

Operations Committee

Wednesday, August 18, 2010 - 4:00 p.m. **City Hall - Council Chambers**

Committee Members Councillor G. Beach, Chair Councillor H. Noble Councillor L. Severson Mayor D.L. Henderson, Ex-Officio

Areas of Responsibility **Operations** Community Services Fire Museum Library Board Cemetery Board St. Lawrence Lodge Mgmt.Board L,L&G Health Unit

CRCA Airport Board Arena Advisory Board Visual/Performing Arts Committee **PLMG** BMAAC Brockville Municipal Non-Profit Housing Committee

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- 1. St. Lawrence Anglican Church Re: Request for Signage
- 2. Request for Tree Removal
- 3. Councillor H. Noble

Re: Downtown Garbage Collection

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Councillor G. Beach, Chair 1. Re: Status of Bike Lane Request

CONSENT AGENDA

C. M. Larocque 42 Davison Avenue, Brockville, Ontario K6V 3C2

August 6, 2010.

Mayor Henderson and Members of Council Sandy Seale, Clerk Corporation of the City of Brockville 1 King St. E. Brockville, Ontario

Dear Administrators:

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PETITION FOR COMMITTEE AND INPUT TO BOATING RELATED ISSUES

For some years now, I have been hearing from a wide range of people who have interests connected with boating in Brockville. It is believed that the establishment of a committee to allow input would be most helpful. Accordingly I submit the following for your consideration:

We the undersigned petition Council to form a boating advisory committee from among members of the boating community for providing advice and input to Council and Staff.

We see the Committee being represented by local ratepayers, seasonal and transient boaters and campers who contribute to the local economy as well as City staff who deal with docking issues, island issues and waterfront usage issues.

We believe as stewards of the islands our hands on experience enable us to provide insights into environmental, economic, safety and heritage issues. We believe our representative(s) could provide quality interpretation and augment the analysis of the Golder Report.

Some of the topics to be explored may include:

- (a) More and better docking facilities on the islands. (longer docks)
- (b) Installation and appropriate location of mooring balls.
- (c) Appropriately located and reasonably priced parking facilities for boaters and trailers.
- (d)) Safe, secure and maneuverable harbour and marina facilities

- (e) Increased docking facilities through City owned, or private marinas at fair and competitive municipal rates.
- (b) Bilingual and better signage on the islands with clear responsible protocols for island use.

Your consideration for the establishment of such an opportunity to relate to and work with members of the community would be appreciated. To initiate the establishment of such a committee I would be willing to work with your appointed staff.

We look forward to your favourable response.

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C. M. Larocque

Representing the petitioners.

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Operations Committee July Copy: CJC

Tuesday July 13,2010.

Director Of Operation Mr. Conal Cosgrove

In followup to telephone conversations with Mrs. Val Harvey, Supervisor - Transportation, I am writing as a member of the Corporation and Communication Committee of the Anglican Parish Of St. Lawrence Brockville, a request for your consideration at your meeting of July 21, 2010.

Our request is for two street signs that would indicate a church symbol and and the words St. Lawrence Anglican Church, with an arrow pointing in either direction north or south. The first sign to be placed on an already secured city post on the corner of King and Park streets with the arrow pointing northwards. The second sign to be placed at the corner of Pearl and Park, with the arrow pointing southwards. These signs would assist Community people in locating our church, both parish members, comm.unity members, as well as tourists. Our church is the only church in the community that has changed it's name, and many of our older people in the community do not know where St. Lawrence Church is situated and recognize the site as St. Peter's. Our two churches Trinity and St. Peter's have come a long way as the new community of St. Lawrence. There are many community groups who use our facilities for meetings and activities with guest speakers, as well as tourists who have become aware of our services through the Brockville and District Chamber of Commerce Tourism Racking Program, and should be able to locate our Site without difficulty.

There are signs in our community already assisting people to find services available ie.Buds On The Bay, Library ,Museum, Boat Launching, St. Lawrence College and others ,therefore ,we are requesting your time and consideration in assisting us to meet the needs of our larger community.

Yours respectfully,

Judith Woodcock

From: Sandra Seale Sent: August 4, 2010 8:41 AM To: Conal Cosgrove Subject: Request for tree removal Attachments: Scan001.PDF Conal, Attached is a request from RJ Woods for removal of a tree on City property. We will be forwarding this letter to Operations in August. Sandi

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I am requesting from the city, permission to have a large maple tree removed from beside my driveway. Though technically this tree is on city property, the majority of the trees branches hang over my driveway and roof of my house. The tree droppings are making a mess of my vehicles and leave a sticky residue that is difficult to remove. This tree is damaging the paint jobs on both my car and truck. I am in the process of purchasing a brand new truck and would like to have the tree removed before I park it in my driveway. There are many maple trees both on and off of my property which will not be removed. In fact, I agree to plant 3 maple trees (14 feet tall from Johnson Brothers Tree Farm in Kemptville, Ontario 613-802-2314), as a replacement for the tree I want to remove. Thank you for your consideration on this urgent matter.

RJ Woods

225 King Street East

Brockville, Ontario

1-877-420-3595

Glenview Terr 225 King Street Front Yard East King Street

A Report to the Operations Committee

By H Noble

The following pictures were taken where indicated in the early evening of August 5'th.by Peter Hoogendam.

This is the sight that visitors to our town and residents had to step around at the sold out performance at the Brockville Art Centre

This is what you typically see in the Commercial District from one end of King to the other on the evening preceding garbage days and the following morning awaiting pickup.

Issues:

- -unsightly smelly unsanitary unhealthy
- -removing parking spots (as they are occupied with garbage)
- -garbage trucks pick up when cars are parked making pick up take longer and more difficult (than if done as many cities do at night)
- a terrible image for visitors to see and go home and tell their friends about
- incompatible with the beautification of King Street undertaken a few years ago
 - -winter snow removal operations
 - -attracting wild animals, rats, wild cats etc.
 - -we want to attract new residents and assessment downtown. Counterproductive
 - -retailers typically don't open until 9 or 10 am but must have garbage curbside by 8 am so they put it out the night before to avoid paying for extra staff or working a longer day.
 - -the 8 am deadline means garbage throughout the entire section of the city scheduled for pickup that day will be curbside from 8 am until whenever it is picked up which may be after noon.

This is really just a scheduling issue. For convenience and simplicity for City Hall one time has been set. It is rather like a Doctor setting all his appointments for 8 am and letting patients wait until whenever he ges to them be it 9 am or 4 pm.

Solution

Some would recommend fining these folks for putting garbage out the previous night rather than on the morning of garbage day.

I do not support that as

- -the merchants work long hours and some may not open until 10.
- -I do not wish to make their life any more onerous.
- -to do so is really saying it is inconvenient for the City to establish a 6 pm pick up sweep so we'll make businesses hire extra staff or work longer hours by coming in before normal retail hours.
- -that does not address the issue of efficiency in pickup
- -enforcing it must be done when city staff are not normally on duty, Hence it is impractical to enforce. We already have shown how hard it is to get enforcement of other by laws when staff are on duty.. It would not be regularly enforced

Recommendation

That staff consult with the Downtown Business Improvement Area and collaborate to come up with a mutually agreeable solution to resolve this unsightly mess in our core tourist district.

One possibility I would suggest for consideration (hopefully other suggestions will arise) as a possible approach is:

- 1) The King Street commercial district and possibly Broad/Water/Court House be set up as its own zone. In consultation with the Downtown Business Improvement Area establish the best day and one hour time block to schedule the trucks to pass through this area. It might be Mondays (after the weekend) between 10 and 11 am or possibly two pickups per week given the volumes. It is a very very small area of the whole city. Then set steep fines for putting out garbage in this special region more than two hours before the scheduled time and have the parking by law enforcement officers schedule a pass through the area on that day to enforce it. The fine proceeds would be turned over to the DBIA to encourage their cooperation..
- 2) Given that half of each area on garbage day will be in the afternoon and to avoid garbage sitting out all day which is unsightly and the possibility that animals may get into it, divide each days area into two segments. One will have the current rules based on morning pickup. The other half will allow garbage to be put out as now (for 8 am as folks go to work) but extend the cut off time to put garbage curbside until noon. It would be optimal if the later times were in areas of the city with a higher proportion of seniors but this may not be practical.



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