

# Village of Leask

## Snow Removal Policy

The purpose of this policy is to clearly outline the duties and responsibilities of the Village and in some cases, its residents, in the clearing and removal of snow within the Village.

Priority is given to certain streets and lots within the Village and will be attended to first.

### **Snow Removal**

#### **Priority #1 – School Street (3rd Avenue – Main to 1st Street)**

Snow will be removed from the west side of the street to ensure that the school buses are able to park in front of the school next to the side walk to allow for students to safely exit and enter the buses.

#### **Priority #2 – Main Street (Railway Avenue to 3rd Avenue) & Fire Hall (2A Railway Avenue)**

Clearing of Main Street to ensure that the flow of traffic continues and that all amenities can be accessed and interruption to businesses is minimal.

Clearing of snow from overhead door access ways of Fire Hall and lot area on the west side of the fire hall to ensure emergency services provided by the fire department are not interrupted.

### **Snow Ridge Removal**

**When snow block is installed on Grader snow ridges are avoided and should not be an issue.**

In the event snow ridges are caused, the following driveways will be given priority in order to ensure the safety of residents in having access to emergency care and vehicles.

#### **Wheatland Lodge – (Dr Duncan Dr & Park Avenue N)**

Removal of the snow ridge from both entrances to ensure that emergency vehicles and those providing medical care to the residence are able to enter the lot. The clearing of the snow within the lot, driveways and parking areas is the responsibility of the Wheatland Lodge.

#### **Sask Housing (Low Rentals) – (South end of 1st & 2nd Ave – Between 2nd St S & S Rd Allowance)**

The entrance way and all access points to the Seniors Housing units must be cleared of the snow ridge to ensure emergency access is available. The clearing of the lot and parking area is the responsibility of the Sask Housing Corp.

Once all streets within the Village have been cleared of snow and the above driveways have been given priority, the grader and tractor will then be used to clear snow ridges from across driveways. The Village will make every effort to clear driveways in a timely manner, however, any resident requiring immediate clearing of their driveway, should plan with a private contractor at their own expense.

### **Snow Removal from Private Properties and Home Owners**

- Public is permitted to place snow on properties they own.
- Public is **not** permitted to place snow on Village property or vacant lots without written permission from the owner.
- It is requested property owners have sidewalks cleared of snow within 48 hours of snowfall.

**Vehicles and Other Obstructions**

Vehicles parked on Village streets for longer than Twenty-Four (24) Consecutive hours are in violation of Bylaw 10/85 *A Bylaw to Regulate The Operation of Vehicles* and are subject to penalties outlined in Bylaw 3/85 *A Bylaw to Provide For Penalties For Contravention Of Bylaws*. These situations cause difficulty to Village Staff in clearing and maintaining streets and the following process will be followed:

- The vehicle/obstruction will be identified and a notice will be placed on the windshield or, in the case of an obstruction, other visible location.
- Once notice has been placed, the owner will have 12 hours to move the vehicle off of the Village streets
- Once the 12 hours has expired, Village Staff will physically move or arrange for the vehicle/obstruction to be moved to an enclosed compound
- Any costs associated with the moving of the vehicle will be the responsibility of the owner

**NOTICE – PARKING VIOLATION**

**YOUR VEHICLE/PROPERTY HAS BEEN PARKED ON VILLAGE STREETS IN EXCESS OF 24 HRS AND IS CAUSING AN OBSTRUCTION TO VILLAGE STAFF IN THE MAINTENANCE OF STREETS. PLEASE REMOVE YOUR VEHICLE IMMEDIATELY OR IT WILL BE TOWED AT YOUR EXPENSE.**

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

TIME: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you  
Administrator  
Village of Leask

- Grader operator will decide if snow removal is to commence before scheduled 8:00 am due to amount of snow fall .
- Mayor and or Deputy Mayor and Grader operator will decide if snow removal should take place on weekends and Statutory holidays and where overtime is deemed necessary.

**At all times Access must be available to:** Water Well Pump House, Lagoon, outside door to furnace room - Community Hall, fire hydrants, outside vent pipe – Rink, Curling Rink big doors.

**Public Works is responsible for Snow removal from:** Village of Leask buildings & sidewalks including : Clinic ramp, Village Office, Affinity Credit Union, Village Shop, Leask Community Hall & Butler Building.