

What Council did

At a short meeting in the council chambers Tuesday night, Acton Council:

• Proclaimed Monday, August 5 as Civic Holiday.

• Authorized payment of \$4,857.55 in insurance premiums to Denny's Insurance Agency.

• Authorized payment of financial statement No. 7 of \$11,614.51.

• Accepted a recommendation from No. 1 committee that Planning Board budget be increased by \$636.32 to pay for unforeseen expenses. Planning Board was also to be advised a 1968 annexation study was not considered essential and no provision was made for funds.

• Accepted the recommendation of Planning Board rejecting the rezoning of the Van Gils property from M1 to R2. The resolution carried with only Councillor T. Tyler Jr. refraining from voting claiming a conflict of interest.

• Passed a resolution that no objection be raised to a 9.1 acre land separation on the Roy Vyse property.

• Authorized the Duke of Devonshire chapter of the I.O.D.E. to hold a tag day on the Fall Fair dates.

• Accepted by resolution the offer of a transfer of a portion of lot 133 from the Rubin Co. to the town. The lot has a frontage of 84 feet on Elmore Drive and its flankage on Fairy Lake. It was made available by fronting houses on Lots 134 and 135 on Elmore Drive instead of Elizabeth Drive. Mayor Doby explained the transfer would give the town the two lots on Elmore at the foot of the lake. Park Board is anxious to have the land for boat launching and docking. It was feared people would use the end of the street for that purpose if the area wasn't designated for it.

• Received word that a meeting between Beardmore and Co., the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, the town and the dredging company has been set for August 8 at 3 p.m. to discuss dredging in the lake. The meeting will be held in the community centre so it will be close to the dredging site.

• Was reminded the O.M.B. hearing regarding annexing land from the Twp. of Esquewaug would be held on August 16 at 10:30 a.m.

• Received a copy of a resolution from the County of Halton resolving that requests from Acton and Esquewaug concerning assumption of certain roads by the county be held in abeyance for study during the forthcoming updating of the 1964 County Roads Needs Study and consideration be given to including the First Line of Esquewaug from County Road 12 to the south-west limits of Acton in the request.

• Councillor Bill Williams had kind words to say about the improved method of garbage collection. "It's nice to see those garbage cans sitting up straight," he said, praising the town superintendent. He also recommended weeds by the Glanville plaza be cut.

• Councillor Charlie Perry asked council to consider a new member on Planning Board to replace the late Alex Near. Mr. Perry paid tribute to the late Mr. Near's devotion suggesting it would be difficult to replace his experience.

• Discussed tiling the creek along Tyler Ave. The mayor said the town was trying to pick up all the subsidies it could get on the job, expenses of which will be shared with the Rubin Corp. One man who has done much work on the creek, beautifying, has objected to the tiling.

Mayor Les Doby presided at the meeting which took less than two hours with the reeve and councillor Bob Drinkwater absent. Mr. Hinton is in Washington, D.C. and Mr. Drinkwater on vacation.

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RESIDENTS OF LAKEVIEW subdivision are expected to a variety of construction this year, latest of which is erection of homes along the uncompleted section of Elmore Drive. Houses are being erected almost "overnight" at one end of the street, while dredging continues on the end nearest Fairy Lake. (Staff Photo)

Traffic safety work ahead for popular Cons. Campbell

Popular Cons. Peter Campbell moved today from Acton to Burlington, where he has been transferred. He becomes traffic safety co-ordinator with the Burlington traffic unit beginning August 1 tomorrow.

He will be replaced on August 10 by Cons. R. Wood who comes here from Downsview. He is presently on holidays. Cons. and Mrs. Wood and one young child are expected to move to Acton. Corp. Ray Mason this week expressed his regret at losing such an able and personable officer as Cons. Campbell. Although he has only been with the O.P.P. for four years he is extremely capable and dependable. He has been especially interested in public relations and enjoyed speaking to groups here. He wrote excellent O.P.P. weekly reports for the Free Press which followed the week's statistics with advice and hints on a variety of subjects.

His sister followed him to Acton when she married high school teacher Ian McGillivray, but they've since moved to Guelph.

He will be implementing and supervising safety programs in Brantford, Simcoe, Waterdown, Burlington, Oakville, Milton and Acton. His area includes over 100 schools. He will be speaking



to adult groups as well as children.

The program includes rules of the road, Elmer the Safety Elephant, displays with model cars, defensive driving, signs and signal recognition, traffic court clinic, bicycle roadways, freeway driving, story of the laws, career opportunities, child molestation, dangers of explosives, farm, water, firearms and bush safety, and school bus safety.

A few months ago he married the former Elizabeth Kirby of Eden Mills. They moved from their Acton apartment this week.

Extra Insights carry message of town growth

"Insight Acton" is going far outside Acton.

With much favorable reaction to last week's special industrial issue, extra copies are going far and wide.

About 400 extra papers were printed for special distribution. Industries received extras for head offices, customers and contacts.

Mayor Doby is taking extras for Central Ontario Regional Development Corporation members, and for officials attending the Ontario Municipal Convention in August.

Copies will be available at the town office for people interested in settling here or bringing new industry.

Two-car accident only one in week

Only car accident of the week in town occurred July 24 when a car driven by Rinko Duker, Wilber St., backing out a driveway, was in collision with a car driven by Mrs. Beatrice Cole, R. R. 2, Acton. The Cole car received \$75 damage to the front right fender while the other vehicle was not damaged.

Cons. Bruce Kressler investigated.

Full x-ray service at clinic eliminates trips to hospitals



NEW X-RAY EQUIPMENT in the Acton Medical Centre eliminates the trip to Guelph hospital for services. (Staff Photo)

Acton radiology patients no longer have to travel outside of town for treatment. The Medical Building has recently installed a full radiology department in its upper floor.

The new facilities include a waiting lounge, the most up-to-date X-ray equipment and developing facilities that enable the technician to finish negatives almost immediately. It offers virtually the same services as a hospital.

Alan Odenbach, R.T., C.D., formerly the chief technician in Milton Hospital has taken over as general manager of the department. He will handle all the routine fractures and bone damage work.

In addition, two radiology specialists have been invited to commute to Acton one day a week from Toronto. Dr. Robert Buick and Dr. Desmond Walker will treat special cases and make reports if needed on cases handled by Mr. Odenbach.

The new department is a big step forward for the clinic. Since it began offering the service two weeks ago, traffic has been heavy and local doctors are enthusiastic about the convenient service they can now offer Acton patients.

Plan church cemetery hill

A request for a variance at Tuesday night's council meeting revealed the New Apostolic Holding Co. Ltd. plans to build a new church on the "cemetery hill" on the Anderson property. Mayor Les Doby admitted council was concerned about the location in front of the cemetery but a resolution carried approving the variance.

C.N.R. asks permission to close station

Application for authority to close the agency and remove the Acton C.N.R. station has been made to the Canadian Transport Commission, a notice posted at the station has revealed.

The C.N.R. notified both this newspaper and council they would be making application soon to close the Acton station back in May but when council enquired by letter the Transport Commission replied no application had been received.

Speculation was rife locally that the railway was playing politics, waiting the results of the federal election before making the final move. Others thought the C.N.R. had a change of "heart."

The notice is dated July 17. A public hearing will be held in Acton before a final decision is made. A local fact finding committee has been working to gather evidence opposing the closure.

Water tests report "safe"

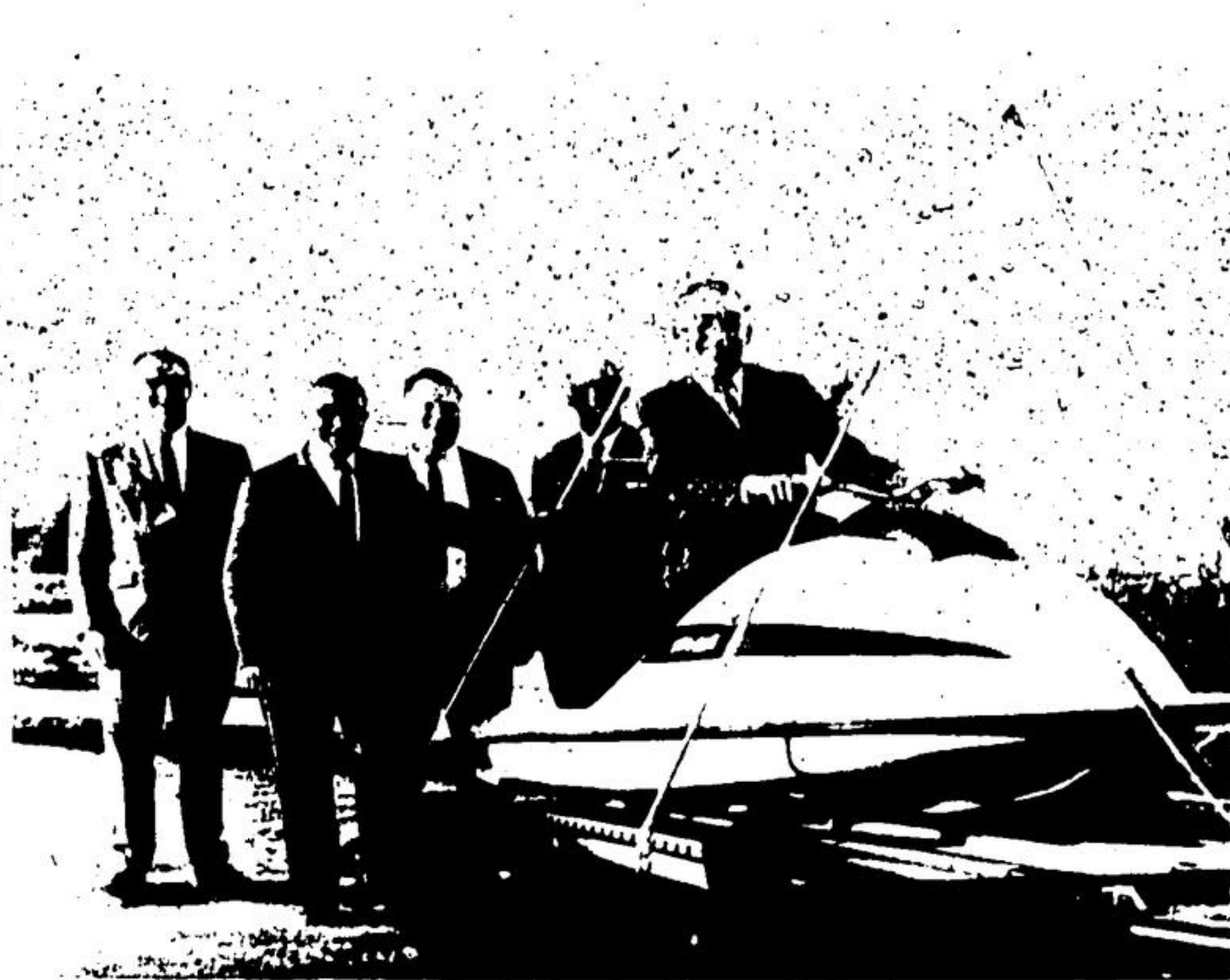
Inspectors of Halton County Health Unit have reported the water in Fairy Lake is safe for swimming. Various tests have been taken this summer, and all reported satisfactory.

Repair siding to Beardmore's

Closed for a year to railway traffic the siding at Beardmore and Co. is being repaired this week.

Trains will resume running on the siding when workmen finish the job.

—Because of the Monday holiday, Esquewaug council is holding its regular council meeting next Tuesday.



DRY RUN of the bright yellow Sea-Do, first prize in an upcoming Rotary draw, has Rotarian Ted Pratt at the wheel. Watching the trial at John Andersen's home are Dick Weatherall, Ron Lewis, Gary Dawkins and Mr. Andersen. (Staff Photo)

Proposed C1H rezoning explained at council

A delegation of ratipayors was assured that the proposal rezoning of approximately 90 properties from R3 to C1H would not affect residential value at Tuesday night's meeting of council.

George Harrap, Mac Symon and Ben Rachlin appeared before council and were later joined by Mr. and Mrs. A. Orr to ask reasons for the change.

Mayor Les Doby explained the new C1H designation was a commercial holding area. The possibility existed, he told the delegation, that some day their properties would be needed for additional downtown commercial areas. "We are taking steps today to present undesirable areas in the future," he said.

Councillor Charlie Perry, a Planning Board member, said the changes were made on the advice of the Canadian Planning Association.

The delegation asked questions about procedure should they wish to oppose the rezoning. Mr. Harrap was assured residents' wishes would be respected if it was contemplated changing to C1. The mayor explained proximity of the properties to the downtown business area made them the victims of the change but he assured the delegation the residential value of the property would not be affected.

Clerk-administrator J. McGeachie also told the ratipayors any proposed change by council must be approved by the Ontario Municipal Board.

"What effect will this have on the resale of property?" asked Councillor G. McKenzie.

"It's hard to say," answered the mayor.

Councillor McKenzie said all of council was not in favor of the change. "I was against it because it took privileges away from some 90 homes," he reminded council.

Mr. Harrap told council he had secured signatures on a petition of nearly all the people in the area affected opposing the change in zoning. He wanted to know council's reaction if a store wished to locate beside a fine residential property.

The mayor assured Mr. Harrap any change would have to be a major commercial development before it could be considered.

There will be a further hearing with the O.M.B. regarding the proposed amendments.

Effects postal strike becoming more acute

More effects are being felt this week as a result of the two-week old postal strike.

Phone calls, telegrams, and special delivery are being increasingly utilized to replace postal service.

Billing, ordering, delivering — and receipt of incoming cheques — are all held up in business offices. Claims cannot be filed or payments made. The strike has "allowed up"

office procedure considerably, a representative from one company said.

On the other hand, some plans closed right up for holidays and avoided the complications somewhat.

Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Telecommunications report a 50 per cent increase in business.

Chief Bell operator Miss (Continued on page 2)



NO, IT ISN'T the hanging gardens of Babylon. It's a new bed for Elmore Drive. The dredge is working across from the community centre on the north arm of the lake. (Staff Photo)