TOWN OF WARNER, N.H. WINTER MAINTENANCE POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to comply with RSA 231:92-a. It shall be the responsibility of the Public Works Department of the Town of Warner to utilize manpower and resources to comply with RSA 231:92-a.

The Director of Public Works shall adopt Standard Operating Procedures and direct the utilization and application of labor and resources after a storm event to maintaining roads, sidewalks, bridges, public parks, fire hydrants, and other public properties.

The Director of Public Works shall develop written policies and/or procedures that specify which roads and areas will be treated in which order and to designate areas that require special treatment, such as no salt or low salt areas. Such Procedures shall be guidelines only and the final discretion of the Director of Public Works.

The Department of Public Works shall not be responsible for the maintenance of private driveways, private roads, private businesses and their parking areas. It shall be the policy of the Town not to expend public maintenance funds to maintain private property unless said maintenance is incidental to public highway maintenance.

The local media shall be notified, and other public notice given as required, of parking bans and other information necessary to keep the public informed of winter maintenance emergencies, parking bans and other necessary information.

Any information or complaints from the public received through any source that relate to winter road maintenance shall be directed to the Director of Public Works.

PRIORITIES:

The first priority shall be the maintenance of Class IV and V roads, bridges, and municipal parking lots. The Director shall be responsible for the efficient use of resources. Nothing in this policy shall be construed to abrogate the discretion of the Director to utilize his available resources including the use of his discretion to meet any special circumstances that arise.

The next priorities are the maintenance of sidewalks, which may be cleared of snow but not bare, and the maintenance of public parks and properties.

The Department of Public Works may provide emergency services on private property when requested by the incident commander at the scene of a fire, medical or other emergency.

The Town is not required to perform winter maintenance activities on access roads to public parks and their parking areas if said roads are Class III or III-a roads. Class III or III-a roads are access roads leading to and within State of NH Parks, boat launches to public waters and other recreational facilities.

State roads, highways, bridges, and sidewalks are exempt from this policy unless the Town has entered into a Winter Maintenance agreement with the state of New Hampshire.

Winter maintenance efforts may be timed and scheduled to coincide with school bus routing and delivery on days when school is in session.

Resources may be diverted to assist at the scene of a motor vehicle accident, fire calls on in any area of Town where the safe passage of traffic is threatened.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

The Director of Public works shall be responsible for the posting of class VI roads as closed and posting weight limits on class V and VI roads during the spring thaw.

The Town is not responsible for the winter maintenance of roads leading to summer residences only, as specified in RSA 231:79-81.

The Town is responsible for seasonal maintenance only of recreation areas such, parks, and swimming area.

School District parking areas and sidewalks are the responsibility of the School District.

Parking bans, where necessary to facilitate the implementation of this policy, shall be determined by Town Ordinance. The decision to impose parking bans or restrictions lies with the director of Public works and the Board of Selectmen. Enforcement of these procedures shall be the responsibility of the Police Department.

Standard Operating Procedures

There shall be no parking on any street in the Town of Warner, N.H. from Nov.15 to April 15 between 12 am and 6am

The Town of Warner, N.H. does not maintain a Black Road or Ice Free Policy. Every effort will be taken to remove as much snow and ice as Mother Nature allows.

Snow plowing will begin when there is 2" to 3" snow accumulation on roads. Plowing will continue for duration of storm. If storm is of extended duration shifts may be developed during night time hours to allow for rest.

Main lines and School Bus routes will take priority during work week.

There are nine (9) plow routes that take approximately 4 to 5 hrs. Each to complete. Sand and salt routes take approximately 3 to 4 hours to complete.

Village area and Town buildings will be maintained with Loader and pick up plowing. At some time there will be snow piled in parking spaces about Town until time available to move to snow dumps.

Sidewalk plowing will begin after 2" to 3"accumulation and continue for duration of storm. Depending on severity of storm walks will be prioritizes Main St., Kearsarge Mt.Rd. Church St., School St., then remaining as soon as possible.

After the storm is over every Street, Town parking lot, Sidewalk needs to be plowed again and treated with a sand salt mixture. Every effort will be made to do this in timely manner to provide safe travel.

The day after the storm road widening, turn arounds, cul-de-sac and hydrants will be addressed.

Salt consumption will be used as sparingly as possible under varying winter conditions.

2016 Snow Plow Routes

<u>H – 1</u> 2015 F550 – North Rd. to elderly housing entrance, Pine Grove Cemetery, Cemetery St., Depot St., Kearsarge St. Ext., West Joppa to Covered Bridge, Old Main St., Denny Hill Rd. Pumpkin Hill Rd. to Old Denny Hill Rd. intersection, Bartlett Loop Bridge, School St., Kearsarge Mt. Rd to Kirtland St., Kirtland St., Roslyn Ave., Geneva St., Down Town, Town Hall, Church St.

H-2 2013 – 10 Wheeler – Schoodac Rd., Plains Rd., Connors Mill Rd., Brook Meadow Rd. Brown Rd., Warner Rd., Old Warner Lane, (Both ends) Diamond Lane, Hartshorne Lane, Pleasant Lake Rd., Clement Hill Rd., Annis Loop, Tom's Pond, Farrell Loop, Runnels Loop.

H-3 2002 Mack Granite – Retreat Rd., East Roby, Newmarket Rd., Willoby Colby Rd., Howe Lane, Horne St., Collins Rd., Melvin Rd., Bible Hill Rd., Melvin Mills Rd., Bagley Hill Rd., West Roby Rd.

H-4 2006 Mack Granite – Kearsarge Mt. Rd., Pattee Rd., Danny Boy Lane, Highlawn Rd., Chase Farm Rd., Latting Lane, Apple Pond Lane, Quimby Rd., Gore Rd., Burnt Hill Court, Parade Ground Cemetery Rd., West Joppa Rd., Harriman Lane, Loud Lane, Red Chimney Rd., East Joppa Rd., Dummer Rd., Iron Kettle Rd.

H-5 1998 Mack Dump – Waterloo St., Newmarket Rd. to Waterloo bridge, Chemical Rd., Willey Lane, Waldron Hill Rd., North Village Rd., Bean Rd. to Newmarket Rd. intersection, Mink Hill Lane, Flanders Rd., Gould Rd., Cunningham Pond Rd. Split Rock Rd., North Rd., Morse Loop.

H-6 1997 Mack Dump – Pumpkin Hill Rd., Duck Pond Rd., Old Pumpkin Hill Rd., Mason Hill Rd., Burnt Hill Rd., Brown Rd., Slayton Lane, Couchtown Rd., Bartlett loop, Old Denny Hill Rd.

H-7 Loader – Down Town, CAP Building, Fire Station, Library.

H-8 2010 F-350 Pickup – Shop, Transfer Station, Police Station Waterloo Bridge Lainge Bridge, Intersections west of Village, Colby Lane.

H-9 2006 F550 – CAP Building, Joppa Bridge Intersections South and East of Village, Harriman Lane.

Routes are subject to change at the discretion of Director of Public Works.

Mail boxes taking direct hits from snowplows will be replaced at the expense of the Town of Warner
This Policy is adopted on this 16th day of March, 2016.
WARNER BOARD OF SELECTMEN Clyde Carson, Chairman
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