

RAYMOND PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Highway, Water, Cemetery, Buildings & Grounds

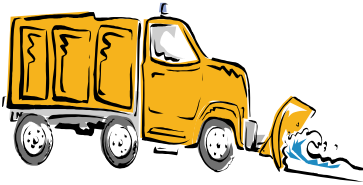


**** NEW POLICY ****

Household trash & curbside recycling

If during the week a snowstorm occurs on a particular day & Waste Management pulls their trucks off the road, that days trash & recycling will be picked up on Saturday. This is only for a snowstorm and does not effect the holiday schedule. There will be no trash collection on the following holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day & Christmas Day. The pickup will be delayed one day that holiday week.

Water meter reading commenced 12/24/07. Bills were mailed the first week of January 2008.



The following items would greatly assist the Highway Division :

- Do not park in the road right-of-way.
- Insure your mailbox is properly installed and adequate to resist snow loads & conditions
- Insure that fences are not located within the road right-of-way.
- Obtain driveway permits for new driveway construction.
- Contact the Highway Department prior to reconstructing existing driveways.
- Insure ornamental plantings and decorations are installed outside of road right-of-way.

While winter operation is predominantly the domain of the highway division, it requires & incorporates the assets of every division of Public Works; water, cemetery, maintenance & building services.

Upon the occurrence of a winter storm event, whether snow, ice, rain or slush, the Public Works Department implements its **Winter Storm Emergency Plan**. The implementation of the winter storm emergency response is under the direct supervision of the Highway Foreman.

To facilitate the plan, the town's approximate 100 miles of road are divided into 7 major plow routes and 3 minor plow routes. Each of the major routes is handled by a 6 wheel dump truck equipped with plow, wing, & sander. The minor routes are handled by one ton vehicles. The Water Division & Highway Division's one ton utility trucks are used to clear intersections, hydrants & provide flexible response to immediate needs. The building & grounds staff provides snow clearing of the downtown sidewalks & town owned buildings by old fashion shovel and/or snow blower.

The time to complete each route averages approximately 3 hours. Allowing for re-fueling, restocking sand & salt, & refreshing the operators; the total time between rounds becomes approximately 4 hours. This length of time can become problematic when it is snowing greater than 1" per hour & is on the high side of what is considered to be acceptable round trip times of 2 to 4 hours.

The Public Works Department's 10 full time employees could not adequately respond to storm events without the assistance of a dedicated pool of part time drivers & contracted plow trucks, who bear a portion of the emergency response burden.



275:1 Town Ordinance states:

Placing snow in public roadways: It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to plow, shovel, or otherwise cause to be moved snow from private property onto public roadways.

It should be noted that there is a parking ban in effect during the winter months. From November 15 to April 15 during the hours between 11 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. No vehicle shall be parked in the town's right-of-way or on any public way. Vehicles that are will be subjected to ticket and/or towed at the owner's expense.