



PORT COLBORNE

City of Port Colborne

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RE: Ward 4 Firelanes Ownership and Maintenance

Dear Property Owner,

The City of Port Colborne has undertaken title searches on all designated firelanes within their Municipal boundary, as a result of an enquiry to the City regarding ownership of a firelane. In consultation with the City Solicitor on the matter and on completion of title searches of the properties, the ownership by the City of six designated firelanes has been confirmed as follows:

#4 known as Beverly Road	Plan 818
#7 known as Ash Street	Plan 823
#8 known as Ashland Avenue	Plan 798 and 816
#9 known as Elm Street	Plan 823
#22 known as Maple Grove	Plan 47 NKA 806
#23 known as Woodland	Plan 47 NKA 806

Based on the title information and the fact of the municipal ownership, the City intends to undertake certain works on the laneways which may impact on your property, in order to ensure the laneways meet certain minimum standards and are properly signed. The adopted standard would ensure that these laneways be maintained in good repair, be free of obstructions and clear of snow to a defined standard.

In order to provide notice of the title search results, proposed works and to discuss options that may impact your property, the City is convening a Public Information Meeting. Possible options for consideration include:

Suggested Options

- Consider their laneway to remain private with transfer back from the Municipality, giving property owners exclusive use of the property.
- Provide the residents with an option for the Municipality to upgrade the laneway to an acceptable minimum standard for their assumption as a private firelane.
- Consensus on having the Municipality maintain the laneway to an adopted Minimum maintenance Standard yet to be determined.
- Any other suggested options for consideration.

A Public Information Meeting has been scheduled for:

Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at City Hall, Third Floor Committee Room, 66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne from 5:00 pm to 7:00pm.

As a registered owner on the subject lands, you are invited to provide input to the issue either by your attendance at the meeting or by making submission to the email address provided herein. Comment sheets will be available to you at the meeting.

You may contact the Engineering Department @ (905) 835-2900, ext. 219 with any questions regarding the meeting or can contact me by email: ronhanson@portcolborne.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Hanson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ron Hanson, C.E.T.

Director, Engineering & Operations.