

Corporation of the Municipality of Temagami

Memorandum to Council

Memo No. Memo-M-150

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Committee

Subject: Amendments to the Traffic By-law 09-826

Agenda Date: 09-5-2019

Attachments: Traffic By-law 09-826

RECOMMENDATION

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Council receive Memo 2019-M-150;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the recommendations of staff are that the Municipality of Temagami adopt a pay and display parking system and that staff be directed to prepare an amendments to the Traffic Bylaw 09-826, as amended.

INFORMATION

After reviewing the Traffic By-law 09-826, as amended, it was determined that the current by-law has some deficiencies. It requires updating to ensure staff have the appropriate tools to provide the public with enough information and options regarding parking throughout the municipality. The by-law not only sets out the parking regulations but provides the municipality with a tool to offset the economic cost of providing and maintaining short and long term parking throughout the municipality. Setting user fees for parking in the by-law offsets the maintenance cost and reduces the burden on the tax payer.

Staff propose that a pay and display parking system should be implemented at all municipal lots within the municipal boundaries. The cost of implementing a pay and display parking system would be offset by the user fees and would go toward ongoing lot maintenance and staffing. The machines would be the type where a user would input their licence plate and pay a fee which would result in a parking receipt being printed and displayed on the dash of the vehicle. Because the majority of the lots are rural it is recommended that the municipality move toward solar powered machines operated with debit/credit cards and without a coin option to reduce the temptation for break-ins. Staff further recommend that the machines be set up on the access roads entering the lot in an area which has the best possible internet connectivity to reduce the risk of the machines not operating and that each machine be installed with a surveillance camera system and signage as a deterrent to vandalism. Staff suggest that the parking fees be as follows:

Temporary parking, \$1 per hour to a maximum daily limit of \$6; Short term parking, Weekly-\$40

Monthly- \$95

The following lots would be locations for the pay and display parking:

Mine and Manitou Landing The Arena/boat launch parking Stevens Rd Lot

Medical Centre Lot

Cassel's Lake Launch

Rabbit Lake Launch

Fire Tower and Lookout Platform

Wildflower Dr lot

Parking at the North Temagami playground/beach, the train station and at the Municipal Welcome Centre/waterfront will remain free short term parking but will include a three hour limit. The reason for

including a three hour limit is to ensure that the parking remain available for the visitors and short term users of the public amenities, the local businesses and municipal services to promote and invite people to visit our municipality and enjoy what our municipality has to offer.

Staff further suggest that the long term parking rates for the Mine Landing lot, Manitou lot and the Arena lot be consistent and that the rates which have not been reviewed since 2016 be increased to cover rising maintenance and development cost. The yearly fees for seasonal and permanent residents should increase to \$200 for hydro serviced parking and \$150 for non-hydro parking. The transport parking is hydro serviced parking and should be consistent with the Lake Temagami access parking areas. Staff also recommend incorporating a parking tag/hangar to identify and prove permission to park for the long term parking.

Staff are of the opinion that these amendments to the by-law and the addition of pay and display parking will provide a process which is easier to track, is enforceable and the user fees will offset any cost burden to the tax payers. Furthermore the revenue generated from the parking fees can be used to maintain the parking infrastructure.

Respectfully Submitted:
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