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RE: Snow and Ice Removal by Abutting Owners:

Please review the New Milford Ordinance for Snow Removal. It is *essential* that sidewalks and walkways remain clear for the handicapped and elderly that walk along them. Please remove any snow and ice as soon as possible and as well as from any access points that might have been filled in by a passing snowplow. The snowplows can only plow one way to the side of the road so you can wait until plowing is done to clear the windrow that is made by the plow. However, with the storm forecast we recommend clearing them several times throughout the storm to avoid heavy lifting and/or overexertion.

Below is the section of the New Milford Code that refers to sidewalk snow removal:

§ 18-40 Removal of snow by abutting owners.

Any fall of snow or sleet upon any sidewalk in the town, or any ice upon such sidewalks, shall be cleared or caused to be cleared by the owner of land, building or premises adjoining or fronting upon such sidewalk or connected therewith. (Ord. of 3-28-1969, § 2; Ord. of 5-25-1973, § 2)

§ 18-41 Time limit for snow removal and ice

The clearance of snow, sleet or ice, as provided for in § 18-40, shall be made within twenty-four (24) hours following the cessation of the fall of snow, sleet or rain. (Ord. of 3-28-1969, § 3; Ord. of 5-25-1973, § 3)

§ 18-42 Un removable portion to be made safe.

If snow, sleet or ice cannot be wholly cleared, as provided in § 18-40, the owner shall clear so much thereof as is reasonably possible and provide a passageway for the passage of pedestrians, and sprinkle sufficient sand, ashes, sawdust or other proper substance in such quantity over the passageway and keep the same in a safe condition for public travel at all times. (Ord. of 3-28-1969, § 4)

You have the obligation and responsibility to maintain the area in a safe and passable condition.