

Oh, Snow! It's That Time Again!

Our snow plow fleet is tuned up and ready for action. Hopefully, we won't need to use the snow plows too many times this season. The Town has purchased the same quantity of road salt as we did last year, and like everything else, we had to pay more for the same quantity. We intend to use the same approach towards de-icing as last year in an effort to conserve our road salt and control our costs for winter operations.

Here are some reminders about snow clearing operations in Cortland.

No parking on streets after 2 inches of snow fall. Vehicles parked on public streets during snow clearing operations in which 2-inches or more of snow have accumulated will be ticketed. Parked vehicles greatly inhibit snow clearing operations.



Prairiefield Avenue, February 4, 2011. Here's hoping we don't see a repeat of the 2011 blizzard.



Adopt a fire hydrant. If there is a fire hydrant in front of your house, please dig it out so that the fire department doesn't need to spend precious seconds clearing the hydrant in an emergency. The house or life you save may be your own.

School bus stops. While few residents have a choice in the decision as to where school bus stops are located, please clear snow from the sidewalks at school bus stops so school children don't have to stand and wait in the street.

Sidewalks. Please clear the public sidewalk in front of your home.



If there is an elderly or handicapped resident near you, please look out for them and perhaps shovel their sidewalk or dig out the fire hydrant in front of their home. Acts of kindness to neighbors in need are a hallmark of small towns.

Cortland only provides snow clearing operations. The only snow removal operations we perform are removing snow from the public sidewalks along Somonauk Road south of North Avenue and from the few cul de sacs in Town.