

CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF PORT COQUITLAM
PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee was held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, April 17th, 1985, at 4:15 p.m.

In attendance were Alderman Michael Wright and Alderman George Laking.

Also in attendance was K. Janna Taylor, Parks & Recreation Director.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

That the minutes of the meeting of the Parks & Recreation Committee held on Wednesday, ~~April 10th~~, 1985, be taken as read and adopted.

Date is correct

Item No. 1 May Day Parade

The Committee reviewed various alternate routes for the 1985 May Day Parade.

Recommendation:

That the 1985 May Day route start on Reeve Street and proceed North to Wilson Avenue, proceed East on Wilson Avenue to Shaughnessy Street and South on Shaughnessy Street to Central Avenue and proceed East on Central Avenue to Tyner Street and go North on Tyner Street.

CARRIED

Item No. 2 Central Park

We have received a complaint from a resident who lives at the N.W. corner of Central Park. In her letter she states that the fence has been knocked down several times due to soccer and baseball players who are continually coming into her back yard to get the balls. Also attached are costs of possible fencing if we were to put fencing along the back of the park. The Committee agreed that we could not rebuild her fence.

Recommendation:

That we proceed with a 10 foot high fence for a length of 166 feet at a cost of \$2,324.00 and that this money be taken from the unallocated parks budget.

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Item No. 3 Trees in Laneways

We received the attached letter from a resident on Prairie Avenue in regard to branches being cut in the laneways. The Committee agreed that if the branches were hanging over city property, the crews should have trimmed the branches due to the fact that they were getting in the way of the garbage collectors.


Recommendation:

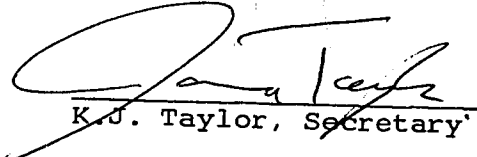
That an appropriate letter be sent to the resident indicating that the city is permitted to clear the lanes and does so on a regular basis.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.


M.R. Wright, Chairman


K.J. Taylor, Secretary

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Sir,

I have been in contact with the City Yards Dep and though they can see my problem are unable to help me at this time as their budget has gone through for this year.

They referred me to you.

The problem is, my back yard runs into Central Park and my fence is about 15 feet from the base-ball diamond.

I have cooperated with the base-ball people for many years, water, power, return balls etc, and have always had to put up with my fence being used as the main entry to my yard instead of gate. Each year the fence had to be repaired now it is at the stage where it needs to be replaced as there is no way it will stand up to another base-ball season.

I feel now the city should be responsible for replacing the fence. I am a single person on a very low income and cannot afford the

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expense myself.

my fence & yard are not joined
to any others and after years of observing
I am the only one effected.

I would appreciate your help.

Thanking you

Doreen Stoner.

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ESTIMATE

Date April 12 /85.



Possible Fence behind Central. 2386

	First house	Second House.	Total lenght.
	100. ft. +	66 ft. +	335 ft.
4ft	\$ 685.	\$ 1137.10.	\$ 2294.75.
6ft.	\$ 820.	\$ 1361.20.	\$ 2747.00.
10ft.	\$ 1400.	\$ 2324.	\$ 4690.00

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4ft height 6.85 per R. ft.
6ft " 8.20 " " "
10ft " 14.00 " " "

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March 29, 1985.
Mr. & Mrs. D. Vincent,
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Director of Parks & Recreation
Ms. J. Taylor

I am writing this letter in regards to the damage done to trees on our property at 1867 Prairie Ave. I have been in contact with the city of Port Coquitlam since the middle of February 1985 and have finally been advised to write to you regarding this matter.

The cutting of our trees occurred in late January/early February 1985. The trees in question run along the edge of our property that is bordered by an alley. The six trees are approximately 60 - 70 feet tall and about 27 years old. They are of the Douglas Fir variety. These trees do not come in contact with any power lines.

We have lived in this home for approximately 5 years and we have NEVER been approached by the city or garbagemen or anyone at any time to cut them back. We would have been more than happy to help out if we had known that there was a problem. Instead, the city has cut the trees back to the "property line" (the branches were long but they bent down to ground level and did not extend directly outwards). Now we are left with trees that are completely bare for approximately 30 feet up into the air except for bare branches sticking out from the main trunk of the tree on one side only. This in itself is a safety hazard as someone could easily run into one of these protruding branches and poke their eyes out. Besides the damage of the trees we are getting a tremendous amount of noise off of Prairie Ave. that use to be muffled by the branches of the trees and an excessive amount of garbage is now on our property that use to be kept out by the branches that extended to the ground. The trees were obviously put there for privacy and it is apparent that they have NEVER been cut before this by anyone. Mr. B. Hoodendoorn said that the garbagemen had complained that they were getting hit by the branches. We do not see how this could be so because there is a store on the opposite side of the alley which has a large parking area around it; therefore there is lots of room beyond the width of the alley to come down the alley or swing onto it from Prairie Ave, depending on the direction they are coming from. The height to which they removed the branches is also excessive in our opinion. These trees are not blocking anyones view onto Prairie Ave. as they are far enough away from the front edge of our property.

We have also noticed that at the front corner of our property a couple of branches of a large Scotch pine tree have also been cut and these branches were definately on our property.

We are very upset by the loss of our privacy and hope to have this remedied soon so therefore would appreciate you looking into this matter as soon as possible.

Yours truly,
Mrs. S. Vincent
Mrs. S. Vincent
D. Vincent
Mr. D. Vincent

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