

Woman cited for shoveling snow into parked car

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A 22-year-old Port Washington woman who was clearing the sidewalk at a relative's home was cited for disorderly conduct after she shoveled snow into a car parked nearby, according to Port Washington police.

The incident, which police said was captured on videotape by a neighbor, occurred in the 500 block of North Webster Street about 2:40 p.m. Feb. 28.

The woman shoveled the snow into the vehicle through a broken window that had been taped over, police said. She moved the tape over in order to place the snow in the vehicle.

The woman, who also shoveled snow onto the vehicle, had an ongoing dispute with a neighbor over shoveling, police said.

The incident was one of seven snow-related calls police received in the wake of last week's snowstorm.

- On Feb. 28, police received a report that a sidewalk in the 400 block of Barry Avenue was unshoveled. When officers notified the owners that sidewalks must be cleared within 24 hours after a snowfall, they said they would take care of it, police said.

- That same day, there was a complaint of a snow-covered sidewalk in the 700 block of North Wisconsin Street. The property is in foreclosure, so city crews were expected to clear the walkway, according to police.

The city's cost will be placed on the property tax bills, authorities said.

- On March 1, there was a complaint that a sidewalk in the 200 block of North Spring Street was not cleared. A notice was left at the home, police said.

- That same day, there was complaint that a plowing contractor pushed snow across the 500 block of Chestnut Street onto the city's right of way, but officers could not find the culprit, police said.

- On March 2, there were two complaints of unshoveled walkways — one in the 700 block of North Wisconsin Street and the other at the former Clark gas station on Grand Avenue. The owners were notified in both cases, police said.

In other news, police were called to Port Washington High School about 9:20 a.m. March 1 for a 17-year-old Saukville youth who officials believed was intoxicated.

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and as you may be aware, the police are not allowed to search a car without a warrant, unless the car is a public vehicle, such as a school bus or a police car. In this case, the car was a private car, and the police were not allowed to search it without a warrant. The police officer who searched the car was cited for violating the law. The woman who was cited for shoveling snow into the car was not cited for any other reason.