

## Residents Winter Advisory

- ❖ **Be Prepared For Bad Weather:** Prior to winter, vehicles should be equipped with snow tires (tire chains and/or studded snow tires are only allowed between November 15th through April 15th). Residents should keep a container of anti-skid, an ice scraper, flashlight, jumper cables, blanket, and flares or reflectors in their vehicle. The engine anti-freeze protection level, belts, wipers and hoses should all be checked prior to the winter months. Check to make sure that your windshield washer and gas tank are kept full.
- ❖ **Keep the Right-Of-Way Clear:** Anything located or placed within the Township's Right-Of-Way can potentially be damaged during snowplowing. Both mailboxes and paper boxes should be in good condition and be able to withstand the force of plowing and the snow pile up that can occur. It is not the responsibility of the Township to repair or replace mailboxes or any type of landscaping if damaged as a result of plowing operations.
- ❖ **Driveways May Get Plowed In:** The snowplow cannot be turned during the plowing operation to prevent this from happening. The Township is not responsible for clearing driveways that have been plowed in. Please be aware that it may be necessary to plow more than once during a storm or even after a storm has ended. To prepare for the next storm, the Public Works Department may have to push back the snow banks to make room for additional snow. To help avoid a driveway from becoming plowed shut, residents should clear an area to the left side (the direction the plow will be coming from) of the entrance to their driveway, this will allow the snowplow to "empty" before passing the driveway.
- ❖ **Don't Park at the End of a Driveway:** Please don't park your vehicle at the end of a driveway or along the edge of the roadway to prevent the snow from being plowed into the driveway. Any vehicle parked at the end of a driveway that impedes plowing must be removed or it may be towed by order of the Police Department.
- ❖ **Don't Shovel Snow onto the Road:** After a road has been plowed, please don't shovel or plow the snow from your driveway back onto the road. Any snow moved onto or left on the road from clearing a driveway is considered a road hazard, as stated in the PA Vehicle Code. Residents are liable and can be subject to a traffic citation.
- ❖ **What to Do if You Get Stranded:** If you should become stranded during a storm, make sure your vehicle is well marked so that it can be easily seen. Public Works Department employees are not permitted to tow your vehicle or provide transportation for insurance reasons, but can attempt to call or radio for assistance.
- ❖ **PennDOT Maintained Roads:** There are roads in Tincum Township that fall under the jurisdiction and maintenance of PennDOT. PennDOT maintained and plowed roads include: Route 611, Route 32, Route 113, Headquarters Rd., Geigel Hill Rd., Red Hill Rd., Brick Church Rd., Upper Tincum Church Rd., Creamery Rd., E. Dark Hollow Rd., Stover Park Rd., and a small portion of Hollow Horn Road. If you have any questions or concerns about any of these roads, please contact the PennDOT Office directly at (215) 345 - 6060 or 6161.