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# THE CORPORATION TOWN OF MATTAWA

COMMITTEE:	TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
CHAIRPERSON:	COUNCILLOR P. DUPRAS
DEPT. HEAD:	MARC MATHON, P.ENG.
TITLE:	AMEND MUNICIPAL SNOW AND SANDING POLICY
Draft By-Law	Itemx_ Policy Recommendation

### Mayor C. Wilson and Members of Council:

Each year as we head into the winter season, questions are raised as to expectations for snow removal and road sanding. Over the last few years the historical increases to the budget has turned into a yearly decrease in funding. With current financial realities in mind the Public Works Department wishes that Council consider the following Schedule -A- for snow and sanding policy.

In closing, the town must strike a balance between financial realities and road safety, therefore, the aforementioned policy is recommended for Council consideration.

### **Recommendation**

That Council adopts Schedule -A- of this report as municipal snow and sanding policy.

Respectfully submitted

Councillor P. Dupras

#### - Schedule A -

## 1) Snow Plowing

- a) Snow plows will be called to work by the Superintendent when the finished snow fall accumulation exceeds 2" (50 mm).
- b) Public works crews will generally wait until the end of a snow storm before plowing town streets.
- c) Snow storms that generate a heavy volume of snow (greater than six inches/ 150 mm) the Superintendent may call out the public works crew during the snowstorm event to handle the excessive snow volume.
- d) Snow plow operators are directed to plow snow from the municipal roads and the resulting effect of putting snow onto private driveways will not be a consideration of the municipality.
- e) Generally all snow plowing, snow removal, road sanding and public works activities shall be conducted within normal public works working hours (Monday to Friday 7:00 a.m. 4:00 p.m.). All overtime work hours must be authorized by the Superintendent or his/her designate.

## 2) Road Sanding Policy

- a) The town's sander truck will be called into service by the Superintendent when:
  - i) The road surface is icy and dangerous.
  - ii) When the snow fall is less than 2" (50 mm).

# 3) Authority to Call Out Personnel and Equipment

- a) Only the Superintendent or his/her designate may call out personnel and equipment for public works activities.
- b) When Council or the public wishes to report winter control conditions or request general public works activities they may contact the Public Works Superintendent at:

Public Works Garage 744-2424 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. (Monday to Friday)

Municipal Office 744-5611

Or Home 744-1618 (Marc Mathon, Superintendent)