

Streets Committee Meeting March 17, 2023 @ 3:00 pm

Call to order by Joe Buffington at 3:02 pm

Present: Joe Buffington, Brandon Berg, Public Works Director Josh Ferkel, Mike Janecek* and Mayor Rodriguez (arriving late)

Buffington told Ferkel he had gone to look at the berm and asked him about the manhole covers that were covered. Ferkel said he needs to be able to maintain those. Ferkel also talked about the trees overhanging and who was responsible for those. The trees are on the quarries property so they should be responsible.

Mayor Rodriguez asked the committee to review the draft Street's Committee minutes, from January 12, 2023, as the meeting was not recorded and she arrived late. The only change the committee had was to add Hacker Street, to the list of streets to look at fixing.

Berg stated that the council had approved to have Mike provide an estimate for the resurfacing of Dodge Street, from Hwy 22 to 6th street, with gutters/curbs, if needed, Buffington stated that it would be good to do something with the parking places West of the Terry Adams Park. Mayor Rodriguez stated that Buffalo Days was 30 Jun - 2 Jul, which Dodge Street cannot be under construction during that timeframe and that Ragbrai would be coming through on Jul 29, 2023.

Janecek stated that he thought he could do this with low cost by using drone and should be able to come up with an estimate for next council meeting. He also thought they could use some of those figures to come up with estimates for the other streets at a low cost and minimal time.

Discussion was on that the other streets should be shorter length than Dodge; that our current streets have 2 inches of road and then clay with no rock; mill the edges to come into the flap, depends on 2 percent crown or larger crown.

Ferkel talked about the full load semi's that travel on our streets. Buffington asked if Casey's would want to fund some of the street project by their business, since they have so many semis that travel on those road to come to the store.

Ferkel stated there is \$800K in the street funds right now. Discussed if Dodge Street cost \$100K, then there should be money to get other streets fixed.

The committee discussed the priority of the streets and decided on the following:

1. Dodge Street, from Hwy 22 to 6th Street, with curb/gutters (if required). This was already approved for engineering by the council.
2. Jefferson, from 4th to the already existing asphalt.
3. Clark, from Hwy 22 to corner of 6th Street.
4. Hacker, from Hwy 22 to 5th street.
5. Oak, from Hwy 22 from Ash Street.

Buffington talked about making parking on Spruce Street for people to utilize, as far as the residents that live on that street or people using the beach.

The committee discussed the berm on Spruce Street for safety, liability, the upkeep of the grass/trees, the sewer covers, if there is a culver under the berm, people pushing snow toward the berm, the cost of removing the berm. Mayor Rodriguez stated that she felt the berm should not be removed until we can look into all the issue and develop a good plan to move forward.

Berg mentioned an issue with the street on 6th and Franklin, where there is water going under the street. Ferkel stated that he would look into it and believed that could be covered under maintenance of streets.

Berg motioned to adjourn, with Buffington second the motion.