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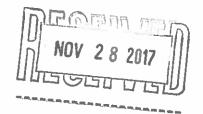
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Subject: Parking

Dear Mayor and Council,

As most of you know, we have been living as full time residents on Campfire Island, number 39 in Temagami for the last ten years and previous to that spent another approximately ten years as cottagers in the same location. Since moving here we have parked our vehicles in the parking lot behind the fish hatchery, transferring them to the Church parking lot for long weekends in the summer, so that extra spaces are available for tourists. Other than holiday weekends, we have not noticed that there is a problem with parking availability in this location. When Doug was talking to Monte about the parking last summer, Monte mentioned that the need to move the vehicles was only for the four tourist season months.

During the winter, the previous plow operator was kind enough to plow across in front of the parked vehicles so we didn't have too much snow to shovel when we needed to use our vehicles. If there was a big storm, we would move the vehicles to a different location in the lot, often after discussing the best location with the plow operator so that our usual parking area would be cleaned the next time the lot was plowed.

This system has seemed to work well up until this winter. After the first snowfall this year, Doug came back from town and said that he had a really difficult time getting the vehicles out, almost like the plow purposely piled snow behind and in front of the vehicles. The next time there was snow, Doug went to town and Monty Cummings told him we are no longer allowed to park in this lot and if we do, our vehicles will be towed to Cobalt. He was advised that we could park in the Church parking lot, which also has a "No Overnight Parking" sign.

That lot is a significant walk in the winter when it is dark so early and it is also quite slippery. It is also isolated causing security concerns and I do not feel it is a safe place to park. In addition, in an emergency, of which we have had a few, the extra walk to get a vehicle could make a significant difference to reaching help in a timely fashion. We pay a significant amount of taxes and use very few town services, but parking is a necessity. The parking area where we have parked during the past ten years, is not being used for any other purpose and it seems illogical that tax paying citizens are prevented from using the space. We are asking council to consider our request to continue to park in the parking lot behind the fish hatchery. Thank you.

Anita Hanke and Doug Gear

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