

**PUBLIC HEARING OF THE DASSEL CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 17, 2015, 6:30 P.M.
DASSEL CITY HALL**

The public hearing of the Dassel City Council was called to order by Mayor Putnam at 6:30 p.m. on February 17, 2015 at the Dassel City Hall.

Present: Council members Asplin, Bjork, Nelson and Mayor Putnam (4)
Absent: (0)

The purpose of the meeting was to hear public input on amending City Code Sections 72.15 & 72.16 related to snow removal as listed below.

72.15 OBSTRUCTING TRAFFIC.

(A) No motor vehicle shall be parked upon any street, avenue or alley in the city which obstructs the traffic thereon or the entrance to any private driveway or interferes with maintenance, cleaning, repairing or snow removal.

Add: (B) No motor vehicle shall not be parked upon any street, avenue or alley during or up to 48 hours immediately after a snow event.

72.16 AUTHORITY OF PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR.

(B) (1) Provided further that the Public Works Director or Superintendent may place or cause to be placed and maintained signs reading ‘No Parking Snow Removal’ on such streets and avenues in the city at such times as the Council may determine this for the purpose of facilitating the removal and disposition of snow, and no person shall park any vehicle on any street or avenue when such signs are in place notwithstanding any other provisions of this subchapter.

Delete: (B) (2) No vehicle shall be parked during the period of time from November 15 to April 1 of the subsequent year between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. on all streets and avenues in the city.

The following citizens were present and submitted comments:

- Wally Nikolai opposed changing the ordinance, he stated the current ordinance needs to be enforced and not changed.
- Dave Johnson supported the changing of the ordinance so that people will be able to park on the street if there is no snow.
- Mayor Putnam explained that when Spring comes it causes blight issues due to people parking in their yards after the thaw and the required off street parking. The change would allow residents to park on the street if there is no snow event.
- Council member Asplin lives on a smaller lot and is not able to add additional off street parking this change will allow people to park on the street year round except for snow events.

Motion by Asplin seconded by Nelson to close the public hearing and adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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ATTEST:

Jeff Putnam
Mayor

Terri Boese
Clerk/Treasurer