

## Message from Mayor Hruby

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This is the update to yesterday's e-mail regarding the winter storm warning message and information issued by the National Weather Service who have forecasted this winter storm for this evening, Wednesday, February 2 through the early morning hours of Friday, February 4.

Today at 1:00 pm, our emergency services and staff met and viewed the National Weather Service's update for this upcoming winter storm. Again, this winter storm is forecasted for this evening, Wednesday, February 2 through the early morning hours of Friday, February 4. Our area is under a "Winter Storm Warning". As predicted yesterday, rain will change to a mixture of sleet and ice, followed by heavy wet snow Thursday into Thursday night. We may experience up to 30 mph winds, and they are predicting 8-12" of snow. The heaviest snowfall to be tomorrow afternoon and evening until approximately 3:00 am Friday morning. The National Weather Service also stated, with a shift in winds, the snow could be reduced in inches.

Therefore, as the National Weather Service has affirmed its prediction for heavy wet snowfall, we are closing the Community Center, Human Services Center, and limited staff will occupy City Hall on Thursday, February 3. We anticipate and believe we will resume to our normal schedule on Friday. As a reminder, recycling is canceled for tomorrow. Our Recycling Center is open for drop-off on Saturday's from 9:00 am to 12 noon. For any revisions or alterations, we will notify our residents through social media and our web page. As with every storm, the final outcome is a prediction. We provide you basically the same information, we are ready and prepared to deal with a winter storm.

There is a very high water content in the snow that will be falling. The threat of icing power lines and trees is minimal, but that too can be expected in certain areas of the storm. Do not approach any down power line, but immediately notify the Illuminating Company. Our safety forces, Police and Fire, will be supplemented by our snow removal crew, enabling those emergency forces to gain access to your property and you in the case of an emergency. Please use caution if shoveling snow due to the heavy water content and weight during the heavy snowfall. Please avoid when possible traveling the roads due to the conditions that might be present. If it is snowing heavily the snow parking ban will be in effect. Please stay safe and pay attention to the local news who will be reporting the developments of this storm. The concern our safety forces have is not getting to people to work in the morning, it is getting them home in the afternoon as the heaviest snow is predicted around 10 am to late evening. Please exercise caution and

enjoy the comfort and warmth of your home knowing our safety service forces will be at work and ready to respond to your needs.

I wish you well.



God Bless,  
Jerry N. Hruby  
Mayor

