

Subject: Re: FW: Fireworks

Date: Wed, 02 Nov 2005 11:59:16 -0800

From: AudreyOwen <AudreyOwen@shaw.ca>

To: Corrie Kost <corrie@kost.ca>, Ernie Crist <ernie_crist@dnv.org>

CC: d-cathcart@shaw.ca, cheetah100@shaw.ca, fonvca@fonvca.org

Thank you for all the e-mails on this subject.

Re injuries - my concern is the loud boom set off on Halloween at InterPark this year and last year. This "shock" can cause the death of people with heart and other troubles. I have already written to Council on this giving the results of these booms in my area. As far as young people are concerned, I ask where is the supervision by the parents and how do they get the illegal fire crackers?

It only takes one injury or act of violence on this night to make it one too many.

Regards

Audrey M. Owen

----- Original Message -----

From: "Corrie Kost" <corrie@kost.ca>

To: "Ernie Crist" <ernie_crist@dnv.org>

Cc: <AudreyOwen@shaw.ca>; <d-cathcart@shaw.ca>; <cheetah100@shaw.ca>; <fonvca@fonvca.org>

Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 7:27 PM

Subject: Re: FW: Fireworks

> To put things in perspective - it is my understanding that more injuries
> are reported at the hospital due to carving pumpkins. In fact...
> "The No. 1 cause of injuries on Halloween night is accidental
> falls from tripping over hems of costumes, steps, curbs, or
> unseen objects, according to the National Safety Council. "
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> There is no reason to ban the legitimate fireworks users just
> because of the abuse by a small minority.

> Corrie Kost

> Ernie Crist wrote:

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>> -----Original Message-----

>> From: Gary Calder

>> Sent: Tuesday, November 01, 2005 10:38 AM

>> To: 'smitker@shaw.ca'

>> Cc: Mayor and Council - DNV

>> Subject: RE: Fireworks

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>> Dear Mr. Kerr:

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>> Thank you for your correspondence to Council regarding fireworks and the
>> District of North Vancouver Fireworks Regulation Bylaw.

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>> You are absolutely correct in that fireworks do not belong on the streets
>> or in the hands of underage persons and Council has already banned
>> purchase, possession and discharge of fireworks to the 14 to 17 year olds
>> as you have suggested. You may read the DNV Fireworks Regulation Bylaw

>> at dnv.org, click "government", then "bylaws."
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>> The DNV Bylaw requires that fireworks may only be purchased, possessed,
>> or safely discharged at a specified insured location under Permit by
>> adults showing appropriate ID. Although numerous Permits were issued to
>> adults for the purpose of legal neighbourhood displays there were NO
>> REPORTS of injury or property damage at any legal DNV neighbourhood
>> display. The value of the DNV Bylaw, beyond enriching the fireworks
>> vendors, is captured by the ability of adult Canadians to enjoy a safe
>> and legal family neighbourhood event. This ability is extremely well
>> received by many of our residents and supported by Terry Matts,
>> Explosives Regulatory Division - Canada, who addressed Council strongly
>> supporting the DNV Bylaw.
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>> Further, fireworks may be seized and tickets may be issued to those not
>> complying with the Bylaw.
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>> Those jurisdictions that have a Bylaw banning the sale and possession of
>> fireworks have exactly the same illegal use issues as does the DNV.
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>> We suggest that illegal (not legal) sales and importation of fireworks
>> are a common problem in all jurisdictions regardless of their Bylaw and
>> that the problems that your correspondence describes may be a matter of
>> enforcing the existing laws. Hopefully you contacted the RCMP to make
>> them aware of the illegal activity in your neighbourhood so that they
>> could act.
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>> To this end, we have sent a copy of your concerns to the RCMP for their
>> review and consideration.
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>> Best regards.
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>> G.D. Calder,
>> Fire Chief
>> District of North Vancouver
>> (604) 990-3653
>> calderg@dnv.org
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Angila Bains
>> Sent: November 01, 2005 10:09
>> To: 'smitker@shaw.ca'
>> Cc: Gary Calder
>> Subject: RE: Fireworks
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>> Dear Gerard Kerr,
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>> Thank you for your email dated November 1, 2005, regarding Fireworks.
>> Copies of your correspondence will be circulated to Mayor and Council and
>> relevant members of staff for their consideration.
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>> Angila Bains
>> Clerk's Office
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>> Begin forwarded message:
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>> > From: "Laura Smith" <smitker@shaw.ca>
>> > Date: November 1, 2005 8:34:19 AM PST
>> > To: "Anthony Rodgers" <feedback@dnv.org>
>> > Subject: Fireworks
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>> > Come on DNV its time to repeal the stupidty of your fireworks law.
>> > They simply do not belong on the streets. If I understand the by-law
>> > one must be 18 and have a signed permit to have an operate
>> > fireworks.....good luck. The teenagers in my area (who a mostly good

>> > kids) spend the Halloween period scaring the hell out of little kids,
>> > older community members and pets and getting many a normally tolerant
>> > parent pretty worked up. In my own neighborhood adults who I consider
>> > well adjusted individuals were very close to physically dealing with
>> > teenagers who thought it fair game to let of extremely loud fireworks
>> > and propel projects down the street where babys and young children
>> > were trying to sleep. The law is a joke proven by most 14 to 17 year
>> > old in my area having an arsenal of fireworks and feeling free to
>> > parade the streets while discharging them. By the way not a police
>> > officer in sight especially in the parks and school grounds where many
>> > of these things are let go. I can't help but think the only value or
>> > fire works (except in the professional arena) is a few retailers
>> > making a weeks worth of coin. Forget its. Its time this District did
>> > the right thing before another eye get blown out which you might hear
>> > about and before another set of young kids and older folks are
>> > frightening half to death. The fact is that it is mostly teenagers
>> > who going nuts into the late and very wee hours and they are simply
>> > not capable of controlling the urge while the opportunity is there.
>> > Please show some courage and ban fireworks in its current state.

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>> > Yours truly

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>> > Gerard Kerr

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