Winter Roads Policy

- 1. Road Commissioner, supervisor and crew should pay particular attention to the projected storms and be prepared for the forecas, also being flexible enough to change with the changing conditions of a storm.
- 2. Crews should be called out when approximately two (2) inches of snow has accumulated on roads, except when severe slippery conditions exist or isolated spots need sanding.
- 3. Sanding of roads shall basically be completed after the storm, with sanding on the last plow trip around the routes. A minimal amount necessary to produce safe travel will be used. Icy spots or severe conditions shall receive more sand and attention as necessary.
- 4. During severe icing conditions in an effort to maintain roads in a safe conditions, crews will depending the conditions, place hot loads in an effort to break up ice. This may also include using a truck to plow off the material.
- 5. Overtime hours will be required during the winter season. Every effort shall be made to keep the hours for a week at 60 hours. This will mean plowing, clean up, drifting, winging back banks, equipment maintenance all shall be carried out so as to provide safe driving conditions as reasonably possible, then crew members shall go home. A list of back-up drivers shall be keep at the garage and town office in case of sickness or long hours.
- 6. Slushy conditions, when creating a driving problem shall be plowed off as necessary.
- 7. Equipment maintenance is a required item during winter conditions and all repairs will be completed a soon as possible. Every effort shall be made to keep the fleet in good repair and ready for the next storm. During storms minor items shall be repaired as necessary to keep vehicles plowing. If necessary an effort will be made to get a back-up unit from Haley's.
- 8. Drifting is a problem throughout the winter season and every effort will be made to plow out the problem areas as these drift.
- 9. Based on public safety, all vehicles found to be interfering with appropriate winter maintenance of town roads, the following policy shall apply:

From December 1st each year through April 15th each year, any vehicle found in the town road limits and determined to be interfering with proper road maintenance shall be towed at the owners expense, without any liability to the town.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN - OCTOBER 13, 1992

Policy on Pulling Cars from Ditches

The Town will not pull vehicles from the ditch. If an individual is available we will make every effort to determine if they would like a wrecker service called to provide assistance. Then as time permits the driver could contact the Sheriff's Office and relay information.

If on an emergency basis, or vehicle is blocking the road a determination will have to be made on moving the vehicle at the owners risk and with permission of the responsible party, if available, or contacted through the Sheriff's Office. Again, only as an emergency! We intend to provide assistance to individuals to assure their safety.

Adopted by the Selectmen at the January 12, 1988 meeting.