer said that he will get back to Council with the Rt. 82 paving schedule and see if we can get it pushed up or if there are any other funds available. He said that there was an article recently that discussed federal earmarks and that they want to readjust and reapply them elsewhere so this is an opportunity that we can pursue. He said that Mr. Jordan is following up with Rep. Renacci's Office. We will advise on this when we hear back. Mr. Nickell asked if there would be anything we can get from the state to get this 700 feet of lane done. Mr. Schmitzer said that you would need to go through the state to make sure that it meets requirements for state routes. Mr. Schmitzer said that he will ask this question but he believes that they will tell him that it needs to be locally funded. Mr. Schmitzer said that the bottle neck at the top of the hill is being addressed with the county for the widening.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mr. Antoskiewicz, seconded by Mr. Nickell **to adjourn the June 7, 2016 meeting.** Yeas: 3. Nays: 0. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

Street Department Monthly Report – May 2016

5/2/16-MON

Joint Repair-Cedarwood development.

Concrete-Ind. Park rip out and set up for a Wednesday pour.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Catch Basins-Harrow pl. pour 6 basins, start ripping out 2 more for a Wednesday pour.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/3/16-TUES.

Asphalt- Rt82 east of Hunter Creek development, fixing ruts in front of mailboxes with hot mix.

Concrete-Ind. Park continue setting up for a Wednesday pour.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Catch Basins- Harrow pl. continue to rip out and set up for a Thursday pour.

Rec. Dept.-sent three guys down to help out.

5/4/16 WEDS.

Joint Repair-Cedarwood Development.

Concrete-Ind. Park pour 35yds.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Catch Basins-finished the rebuilds on Harrow Place we will pour Thursday.

Rec. Dept-sent three guys down to help out.

5/5/16-THUR.

Joint Repair-Cedarwood development.

Catch Basins-Harrow Place poured 10yds. One slab and two basins.

Concrete-Ind. Park rip out and set up for a Friday pour.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Rec. Dept-sent three guys down to help out.

5/6/16-FRI.

Joint Repair-Cedarwood development.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 27yds.

Mowing-Potomac dr. retention basin. Start on Helen and Hunting retention basin.

5/9/16-MON.

Concrete-Ind. Park rip out and set up for a Tuesday pour.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Street Sweeping-Villa Grande, Lisa, Creek run and Rolling Meadows.

Mowing-Retention basins finish Helen and Hunting. Jamestown, Apollo, start on Lodge.

5/10/16-TUES.

Concrete-pour 20yds in the morning, continue ripping out for a Wednesday pour.

Saw Cutting-Ind. Park.

Mowing & Weed Whacking-retention basins. Also all around the turnpike bridges on York & Rt82.

5/11/16-WEDS.

Concrete-poured 28yds. Continue to rip out for a Friday pour.

Saw Cutting-finish cutting in the Ind. Park.

Street Sweeping-NE corner of the city.

Mowing-finish cutting the retention basins

5/12/16-THUR.

Concrete-poured 10yds.

Catch Basins-Harrow pl. finish pouring the last of the basins & road. We will be landscaping everything tomorrow or Monday.

Mowing & Weed Whacking-continue around guardrails and other areas in the city.

Joint Repair- Hickory la.

5/13/16-FRI.

Concrete-poured 8yds. of high early in front of the E check apron and Royal wire aprons so they can drive on it over the weekend.

Joint Repair-Ivy ov.

Mowing-finish up the last of the mowing and weed whacking in the south end of the city.

Landscaping-we did all the basins on Fawnhaven and Harrow.

5/16/16-MON.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 21yds.

Asphalt-start working on the C.W.D. repairs. There are seven water repairs from the winter that will need to be saw cut dug out and new asphalt put in, should be a two day job.

Rec. Dept.-sent 5 guys down to help out, they will be mulching the city green and the new city hall.

5/17/16-TUES.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 16yds.

Joint Repair-Sassafras ct. [Our mini was being used at the cemetery so the C.W.D. digs will be put on hold for one day].

Saw Cutting-West Hampton. There are three separate sections that need to be repaired.

Landscaping-all around our building at the service center.

5/18/16-WEDS.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 14yds. Continue to rip out for a Thursday pour.

Asphalt-finish C.W.D. digs. We still need to landscape these areas.

Saw Cutting-West Hampton.

Rec. Dept.-sent three guys down to help out.

5/19/16-THUR.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 14yds. Continue to rip out for a Friday pour.

Joint Repair-finish the last of the cul-de-sacs in Cedar wood estate.

Mowing-start mowing in the NE. Corner of the city. [Second round].

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/20/16-FRI.

Concrete-Ind. Park Poured 14yds. Continue to rip out for a Monday pour.

Ditching -10627 State Rd. 10812 State Rd. and two other spots. We also installed asphalt to shore up the roadside ditch.

Mowing-continue to mow in the NE. corner, retention basins.

Rec. Dept.-sent to guys down to help out.

5/23/16-MON.

Joint Repair-Chesapeake Dr.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 19yds. Continue to rip out for a Tuesday pour.

Mowing-continue to mow the retention basins.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/24/16-TUES.

Joint Repair-Chesapeake Dr.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 10yds. Continue to rip out for a Wednesday pour.

Mowing- continue to cut basins and weed whack around the edges.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/25/16-WEDS.

Culvert Pipe-12032 Boston Rd. tear out and install new pipe and install asphalt apron.

Concrete-Ind. Park poured 14yds. Continue to rip out for a Thursday pour.

Mowing-South side of the city.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/26/16-THUR.

Concrete-poured 10yds. Continue to rip out for a Friday pour.

Landscaping-finish our C.W.D. digs with top soil seed and straw.

Mowing- mow and weed whack the York & Rt.82 turnpike area.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.

5/27/16-FRI.

Concrete-poured

Joint Repair-Villa Grande.

Mowing-finish the Southside of the city.

Rec. Dept.-sent two guys down to help out.