

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

**MINUTES**

**Attendees:**

Alex Goetsch  
Ken Kvacek  
Mayor Hale  
Service Director Matt Maistros  
Chief Gabe Barone

The Meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.

**REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes from the September 2024 meeting were approved. There was no October meeting.

**SERVICE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The service director reported that leaf season is winding up and should be complete within the next week. The leaf machine, despite leaks in the box, held up ok. The Village should be able to sell for a reasonable value once the new machine is delivered. The trucks will now be set up for snow season. All other service equipment is in good shape. The new part time service employee is doing well and will transition to an "on call" plow operator soon. The Village is still waiting to hear from Solon as to the acquisition of a chipper, but it now appears that should be finalized one way or the other relatively soon. The City of Cleveland Water department has still not made repairs to malfunctioning hydrants in the Village. The hydrants all function but have leaks that could be problematic if they freeze. The Mayor will consider sending a letter to the Water Department to urge prioritizing these repairs. Auburn Fence has still not completed the Miles Road guardrail repair. The storm sewer under Chagrin River Road adjacent to Village Hall will be camera inspected, and sewer jetted as soon as possible. This may require a replacement of the pipe under the street.

**CHIEF OF POLICE REPORT**

The Chief reported that everything is going well with safety services. The Village is in the process of background checks on a potential new fulltime officer. Since we lost a fulltime officer in May, scheduling has been a challenge and overtime hours have increased. No decision has been made yet on the pending police radio grant, and the Chief does not expect a decision until after the new year. If unsuccessful, the Village will need to identify any other available funding. The Chief is

now working on a body-cam grant application. The Village was gifted two computers and a wifi router, which are now being set up. The old router failed after six years of use.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

See reports above.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

The Solon Road bridge requires a few new sections of railing. It was previously determined that this project should be held off until 2025. Sourcing for off-the-shelf or custom fabrication needs to be explored.

The new temporary traffic signal is in place at the new intersection of Miles Road and Sulfur Springs Drive. The permanent signals, when available, should be functionally similar. This changes the traffic pattern at Sulfur Springs and Chagrin River, where there used to be a stop sign for Sulfur Springs traffic before crossing Chagrin River. The Chief will consider whether the Village should require a stop sign for northbound Chagrin River traffic.

The Committee discussed whether to enact a snow ban on street parking. This becomes an issue for plowing, mostly in the developments of Chagrin Valley Trails and Pepperwood North. The Committee recommends, with the Chief and Service Director's support, the enactment of an ordinance what would prohibit on-street parking when more than two inches of snow accumulates on the streets.

Next meeting scheduled for December 9, 2024.

The meeting was concluded at 8:55 a.m.