



Sandy Hook Community Association

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District of Sechelt
Attention: Mr. Bill Brown, Administrator
2nd Floor 5797 Cowrie St.
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Dear Sir,

Re: On Street parking violations in Sandy Hook

We are aware of three vehicles that have been parked in violation of the 72 hour limit for an extended period of time. They are:

1. A white VW Passet in front of 5895 Deerhorn, License# 551GDT expired in January 2005. It has not moved for several months.
2. A blue Honda Civic, with tow line attached and no license plates, which seems to be in front of 5899 Deerhorn but could possibly belong to the same owner as # 1 above. It too has not moved for several months.
3. A very large fifth wheel RV in front of 6921 Mt. Richardson. This vehicle had not moved from September 1, 2006 when it was placed there by new renters in their move in until late December when it was moved about 10 feet.

The first two vehicles may not have been reported to Bylaw enforcement but we have certainly heard about them from people who walk by on a regular basis. Both are partly on the paved surface and constitute a hazard to pedestrians and drivers.

The RV, on the other hand, was reported in November and Mr. Haynes has taken preliminary action. Unlike the other vehicles it is not on the paved road surface but by all indications it appears to be almost totally on the road allowance. It is an unsightly monstrosity to the neighbourhood and during the December snow storm the owner chose to park his commercial van along side, on the pavement, thereby contributing significantly to the hazardous conditions. Mr. Haynes reported being verbally harassed by the lady of the residence and has expressed some doubt about having the authority to have the vehicle towed. By moving the vehicle about 10 feet just before Christmas the owner demonstrates an inclination to game playing in order to try and avoid the intent of the bylaw.

Board members of our Association believe that as a result of this notification the two vehicles on Deerhorn can be dealt with. Since the RV on Mt. Richardson has already been ordered removed we have to question where the authority lies to get the job done. If Mr. Haynes does not have the authority to overrule a disgruntled owner then who does? And what is the point of a Bylaw that cannot be enforced?

We trust you will see fit to deal with this matter and advise us of the results.

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Per:

Peter Harvey, President

CC:

Mayor Cam Reid and Council

Jason Herz – Chair, Sechelt Community Association Forum

Mr. Bruce Haynes, Bylaw Enforcement Officer