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Cemetery Board Resigns Urge Watermain Extension

Council Accepts Resignation of Mr. R. M. McDonald and Expresses Appreciation of the Work He Has Done—Building By-Law Needs Revision—Work on Streets to be Done Soon—No Trucks to be Hired Unless Insured.

Councillors A. Mason, E. Jones, J. M. McDonald and P. C. Chalmers were present at a meeting of the cemetery board on Tuesday evening when Mr. McDonald resigned and Mr. C. Chalmers presided.

Councillor-elect McDonald took the oath of office and his seat at the council table.

Mr. J. Rafkin complained of an encroachment on frontage of watermain on lots he had recently purchased. The plans of the main were approved for council inspection. Frontage had been paid by the former owners Messrs. Henderson Co. The matter was left in abeyance until the superintendent could make a complete check.

Mr. R. M. McDonald was present and tendered his resignation as chairman of the Cemetery Board. He also had been told that Messrs. Hansen and Hill desired to resign. Mr. McDonald pointed out the improved condition of the cemetery since the board was formed. The board had worked through their year without remuneration. Messrs. Chalmers pointed out that the council had appreciated the work done but Mr. McDonald felt the past council had not shown appreciation when the insurance had been taken from him and placed elsewhere. He agreed to carry on the work until a successor was appointed.

Mr. McDonald, as Chief of the Fire Brigade drew attention of the council to the need for repairs to the fire hose. He had asked for the council to purchase a new fire hose. He felt there was no need at present of the telephone at the fire pump, since the purchase of the pump, truck and hose had been made. He had 150 feet of good hose on hand. He felt however, it better to build water mains to the outlying sections on north Main Street rather than purchase new hose and reminded Council he had urged this year.

Superintendent C. W. Wilson explained he had previously repaired the hose but members of the Fire Brigade had complained that the work was not properly done and he had therefore returned the tools and ceased making the repairs.

The fire chief also recommended that the grass on vacant lots be burned to avoid further danger in grass fires.

Referring again to the Cemetery Board, Councillor Mason expressed appreciation of the work Mr. McDonald had done. Words, he felt, could not express the appreciation of citizens for the work in the Cemetery that had been done. Mr. Mason felt however that perhaps with Mr. McDonald's present impaired health the municipality was asking too much in urging him to continue with this work. Councillor Jones also expressed appreciation of the work Mr. McDonald had done.

Superintendent Wilson reported that the horse watering trough on Main Street used an estimated 225,000 gallons of water in a season. With present water consumption this amount of water could not be spared. It was decided to place a drinking fountain here which would conserve the water. The trough would be left. The clerk was instructed to notify, with reasons for the change, the organization which had donated the watering trough.

The seventh report of the Finance Committee recommended payment of the following accounts:

Workmen's Compensation	12.81
Board assessment	111.36
Acton Public Utilities Commission street lights	1.25
Town Hall fire pump arena, etc.	20.92
C. F. Leatherland salary as clerk and supplies	14.50
James Gilmore, repairs	15.40
E. Theford stamps for tax notices	2.50
Acton Free Press advertising	29.15
E. T. Theford salary as treasurer and tax collector	15.68
M. Job, wood	4.75
Angelo Francescato, labor	8.50
D. E. Elliot, labor	42.50
C. MacArthur, wood	\$313.67

The clerk was requested by council, had secured a quotation from the Imperial Insurance Office on coverage for the municipal truck for public liability and property damage. It was decided to place insurance on the truck at a cost of \$33.00 placed on the same basis as the other insurance.

Councillor McDonald asked an explanation of how the municipal insurance was handled. The clerk explained the plan that had been adopted last year. The insurance had all been placed through the Imperial Company office and the commission was equally divided between the two agents in the town, Messrs. F. A. Wright and R. M. McDonald.

The clerk read a letter from the municipalities of Georgetown and Milton, giving the salaries paid to auditors and Municipal Officers, and who was doing the auditing there.

A motion was passed appointing Ivan S. Gray as auditor for the municipality for the year 1941, at a salary of \$325. The appointment of Gray, Teskey and Hill was rescinded as this firm had dissolved partnership.

A letter from the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Company asked council to sign a release on the treasurer's bond after April 20th 1941. This insurance had been cancelled, and transferred to E. T. Theford. This release was to be signed if the dates coincided with dates on the new policy.

A letter from the Imperial Office dealt with a claim for an accident. It was felt the corporation had no liability in this claim and the company asked that any further correspondence be referred to them.

Recommendations from the auditors were presented in a letter. Copies of the letters were to be given to each councillor before next council meeting so that they could be studied. They contained items which it was felt should be carefully weighed.

It was reported that Mr. Mills was ready to resume his work as assistant Municipal Officer and this was agreeable to council.

The matter of extending the watermain to North Main Street was discussed. The Finance Committee were requested to arrange for the repair of fire hose in the meantime.

A motion was passed accepting the resignation of Mr. R. M. McDonald, as a member of the Cemetery Board and that the clerk write a letter of appreciation to Mr. McDonald for the splendid work he has done. Mr. McDonald was requested to carry on until a successor is appointed.

The matter of revising the building by-law was discussed and it was felt the by-law should be modernized. Copies of these in force in other towns were to be prepared.

It was decided to purchase ten tons of calcium chloride for use on the streets this year.

The chairman of streets was empowered to have the streets graded.

Volunteer Civil Guard Completes Winter Training

About eighty men of all ages and vocations, who have been training under Capt. J. M. McDonald, for nearly a year at Acton Arch, completed another phase of the course last week, and in justice to the former members, who have been most loyal in attendance, and are now busy with seedling operations, lectures and drill have ceased, for a few weeks. A new syllabus of training will commence on Thursday evening May 22nd.

This course is based on modern military lines, and includes many modern tactics, including: first aid, machine gun, musketry, tank warfare, gas, incendiary bombs, military tactics, etc.

Col. Halliwell, Commanding Officer, Halton Volunteer Civil Guard, at the conclusion of the final lecture last week, complimented the members for their efficiency, and for their loyalty, in giving a full measure of service to the Empire, in keeping themselves trained and being ready to assist the authorities for any emergency. This is part of the scheme under the Civilian Defence Committee (C.A.D.C.) formed by the Dominion and provincial governments.

FORCE BOWLERS HAVE CHANCE FOR FIRST PLACE

The Force Bowling team made a slight gain in the Commercial Bowl League by defeating the Hatters' team 5-2 in a game, within 7 points of the first place Mathew-Wells team.

The Force team play the league leaders next Tuesday and can gain a first place tie by winning 7-0.

The Score:

M. Root	155	147	155	147
H. Otterlein	216	188	185	189
R. Craverford	158	146	162	161
R. Langford	233	249	222	201
W. Curry	231	167	172	170

Force Electric 691 977 806 924
X Hatters 1029 902 873 2801
X Includes 50 pins handicap per game.

Acton Hydro Shows Profit of 2,635.62 on Year

Balance Sheet Shows Total Earnings This Year of \$39,322.67

The regular meeting of Acton Public Utilities Commission was held on Tuesday evening. Commissioner M. Symon and Reeve J. H. Chalmers were present with chairman C. M. Hansen presiding.

Moved by J. H. Chalmers and seconded by C. M. Hansen and resolved that the secretary pay the following accounts:

Hydro Department General Steel Works Ltd., supplies	212
H. E. P. C. of Ontario, March power less \$913.22 credit	2,908.18
Macdonald Electric, Ltd., supplies	2.25
Workmen's Compensation Board, 2 payments	41.51
R. M. McDonald, burglary insurance	23.50
Receiver General of Canada, meter inspection	1.50
C. N. R. and Transport, express	3.24
Canadian Line Materials Ltd., insulators	21.00
Department of Nat'l Revenue, sales tax	103.79
Hill Telephone Co., services	5.42
Gasoline for truck	16.70
	\$2,458.38

Waterworks Department Hydro Dept., power at spring 42.18
Hydro Dept., waterworks operations 122.69
E. J. Hassard, acid 50| | \$ 165.37 |

Reeve Chalmers reported that a new gate valve for the pump house had been ordered.

Superintendent Wilson reported that some large water meters had been shipped to the companies for repairs and inspection.

A number of street lights have been broken lately and the reeve (Concluded on Page Eight)

Rev. Father McBride Appointed Pastor Hamilton Church

Rev. Father McBride who has been pastor of St. Joseph's Church, Acton and Holy Cross Church, Georgetown, for the past few years, has been appointed pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Hamilton, and diocesan director of the Catholic Youth Organization. This change was announced among others in the church by the excellent Mass Rev. J. P. Ryan, Bishop of Hamilton.

During his pastorate here, Father McBride has made many warm friends in the congregation and community who regret his removal but congratulate him on his advancement in a larger field of activity and wider sphere for his ability. We understand the new appointment became effective in May.

Rev. Vincent Magan of Acton will be the new pastor in charge of St. Joseph's Church here.

THE COOK-HUME WEDDING SATURDAY AT EDEN MILLS

A pretty spring wedding was solemnized on Saturday afternoon when Marion Phoebe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Hume, Arkell, became the bride of Mr. Gordon P. Cook, son of Kitchener, formerly of Acton. The ceremony was performed by Rev. W. H. Rippen at the Manse in Eden Mills.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was charmingly attired in a black suit with white and black accessories and wore a corsage of sweetbriar roses and forget-me-nots. She was attended by Mrs. Ted Chafford who wore a pin-striped suit with matching accessories and carriage of Johanna Hill roses and forget-me-nots. Mr. Charles Waterhouse was groomsmen.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the N.M.C.A. in 424½-where-the-bride's-mother-gave a lovely wearing a gown of heavenly blue crepe with small white and coral corsage of sweet peas. Receiving the bride was Mrs. John McGeachie, sister of the groom, who wore a rose gown with blue flowered hat and corsage of sweet peas. The bride's table was centered with a three-tier wedding cake and covered with red and white.

Latter the happy couple left for a honeymoon trip to Windsor and can felt and good wishes were showered on them. For travelling the bride wore a grey tweed coat with corsage of gardenias. They will reside in Guelph.

FRIENDS HONOR MISS JEAN LAMBERT WITH GIFT SHOWER

On Tuesday evening a number of friends honored Miss Jean Lambert at a social gathering and imposition of a gift shower held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Heavens, Agnes Street, Martine, where a most enjoyable affair was held on this popular bride, who this month and a most enjoyable social time spent with her. A delightful lunch was served by the hostess.

DUBLIN LITERARY GUESTS AT MEETING BLOOMSBURY SOCIETY

On Wednesday April 9th, the Bloomsbury Literary Society held a social evening with Dublin society as their guests. Chairman Wilson, the president, presided for the first part of the meeting and then called on the president of Dublin society, Walter Lambham who, Dublin society, while the following well rendered and amusing program was given.

Recitation, Miss Robertson, solo, Miss Edmond Ross, "The Dublin Reporter" was read by Mrs. Bracken, solo, Mrs. Cuthbert, piano solo, Miss Margaret Samoylovich, solo, Miss Dorcas Shelly, a number by the orchestra, "The One" was given by Mr. Steele. The program closed with the singing of the National Anthem. Lunch was served and the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

EASTER SERVICE KNOX W.M.S. VISITORS PRESENT

The W.M.S. Thank-offering meeting of Knox Church was held Thursday afternoon in the classroom of the church, with Miss Mary E. Anderson as guest speaker and the auxiliaries of Eden Mills, and Rockwood, as guests.

Mrs. Leitch and Mrs. Thompson conducted the devotions and Mrs. E. Barr, vice-president was in charge. Miss Anderson gave her listeners a beautifully inspirational message around the Easter theme and Miss M. Orr and Miss I. Anderson in presenting "The Old Rugged Cross," as a duet gave a fitting climax to this lovely service.

Equalization and Roads Chief Items County Council

Reveals to Go Back Home and Talk It Over Before Any Plan Adopted—Council Divided on Saving of Nearly \$100 on Road Liability Insurance—Each Section Wants Roads Improved—Repairs to County Building Recommended.

Haltoun County Council held its fourth meeting on Tuesday. Following meeting of the committee and county affairs council went into committee of the whole to consider the reports of the Standing Committees with Reeve C. H. DeLoop in the chair.

Committee reports were as follows: Education. Payment of the following accounts: Guelph Vocational Institute \$1,111.07, Guelph Collegiate Institute \$916.62.

Agriculture and Rehabilitation. The committee recommended payment of \$42.00 for cutting and burning wood and that the amount be transferred to the Road Account. Also payment was recommended for \$125.00 between Halton Junior Farmers and Halton Junior Homemakers, also committee fees of \$12.50.

Printing. Payment of accounts: Hospital. Payment of accounts: County Buildings. This committee recommended payment of accounts and also that the ceiling in the kitchen and parlour of Mr. McIlwain's house be replastered and attention be given to leaky windows. It was also recommended that fireproof ceiling be placed in the "ladies" and "men's" corridors in the goal.

Finance. Payment of accounts for Wards of the Children's Aid Society amounting to \$548.52.

Special Communications. A resolution forwarded from the Halton County Council respecting the disbursement of money for the purchase of many parts of Canada, and whereas the United States has approved of Calthood Vaccine, and whereas the Dominion Department of Agriculture has restricted the use of such vaccine in the Dominion, and to protest this restriction and request that the manufacture of the vaccine be allowed in Canada and that the necessary steps be taken to make this vaccine available under Government supervision. Council endorsed this resolution except that it was altered to read "to make this vaccine available under the supervision of qualified veterinarians."

Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Cleave, that the reports of the various standing committees as considered and amended in Committee of the Whole be adopted. Carried.

The Road Liability Insurance was the next subject up for consideration. Leaders were appointed and representatives of the various insurance agencies addressed the council. Tender submitted were as follows: A. E. Wilson, representing Liberty of London Premium \$179.00, T. G. Ramsay, representing Liberty of England Premium \$179.00, C. H. Poole, representing Anglo-Scottish Insurance Co. Premium \$189.52, C. R. Clapp & Co. Toronto Premium \$191.75.

All these tenders gave protection of \$10,000 and \$100,000. Since this session followed, some members being of the opinion that since litigation was still in progress regarding various claims it might be unwise to make any change at the present time. However, it was finally resolved by Mr. Heslop, seconded by Mr. Cleave, that we accept the tender of A. E. Wilson and Co. at a premium of \$179.00.

This was originally followed by an amendment moved by Mr. Hillier, seconded by Mr. Hillier, that this council accept the tender of the Anglo-Scottish Insurance Co. for Road Liability Insurance at the premium of \$189.52. This amendment carried.

Probably feeling run high in regard to road conditions at the present time, the committee on roads, as recommended by the road committee, followed each other in making resolutions.

Moved by Mr. Campbell, seconded by Mr. Hillier, that the road committee investigate the possibility of resurfacing Dundas Street, to the town of Oakville from the Canadian National Railway Subway to Colborne St. and that their report be presented at the next meeting of the council. Carried. Moved by Mr. May, seconded by Mr. Hillier, that the Road Committee consider the possibility of a road between Stewarttown and Georgetown, a distance of one and a half miles. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Hill, seconded by Mr. Gilbert, that consideration be given to extending the pavement on the eighth line from Lynbrook Road to the Queen Elizabeth Highway. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Chalmers, seconded by Mr. Campbell, that the Road Committee consider the matter of taking over the piece of road on a County Road as discussed by the council last week. The road referred to extended from the Base Line Mill to Goswagoyevia and Nelson.

Moved by Mr. Gilbert, seconded by Mr. Hill, that the Warden and clerk be authorized to sign any document of notices necessary in the execution of one third of an acre of land from P. J. Fletcher, situated at the top of the centre of the fourth west part of lot 20, concession 4, Township of Goswagoyevia, a parcel of land owned by P. J. Fletcher, situated at the top of the centre of the fourth west part of lot 20, concession 4, Township of Goswagoyevia, a parcel of land which the Road Committee wished to take over so that the road might be straightened, a policy which they were following as far as possible throughout the county.

Moved by Mr. Finney, seconded by Mr. Robertson, that the following accounts be paid: Finance \$3,857.50, hospitals \$421.00, agriculture \$150.00, printing \$12.75, county buildings \$254.11, education \$25,000.77. Total \$4,786.13.

Council adjourned for half an hour and then reassembled to again go over the problem of a revised equalization of the assessment.

The discussion, if such it could be called, was somewhat heated but as since most of the members of the council were invariably talking at one and the same time it was almost impossible to hear any one's words of the discussion. However, an far as possible, the members of the council were in favor of letting the matter ride until after the war.

Mr. Cleave, "We've got to win this war. If we don't it won't matter what our assessment may be."

Mr. Gilbert, "This would run into a lot of money and I don't think we want to spend any more money than we have to at present."

Mr. Wilson, "I am not going to ask for a revised county equalization unless some decision could be arrived at a commission would have to be set up to go through the whole county and that would cost a lot of money."

Mr. Finney, "Our council have been very patient but they have felt for years that something should be done to give a more fair plan of equalization. I am not going to ask for a revised county equalization unless some decision could be arrived at a commission would have to be set up to go through the whole county and that would cost a lot of money."

The representatives from Burlington and Oakville fell in with this idea and were willing to give the matter to their council. The Warden also said that he felt sure Oakville could also be prepared to help, and with this the meeting closed, approximately 10:30. Should these matters be arranged, a report to the next meeting of the Council will be made.

Men of Acton and District with Army, Navy and Air Force

Various organizations in Acton and many individuals have requested a complete list of the men from Acton and vicinity who are serving in the Army, Navy and Air Force. We have here at the Free Press a partial list and as far as we know there is not a complete record of these local men. Below is given a list with regimental numbers and present address as we know them. This list can only be made complete with the cooperation of citizens and friends of the enlisted men. Here is how you can help.

Check over the names to see that the men you know are properly listed. If addresses are not correct please notify us giving the correct address. If names have been omitted please send them in with complete details. Drop them in an envelope marked "Acton and District Active Service List," and place in "The Free Press" box or mail to "The Free Press, Please do not telephone or convey the information other than written. The reason for this is obvious. We want to get these addresses correct if possible."

Let us have these changes before May 2nd. On the second of March issue in May we will republish a corrected list and in that way have data which will be helpful to organizations and a matter of record for Acton and this district in the war. Will you help?

CANADIAN ARMY OVERSEAS

- Lt. H. W. C. Jones, A28027, 4th Bn. Canadian Infantry, England.
- Mr. J. Jamieson, A28061, 4th Bn. Canadian Infantry, England.
- Mr. J. A. Henderson, A28101, 4th Bn. Canadian Infantry, England.
- Lt. J. Nicol, A28149, 4th Bn. Canadian Infantry, England.
- Mr. T. Nicol, 2nd Battery (H.), R.C.A., C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. J. McGeachie, B7307 A Co. 48th Highlanders, Cotnam Barracks, Aldershot, Hants, England (Canadian).
- Pte. Lazarey, H16205 C Co. 36 C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. P. Purdy, B86125 1st Division, Petrol Co., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. Ivan Martin, B89945, 5th Field Ambulance, Medical Corps, R.C.A., C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- Mr. W. M. Caldwell, 6130, 9th Field Battery, Base P.O., Canada.
- Spr. Hector C. Guthrie, R. C. England, B 26115, 1st Corp. Batt., Base P.O., Canada.
- Sapper S. Gibby, B26163, No. 1 Tunneling Co., R.C.E., Base P.O., Canada.
- Sgt. T. V. Kenney, 2nd Div. Sig. Bn. Col. R.C.A.S.C., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. R. A. Johnson, B94183, Sec. 2 Supply Column, 2nd Division, R.C.A.S.C., Unit 198, Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. W. L. Turner, B97288, H.Q. Coy., Unit 182, R.H.L.I., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. Norman Gibson, A27291, 11th Field Amb., R.C.A.M.C., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. H. H. Godfrey, No. 2028 L.S.L.I., 7th Corp. Junior Leader School, Base P.O., Canada.
- Capt. Gordon Sutcliffe, D. Coy. P.I.A.C.L.I., Base P.O., Canada.
- Capt. Wm. Nicolak, B488, C Coy. P.I.A.C.L.I.
- Pte. Archie Martin, B29943, A Coy. 5th Field Amb. Corps, C.A.S.F., R.C.A.M.C., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. W. H. Brown, B91948, No. 1 Corp. Provost Coy., C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- C.S.M. J. H. Alger, B45222, 2nd Div. Am. Coy. R.C.A.S.C., Base P.O., Canada.
- Lt. Col. Ben Rutledge, B66811, No. 2 (Gen.) Provost Co., C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- Mr. E. Sear, 28131, 1st Battery, No. 1 Can. Artillery, Holding Unit, C.A.S.F., Base P.O., Canada.
- Pte. J. D. Young, B31575, 2nd Div. Petrol, R.C.A.S.C.
- Pte. C. A. Taylor, B57578, Toronto Scottish Regt., M.G. Holding Unit, Borden-Hants-England.
- Trooper E. Lansborough, B46781, 10th Can. Recce Squadron, 2nd Canadian Division, Canadian Army P.O., England.

Coming Events

Annual Dinner of the Acton Local Farmers will be held on April 20th at Acton Free Hall, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$2.00. Admission 50c.

The opening meeting of the Guelph and District Chamber of Commerce will be held on Monday, April 22nd, 7:30 p.m. A report on the 1940-41 season will be presented.

Regular meetings of the League Hall of the Acton Local Farmers will be held on April 22nd, 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$2.00. Admission 50c.

Look Who's Here is the Acton Y.M.C.A. players presentation this year. Next Tuesday and Wednesday in Acton Town Hall. A real local play with plenty of fun. Don't miss it. Tickets now on sale, with proceeds for boys' and girls' camp fund. Your quarter does a big job.