

WINTER SNOW REMOVAL AND PARKING ON CITY STREETS

Winter is, once again, upon us. And with that, the perils and inconvenience of ice and snow. It is a high priority of the City of Newfolden that all Public Right-Of-Ways are safely cleared of these potential dangers. This effort requires the coordination and cooperation of all who utilize the City streets, alleyways, and sidewalks. We would like to remind you of your responsibilities regarding snow removal. <u>All businesses</u>, homeowners, or renters are responsible for the removal of snow and ice from the sidewalks and driveways that abut your property.

The City of Newfolden has directed public works to share in the snow and ice management of our sidewalks. We will do our best to help residents and businesses. We ask that you do your best to take pride in cleaning and maintaining those sidewalk sections that abut your property. Together we can make Newfolden a safer and more pleasant place to live!

It is important to note that sidewalk management of ice and/or snow is secondary to maintenance of Newfolden's streets. Much like the streets, the roads most traveled will be targeted first by the public works department. This includes Newfolden's business and school corridors. The work moves outward from these areas.

The City does not impose calendar parking, but does seek your assistance in cleaning and maintaining snow and ice from City streets. The presence of vehicles obstructs the path of snow plows and causes problems for the City and your neighbors. City Ordinance—Regulating Operation and Parking of Vehicles on City Streets—Section 7 states:

After 2 inches of snowfall, no parking shall be allowed on City streets until snow removal / plow procedures have been completed.

Also worth noting is MN Statute 160.2715: **Prohibits the plowing, blowing, shoveling or otherwise placing of snow or ice onto public roadways at any time.**

The City of Newfolden will implement snowplow procedures after a snow fall of three inches or greater. Snow removal will be scheduled as soon as possible to ensure public roadways remain open. This includes evenings and weekends. We thank you for doing your part this winter season.

PET ETIQUETTE AND PET ORDINANCE REMINDERS

Several complaints, regarding dogs and cats, come into the City office and the Marshall County Sheriff's Department throughout the year. These are the most common complaints.

If you are a pet owner, please remember these courtesies:

When walking your dog, bring along a rag and a bag to clean up any poo that your pet generates. Allowing a pet to 'go' freely on other peiople's property is a common complaint.

Dogs should be under the direct control of their owner at all times. If they do not obey commands, they should be leashed. Pets are not be allowed to run-at-large.

Another frequent complaint are dogs who bark in a continuous manner. This is against city statutes after 10:00 PM.

Please have your pets vaccinated annually.



SNOW, LEAVES AND GRASS ON PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAYS

The placement of snow, leaves, and/or grass in public right of ways can be quite dangerous to pedestrians and motorcyclists. MN Statute 169.42 states: no person shall throw, deposit, place, or dump, or cause to be thrown, deposited, placed, or dumped upon any street or highway or upon any public or privately owned land adjacent thereto without the owner's consent. This includes all debris of any form or matter, or other substance likely to injure any person, animal, or vehicle upon any such public street or highway.



Winter-time Sledding at the City Park

The Newfolden City Park hosts many memories for residents of Newfolden young and old. One memory frequently told by the not-so-young is one of sledding on the snow in the Newfolden City Park..

Sledding will once again be available at the City Park—along with the opportunity to create more childhood and family memories. The City will make every effort to clear snow in the city park, while users are asked to abide by the following rules: 1. 1. HAVE FUN

- 2. Slide only in designated areas.
- 3. Walk up on the side of the hill, avoiding sledding paths.
- 4. Helmets are recommended.
- 5. No motorized vehicles on the sledding hill.