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Congratulations to Swanton Fire Chief Chad Smith on his new position as Fulton County's Director of Emergency Services. This is a new position within the county government, one that was fulfilled previously as Emergency **Medical** Services Director, and only part time. The commissioners recognized the need to have a full time director to lead and coordinate the seven fire and EMS departments and I applaud their move to this structure. I am pleased to see another Swanton public servant chosen to serve at the county level. Best wishes, Chad!

The first readings of two new ordinances requiring snow removal from sidewalks and the removal of cars from village streets after 3 inches or more of snow have fallen and will proceed to the second reading at the next council meeting. The ordinances are necessary to enable the public works department to effectively clear the streets and provide for safer walking paths for pedestrians. These ordinances may not have any effect this year, but will be enforced next year if necessary. Citizens who do not shovel their sidewalks within 24 hours after a snowfall will be subject to a citation. Enforcement will be handled by the Police Dept. However, warnings will always first be attempted, and all efforts will be aimed at being reasonable. These new ordinances will be fully adopted upon a third reading and approval.

The Swanton Lions Club is again hosting the Dodge Ball tournament this coming Saturday, March 22. If you wish to enter a team, the registration form is posted on the Lions Club Facebook page. Even if you aren't a member of a team, join the fun as an audience member. Proceeds benefit the Backpack Buddies program of Swanton Schools. It is a great family and fun day!