

Town of Plum Lake

WINTER ROAD MAINTENANCE POLICY

INTRODUCTION

The Town of Plum Lake has the authority and responsibility for all decisions regarding when and how town roads will be maintained. The objective regarding winter road maintenance is to provide safe driving conditions to the extent practical for vehicles properly maintained for winter driving. It is not practical from a budgetary standpoint or with consideration of equipment capability to maintain roads free of snow and ice.

TOWN ROADS/ PRIVATE ROADS/ PRIVATE DRIVEWAYS

Only town roads and other public facilities within the town will be maintained for winter driving. Private roads, private driveways and private parking areas are not the responsibility of the Town to maintain.

SNOW AND ICE CONTROL

These are general guidelines subject to deviation at the discretion of the Town of Plum Lake.

The Town road crew will plow when two or more inches of snow have accumulated, and sand the corners and intersections on the same day. Start time and order in which roads are plowed is at the discretion of the Town Foreman and/or a Town Board Supervisor.

Sanding, widening, and snowbank removal will be done as needed with traffic safety being the primary focus.

Additionally, the Town of Plum Lake road crew will respond as needed to emergency conditions upon request by Vilas County Law Enforcement or the Town of Plum Lake Fire/EMS Departments. Response to these requests may result in actions beyond what are normally performed by the Town of Plum Lake road crew.

During severe weather, or weather emergencies, the town garbage/recycling locations will be closed.

MAILBOX DAMAGE

The Town is not responsible for repair or replacement if snow discharged from the plow dislodges or damages a mailbox or post. However, if Town plowing equipment physically contacts the mailbox or post, the Town of Plum Lake will repair or replace the mailbox and/or post per the Town of Plum Lake Mailbox Repair Policy.

Adopted this the 12th day of January 2024

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