

Supervisor Romaine Meets with Members of the Highway Department to Review Snow Removal Operation and Weather Emergency Plan

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Supervisor Ed Romaine reviews snow removal area maps with members of the Highway Department during their meeting at Town Hall.

Farmingville, NY - On February 19, Supervisor Ed Romaine met with members of the Town Highway Department, including Acting Highway Superintendent John Capella, to discuss issues related to the recent snow removal operation during winter storm Nemo. Among the topics discussed were the weather emergency plan, staffing, equipment, fleet maintenance, fuel distribution at Town facilities and outside contractor rates and insurance. The Supervisor assured the group that he would do whatever he can to help find solutions that will improve the department's response to future weather emergencies.

Supervisor Romaine said, "This was a great opportunity to speak with those who were on the front lines during the storm and to hear what they had to say about the problems that were encountered by their crews. My powers over the Highway Department are limited, but I will make recommendations to the Town Board in order to refine our current emergency response plan and provide long term solutions so we are better prepared for future weather emergencies."

The Supervisor agreed to continue discussions with the Highway Department and, after the March 5 special election, meet with the new Highway Superintendent as well.

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