

**VILLAGE OF CHAGRIN FALLS
STREETS AND SIDEWALKS COMMITTEE
February 13, 2023**

Members present: Grube, Rogoff
Members absent: Subel
Also present: Jamieson, Drum, Rockey, DeBernardo

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Ms. Grube

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

Moved by Ms. Rogoff, seconded by Ms. Grube to nominate Ms. Erinn Grube as committee chair.
Carried. Ayes: Grube, Rogoff. Nays: none.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Ms. Rogoff, seconded by Ms. Grube to approve the minutes from the November 14, 2022, meeting. Carried. Ayes: Grube, Rogoff. Nays: none.

SIDEWALK CLEARING

Ms. Grube shared that currently, the punishment for not shoveling your sidewalk is a misdemeanor one. It is a very harsh penalty and hard to enforce.

Ms. Grube shared a few ideas that other cities are using to help clear sidewalks. Some cities are doing an “adopt a street” program, or snow angels who help people who cannot take care of their own sidewalks.

Mr. Rockey asked if the residents would be held liable if people slip and get hurt on shoveled sidewalks? The law director says they will not be held responsible for any injuries.

The committee discussed the fact that crosswalks are a big concern because they are harder to keep clear. They also discussed the process of enforcing rules on different types of properties. The village has streets with and without tree lawns that can make a difference when shoveling. There was also some discussion of how to treat business vs. residential property.

One idea that was discussed a lot was the idea to have an RFP to find a contractor(s) who would plow and shovel, then bill the property owners directly.

MISCELLANEOUS

Ms. Grube shared that CT is going to have the properties on Carriage Stone flagged for the

sidewalk study.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Erinn Grube

Erinn Grube, Committee Chair

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