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MAYOR GIBBONS HOST AT INAUGURAL DINNER

Esquesing Council held Inaugural Meeting on Monday

Composed of Geo. E. Cleave, Edwin Harrop and G. W. Murray-Number of By-Laws Passed.

Stewarttown, January 8th, 1940. The Council elect for the Township of Esquesing for the year 1940 met at 11 o'clock a.m. on Monday, and having subscribed to the oath of office, took: their seats as follows: Wm. A. Wilson, Reeve; C. H. May, Deputy-Reeve: G. W. Murray, Edwin Harrop and George E. Cleave, Councillors. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Communications were read from J. K. Charles, Ontario Municipal Assoclation The Salvation Army, T. H. R. Brock, Department of Highways, County of Halton, W. R. Belyea and Ontario Good Roads Association. Moved by May and Cleave, that this council adjourn to meet at 1.30 p.m.-Carried.

Moved by Harrop and Murray, that the Treasurer pay relief accounts as presented by the Relief Officer, \$181.19. -Carried.

Moved by May and Cleave, that the Treasurer pay: Bell Telephone Co., 381 r 21 \$3.39, 91 r 12 \$1.40, total \$4.79; C. E. Smith, 1 cord wood for council chamber \$9.00; Board of Hydro Commissioners, Georgetown, street lights at Glen Williams \$74.75; J. Sanford, supplies \$2.63; John Standish, cleaning and heating hall for nomination \$3.50; Hume Currie, 1 ton coal for council chamber \$13.00; The George-'town Herald, account to date \$116.20; Treasurer County of Halton, 50 per cent hospital accounts for 1939. *266.10; A. E. Wilson & Co. Ltd. treasurer's bond renewal to January 1st, 1941, through J. K. Charles \$40.00; Hydro Electric Power Comm., Brampton, lights at council chamber \$5.69 .-

Carried. the treasurer pay election expenses a part of the section served by the Municipal World, supplies \$12.70; No. school is located; Reeve Charles Fal--1A, Robt. Darling, D.R.O. \$14.40; No. | coner of Streetsville; Gordon Gray-1B, Thos. Robb, D.R.O. \$15.40; No. 2A don, M.P., and Col. T. L. Kennedy. Lorne Cleave, D.R.O \$14.00; No. 2B, M.P.P. C. Robinson D.R.O. \$14.40; No. 3, N. R. Thompson, DR.O. \$8.00; No. 4, J. price for democracy and are fighting J. Stewart, D.R.O. \$16.00; No. 5A, M. for its very existence. Surely if "this Campbell, D.R.O. \$14.20; No. 5B, M. priceless treasure is worth fighting A. Mino; D.R.O. \$14.00; No. 6, Wesley for it is worth while training our peo-Brennan, D.R.O \$11.00.-Carried.

Treasurer pay the road sheets as pre- | the guest speakers. sented by the Road Superintendent, \$537.81.—Carried.

- this Council accept the price for snow our boys and girls will soon be placremoval of Mr. Armstrong, at \$3.50 ed the responsibility of our democraper hour. The work to be carried on tic government in Canada," he said. under the direction of our Road Superintendent.-Carried.

Treasurer pay the Treasurer County cism of this kind is dangerous. The of Halton, balance 1939 county rate, job of us all is to bring the admini-\$23,281.33:-Carried.

leave be granted to introduce a by- induce all good citizens to take their law to appoint a member of the Local part in public affairs." Board of Health for the year 1940, and that said by-law be now read a its size in the southern portion of

by-law No. 919 to appoint a member a special room has been provided for of the Local Board of Hearth for the instruction in household science and year 1940, having been read a first manual training. Friday night's extime, be now read a second and third ercises were held in a playroom-gymtimes and passed, and the blank fill- nasium large enough for use as a based in with the name of J. H. Bingham, ketball floor and assembly hall,

affached thereto.-Carried. Moved by Harrop and Murray, that dition of more rooms when needed, at leave be granted to introduce a by- a minimum of expense to the village. law to appoint auditors to audit the township accounts for 1939 and 1940, which has been remodelled for use as and that said by-law be now read a

first time.—Carried. Moved by Cleave and May, that by- were said by residents of the village law No. 920 to appoint auditors to to be more than a century old. The audit the 1939 and 1940 accounts, having been read a first time, be now particular interest to older residents read a second and third times and passed, and the blanks filled in with the name of Jenkins & Hardy, and the seal of the Corporation be attach-

ed thereto:-Carried. Moved by Murray and Harrop, that leave be granted to introduce a bylaw to appoint a weed inspector for the Township of Esquesing, and that - said by-law be now read a first time.

Carried. Moved by Cleave and May, that bylaw No. 921 to appoint a weed inspector for the Township of Esquesing. having been read a first time be now read a second and third times and passed, and the blank filled in with the name of Joseph Standish, and that the seal of the Corporation be

attached thereto.-Carried. 1940, and that said by-law be now read a first time.—Carried.

first time be now read a second and thereto.—Carried. shard times and passed, and tion be attached thereto.-- Carried.

law to grant permission to the Reeve been read a first time be now read Thompson, who in his brief remarks, and Treasurer to borrow money to a second and third times and passed be now read a first time.—Carried.

meet the current expenditure of the ed, and the seal of the Corporation be the toastmaster, and urged all public Township, and that the said by-law attached thereto.-Carried. by Murray and Harrop, that Council do now adjourn to meet on of the world would only return to God

Vital Statistics

The vital statistics for the Town of Georgetown for the year 1939 are as follows: Births Marriages compared with 1938 figures Births 18 Marriages 19

Gordon Graydon, M.P. Emphasizes the Teaching of Democracy

Deaths

Constructed by J. B. Mackenzie & Son .. Of Georgetown

Streetsville's new \$27,000 public school was officially pened last Priday night by Dr. Duncan McArthur, Deputy Minister of Education, at a function which was attended by representatives of all the official bodies of the town.

G. S. Jourdain, chairman of the Public School Board, was in charge of the meeting, arrangements for which had been made by J. W. Dren-I nan, clerk of the town, and speakers included E. D. Maguire, reeve of Tor-Moved by Murray and Harrop, that onto Township, in which municipality

"We are paying right now a terrific ple in its more efficient operation" de-Moved by Cleave and May, that the clare Gordon Graydon, M.P., one of

Mr. Graydon pleaded for a more intensive educational training in cities Moved by Harrop and May, that in schools. "Upon the shoulders of

"Public life must not be regarded as a corrupt and dirty business," cau-Moved by May and Cleave, that the | tioned Mr. Graydon. "Careless critistration of public business to a point. Moved by May and Cleave, thes where it is beyond reproach and to

The school is the most modern of Peel. The four class rooms are equip-Moved, by Harrop and Murray, the ped with all modern conveniences and and the seal of the Corporation be and provision was made in the construction of the building for the ad-

> The building supersedes a structure a town hall and fire hall. Parts of the original public school building opening of the new school was of in view of the fact that the village can lay claim to having the oldest grammer school of Peel County, which was the foundation of the present

WHO OWNS A LETTER ONCE SENT

Streetsville High School.

Once a letter has been posted it belongs to the person to whom it is addressed, according to Canadian postal regulations. This is just another way of saying that the post office will not return a letter to the sender until after an attempt has been made to deliver it to the ad-

read a thrst time be now read a sec- ent went to Mayor Gibbons.

leave be granted to introduce a by-Oecil Chisholm for wards 1, 2 and 3, law to provide for road expenditure what ever capacity they saw fit, and and A. W. Benton for wards 4, 5 and for the year 1940, and that said by-6, and that the seal of the Corpora- law be now read a first time.-Carried. Moved by Murray and Harrop, that Moved by May and Cleave, that by-law No. 924 to provide for road leave be granted to introduce a by- expenditure for the year 1940, having

923 to grant permission Monday, Pebruary 5th, at 1.30 p.m. or their troubles would soon be solved: the Reeve and Treasurer to borrow at the call of the Reeve.-Carried.

Council and other Guests Banqueted Plenty of Hockey for at Hotel McGibbon

Newly Elected Reeve W. A. Wilson Presided - Council Mayor's Address Features Inaugural Meeting of Council Prior to Banquet-Rev. W. G. O. Thompson Led in Devotions on Behalf of Ministerial Association.

Business was kept down to a mini-

Mayor Gibbons then delivered his

ancial position the town now finds it-

effort to again reduce the tax rate.

By reducing the tax rate, Mayor Gib-

Mayor's address follows:-

The inaugural meeting of the Town | mum as the Council and town offi-Council for 1940 was held on Monday cials were to be guests at a banquet following the meeting, and the only evening in the Public Library. Mayor Joseph Gibbons was in the motion passed was a money by-law chair, and Councillors N. H. Brown, to borrow \$55,000.00 for current ex-A. E. Cripps, S. J. Mackenzie, K. R. penditures until the 1940 taxes are McDonald, Jos. Hall and Rene Oave paid,

Regret was expressed by the Mayor | inaugural address, citing the good finin the sudden passing of Reeve Geo. W. Davis, whose vacant chair cast a self in, and urging the Council of 1940 shadow over the evening's proceed- to follow a course of strict economy

Town Clerk P. B. Harrison administered the oath of office to the members and after all had signed the Declaration, Mayor Gibbons called on to meet the high taxes imposed for Rev. W. G. O. Thompson, who on behalf of the local Ministerial Association, brought greetings and best wishes for a successful year, and led in a short devotional period.

To the Members of the Council and Citizens of Georgetown:

The members of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of Georgetown, are assembled here to-day for the purpose of complying with the statutary regulations by subscribing to our Declaration of Office and conducting the first meeting of the year 1940.

I know all the members of the Council join with me in gratefulness to the members of the clergy, who by their presence here today are giving us the necessary inspiration to conduct public business throughout the year, with dignity and despatch and in the best interests of civic wet-

fare and community betterment We are today starting our business for the year extremely conscious of the vacant chair, caused by the passing of our late Reeve Mr. Geo. W. Davis. I know I am expressing the sentiments of all my fellow members of the Council when I say that we have lost a colleague that we shall not soon forget, that in private life he commanded the respect and friendship of the people of this community and in public life he was a good and faithful servant.

During the past year the sustained and effective efforts of each member of the Council have done much to promote the general wellbeing of the community and by their devotion to public duty and the co-operation that I received in Transacting public business, to every member of the 1939 Council, it is my desire to convey my warmest appreciation.

In my opinion, the results obtained show marked progress in the affairs of the Town during the past year. The most important civic improvement long over due was one of road construction at a cost to the Corporation of \$19,850.00 considering the high class material and workmanship, I am convinced that the contract price was much lower than would be possible at any time in the near future, and the record price obtained for the debentures in financing this work is further evidence of the sound financial position of the Municipality at the present time. I submit we should remind the Halton County Council of the necessity of a hard surface on King Street and the Ninth Line so that the work on the county connecting link may be completed as soon as working and weather conditions will permit.

The sale of all properties owned by the Corporation under the Provincial Housing Act was completed last year and a reserve fund of \$9.447.00 has been created to apply on the annual payments of the housing debentures as they become due. Municipal records show that during a period of recent years this scheme has cost the taxpayer approximately \$12,000.00 and has proved conclusively it was unsound Provincial and Municipal legislation. Although the personal of the Local Housing Commission changed from time to time, I shall not be unmindful of the valuable services rendered by those public spirited men in dealing with

a very difficult and unpleasant civic problem. Of the 1939 tax levy of \$50,493.89 - 79 percent was collected and the total arrears as of December 31st, 1939, was \$27,000.00. This shows considerable improvement over 1938 and previous years. The arrears of taxes and also the uncollected revenue for water services still constitute one of our major problems, and I suggest to the members of the Council that a special effort should be made to improve this situation during the

The Corporation's debenture debt at the end of last year was \$147,000.00. The bonded indebtedness of the Municipality has been reduced over one hundred thousand dollars during the past seven years and for the first year as far back as municipal records show, there is no municipal indebtedness to the bank. Much credit is due the chairman and members of the various committees for this favorable situation in keeping the expenditures in their particular department within the amount budgeted for the purpose pertaining thereto.

May I call to the attention of the members of the Council that I am unalterably opposed to any capital expenditure for any purpose this year. Although there will be no reduction in debt charges this year, commencing, however, in 1941 there will be large blocks of debentures maturing which will undoubtedly allow for a considerable reduction in the tax rate providing there are no new issues created.

Realizing, as we do that the Town of Georgetown is one of the best industrial communities in the Province of Ontario, knowing how war and post war periods affect industrial and business conditions and naturally necessitating higher Federal and Provincial taxation, I, therefore submit that this council's municipal legislation during the time of this international conflict should be confined to necessary civic services thereby allowing the taxpayer to prepare for future uncertain problems.

During the year 1939 there were thirty-nine meetings of the Council and it is my desire to express my appreciation and gratitude for the prompt and regular attendance of the members, and the assistance that I received from the Town Officials, and I am convinced the citizens of this Municipality are not unmindful of the services you have rendered. During my present term of office. I shall make a special effort to maintain the confidence and trust that has been extended to me and I

am making a sincere appeal to all for that continued splendid co-operation so that by our united efforts we may confidently look forward during the year 1940 for the happiness, prosperity and greater achievements for all the citizens of the Town of Georgetown. Following the meeting of council speaker of the evening and he centre-

in the McGibbon Hotel. The delici- was united against the common

furn to the church. He said the King's Christmas Day message should have been an inspiration to all.

He then called on Rev. W. G. O. Moved by Cleave and May; that this The speaker said that if the countries

Mayor Gibbons was host to town of- ed his talk around 'Canada and the' ficials and other guests at a banquet War." Col. Ballantine said Canada ous dinner provided was indeed a as at no time in her history. While Seeme be granted to introduce a by- money to meet the current expendition the most delicate in the war-of 1914-18 Canada- was ture of the Township, having been appetite, and the thanks of all pres- divided, in the war of 1940 she stands shoulder to shoulder with the Empire: ond and third times and passed, and | When all had partaken to the full. The speaker said this country was to the blanks filled in with the sum of Town Clerk Harrison, who was the play a large part in the prosecution by-law No. 922 to appoint assessors Pitty Thousand Dollars, and that the genial toastmaster of the evening, ask- of the war, not only by her man for the year 1940, having been read a seal of the Corporation be attached ed all to rise and sing the National power, but with her wheat, minerals Moved by Cleave and May, that remarks, Mr. Harrison called on all to tering this war on a sound business rally to the cause of his country in basis and gave the government credit for the progress they had made so far.

> All present around the banquet table spoke briefly and included: Principal was announced by Premier King, fol-H. Wrigglesworth of the Public School, lowing a cabinet meeting. A. E. Cripps, K. R. McDonald, Sam Mackensie, Jos. Hall, N. H. Brown, ed to be the main business before what Rene Cave, H. C. Dayfoot, Garfield L. probably will be the last session of McGilvray, Chief W. G. Marshall, E. the 18th parliament. The Liberal gov-

brought a very happy social evening of a union government have been dis-

Georgetown This Season

Juniors Win and Tie - Intermediates Win and Lose - Attendance Remains Small Although Good Games are the Order-More Enthusiasm Needed.

SCARCITY OF WATER A PROBLEM IN THIS LOCALITY

with the work of hauling from nearby ponds and creeks. The work is couragement. doubly difficult now that they are frozen over. A January thaw would relieve the situation somewhat. Mr. G. only a summary of each contest. with no capital expenditures, in an Gillies is forced to haul water to his home in the Scotch Block from bons-said it would enable the citizens Stewartfown pond.

the prosecution of the war by the governments of the country, without working a hardship. The text of the light snowfall.

tremor." Mr. Newell said.

Held Monthly Meeting

In Rural Mail Boxes

George Bridle to hold their monthly meeting at their home in Freeman on Monday evening. Mr. Charles Parpresided over an attendance of some indulged in a little high-sticking. twenty couriers.

Keen disappointment was expressed by all present at the absence of Mr. Hughes Cleaver, M.P., who had promised to give an address on current topics connected with rural mail. He was called to Ottawa on Monday morning. where no doubt he will do all he possibly can to further the interests of the rural mail couriers in whom he has always taken a keen in

However, we were fortunate in having with us Mrs. Mary Pettit, who recently headed the poll as councillor for Nelson Township; our Dominion President, Mr. Boulton of Markham; Mr. J. A. Carter, of Sarnia, and Mr. Clarence Newton of Guelph, editor of "The Rural Mail Courier." The Dominion secretary. Mr. Harold Webster of Acton, reported the receipt of an invitation from the Postmaster General to The Central Board to meet him in Ottawa, sometime during the present week to discuss the various problems arising from the present con-

tract system. Mr. Carter and Mr. Boulton will leave for Ottawa on Wednesday with the best wishes of all concerned for at least a partial solution of the difficulties of the rural mail courier, who has to meet the increased cost of war time living on a depression period salary. It certainly appears a more hopeful sign of something being done when the Postmaster .General asks the Central Board to name their own time for an interview.

A discussion took place on what to do with unstamped, unaddressed mall matter found in mail boxes, such as calendars, circulars, etc. at this time of year. According to the post office regulations all such matter should be returned to the post office, whence it will be returned to the sender at double fee. Several other matters were discussed after which Mr. Carter gave us an interesting resume of what the Central Board has already accomplished at Ottawa. Chief item in that category is the return of all legal holidays which are much appreciated by all couriers, and which should be worth far more than the modest dol- turned it on. Bolton and Georgetown lar-and-a-half membership fee.

At-the conclusion of the regular business, a social hour was enjoyed by were served by the ladies and with a best players on the ice and turned in vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Bridle, "God Save the King" brought to a close a very enjoyable evening.

PARLIAMENT OPENS IN OTTAWA, JAN. 25th

the opening of the sixth session of 4 assists: Louth 3. Beaumont: 2 Canada's 18th Parliament until Jan. Schenk and Schertzel. Bolton: Cale 25th, about two weeks later than last houn 3, Jones 2, Bradford 2, Fraser winter's opening. The opening date and Sarrow.

The national war effort is expect-C. Thompson, Dr. Williams and Mayor ernment of Mr. King was elected in 1931 and a general election is expec-The singing of the Maple Leaf ted in 1940 along party, lines. Rusnors

Now that we have two good O. H. A. hockey teams, one in the Junior "O" the other in Intermediate "B", with six and four teams in the groups, respectively, it is time local fans became hockey conscious and started to The scarcity of water, due to the support these teams in real style. Good lack of rains in the fall, is becoming games have been the order so far and serious problem to farmers in this all that is lacking now is enthusiasm. district. Already a number are faced. Let Georgetown fans turn out more regularly and give the boys more en-

A number of games were played during the week, but space permits

GEORGETOWN 6 - MILTON 5

On Thursday evening last the County Town Juniors visited the lo-Some farmers of Halton county be- cal club, and when the game ended lieve there is more behind the seri- the score stood Georgetown 6, Milton ous water shortage which they are 5, but the winner was still in doubt. now suffering, than the obvious However, this was decided by the O. causes such as the early freeze-up and H.A. executive last night, when the game was ordered to stand as it was A. R. Newell and G. R. Gowland of unless it interfers with the standing Nelson township believe the earth of the teams at the play-offs. If and tremor felt several years ago is de- when this happens, it will be played finitely responsible for the lack of over again at Georgetown. It all water now general throughout the came about, when with 58 seconds to county and its neighbors. "We don't go in the third period the Milton know much about these things, but time keepers sounded the gong to it does seem plausible," Mr. Gowland, notify Referee Clements that Georgetown had an extra man on the ice "Wells in the district have slowly during a change of players. - Most gone completely dry since the earth fans, together with the referee and teams thought the game over ... and started for the dressing rooms only to be called back. Play was about to Halton Rural Mail Couriers be continued when Milton demanded the referee to penalize a Georgetown player for an infraction of the rules but Manager Silver thought otherwise Unstamped Mail Should Not be Left and the game was called with no decision given.

It was one of the best games of The Halton Branch of the Rural the season up to this point, and the Mail Couriers'... Association accepted highly rated Milton outfit looked orthe kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. dinary beside our local juniors. The first period broke even with Beaumont and Schertzel scoring for the locals. Coxe and Sproat for Milton. ker. Georetown, County president, Penalties were plentiful as the players

Milton railied in the second stanza to go into the lead when Archibald scored three times. Schenk was the lone scorer for Georgetown.

The local team went to town in a big way in the final frame. when Beaumont, Kemshead and Lane scored to put the locals ahead and make the score 6 - 5 at the end of the game. Milton-Goal, McDuffe: defense, Archibald, Borer; centre, Sproat; wings, Vernon, Bowring; subs, Scott, Robertson, Evans, Coxe, Browne Ryan. Georgetown-Goal, Laquerquist; defense, Henderson, Binsell; centre, Schenk: wings, Kemshead, Schertzel; subs. Lane, Murphy, Goldens Louth,

BRAMPTON 7 - GEORGETOWN 4

The Intermediate B team journeyed to Bolton last Friday night when they met Brampton in their home game. From all reports it was a bruising struggle on the small ice surface, with the heavier Brampton squad coming out on top of a 7 to 4 score. The score in the first period was Brampton 3, Georgetown 2, 5 - 4 in the winners favor at the end of the second. and they wound up the game in the third with two extra counters, making the total count 7 - 4.

The local team was hampered by the small ice surface, but hope to be able to stop their closest rivals when they play here a week from Priday. Brampton-Goal, Burrows; defense, Gibson, Long; centre, Anthony; wings, Weller, McIntosh; subs. Avery Slocki, D. Long, Beecham, Studholme, Sproule Georgetown-Goal, Hoare: defense, Dewhurst, Hall; centre, Crichton; wings, 'Ward, W. Richardson; subs. Sanderson, K. Richardson, Sargent, Ritchie, Riddall.

GEORGETOWN 9 - BOLTON 9 One of the best games of the hockey season was staged at Bolton on Monday night when the Georgetown and Bolton Junior C teams clashed. With the thermometer registering 20 below in the arena both teams had to fly to keep warm and they certainly are reputed to be the strongest teams in the league, so watch for the posters of a return game here. Eddis Coffee and light refreshmenta Binsell and Jimmy Louth were the some remarkable efforts. Beaumont was another star player; also Calhoun for the Bolton squad-

The acore: Pirst period, Georgetown 2 Bolton 2; second period, Georgetown 4. Bolton 2; third period, 7 - 7 tie; overtime 9 - 9 tie. The tieing goals came in the overtime with only one minute to play and Georgetown Pressure of war business will delay leading 9 - 7. The scorers: Binsell 2,

GEORGETOWN 7-ORANGEVILLE T Orangeville visited the Georgetown Intermediates last night and went home suffering from a 7 - 2 defeat-Although the score is somewhat one sided the game was fairly evenly comtested, and well played. -The tricky

stickhandling of the visiting teams (Continued on Page 8)