

Policy Change effective October 1, 2019

Tree removal from highway or right of way

Notice of change when dealing with removing landowner's trees or brush from road ditch.

State Statute 86.03 Trees on and Adjacent to Highway. (1) Removal of fallen trees. If any tree falls from adjacent land into any highway, the owner or occupant of the land shall immediately remove the tree from the highway . . . (2) Ownership. All trees on land over which any highway is laid out shall be for the use of the owner of the land or person otherwise entitled thereto . . .

The town maintenance crew will clear the roads to enable safe passage of traffic. The town clerk will be instructed to notify the landowner of downed trees citing S.S. 86.03 and give notice to the landowner. The landowner will then have 30 days to remove the trees from the highway right-of-way. If the trees are not removed by 30 days from date of notice, the town will remove the trees and charge the landowner for the actual cost of removal.

All wood from the removal of said tree or trees is the property of the landowner and will be placed on their property.

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Date _____

September 10 2019