

**Buffalo Streets Committee**  
**September 28, 2021**  
**5:30pm**

**Call meeting to order:** 5:49 pm

**Roll Call**

Trent Adams and Joe Buffington. Member of the public, Elizabeth Seikola, and City Clerk, Tanna Leonard

**Intersection of Oak and Walnut**

The committee discussed the issues with the intersection and although the intersection is not perfect, they felt that there are intersections that have more serious conditions. The Committee recommends no additional work on the intersection and to prepare a plan for intersection improvements with asphalt. The plan should identify worst condition intersections and long-term repairs goals.

**Valley Heights**

Ms Seikola explained that the ditch that the city created in front of her property was a nuisance and didn't even function correctly. The committee discussed that the ditch was originally created for the water to drain to that side of the road in the first attempt to correct the road issue. When that did not work, the project was engineered, and a design was implemented to direct the water to route to the center of the street instead. This design has worked and therefore removes the need to have ditches on the north side of the street. Motion by Adams and seconded by Buffington to recommend to council that public works fill the ditches in that are no longer needed.

Ms. Seikola addressed her concern of the city shortening the street with the second fix. Adams explained that it appeared that the street wasn't shortened but that the area where smaller rock was located at the end wasn't truly where the street ended before but was rock fines from seal coating, left after years of snow removal. Because water was not being directed to that area, larger rock was added to prevent soil washout. Ms. Seikola, is now not able to utilize that area to access her property. Committee agreed to do more investigation into the street lengthening.

**Kinsinger Driveway**

Committee discussed that Mr Kinsinger was not present and didn't see that the city would be responsible for any additional street improvements for his driveway. Committee recommends no further action by the city.

**Street Projects**

Clerk informed the committee that there are funds available in the Road Funds. The previous plan was to save funds for future curb and gutter, and there was enough funding for another section if that is still the remaining plan. She also informed them that IDOT released that FY22 funding amount per capita will be decreased and that the census for Buffalo has decreased, therefore the city will see approximately \$20,000 less than budgeted for FY22 in Road Use Tax Funds.

Ms. Seikoa, thanked the committee for taking the time to review her concerns.

**Adjournment**      Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm