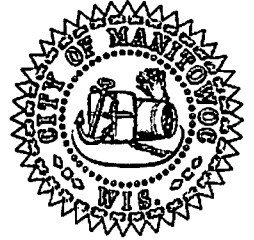




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November 13, 2020

TO: Mayor and Common Council

FROM: Board of Public Works

SUBJECT: Appeal for snow removal assessment for property at 904 N. 9th St.

Dear Mayor and Common Council:

At the November 11, 2020 Board of Public Works meeting, the Board met to review the appeal for a snow removal assessment for the property located at 904 N. 9th St.

"Property owner was present to explain the reason for their appeal. Board discussed current assessment as well as previous year's assessment, which was reduced from \$300 to \$150. Current assessment was issued as second violation in the amount of \$600.

"Moved by Finance Director/Treasurer Steve Corbeille, seconded by City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel, and carried to reduce the assessment from \$600 to \$300. Ayes, 6. Nays, none."

Very Truly Yours,

MACKENZIE REED-KADOW
Acting Secretary Board of Public Works

Deborah Neuser, CMC, City Clerk
CITY HALL · 900 Quay Street · Manitowoc, WI 54220-4543
Phone (920) 686-6950 · Fax (920) 686-6959 · dneuser@manitowoc.org



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November 13, 2020

Maureen Crowley
904 N. 9th St.
Manitowoc, WI 54220

RE: Snow Removal Assessment Appeal

Dear Ms. Crowley:

Your appeal for a snow removal violation of January 16, 2020, for 904 N. 9th St. was heard by the Board of Public Works at their meeting of November 11, 2020. The Board unanimously reduced the assessment from \$600 to \$300.

I am enclosing a revised copy of your invoice for said assessment. If not paid it will be included on the first installment of the 2020 property tax bill.

Very truly yours,

MACKENZIE REED-KADOW
Acting Secretary, Board of Public Works

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Enclosure



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INVOICE

11/13/2020

CROWLEY, MAUREEN
 904 N 9TH ST
 MANITOWOC, WI 54220

Due Date: Upon Receipt

Assessment Information	Amount
Parcel #: 585-003-010 Customer #: 38940 Assessment ID#: SS2020-0029	\$600.00
Snow Shoveling Violation Date Shoveled: 1/16/2020 - BPW reduced the bill from \$600 to \$300 on Nov 11 2020	- \$300.00
904 N 9TH ST	TOTAL DUE \$300.00

This is your notice that a special charge/assessment has been made against the above described lot in the City of Manitowoc in accordance with the Municipal Code and WI State Statutes. Payment may be made at the office of the Manitowoc City Treasurer. If the amount above is not paid by November 1 of the current year, the full amount will be included on the 1st installment of your next property tax bill.

If you have questions regarding the invoice, please call (920) 686-6510.

Please detach and remit with payment

CROWLEY MAUREEN,

S/A: SS2020-0029
 Parcel: 585-003-010
 Customer #: 38940

Due: Upon Receipt
 Amount Due: \$300.00

Amount Paid \$ _____

Remit to:
 City of Manitowoc
 900 Quay Street
 Manitowoc, WI 54220

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City of Manitowoc

Department of Public Infrastructure

Sidewalk snow removal violation and removal form

Location: 904 N 9TH ST	Complaint Date: 1/15/2020 12:00:00 AM
Parcel Number: 585003010 (Lot #9460)	Complainant Name:
Owner Name: CROWLEY MAUREEN, (Cust #38940)	Complainant Phone:
Owner Address: 904 N 9TH ST MANITOWOC, WI 542203361	Subsequent Complaint (circle if applicable) If circled proceed to 2 nd inspection and removal

Initial inspection date: 1/15/2020	Inspector: BH
Action taken: (circle one) GIVEN TO CONTRACTOR	
Date issue given to contractor: 1/16/2020	

COMP INSP DATE SHOVELED	INSP INITIALS	COMPLIANCE YES OR NO	EMPLOYEE	LABOR HRS	EQUIP	EQUIP HRS	DATE BILLED	MINIMUM CHARGE	ADDITIONAL CHARGES
1-16-20		No	LM JL	1 HR				600	1 Bag Salt

To: Manitowoc Board of Public Works
Cc: Mayor Justin Nickels
From: Maureen Crowley
Date: October 14, 2020
Re: Snow shoveling violation fine

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Dear Board Members and Mayor Nickels,

I received an invoice for a snow shoveling violation for 1/16/2020, for \$600. I wish to protest for a number of reasons, and also ask a question regarding the amount.

My protest includes the following points:

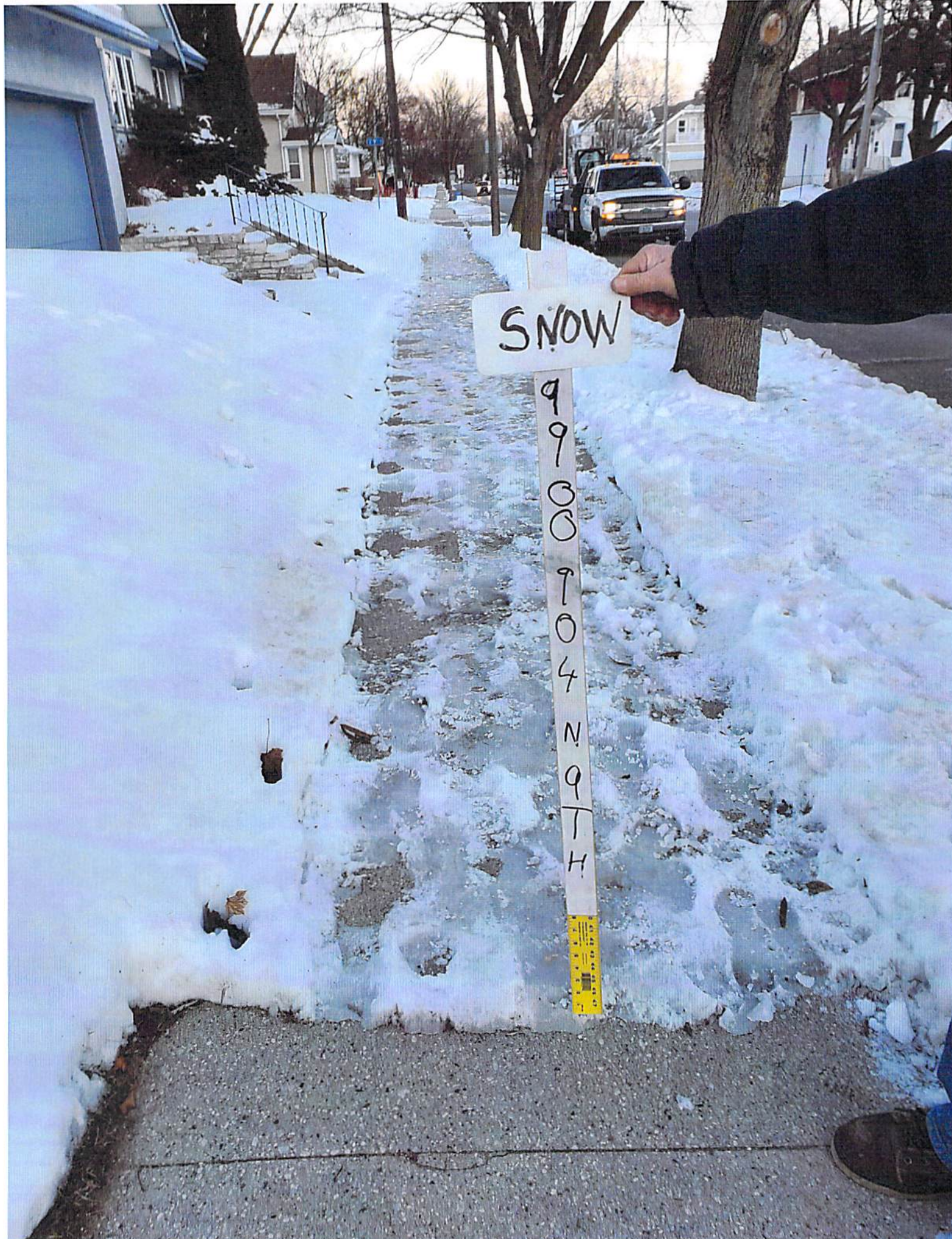
- 1) No warning. I understand that in December 2017, the city of Manitowoc decided there would be no warning given for a snow shoving violation and set the assessments, increasing every year. Unfortunately, that gives the homeowner no room to make the situation right before getting the fine. In my case, I have had great difficulty finding reliable people who would remove the snow from my sidewalks starting in November 2017 when the dependable company, Clipper City, told me they would no longer continue their snow removal operation they had been doing for many years. I was shocked that it was late in the season, and I attempted to replace them to no avail. I think I contacted every company but everyone was fully booked. I finally found someone who agreed to take care of snow removal. I left town and only when I returned did I discover he had stopped coming. (At the end of the season I hired someone who did in fact show up.) I received a fine, and appealed. (There was also some question about the company the city hired, as they ran away when I tried to talk to them, and they charged for a job that had already been done by my friends, and charged for time that was grossly over what it would have taken them to do.) The fine was lowered to \$150.
- 2) The amount of the fine. The amount is very high considering many of us are living on fixed incomes. I would do the job myself if I could, but I'm unable to. Therefore, I depend on hiring someone or some company. The addition of \$300 per year is also a draconian amount, making it very difficult for some of us to pay. I believe it's an unreasonable amount of money. I think of elderly persons who might find it difficult to manage either doing it themselves, or finding a company able to take them on as clients. If it is designed to impel the citizens to clear the sidewalks, it is not effective in my case as I have been making every effort to take care of my property without the need of punishment. And I'm getting punished for a lack of enough snow removal companies in Manitowoc.
- 3) This past season's \$600 fine. This past year I began looking for a company or individuals to clear the snow starting in the summer of 2019. Again, everyone was booked. The person I hired at the end of the previous season decided not to continue. I finally found a couple who said they were willing to clear the sidewalks and my driveway all winter, and they started out fine. Again, I left town, and while I was gone, they simply stopped coming. I didn't realize this and made



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