



# CITY OF MANITOWOC

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February 25, 2019

19-0281

TO: Mayor and Common Council

FROM: Board of Public Works

SUBJECT: Appeal for snow shoveling violation for property at 719 York St.

CONSENT

Dear Mayor and Common Council:

At the February 20, 2019 Board of Public Works meeting, the Board met to review the appeal for a snow shoveling violation for the property at 719 York St.

“Moved by Assistant City Attorney Liz Majerus, seconded by Director of Public Infrastructure Dan Koski, and unanimously carried to deny the request. Ayes, 6. Nays, none.”

Very Truly Yours,

DEBORAH NEUSER  
Secretary Board of Public Works



8446

719 YORK ST.

Sue Reilly

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**From:** Justin Nickels  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 5, 2019 2:02 PM  
**To:** Sue Reilly  
**Cc:** Kathleen McDaniel; Dan Koski; Deborah Neuser  
**Subject:** RE: CITY OF MANITOWOC SNOW SHOVELING PICTURE - 1/4/19

Assuming this will be sent to Board of Public Works?

- Justin



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**From:** John A. Shimon [<mailto:shimonj@lawrence.edu>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 04, 2019 3:55 PM  
**To:** Sue Reilly  
**Cc:** Justin Nickels  
**Subject:** Re: CITY OF MANITOWOC SNOW SHOVELING PICTURE - 1/4/19

Hi Sue,

I was disappointed that I did not hear back from you. Still thinking that the picture you sent me was a valid attempt to deal with a difficult sidewalk situation and not worthy of a \$300 fine. I have been diligently shoveling that 21 feet of sidewalk for 30 years now and the standards were never very high. For many years the adjoining properties were seldom shoveled at all. I will make it a point to do everything in my power in the future if higher standards are in order.

I definitely want to formally contest this fine.

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**From:** Sue Reilly <[sreilly@manitowoc.org](mailto:sreilly@manitowoc.org)>

**Sent:** Friday, February 1, 2019 2:36:58 PM

**To:** John A. Shimon

**Subject:** CITY OF MANITOWOC SNOW SHOVELING PICTURE - 1/4/19

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**From:** Sue Reilly  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 5, 2019 7:08 AM  
**To:** Chad Scheinoha  
**Subject:** FW: CITY OF MANITOWOC SNOW SHOVELING PICTURE - 1/4/19  
**Attachments:** 8446 - 719 YORK ST - 1 - 20190104\_145152.jpg

He received an invoice for snow shoveling. He does not agree with it as he believes it was shoveled as well as can be expected when people walk over it. Please contact him. The picture is attached.

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**From:** John A. Shimon [<mailto:shimonj@lawrence.edu>]  
**Sent:** Monday, February 4, 2019 3:55 PM  
**To:** Sue Reilly  
**Cc:** Justin Nickels  
**Subject:** Re: CITY OF MANITOWOC SNOW SHOVELING PICTURE - 1/4/19

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February 15, 2019

Board of Public Works  
C/o Clerk's Office  
900 Quay Street  
Manitowoc, WI 54220

To Whom It May Concern,

I was disappointed to receive a \$300 fine for not shoveling my sidewalk, which was indeed shoveled, at 719 York Street. I have been diligently shoveling that 21 feet of sidewalk for 30 years. For many years the adjoining properties were seldom shoveled at all. Usually my parcel has been the only clear pavement on my end of the block.

The snowfall in question occurred on January 1<sup>st</sup>. I shoveled my sidewalk on the 2<sup>nd</sup>. This picture was taken on the 4<sup>th</sup>. Close observation of this photo shows that much of the pavement is showing through with a fraction of an inch of material left in the areas that are snow covered. The reason for this is that the neighbors had been driving over the sidewalk before I shoveled, causing it to be packed down and impossible to scrape. Your stick is clearly stuck in where the snow was shoveled into the street and the city neglected to pick it up, which is where you are measuring 4 inches.

What the city is doing here seems absolutely ridiculous and may qualify as harassment. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

John Shimon

Attachments: One 8 ½ x 11" enlargement of your photo of the pavement in front of 719 York Street taken January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019.