

SNOW PLOWING MEMO

12/11/06

1. The by-laws provide “**The association will maintain the Road when there is snow or ice on it in such that a 4-wheel drive car can negotiate it.**” VII. STANDARDS, paragraph 2, first sentence. (This assumes tires with reasonable tread for winter driving).
NOTE: DRIVEWAYS ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH RESIDENT. Arrange to hire someone with a plow if you do not have one.
2. Plowing snow or sanding is ***voluntary*** by residents. Most have a plow. The SRA owns one sander presently mounted on a pickup owned by Edward Ebers. Anyone may plow and apply for pay at the rate of \$65 per hour.
3. If you plow, the following are the basic rules:
 - A. From Young’s Corner to the highway at South Deer Creek Road anytime the snow is 1" or more due to the north and west facing nature of the road preventing the sun most of the day from hitting the road, the steep slope, and the amount of traffic packing down the snow causing ice build up. The result can be a dangerous skating rink. We do the best we can.
 - B. The remaining parts of Sampson Road and Mill Hollow Drive must have 4" or more of snow before they are to be plowed. These portions of the road are not anywhere as steep as the hill and can be traversed by a 4-wheel drive going at reasonable speed without difficulty or danger. (Note Sunburst Drive is NOT part of the SRA and has their own plowing arrangement but apply the same standards except they do not sand at anytime.)
 - C. You must fill out a report **within 30 days** of plowing and turn it into the Coordinator to apply for payment. The forms are available from the Coordinator or in the UPS Box folder. **NO FORM, NO PAYMENT!!**
4. If you choose to plow and have never done so, please consider riding with someone with experience first as it’s not just a matter of driving down the road. There are places and directions to move the snow to keep the build up of snow banks to the least possible. When and where to drive based on the amount of snow is also a major consideration. Experience over the years cannot be replaced by guesswork.
5. ***We are not a county road department*** - those plowing do it when they have the time and not when YOU may want it done! They try to plow as soon as it’s necessary BUT they have a life and do not put it on hold so they can be available 24 hours a day all winter. Most of the residents have a plow - years ago everyone was on their own and no one was paid at all!!
6. The following have indicated they will plow as follows in the 2006-2007 winter season:
Sampson Road - Wally Larson, Kip Partridge, Edward Ebers, Richard Hardy, Dave Fisher.
Mill Hollow Drive - Kip Partridge, Richard Hardy, Ted Nowak, and Dave Fisher.
Sanding - Edward Ebers, Kip Partridge & Dave Fisher (Note: Dave also has agreed to plow Sunburst Drive, paid for by Sunburst residents.)
7. Sanding is done at \$75 per hour as it ties up your vehicle and you need a front-end loader.
ONLY THE HILL IS SANDED GENERALLY.
8. **IF YOU DRIVE OTHER THAN A 4-WHEEL DRIVE, PLEASE CHAIN UP FOR YOUR SAFETY AND OTHERS ON THE ROAD!!** Advise visitors and service vehicles.

Heavy Snow Plowing Schedule

Where we have a major storm, especially over several days, we are unable either in equipment or manpower to plow continually. It also works better if more than one plow works together at the same time both for coverage and safety. Therefore, our approach will be to group our plows together at early am (like 5 am to 7 am), late morning (like 10 am to 12 noon), late afternoon (like 4 pm to 6 pm) and then possibly late evening (like 10 am to Midnight). This is an eight-hour day of plowing and will still be a long day. A pass on the road to clear snow is more efficient pushing off one foot of snow rather than 2 - 3". You should plan your travel on the road accordingly if you want the road passable for your vehicle. If you are able to stay off the road entirely during major snowstorms it would be best.

Neil Q., Current Coordinator (gladly surrender the job to anyone) 303-697-0828.