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**Subject:** FW: Pathway Snow Clearing For Sablewood Park

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**From:** Ed Legere  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 12:03 AM  
**To:** David McBeth  
**Cc:** Hamilton, Don; Breen, Craig; Kitteringham, Kimberley  
**Subject:** Re: Pathway Snow Clearing For Sablewood Park

Hello Dave  
Unfortunately I'm not available as well.

On Thursday, 24 September 2015, David McBeth wrote:

Mr Hamilton (Don)

I note in today's Economist and Sun that the following meeting is scheduled for Monday at 3:00pm and that the subject/focus of the meeting is specific to Winter Maintenance.....

I unfortunately, due to a prior family commitment am unable to attend this meeting and ask that you bring forward the details of the subject pathway clearing as point of discussion and for consideration at the meeting as it does fall into what I consider "winter maintenance".

The email following does outline my concerns and what I consider justification for the clearing of the pathway within Sablewood Park.....

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**Special General Committee Meeting (SEPT-28)**

Date: Monday, September 28, 2015  
Time: 3:00 PM to 5:30 PM  
Location: 101 Town Centre Blvd., Markham, Ontario L3R 9W3  
Cost: Free - Open to the public

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I unfortunately, due to a prior family commitment am unable to attend this meeting and ask that you bring forward the details of the subject pathway clearing as point of discussion and for consideration at the meeting as it does fall into what I consider "winter maintenance".

The email following does outline my concerns and what I consider justification for the clearing of the pathway within Sablewood Park. Note specifically the following (in the email):

**"In my email I did consider options for the clearing and would accept ONLY clearing the Braeside to Landmark pathway"**

Don, you additionally were copied on any/all email correspondence prior to that which is part of this email chain so you should have available for reference at this Special General Committee Meeting.....

Believe me; were I able to do so I would attend and present as deputation personally, unfortunately that is not a current option.....

Thanks in advance for your assistance in making this submission.....

I have cc'd the Clerk on this request so she/her office is aware and also Craig Breen of the Operations Department..

David McBeth

Worrying does not take away tomorrow's troubles, it takes away today's peace.

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** David McBeth <

**To:** "Breen, Craig"

**Cc:** "Fry, Pat" <PFry@markham.ca>; "Jones, Morgan" <mjones@markham.ca>; "Roffey, Ron" <rroffey@markham.ca>; Don Hamilton <dhamilton@markham.ca>; Frank Scarpitti <fscarpitti@markham.ca>; Jim Jones <jjones@markham.ca>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2015 9:24 AM

**Subject:** Re: Pathway Snow Clearing For Sablewood Park

Craig,

Received your response and ask that you review my email of Sept 9.

In my email I do mention the following which I believe addresses the question of "blacktop" surfaces.:

Over the course of the winter I did do extensive walking in the area and note that other "blacktop" walkway surfaces are plowed/cleared by contracted companies.... I noted specifically that all of the walkways leading to the Markham Town Offices from the Hwy 7/Warden Ave/Town Centre Blvd roadways are blacktop and are cleared over the winter..... These walkways are no different than those of Sablewood Park.

You also indicate that "it is does not connect street to street" - I disagree

Each of the three (3) streets Chimenti, Braeside, and Landmark do have similarly paved portions from the curb of the street to the pathway within the park. The Braeside and Landmark concrete curbing at the streets themselves in fact are to wheelchair/bikepath standards (ie: recessed to the street pavement levels) and as such must be considered as providing street to street connections.

The City placement of signage to indicate Parks being "closed" during the winter months should not be considered in this case. As my email does confirm there is continued use of the pathways throughout the winter months even though not plowed; placement of any signage will go un-noticed and the associated pathways continued to be used as this is a main pedestrian pathway.

In my email I did consider options for the clearing and would accept ONLY clearing the Braeside to Landmark pathway; this to accommodate the regular/frequent use by students attending Unionville High School..... Not clearing this pathway and the associated windrows at the street entrances does present a slip/fall situation for users of this pathway in the winter months.

I did offer to meet with Operations and other City staff to discuss/review my request; that offer still is out there and I do suggest we do so to further review and address the overall concern - what better place to do so than within the park itself. In setting up this meeting; I would suggest that your dept (Operations), Parks and Rec, and Councillor Don Hamilton all be in attendance. I am available today up to 5pm but am not available again until next Wednesday due to personal commitments and am available any time Wednesday, Thursday, Friday of next week.....

David McBeth

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**From:** "Breen, Craig"

**To:**

**Cc:** "Fry, Pat" <PFry@markham.ca>; "Jones, Morgan" <mjones@markham.ca>; "Roffey, Ron" <rroffey@markham.ca>

**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2015 8:30 AM

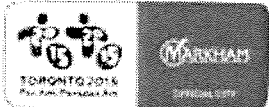
**Subject:** Pathway Snow Clearing For Sablewood Park

Good morning Mr. Mcbeth, I understand you are requesting that the City of Markham consider performing winter maintenance on the Sablewood Park pathway ACR 498010.

The pathway does not meet the City's criteria for winter maintenance. The pathway is constructed of asphalt and not concrete. The pathway does not have positive grade in sections and it is not illuminated. Another consideration is that it does not connect street to street.

Park pathways are considered closed for the winter season and should be signed indicating this. I will verify that this area is signed appropriately indicating this.

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