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Cookshire-Eaton Workers' Strike

Maintenance of Essential Services and Information about Day Camp Services

Cookshire-Eaton, Wednesday July 18 2018 – On Monday July 23 2018 at 7 a.m., Cookshire-Eaton workers will start an unlimited general strike. These pressure tactics are being exercised lawfully as part of their collective agreement negotiations. However, the city and the union have agreed that essential services will be maintained, including special arrangements for the city's day camp. The city and the union obviously hope to reach a negotiated agreement that is satisfactory to both parties as quickly as possible.

Day Camp and Day Care Services

For the first week of the strike, Monday July 23 to Friday July 27, the day camp service and its day care services will be maintained in full. This agreement aims to minimize the impact of the strike on parents by giving them an extra week to organize alternative child care should the strike continue after July 27. On the other hand, this arrangement is part of an agreement that the city and the union must engage in an intense and fruitful period of negotiations and try to reach an agreement as soon as possible.

Other Municipal Services

For all other services, the workers will be on strike and only maintaining essential services. As required, these services include, but are not limited to, all emergency work to be carried out on the water system and emergency road work needed to ensure public safety.

Garbage/Waste Collection

Residential waste collection will be carried out every four weeks and commercial waste collection every two weeks.

Emergency Measures and Exceptional Circumstances

In the case of a fire or an exceptional situation involving the health and safety of citizens, the workers required by the city will be available, in accordance with the terms and conditions provided for in the agreement.