# **ELIZABETHTOWN**BOROUGH BULLETIN



WINTER UPDATES 2022

### SPECIAL WINTER EDITION

### **SNOW EMERGENCY ROUTES AND REMINDERS**



### **Elizabethtown Borough Plowing Operations**

The Borough plows 41.5 miles of roadway with trucks assigned to maintain safe, passable roads in four sections of the community. Each section has approximately 10 miles of roadway to plow - with the snow emergency routes receiving priority attention, followed by the main (most heavily travelled) streets, and finishing up with the lesser traveled streets. Borough crews will always salt the street first before plowing. Salting is designed to keep the snow from bonding to the pavement and in restricting the bond it helps plow the snow off the streets.

The Public Works Crew and contracted service providers generally start plowing around the 5-inch mark. However, there are other factors that could impact a decision to commence plowing, such as time of day, length of storm, temperature, etc. The Crew will plow any time of day; however, the preference is to plow in the middle of the night when there is less traffic. It takes approximately four hours to plow the borough streets in a typical storm. Please be patient! Elizabethtown Public Works Crews are working hard – and often in hazardous conditions – to make our community's streets safe.

### **Snow Emergency Routes**

In order to facilitate the movement of traffic and combat the hazards of snow and ice, parking is prohibited on the following Snow Emergency Routes in accordance with Borough Ordinance:

High Street (entire length)

Market Street (entire length)

College Avenue (between Market Street and Spruce Street)

Spruce Street (between College Avenue and Willow Street)

Willow Street (between Spruce Street and Market Street)



While the Snow Emergency is in effect, the Elizabethtown Police Department is authorized to have vehicles that are parked on snow emergency routes towed at the owner's expense. To assist with snow removal efforts, residents are encouraged to remove vehicles from all public streets during winter weather conditions.

#### A few Additional Reminders...

Any snow and accumulated ice on the public sidewalk in front of a property must be cleared within 12 hours from the end of the weather event. Snow is not permitted to be thrown out into or otherwise placed on the street. The Borough encourages property owners to clear the snow around the fire hydrants and follow PA Vehicle Code for cleaning ice and snow from windows before driving.

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