Curious residents show up with cameras

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The Hotel Quinte fire investigation is likely to resume Thursday, said Belleville's acting fire chief Mark MacDonald,

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"We had to do an initial stabilization of the walls to do our investigation, but further issues came forward in regards to the stability of the building," he then said.

"It's when we engaged our engineer again and we've decided we need to anchor parts of the building and tie them in together so we can prevent any sort of collapsing while the investigators are working on the site."

Many curious residents were seen slowing down while driving near the scene, hoping to take a glance at the destruction and loss, over the New Year's weekend. Others, with camera in hand, looked attentively at the hotel's remains, while walking along Pinnacle Street and Bridge Street East.

In relation to this ongoing fire investigation, Belleville Police reminds motorists that when approaching the intersection, which is now governed by four flashing red lights, drivers must come to a complete stop and then proceed through the intersection when safe to do so.

Bridge Street East, between Church Street and Pinnacle Street, remains open to traffic eastbound only until further notice.

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