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Discuss Club Application Of Bonspiel Liquor License

An application from Acton Curling Club for permission to renovate the downstairs meeting room in the Community Centre in order to provide the facilities required for a banquet permit was referred back to committee level for further investigation by council Tuesday evening.

Members engaged in a lengthy discussion at the conclusion of No. 1 committee report when it was revealed that representatives of the Recreation Committee and Curling Club had been present at the committee meeting to discuss the requisition.

Public Building
Mayor Les Doby told members there appeared to be a difference of opinion regarding the purpose of the building for the Community Centre serves. He said basically money raised by public subscription to erect the Community Centre involved more people than are members of the Curling Club. He told members the decision of council should be considered in licensing a public building and if approved, anybody desiring use of the building could apply for a license.

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Councillor Mrs. Doris Fryer stated, "I am death against it. This is no place for it. Parents gave money for the benefit of their children and the curlers only have the arena two nights per week."

Asked if the Community Centre was the proper place for a liquor license, councillor Drinkwater stated he wouldn't agree it was entirely the proper place, but if proper control was exercised, it could be a suitable location.

Deputy-Reeve Roy Goodwin wondered if the Curling Club was paying its way and was told by councillor F. G. Oakes, who is also a member of the Recreation Committee, that they were.

Not Wide Open
Deputy-Reeve Goodwin said he was in favor of facilities being made available to the Curling Club if the club provided the necessary equipment, but he was not in favor of throwing the thing wide open.

It was agreed to have No. 1 committee discuss the situation further and bring back a recommendation to council.

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Conservative HQ In Vacant Store
Campaigning by the Progressive Conservative party in Acton has begun following the election of the local slate Wednesday of last week.

Heading the officers as president is Tom Watson with Bruce Cargill as vice-president. Treasurer is W. J. Beatty and secretary Mrs. W. Carnochan. Women's vice-president is Mrs. E. G. Franklin.

Campaign headquarters has been set up in the former Baxter Drug store building where the election of officers was held last week.

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THREE TROPHIES were brought home by Acton Firefighters Monday from the firemen's convention competitions at Ajax. Members who attended include front row left to right Bill Spielvogel, Herb Duxak, Harold Townsley, deputy chief Bern Van Fleet and Lloyd McIntyre. Back row left to right are Phil McCristall, Ed McGiloway, John Krapak, Bert Fowler, John Turkosz, John Van der Brink and Don Van Fleet. Missing when photo was taken were Jack Pink and Grant Withers.

Three Trophies for Firemen In Thanksgiving Competition

Acton Firefighters copped three trophies Monday as a Thanksgiving Day present when they competed at the firemen's convention at Ajax.

The King Scagrate trophy was won in the rescue race when Acton racked up a 264 second time for first place. The Fire Marshal's O'Sullivan trophy was won for the best appearing brigade of under 20 men in uniform and the Chief Atkins trophy for third in total points for all events.

They also won a third in the ladder race, fourth in the hose race, and fourth in the 100 yard dash.

Seven Departments
Seven Fire Departments competed with Acton being represented by 14 firefighters.

Guelph Sea Cadet Band returned with the Acton representatives but placed second to Hamilton City band in band competition.

Attending from Acton were deputy chief Bern Van Fleet, Phillip McCristall, Bill Spielvogel, Jack Pink, Lloyd McIntyre, Eddie McGiloway, John Van der Brink, Harold Townsley, John Turkosz, John Krapak, Grant Withers and Herb Duxak.

New Projects Outlined At Lions Club Meeting
The regular dinner meeting of Acton Lions Club was held Tuesday evening in the newly renovated dining room of the Station Hotel. Most of the meeting was spent discussing new projects for the club, first of which takes the form of a Halloween candy sale this week.

A committee headed by Lions Murray Harrison, Vic Bristow and Harry Hawkins has laid out the town for a door-to-door blitz starting Thursday night. Each club member was supplied with a map of the area he is to cover.

Tentative arrangements were also made for a Christmas cake sale and a spring carnival. Lions Vic Bristow and Harry Hawkins were named to bring particulars of the projects back to members for approval.

Stuffed toys manufactured in Acton and left over from the booths at the fair were sold to members who wanted them. The one remaining was awarded to

Nov. 1 and 2, Caledonia, Tecumseh and Streetsville.

The events Monday had been postponed from the regular convention earlier this year when heavy rains cancelled the program.

Recreation Director H. Roe Leaving for Edmonton Post
Recreation director Harris Roe is leaving Acton. After holding the position here just over a year, he will begin work the second week in November as area recreation director in Edmonton, Alberta. This position, which he explains is purely administrative, has been created by the recent growth of the western city. No active leadership will be entailed.

Meet Candidates
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\$3,850 Distributed Glen Flood Relief
Home owners in Glen Williams whose homes were damaged during the spring flood received some relief September 25 when a total of \$3,850 was divided according to appraisals.

Included on the flood relief committee are deputy-reeve Wilfrid Leslie of Esquimaux township council, Tom Hill, and Alf Spence, who had received a total of \$1,925 during a public campaign. This amount was matched by the government to make a total of \$3,850.

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No Plebiscite

Council Reverses Stand Band to Receive Grant

Acton Council Tuesday evening did an about face by rescinding a resolution calling for a plebiscite on Acton Citizens' Band's half mill grant at the coming election and handed back the half mill grant amounting at present to \$3,600.

At the September 28 meeting a resolution was approved by the majority of council members calling for a vote of the public to decide on the fate of the band's annual grant. Tuesday evening seven bandmen and a father and another team of a junior bandman were in the gallery at council in support of retaining the half mill grant.

Two Spokesmen
Spokesmen for the band were Aldo Branda and George Elliott. The latter presented a four page brief outlining the position of the band in relation to requiring the half mill grant.

When the vote on the issue was called Reeve H. H. Hinton and councillor Doris Fryer, Frank G. Oakes and Robert Drinkwater voted in the negative with Mayor Les Doby, deputy-reve Roy Goodwin and councillors Ray Arbie, Albert Irwin and William Williams supporting the half mill grant.

Included in the delegation to council were bandsmen Elliott, Branda, Ted Tyler Jr., Bob Hart Jr., Joe Vostry, Gordon Gibbons and Gordon Thomson and Mr. and Mrs. William Buchanan.

Pre-Judged Issue
In his opening remarks, Mr. Branda stated council had been fit to cause a plebiscite, but council had prejudged the issue on erroneous information. He asked

members to reconsider the plebiscite on the basis of information which would be given in the four page brief.

Complete text of the band's presentation to council appears on page 2.

Finance chairman Oakes, in support of the band submitting an annual budget, the same as other boards and committees said the half mill grant could increase as the town's assessment picture changed.

Mr. Elliott stated he had been informed the only method of supporting a band would be the half mill grant.

Mr. Branda told council that "according to the act" a band fund must be set up by council and payments could not be made out of current funds.

Reeve Hinton argued that by approving an annual budget submitted by the band "the fund is being created annually." Mr. Branda remarked "If you do this you are putting us in a straight jacket." Mr. Hinton claimed he could see nothing wrong or illegal in dealing with the band on an annual submission.

Prefer Guarantee
Councillor Oakes wondered if the band couldn't be in the same position as school boards and other committees in submitting an annual budget and was told by Mr. Elliott "We don't believe we can operate this way. We are safe now with \$3,600 and we know where every penny goes."

Commodes Find Club House, Shop
After searching Acton and district area for over one year, the Commodore Car Club has acquired a place of residence for a club house and a shop. It is on the east side of Acton — exact position to be announced at a later date.

The Club assisted ADHS in his full report given at County Council earlier last month and

stated he was all in favor of a Regional Jail program. Reeve H. H. Hinton, also a member of County Council, stated his disapproval of the program.

Possibility of councillors having a two-year term in place of the one-year session was quashed during a decisive vote with mayor Les Doby, Reeve H. H. Hinton and councillors Albert Irwin, Ray Arbie and F. G. Oakes opposing. Voting in the affirmative were deputy-reve Roy Goodwin, councillors Doris Fryer, Robert Drinkwater and Bill Williams.

At the previous meeting a similar resolution had been defeated, but notice of motion was served by the deputy-reve who said he would re-open the subject at the following meeting. When the vote was called Tuesday evening and the motion defeated, the deputy-reve remarked "Well, now we know."

Council opposed Halton County Council proceeding with a Regional Jail program and will suggest to the county that all commitments be delayed until a report from the Needs Study is obtained.

Prior to the vote being taken, deputy-reve Goodwin outlined his full report given at County Council earlier last month and

adequate within five years as had been mentioned earlier.

Investigation into enlarging its size is continuing with engineers' study and costing. Approval was given to proceed with installation of sewer services on part of the Lakeview housing development.

Acton's O.P.P. Detachment will be increased, starting in January 1966 by an additional constable. Tuesday evening council approved hiring an extra policeman against the opposition of Reeve Hinton and Councillors Fryer and Drinkwater.

It was pointed out that due to police attending court sessions on days off and O.P.P. policy against paying overtime, police accrued a lot of overtime which had to be taken in the current year. It was noted that due to the court sessions, the town was sometimes left without adequate police protection.

Council also approved a resolution to allow a right hand turn off Young Street onto Eastern Avenue, but not permitting a left hand turn off Queen Street onto Eastern Avenue. It was also agreed to increase the water deposits to \$15. Council turned down a motion declaring October 21 as Credit Union Day in Acton.

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Y ACTIVITIES are back in full swing for the fall and winter season. Tuesday night nine boys posed for a swing at the punching bag before starting the evening program. Left to right are Carl Reed, Gary Turkosz, Bob Toth, John Hopkins, Riny Schuts, Pete Harrison, Larry Drysdale, Bill Laing and Shane Crokin.