

## Winter Parking Update

In order to provide efficient snow removal services for our residents, the overnight parking restriction has been amended to prohibit parking or leaving vehicles on any street, municipal parking lot or road allowance between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. from November 15 to March 31. On December 6, 2017 a resolution of Council amended *Parking By-law* 2007-84, s. 4(d) to state that "No vehicle shall be parked, placed or left standing on any street between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. from November 15 to March 31". This amendment has been registered with the Ontario Court of Justice and is enforceable immediately.

Winter is here and it's important to remind residents that they play an important role in snow clearing activities and safety.

The Transportation and Environmental Services Department is responsible for clearing the snow from municipal roads and streets along with clearing the sidewalks as soon as possible after significant snowfall events. Sanding of the roads and streets occur as conditions warrant. The Municipality has priority routes that are cleared first following a snowfall and the operators always try to work as quickly and responsibly as possible.

Here are some of the actions and responsibilities residents can practice to ensure safe and efficient snow removal service levels:

- Keep all vehicles off all municipal streets and roads until such time the streets can be cleared.
- Do not park vehicles on driveways in such a way they block any part of the sidewalk to ensure clear passage of pedestrian traffic and the sidewalk plow.
- Equipment operators need considerable space to maneuver. As a motorist or pedestrian, make sure equipment operators are aware of you prior to crossing behind or near them.
- Say back at least 50 feet from snow clearing equipment.
- Property owners are responsible from removing windrows as the result of street clearing operations from driveways.

- Pushing or depositing snow from private property onto public roadways or sidewalks is not allowed. The *Highway Traffic Act* R.S.O. 1990, c.H.8, s. 181 reads: "No person shall deposit snow or ice on a roadway without permission in writing to do so from the Ministry or the road authority responsible for the maintenance of the road". Under the *Highway Traffic Act* you can be fined and you may also be held liable in case of an accident.

If you require any further information please feel free to check the Municipal website [www.greighighlands.ca](http://www.greighighlands.ca) or contact the Transportation and Environmental Services Department at 519-986-2811 ext. 222.

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