

TOWN OF TROCHU

SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

POLICY No. 2021-01-11-01

Rescinds Policy # 2004-09-20-05

POLICY NAME: SNOW REMOVAL POLICY

Comes into effect: Upon Passage

I. PURPOSE:

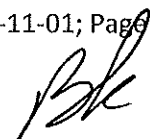
To meet public safety and convenience standards, the prime objective of the municipality is to establish reasonable mobility within Town boundaries and clear a network of roadways and sidewalks as quickly and efficiently as feasible. Roadway snow maintenance is a major service provided by the Town of Trochu and priorities for this service need to be established, while at the same time realizing that there are limited finances, equipment and human resources available.

Roadways and sidewalks are to be kept safe for motorists and pedestrians. This is to prevent or reduce accidents and injuries, allow emergency services to operate efficiently and provide near normal conditions for businesses, residents and visitors. This can be achieved by either snow removal or ice control.

II. POLICY:

The Town of Trochu will manage snow removal and ice control operations on Town streets, lanes, sidewalks and trails in the most efficient and economically viable manner in accordance with the established service level priorities.

- 1) Hours of Operation:** Service levels will fluctuate with winter and road conditions. The Town of Trochu Public Works staff may be called in earlier than regular work hours and work later than regular shift hours for snow or weather events. They may also be called in during weekends if required. This will be at the discretion of the Director of Operations or the Chief Administrative Officer.



2) Service Levels/Priorities

- a) Priorities are established to provide the greatest benefit to the majority of the traveling public and to accommodate special conditions.
- b) Roadways should have snow removed and be sanded as per the Snow Removal Priority Policy. Particular attention should be paid to ice control at intersections.
- c) School Rd should be avoided for snow removal and ice control during times of school opening, lunch and closing hours.
- d) The Town of Trochu Public Works department may close a street or portion to facilitate snow removal and sanding.
- e) Public Works shall be responsible for clearing all sidewalks that border Town property.
- f) Private Sidewalks – Private sidewalks bordering private property shall be maintained by the owner of the property and snow and ice shall be cleared from these sidewalks within 48 hours of a storm or snowfall. As time and human resources allow, the Public Works staff shall inspect private sidewalks and notify owners of this requirement. Once a notice has been issued, the private owners shall be given 48 hours to remedy problem areas and if the work is not complete within that time, the Town shall clear the sidewalk and bill the owner of the property accordingly at a rate indicated in "Schedule E – Public Works Fees" of the current Rates and Fees bylaw. Any materials or extras (salt, equipment, etc.) shall also be charged to the property owner.
- g) A log of all snow removal, sanding and sidewalk/trail cleaning shall be maintained by Public Works employees.

This policy was passed on January 11th, 2021

Mayor: *BK*

Date: January 13th/2021

CAO: *Carl Peters*

Date: January 13th/2021

Date of Last Review _____

Mayor: _____

CAO: _____

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