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Rent of house not too low---Elmy

Bob Elmy, sanitation contractor for the township of Cramahe attended the last regular meeting of council last Monday evening to answer questions regarding the house he rents from the municipality. The home in question is the former William Bye Everden property on Little Lake Rd. It had been council's understanding that Elmy rented the house for the sum of \$50. per month. Both Reeve Blyth and Coun. Mensen stated that they had been questioned by various township residents as to the fairness of renting this municipal property to a municipal employee for such a low amount.

Elmy informed council he was paying a de facto rent of \$200 per month, since he had foregone a salary raise of \$150 per month in order to obtain the use of the home at \$50 per month.



Sanitation worker for Cramahe township, Bob Elmy.

Reeve Blyth said he felt that Elmy's salary should be negotiated separately from the rent of the house. "If you need a raise in salary, bring it to council at the first meeting in the new year."

Coun. Mensen asked Elmy if he would agree to pay \$200 per month for the house. Elmy said he would prefer it that way for tax purposes, so long as he could recoup his loss,

salary-wise.

At the next meeting, Elmy will also be asked to describe his routes, and his process of arriving at them. Coun. Tait said that he would like to know the routes and the reasoning behind them. Elmy also mentioned the possibility of asking for a contract at the next meeting.

Rec. grants could help Castleton town hall

Recreation director Tom Lee visited Cramahe council at its regular meeting last Monday evening, December 15 to discuss the possible designation of the Castleton municipal building as a community centre. Reeve George Blyth said that there could be a financial advantage, in that it would then qualify for government grants under the Community Centres Act.

remaining 75 per cent, Lee said. At present, there is a moratorium on capital expenditures by Wintario, but it is expected to be lifted by April 1981.

Deputy-reeve Dingwall pointed out that the hall will need to have about \$10 thousand worth of major repairs within the next two years. "Somebody is going to have to pay that," he said.

Reeve Blyth instructed Lee to ascertain which steps are necessary for council to take to have the hall designated as a community centre, since its use complies with this description. Lee will report to the next regular meeting of council, scheduled for Jan. 5 at 7 p.m.

Lee pointed out that the act does not allow for grants to cover regular maintenance costs. But for large capital expenditures (such as the new roof the building needs) CRCA could pay 25 per cent and Wintario could pay half of the