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Mayor Comments on Fire Code Violation Conviction

Port Colborne, ON (July 19, 2018) – Mayor John Maloney thanked the members of the Port Colborne Fire & Emergency Services again for their efforts on the night of December 14, 2016 and their work to seek the conviction handed down yesterday to the owners of the property at 53 Nickel Street. Investigation determined that the owner of the dwelling had failed to maintain the smoke alarms and test the smoke alarms annually.

“All residents of the city have the right to feel safe and protected in their homes and owners and landlords have legal responsibilities to ensure their safety,” stated Mayor Maloney.

“If you are an owner or a landlord and you are unsure of your responsibilities, our Fire & Emergency Services Department is a phone call away,” said Mayor Maloney. “They will help you confirm that your dwellings and the people living in them are safe.”

There have been several cases recently where owners and tenants have been convicted of failing to meet the requirements of the Ontario Fire Code. “The courts have taken responsibility by levying significant fines in each of these cases and hopefully this will act as a deterrent to others,” Mayor Maloney stated. “In the Nickel Street case, maximum fines allowable by law were levied on both charges.”

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About City of Port Colborne

Located on the south coast of the scenic Niagara Region, Niagara’s Port of Call has found the perfect balance – successful industrial and commercial sectors, comfortable and scenic residential areas, white sand beaches, unique culinary choices, the world class Sugarloaf Marina, fishing, golfing, trails, shopping districts along the historic Welland Canal and an energized festival and entertainment scene that includes live theatre – truly a community that adds to the overall Niagara Experience.

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