## ATHENS TOWNSHIP Snow Removal Policy 2018 - 2019

The goal of Athens Township is to have all Township roads passable within a reasonable amount of time after a three inch or more snowfall has stopped.

**Please remember:** the **blue or amber flashing lights** identify the snow removal equipment as emergency vehicles and motorists should maintain a proper distance from these vehicles including a respectable distance from the rear.

The Township does not assure a completely bare road and will not sand entire sections of roadway. The sanding of intersections, approaches, hills, and curves are a priority. Users of the road system are reminded to exercise *caution* and to realize that the legal speed limit may not be reasonable in certain weather conditions.

The Township usually will not dispatch snowplows until the snowfall has stopped; with exceptions possible during periods of extended snowfall. Sanding will be placed at problem locations.

The company we contract with for snow removal has added equipment starting this season and has changed their 'battle tactics' for the best response in any snow situation.

Mailboxes damaged during snow removal are evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Only mailboxes that are properly built, located, and installed in accordance with Minnesota Department of Transportation standards and which are damaged by actual contact with the snow removal equipment will be repaired at Township expense.

Residents are cautioned that it is unlawful to plow snow from private driveways onto or across any public roadway.

<u>Thank you</u> for your help & cooperation in making Athens a safer place!

--Christopher Olson; Athens Board Supervisor Athens Township Roads Supervisor.

