

NITRO TO PAVE SEVEN WORST STREETS

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Seven **Nitro** streets will get some repairs soon, after they were put on a list of the streets with the worst pavement within the city limits.

Councilmen Bill Javins and Joe Savilla produced a list from council's Streets Committee of seven streets in the city that are in the worst condition.

According to Savilla, streets scheduled for repairs are:

- Rockledge Drive from 231 to the dead-end sign

- Cedar Street from Washington Avenue to Kanawha Avenue

- Ivy Street from Dupont Avenue to Main Avenue

- Walker Street near Lee Street

- Locust Street from Frederick Street to First Avenue

- Michigan Avenue South in the 500 block

- One section of Hickory Road (the list did not say which section)

According to Javins, contracts to repave those seven streets will be put out to bid immediately.

Also Tuesday night, city Treasurer John Young told council members that switching insurance and workers' compensation coverage from BrickStreet Insurance to Travelers Insurance saved the city a total of \$33,000 this year.

The new insurance policy took effect on July 1 with the beginning of the city's new fiscal year.

Also Tuesday night, City Attorney Richie Robb told council members about an ordinance that will enable the city to recoup unpaid municipal fees, fines and other expenses.

According to Robb, if the ordinance passes, residents with unpaid municipal fees and other debts to the city may have that money taken automatically from their state income tax refunds.

Council members expressed sympathy and hope for 8-year old John Davis, a **Nitro** boy who suffered a skull fracture in an accident over a week ago.

According to Cub Scout leader Todd Fouch, the boy was rushed to Cabell Huntington Hospital where he had emergency brain surgery and was unconscious for several days.

Fouch said John remains in critical condition, but he opened his eyes and spoke earlier Tuesday, asking for his mother.

Fouch also said there will be a fundraiser on Sunday, July 18, for the boy's family at St. Paul's United Methodist Church with concessions, a bake sale and hayrides among other attractions.

All of the proceeds will go to the family, he said.