

VILLAGE OF BENTLEYVILLE, OHIO  
STREETS AND SAFETY COMMITTEE  
August 12, 2024 MEETING  
8:00 AM, BENTLEYVILLE VILLAGE HALL

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:**

Alex Goetsch  
Ken Kvacek  
Mayor Hale  
Service Director Matt Maistros  
Village Engineer Jeff Filarski

The Meeting was called to order at 8:04 a.m.

**REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes from the July 2024 meeting were approved.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The service director reported that the backhoe/loader is now in service, is working well, and has been a very useful tool for the Village. All City of Cleveland fire hydrants have been flushed and tested. A number of hydrants had issues, none of which effect operation, but which have been reported to Cleveland Water for repair. The service director also reported on an estimate to repair the 2016 Freightliner plow truck. The suspension springs are rusted and are failing, and the brakes and electric clutch need to be replaced. The repair estimate is just under \$16,000. That exceeds the current budget for repairs, so a transfer from the general fund will be necessary to make these repairs so that the truck can be safely used during plow season.

The service director also reported that residents have been doing very well keeping right-of-ways mowed under the new policy. The Village also picked up branches after the recent storms. The service director will also have a storm drainpipe camera inspected under Chagrin River Road near Village Hall to determine if repair/replacement is necessary.

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

The Chief was not available for this meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS**

The service director reported that he is still monitoring used chippers for sale and that there has been no further news on acquiring a chipper from Solon.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The County recently inspected the Solon Road bridge and removed two sections of metal railing, later advising that the rail sections were corroded and unsafe. The Committee questioned why the sections were removed rather than tagged for repair/replacement. The Village is responsible for maintenance of the railing, so the service director and Engineer will need to determine if the sections can be repaired and reinstalled or if new sections will need to be fabricated.

A guardrail along Miles Road near Winding River was damaged in 2021 or 2022 by a tree that fell from across the road on the Moreland Hills side. The municipal policy is that the owner of the guardrail is obligated to make the repairs. That means that the Village must undertake this repair. The cost will be \$860.

The Engineer discussed a situation on Cannon Road where a drainage pipe from a resident's pond has failed. The failure is located on the resident's property, and after a survey, was determined to be outside the right-of-way. The failure has caused and will continue to cause a failure of the embankment, which if not repaired, will lead to damage to the road above. The Committee discussed that, if the resident does not undertake repairs, that the Village will need to do the work in order to protect the road, and assess the resident for the expense.

The Engineer presented the road repairs that should be completed this year. These include asphalt repairs, primarily on Chagrin River and Holbrook as well as pavement striping. The Engineer will also add the corner of Cannon and Solon into the scope of the asphalt repairs. Concrete repairs are also needed for the Solon Road bridge. While state funding should be available for material costs for the concrete repairs, the net total cost to the Village for these projects is expected to be approximately \$125,000. The 2024 Budget includes only \$72,000. As such, the Committee recommends that the asphalt and striping be completed this year, with the available funds and that the concrete repairs on the Solon Road bridge be done in 2025 when that expense can be properly budgeted. The Engineer will solicit bids for approval at the next Council meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for September 9, 2024.

The meeting was concluded at 9:05 a.m.