



Public Meeting, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018

No. 3

Moved by Eric Foisy

Seconded by Jane Lagassie

THAT the Public Meeting concerning proposed Zoning By-Law 2018-06 amendments be adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Carried Marc Vaillancourt

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MAYOR

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CLERK

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NOTES:

Ian Kilgour, Planning Consultant provided Council with clarification on the uses re Recreational Vehicles, Mobile Homes, Trailers etc. pertaining to the proposed zoning amendments. Council is simply taking care of business by getting the definitions straight. Right now, RV's are not to be used as seasonal dwelling or dwellings of any kind or on any land for more than a continuous 90-day period. Legislation definition of Vehicles and dwelling is:

1. RV's are designed for seasonal use
2. Manufactured units are designed for dwellings

Pat Kelly:

Q. if the motor & running gears are off is it still an RV and what are we supposed to do with the RV for the next 9 or 10 months that we are not using it.

A. Opinions are – move it, or get a minor variance or try to legalize it by getting a legal non-conforming status which you have to apply for planning approval to have it stay

Ray Seguin:

Q. if you have an RV, do you need a permit

A. not at this time. There are municipalities that do have licensing. If you have a home, you can park your RV at home. This is just for vacant lands

John Gaudreault:

Q. trailers on wheels – you have to pull it out after 90 days?

A. Yes. Temporary is the key word, they are not meant to be permanent

Richard Lamarche:

Q. a lot of people live in seasonal trailers, the problem is that most of them come from out of town

A. they need to get a legal non-conforming status for permission to have an RV on your vacant land for more than 90 days and this will be dealt with on a case by case basis

Marci Dewey:

Q. someone who owns a home and someone who owns a vacant lot, taxes are different, and when it comes to clean water there's no regulation for the RVs and we need to keep our water clean

A. they need to get a decent water supply and apply for a septic from NBMCA. You also need to prove how you're getting your water supply and how you are getting rid of your waste (septic). The by-law right now is sufficient to allow RVs for temporary use and is still enforceable – this is simply clarifying the use of RVs

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Jane Lagassie:

Q. Definition was vague – they are concerned that this by-law would force them to remove their RVs. I would like to see this matter forwarded back to planning for further discussion to find a happy medium

A. the by-law is going for first reading tonight at council meeting and should remain at that level in order to give staff and council a chance to listen to your concerns and make changes. These amendments are for safety concerns, things are changing, and you are not supposed to be living in RVs

Nancy Edmonds:

- 25 years ago, we bought a piece of property here with a trailer and we wanted to be working the land. So, we came from Sudbury and kept the place clean. Staff was very helpful, and we did have permission to have our trailer on our little piece of land. I just think that kids or young couples these days should have the opportunity to be able to have a trailer to give them a chance to accumulate money to be able to build. We did, and it was very much appreciated.

John Gaudreault:

Q. should all the people be notified and get letters

A. its on the municipal website – local newspaper. Also, we will come back to council and look at all the concerns and make suggestions and offer legal opinions. We'll do our best to be fair and reasonable to everyone

Christine Dowdall:

Q. we cannot live permanently in an RV, only for 90 consecutive days. If they only stay in the RV on weekends, would this be legal

A. the intent of the zoning by-law is:

- RVs can go to tourist establishments
- go to single family dwellings
- it was never the intent to have them permanently

Jane Lagassie:

- Mr. Lamarche mentioned seasonal people. Three of my members were there when reviewing the by-law and they would be able to create a happy medium for everybody. That is why I want to return it to planning

Ian – nothing stops the planning committee from coming forward to council. It is now in front of council and should remain in front of council, nothing stops the PAC to attend council meeting.

Emma Rowe:

Q. can they not have a compound for RVs only? They do in England