

ORDINANCE NO. 22-06

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 9-17 OF
THE NEW HOPE CITY CODE RELATED TO DEICER
BULK STORAGE FACILITY REQUIREMENTS**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW HOPE ORDAINS:

Section 1. Section 9-17, Snow, ice, and rubbish removal is hereby amended to add the underlined text as follows:

(d) Deicer Salt Storage Requirements. The following sections apply to all indoor and outdoor bulk deicer storage facilities (temporary and permanent) including salt piles, salt bag storage, sand piles and other storage of deicing materials. Bulk storage, as regulated by this chapter, is defined as storage of any material used for deicing and/or traction during winter conditions that is more than five tons in solid form or 1,000 gallons in liquid form.

(1). General Requirements.

- a. Indoor operations for the storage of deicing materials must be provided wherever possible in order to prevent such materials from being affected by rain, snow and melt water.
- b. All salt, sand and other deicing materials stored outdoors must be covered at all times. When not using a permanent roof, a waterproof impermeable, flexible cover must be placed over all storage piles (to protect against precipitation and surface water runoff). The cover must prevent runoff and leachate from being generated by the outdoor storage piles. The cover must be secured to prevent removal by wind or other storm events. Piles must be formed in a conical shape and covered as necessary to prevent leaching. Any roof leaks, tears or damage should be temporarily repaired during winter to reduce the entrance of precipitation. Permanent repairs must be completed prior to the next winter season.

(2). Facility Siting.

- a. The facility must be in close proximity to the area in which the deicing materials are to be used, if practical.
- b. A facility must be located on impermeable surfaces.
- c. The property slope must be away from the facility's salt, deicer, and sand storage area.

(3). Snow Piles. All snow piles must be located downslope from salt and deicer storage areas to prevent the snow melt from flowing through storage areas and carrying material to the nearest drainage system or waterway.

(4). Transfer of Materials. Practices must be implemented in order to reduce exposure (e.g., sweeping, diversions, and/or containment) when transferring salt or other deicing material.

Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall be effective upon passage and publication.

APPROVED by the New Hope City Council this 12th day of September, 2022.

Kathi Hemken, Mayor

ATTEST:

Valerie Leone, City Clerk