

JANUARY 2016

Happy New Year Edition

Welcome to 2016... The Chinese Year of the Monkey

Thank you to anyone who contributed to the Giving Tree (at the Town Office) or who participated in the canned food drive. Both giving drives helped many people.

It is plowing season. Please remember that if your vehicle is impeding the plowing/sanding operations, it can be towed without prior notice. The Town will always try to be patient and understanding with your vehicle's location, but if push comes to shove, the Town will tow.

Also try to remember that you can't put your driveway's snow (or snow from your property) into the public way. I sometimes see driveway snow being plowed out into the street. Not good!

If I may make a suggestion: If your residence is on a private road or on a long driveway, please be sure that your access way is plowed sufficiently wide and deep enough so that Town emergency vehicles can safely travel across them. The Town is not required to take their emergency response vehicles (Fire, Ambulance, or Police) onto roads, driveways etc. that are not safe to travel on.

I would also suggest that if you have a mailbox, you place your E-911 address numbers on both sides of the box. One never knows from which direction an emergency vehicle will come from.

On the subject of mailboxes: It is State law and also by local Select Board policy that "the Town will not be responsible for damage to mailboxes or other articles placed within the road right-of-way".

"Keep the Heat On' Program applications are being accepted by the Town Manager. The application can be found on the Town's website or can be filled out/picked up at the Town Office.

On the website- front and center- you can find the Town's calendar. The calendar is meant to give you a snap shot of what is happening in the community, ie. the various Board and Committee meetings, recycling dates, trash collection dates, RSU Board of Directors meetings etc.

Dog licenses ARE NOW DUE. Late fees will be applied on February 1<sup>st</sup>.

This month, the Select Board starts the budget process. Town Meeting has been set for June 25<sup>th</sup>, which may seem like a long way off, but it will be here before you know it.

Stay warm.

***Marnie***