

CONSTRUCTION WORK REQUIRING UNIFORMED POLICE OFFICERS:

Purpose.

- A. The Town of Chichester ordains that it is in the public interest and hereby establishes that is in the public policy to regulate roadside construction or utility work that may interfere with the safe flow of traffic, pursuant to RSA 41:11.
- B. Prior to the commencement of road improvements of any kind, or prior to the laying or relaying of electrical, telephone or any type of telecommunications equipment, cable TV, or any other type of underground utilities or the installation of above-ground utilities which could interfere with the normal and regular flow of traffic within the Town of Chichester, the primary contractor responsible for the conduct of the work performed upon the site, will be required to employ uniformed policemen to control traffic if one of the following conditions exist:
 1. Any construction which will significantly affect the flow of traffic.
 2. When the construction is such as to unreasonably interfere with the normal and ordinary flow of traffic or presents conditions which adversely affect public safety and convenience.
 3. The Chief of Police or his designee may, upon examination of the work site waive the requirement to employ a uniformed police officer if in his opinion it is not necessary for public safety and convenience. In such situations, a properly trained and certified non-police officer may serve as traffic control officer.
 4. The following roadways do require traffic control:
 - Dover Road
 - Main St
 - Rt 28
 - Bear Hill Rd
 - Canterbury Rd
 - King RD
 - Center Rd
 - Pleasant St.
 - Horse Corner Road

Other roadways may require traffic control depending on the potential interference with the safe flow of traffic.

PENALTY:

In the event that any of the above provisions are violated, the Chief of Police and / or Road Agent is empowered to issue a work stoppage order against the contractor or his employees; such work stoppage order shall remain in effect until there is strict

compliance with this ordinance. In addition a civil forfeiture shall be issued in the amount of \$250.00 for the first offense and for each successive offense a civil forfeiture of \$500.00. See RSA 676:17. This will be paid to the Town of Chichester at the Town Clerks Office within 15 days of issuance. Failure to comply with this procedure may result in a summons being issued to the site supervisor to the Concord District Court or action being brought in the Merrimack County Superior Court.


SEVERABILITY

If any Section or part of a section or paragraph of this ordinance is declared invalid or unconstitutional, it shall not be held to invalidate, or impair the validity, force or effect of any other sections, or part of a section or paragraph of this ordinance.

EFFECTIVE DATE:

This Ordinance may take effect upon approval by the Board of Selectmen.


Richard Bouchard, Chair


Edward Millette


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