# Cramahe approves COLBORNE CHRONICLE JAN 27/00

Cramahe Township council spared an interim tax bill early has approved two rezonings, both to accommodate severances.

Glen Parsneau, Part Lot 12, Concession 5, was granted a severance to accommodate creation of a residential building lot. Henry Packard, Part Lot 17/18, Concession 4, was granted a rezoning to accommodate an addon severance to accommodate a residence.

Severances were granted for Thomas McQuillan, Part Lot 33/34, Concession 1 of Cramahe Township. No objections, written February 1. or verbal, were received. A second severance for John and Lillian Williams, Part Lot 27-28, Concession 2, was approved. There were no written or verbal objections received. Councillor Mark Coombs went on record as the sole council objector.

#### · First township bylaw of 2000 for borrowing

The January 17 meeting of Cramahe Township council was the first for the year 2000. The first bylaw passed for the year, numbered 00-01, was to authorize the borrowing of money.

The second bylaw passed, 00-02, was to give the municipality the authority to issue interim tax bills for the year 2000. And the bills will be going out to Cramahe Township taxpayers the first week of February. A municipality is permitted to seek 50 per cent of the previous year's taxes at the beginning of the budget year to raise the funds to cover municipal administration, and education and county levies.

This year, commercial and industrial ratepayers will be receiving interim tax bills along with residential and farm taxpayers. In 1999, the business and industrial ratepayers had been

in the year as the calculations to "cap" taxes, as per provincial legislation, were completed.

The year 2000 is the final year of the provincial 10, 5, and 5 per cent tax cap program for industrial and business taxpayers.

Cramahe Township has been assured the computer software to accommodate the tax calculations for the year 2000 will be at the township office by February 1. The computer program will allow the calculation and printing of the tax bills to go out

The municipality will set its 2000 budget later in the spring. When the budget if completed, the final tax bill amounts owing are calculated and tax bills issued for those balances.

### \$100 donation for skaters

Cramahe Township council has approved a \$100 donation to the Colborne Cramahe Skating Club. The club requested a donation in anticipation of the February 19 Spierals skating competition being hosted at the arena in Colborne.

#### Township renews insurance coverage

Cramahe Township has renewed its insurance coverage with the ROMA reciprocal program. The term of coverage is now January through December of each year.

Comparing the premiums for 2000 against the last 12-month period available (1998), the township council noted a slight price decrease. In 1998, the premium was \$20,790 as compared to \$19,950 for the year 2000 (\$21,346.50 including GST).

- MANDY MARTIN

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Carla Tait graduated from Toronto, University of November 99 with a B.Sc. degree. Congratulations from your parents Morris & Linda Tait.



Linda Tait.