

# THE MAYOR'S DESK

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## **Good Day, city of Merrill!**

As Mayor of Merrill, I would like to remind every homeowner, tenant, and landlord who lives in and/or owns a home in Merrill, that it is against city codes and laws to dump snow, grass clippings, leaves and any other kind of yard waste into the streets of Merrill.

The city offers a tree dump for Merrill city residents that can be utilized for trees, grass clipping and other yard waste.

The misuse of pushing waste into the streets, plugs city sewers and gutters and culverts, and violates city code, and is not being very neighborly to the residents of Merrill whose homes end up with it in front of them.

City code prohibits snow from being pushed into city streets, and snow should not be piled up in front of storm sewer intakes, doing so can impede drainage and cause water to back up into streets and yards when it melts.

Every town has laws and codes governing such actions as mentioned. Please remember this when clearing your property of any snow, leaves, grass clippings and any yard waste.

Let's all be neighborly and thoughtful of our actions and save the city some headaches concerning the cleanup of our town.

Thank you,

**Mayor Bruce Norgaard**