

**TOWN OF  
AMHERSTBURG**

**POLICY NUMBER: 2. 2. 2**

**DATE OF ENTRY IN MANUAL:**

**POLICY**

**SOURCE: Public Services Mtg.**

**DATE PASSED: Feb. 20, 1997**

**AMENDMENTS:**

**SUBJECT: SNOW REMOVAL FROM STREETS & PARKING LOTS**

**Item #6**

**Moved by G. Theriault, seconded by T. Hamilton that the Memo from Public Works Supervisor Domenic Donofrio with regard to proposed Policy concerning Level of Service for Winter Maintenance be received, and that the Committee adopt the policy for Winter Operations as amended.**

**Motion Carried**

## **MAINTENANCE**

### **WINTER OPERATIONS**

#### **1) SNOW REMOVAL**

##### **Objectives:**

- i) During storm conditions, to maintain all streets in a centre bare condition;
- ii) After the snow accumulation has ended and after becoming aware that the snow accumulation is greater than 2" crews will be deployed to clear priority 1 streets to centre bare. Priority 2 streets will be cleared upon 2" or more of accumulation and only after priority 1 streets are in a satisfactory condition. Priority 2 streets may not be cleared during weekends and after normal working hours.

##### **Level of Service:**

- i) Snow accumulation not exceeding 2" or more may not be plowed but can be best dealt with de-icing agents. Roads crew have a 24 hour period to achieve a centre bare objective once the storm has ended.
- ii) When snow accumulation does exceed 50mm in depth, streets will be plowed in both directions to remove snow accumulation and maintain the surface in a centre bare condition, with bare pavement the objective to be reached within 24 hours after the end of the storm.
- iii) Priority routes will be established based on traffic volumes and speed type, ie: arterial high volume roads first.
- iv) Snow removal operations will normally be suspended during storms which are continuous or of longer duration until the storm has subsided.
- v) Municipal parking lots, fire department, police station and culture centre parking lots shall be cleared of snow upon 2" or more of accumulation. Sidewalks will be cleared and treated with de-icers upon 2" or more of accumulation.
- vi) Hauling of snow from downtown and surrounding areas (as per attached map) may occur during and after a subsequent snowfall.

- vii) Where weather and traffic causes localized road surface ice, the surface condition should be improved to a centre bare condition within twelve (12) hours using de-icers and traction improvement materials and at the discretion of the Roads Superintendent. The decision to begin snow removal and/or salting operations shall be at the discretion of the Roads Superintendent.
- viii) Calls from police, fire and ambulance service for an emergency, will be considered on a case by case basis at the discretion of the Roads Superintendent.
- ix) It shall be the responsibility of the abutting owner to keep the sidewalk clean and clear of snow and ice in the winter, and the municipality shall not remove snow or ice from sidewalks.