

Lake County Road Commission

Policy #1035: Encroachment at Road Ends

Statement of Policy:

The Lake County Board of County Road Commissioners had adopted a policy of refusing requests to vacate or close roads or dedicated streets leading to or along the shores of the lakes and streams of Lake County.

The Lake County board of Road Commissioners has adopted the resolution recommending removal of encroachment in dedicated streets, by circuit court injunction if necessary.

Many of those streets are not deemed at this time to be necessary for vehicular travel, but would be adequately serve the public interest if they are merely cleared and maintained sufficiently to facilitate pedestrian travel.

That the road commission undertakes to remove only those present encroachments which are in dedicated streets deemed presently necessary for vehicular travel and that the road commission take such steps as may be necessary to prevent any new encroachments and to remove any which impede or obstruct reasonable public use.

That the road commission take steps to open pedestrian ways where such development of dedicated streets would reasonably serve the public convenience and necessity and also seek to promote clear legislative authority for such improvement of dedicated streets for pedestrian use without present construction of roadbed for vehicular travel.

Furthermore that it is the policy of the Lake County board of County Road Commissioners that each and every encroachment on any road be judged on its own merits and considered similarly to all other road ends in the county as being in the best interest of the public.