

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO
RESOLUTION NO. 25-131**

**THE JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES ESTABLISHES THE SNOW EMERGENCY PARKING
RESTRICTIONS AND SNOW REMOVAL PRIORITY ROUTES WITHIN JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP**

The Board of Trustees of Jefferson Township, Montgomery County, Ohio, met in a regular meeting on October 15, 2025, at 12:00 pm at the Township Offices located at 1 Business Park Dr., Dayton, Ohio, with the following members present:

Oscar Young (✓) Sheila Back (✓) M. Michael McLaughlin (✓)

Moved by: Young () Back (✓) McLaughlin ()
Second by: Young (✓) Back () McLaughlin ()

WHEREAS, the Jefferson Township Board of Trustees recognizes that the accumulation of snow and ice on Township roadways poses significant hazards to motorists, emergency vehicles, and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, the presence of parked vehicles during snow events obstructs snow removal operations, prevents efficient treatment of roads, and endangers Township personnel and the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 505.17 and 4511.66, the Board of Trustees is authorized to regulate or prohibit parking on Township roads to protect public safety during hazardous conditions; and

WHEREAS, Jefferson Township maintains a snow and ice removal plan prioritizing public safety, emergency response, and accessibility, and seeks to codify this plan as part of Township operations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF JEFFERSON TOWNSHIP, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO THAT:

Section 1 – Declaration of Snow Emergency

A **Snow Emergency** shall automatically be in effect in Jefferson Township whenever:

- a) Snow accumulation on any Township roadway reaches or is forecasted to reach **two inches (2") or more**; or
- b) When declared by the **Township Administrator, Road Superintendent, or Montgomery County Sheriff's Office** due to hazardous winter conditions.

Notice of a Snow Emergency may be provided through local media, the Township website, social media, or any other reasonable communication method.

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Section 2 – No Parking During Snow Emergency

During a declared Snow Emergency:

1. No vehicle shall be parked, stopped, or left standing on any public roadway, shoulder, or right-of-way within Jefferson Township.
2. Vehicles must be removed from the roadway to a private driveway, parking lot, or other off-street location.
3. Any vehicle remaining on a public roadway during a declared Snow Emergency shall be towed immediately at the owner's expense and risk.

Section 3 – Enforcement and Penalties

Violations of this Resolution shall be punishable as follows:

1. **First Offense:**
Any vehicle found parked, stopped, or left standing on a public roadway, shoulder, or right-of-way during a declared Snow Emergency shall be towed immediately at the owner's expense and risk, without prior notice, to ensure safe and unobstructed snow removal operations.
2. **Second Offense:**
Classified as a Minor Misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) and up to two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00), in addition to towing and associated costs.
3. **Third or Subsequent Offense:**
Classified as a Misdemeanor of the Fourth Degree (M-4), punishable by a fine of up to five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per occurrence, plus all towing, storage, and administrative fees.

Each day or separate snow event during which a vehicle remains in violation shall constitute a separate offense.

The vehicle owner shall remain responsible for all towing, storage, and administrative costs incurred by the Township or its designee.

Section 4 – Public Safety Liaison and Enforcement Authority

The following shall serve as the **Public Safety Liaison Team** for the purpose of this Resolution:

- The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office
- The Jefferson Township Road Superintendent
- The Jefferson Township Code Enforcement Officer

These entities are authorized to:

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1. Declare or recommend activation of a snow emergency in coordination with the Township Administrator;
2. Issue citations and order towing or removal of vehicles in violation.
3. Post and maintain "Snow Emergency – No Parking" signage consistent with the **Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (OMUTCD)**; and
4. Coordinate with emergency services to maintain access for ambulances, fire apparatus, and law enforcement vehicles.

Section 5 – Signage and Notice

The Township Administrator and Road Superintendent shall ensure that **Snow Emergency – No Parking** signs are posted at major intersections, high-traffic corridors, and key Township entry points.

Notice of snow emergency parking restrictions shall be published annually on the Township's website and distributed through official communication channels prior to each winter season.

Section 6 – Vehicle Retrieval

Vehicles towed under this Resolution may be reclaimed by the registered owner upon payment of all towing, storage, and administrative fees to the towing contractor or other authorized agency. Unclaimed vehicles shall be handled in accordance with Ohio Revised Code § 4513.60 and related statutes.

Section 7 – Snow Removal Priority Routes

Overview

Jefferson Township Road Department maintains a systematic approach to snow and ice removal. Crews work diligently during winter weather events to keep roads passable and safe. The following priority system guides Township operations:

PRIORITY 1: EMERGENCY & MAIN ROUTES

- Emergency access routes
- School bus routes
- Hills and bridges
- Major intersections
- Main arterial roads

PRIORITY 2: SECONDARY ROADS

- Collector streets
- Higher traffic residential streets

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- Commercial areas
- Roads connecting to main arteries

PRIORITY 3: RESIDENTIAL AREAS

- Neighborhood streets
- Cul-de-sacs
- Low traffic areas

Section 8 – Severability

If any provision of this Resolution is declared invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 9 – Effective Date

This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption and remain in effect each year from **November 1 through April 15**, or as otherwise declared during extraordinary winter conditions.

The vote was as follows:

Oscar Young

McLaughlin

Yes No Abstain

Sheila Back

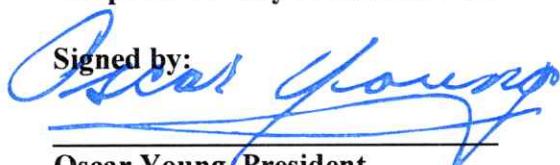
Yes No Abstain

M. Michael

Yes No Abstain

Adopted: 15th day of October 2025

Signed by:

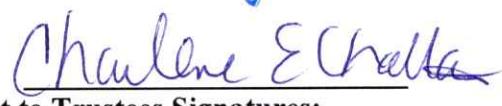


Oscar Young, President

 Sheila Back, Vice President



M. Michael McLaughlin, Trustee

 Charlene Chattams

Attest to Trustees Signatures:
Charlene Chattams, Fiscal Officer