

Town of Beaumont BY-LAW NO. 477-97

A by-law of the Town of Beaumont in the Province of Alberta
to REGULATE AND CONTROL THE REMOVAL OF SNOW, ICE, DIRT
or other foreign matter from the sidewalks in the Town of Beaumont.

WHEREAS it is the intention of the Municipal Council of the Town of Beaumont to ensure that municipal sidewalks are passable and safe for pedestrians;

AND WHEREAS Section 7(a) of the Municipal Government Act of the Province of Alberta, being Chapter M-26.1 (1994), gives the Council authority to pass such a by-law;

NOW THEREFORE, the Council of the Town of Beaumont, duly assembled, hereby enacts as follows:

1. This By-law may be cited as "The Snow Removal By-law".
2. In this By-law:
 - (a) 'Roadway' means that part of a highway intended for use of vehicular traffic;
 - (b) 'Council' means the Council of the Town of Beaumont;
 - (c) 'Sidewalk' means the paved or improved part of a highway especially adapted to the use of or ordinarily used by pedestrians, and includes that part of a highway between the curb line (or the edge of a roadway where there is no curb line) and the adjacent property line, but excludes parkland walkways.
 - (d) 'Street' means a public thoroughfare of the Town, including sidewalks which afford a means of access to land abutting it, and includes a lane.
3. All persons owning or occupying premises or owning vacant land within the Town shall:
 - (a) Remove and clear away all snow, greater than two (2) centimeters in depth, from the sidewalks situated on land adjacent to that property within forty-eight (48) hours of the time the snow was deposited on the sidewalk.
 - (b) Remove or sand any ice, to the extent that walking is safe, that has formed or is deposited on sidewalks situated on land adjacent to that property as soon as practicable after the ice is formed or deposited on the sidewalk.
 - (c) Remove and clear away any dirt or other obstruction from the sidewalks situated on land adjacent to that property within forty-eight (48) hours of the time the dirt or other obstruction was deposited on the sidewalk.
4. Where a person or persons has failed to comply with the requirements of Section 3 of this By-law, the Town may cause the sidewalks to be cleared or sanded, and all costs incurred by the Town become a debt due to the Town. In default of payment, the Town may charge the same against the land concerned as taxes due and recover the same as such.

5. No person shall place, or permit to be placed, any snow, ice, dirt, debris or other material on any roadway other than that snow, ice, dirt, debris or other material deposited thereon by Town authorized snow removal or road maintenance operations.
6. Every occupant and, in case there is no occupant, the owner of every house, shop, building, church or chapel abutting on or erected within three (3) metres of any highway or public place shall, whenever snow or ice accumulates on the roof or eaves of such building to an extent that a danger is created to persons passing, shall cause the same to be removed at once. Every person, while removing the same, shall take due and proper care and precaution for the warning and safety of persons passing.
7. No person shall damage any sidewalk or pavement in the Town by striking, picking or cutting the same, whether such person is engaged in removing snow, ice, dirt or other foreign material from the said sidewalk or pavement or not.
8. The imposition of any penalty whatsoever shall not relieve the person so sentenced from any liability to pay the Town the expense arising from any damage caused by him to a Town street or sidewalk.
9. Any person violating a provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and is subject to the enforcement provisions of the General Penalties By-law No. 392 and amendments thereto.
10. By-law No. 446-96 is hereby repealed.

Read a First time in Council this 10th day of December, 1997.

Read a Second time in Council this 10th day of December, 1997.

Read a Third time in Council and Finally Passed this 10th day of December, 1997.

Mayor

Municipal Secretary