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Mammoth Industry Extends Its Option

An as yet unnamed firm which optioned 35 acres of town-owned industrial land a month ago, has been granted a month's extension by council on its option. But meanwhile a \$5,000 deposit cheque became the town's property - when the option expired on March 23.

The extension request was dealt with and accepted at a special council meeting Saturday afternoon.

Mayor Disputes Council's Solution for Closing Hour

"Another meaningless resolution," said Mayor Gibbons as council voted 5-3 to set town council meetings hours as 7:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. on Monday.

The resolution would allow the mayor to extend a meeting by not more than 30 minutes if the amount of business on the agenda justified this.

Cr. Arthur Speight said he was making the motion because he is 'disgusted' with the way the matter of council meeting hours has been handled about for the past two weeks.

Cr. Speight said he isn't a Pollyanna, and that council shouldn't take its cue from senior governments.

"But for the town's good, after the adverse publicity we have had for some years, we should have as much harmony as possible," he said.

It was 10:30 p.m. at this stage and no more motions had been placed on the table.

"Can we adjourn now or do we have to wait until 11:30?" joked Mayor Gibbons.

So council, on one of its rare occasions, ended their session half an hour early.

OLDEST RESIDENT HOME

Joe Martin, Georgetown's oldest resident, was released from hospital yesterday after 70 months after breaking his hip. He will mark his 100th birthday quietly tomorrow.

Tutors Chefs, Icing Artist Shows Skill at High School

A talented cake decorator, Mr. Meier of Toronto, who is known for his work in tutoring would-be chefs, demonstrated the various ways a cake can be transformed into a work of art when he addressed a class of high school girls here Monday.

Girls of Grade 4B10H and the Grade 10 Occupation class watched intently as the icing artist went about fashioning picturesque pieces of cookery from square and round sponge cakes.

Taking the square sponge cake first, he covered it with chocolate butter cream icing, and between the layers spread marmalade and butter cream.

Mr. Meier described the tools he uses in his work to the students... a pallet knife, saw knife, cloth piping bags, wax piping bags, and decorating heads.

Ask Government Study Rapid Rise in Prices

The town of Espanola is seeking support to have the government appoint a Select Commission to investigate sharp increases in the cost of goods and services.

The council of that town would have the commission recommend controls to ensure that Canada's present standard of living be maintained and curb inflationary tendencies.

Georgetown council endorsed the Espanola move, though rather unenthusiastically, in a motion passed Monday after a short discussion.

Cr. Ern Hyde, who voted against the resolution along with a couple of other councillors opined that the Commission would only mean more expense for the country.

"We know why costs are going up. We don't need a Commission to tell us why," he said.

Fly Up Converts 9 Brownies to Guides

Nine Brownies of the 8th Georgetown pack flew up into Guides at the Holy Cross auditorium Monday night.

Elizabeth Callin, Debbie Caruso, Debbie Brick, Heather Eklime, Patricia Syme, Patricia Layton, Cathleen Heaney, Rosalie Spitzer and Anna Wilcox received their wings from Brown Owl Mrs. A. Syme and Tawny Owl Mrs. Kay Collier.

They went through the tunnel from Brownies to Guides and were presented to the Guide captain Mrs. R. Freeman and Lieut. Arlene Dean. They joined the First Guide Co. for games and refreshments.

— Good Friday — One Week From Tomorrow

Forecast 7% Interest Highest In History

Debentures which the town must issue for its share of the purchase cost of Cedarvale school could bear an interest rate of 7%.

Monday council received an offer to buy 8 1/2% debentures from a Toronto brokerage firm at 97 per hundred. This would entail raising extra money to obtain the necessary sum.

Mayor Gibbons said he anticipates a 7% rate if the debentures are to sell at par.

"People are paying 7 1/4% for well-secured first mortgages," he said, "and 7% would be a reasonable interest for municipal bonds at the present time."

He added that this rate would be unprecedented in the town's history.

"The highest rate up to now has been 6%," he said.

Kanaka to Perform at Dog Show in Guelph

A Georgetown-German Shepherd will be a major attraction at the Tri-County Pure Bred Dog Club show in the Guelph Armoury Thursday, April 7.

Kanaka, from the stock of Tanhardt Kennels, RR 1 Georgetown, now with the Ontario Provincial Police canine corps, will go through his amazing routine with OPP Constable Boley in one of the show's highlights.

A drill team of ten German shepherds which received acclaim for their 1966 Sportman's Show performance is also on the card.

Georgetown Overpowers Milts to Enter Junior 'C' League Final

With a modern day record crowd of 2,000 roaring in their ears, Georgetown Raiders overwhelmed Milton Merchants 4-1 to capture their hard fought OHA Junior C semi-final series in Georgetown Memorial Arena Sunday.

Georgetown won the first two games, and lost the next pair before rising up to bounce the Merchant's into an early spring in game five.

The score was a fair indication of Raiders' superiority in the decider. They consistently beat Merchants to the puck, outshutted, and threw a wrench into the Milton strategy with a pesky forechecking campaign that made the difference between their Sun, sparkle and Friday's frustration. Merchants evened the series with a 10-4 victory Friday which forced a fifth game.

Georgetown owned a territorial edge but neither team scored in the scintillating first period.

Mike Cummins, beat Milton

goalie Frank Marshieri from in close to start Georgetown away at 4:01 of the second period, Terry areas in Raiders' second from Doug Selby 36 seconds later and Bill Dwyer enabled the home club to carry a 3-0 advantage out of the second period when he threaded the short side with a shot with a minute and a half to go. Paul Robinson and Simon Llewellyn set it up.

Bob Allen pulled the rug from under Merchants plans to erase the difference when he put into a 4-0 lead at the start of the third. Allen, sentenced near the end of the second period for a high stick, had just stepped onto the ice after serving his time, when he streaked to Marshieri's doorstep and rammed in the rebound after Ron Laper's chance was blocked.

Georgetown goal keeper Tom Ayers came within 20 seconds of keeping Merchants off the score sheet altogether. He appeared to have preserved his shutout when he robbed Merchant Joe Hore on Milton's best chance with a minute to go. It wasn't their last. Doug Hearn saved his club from a blanking when he broke in on Ayers with 20 seconds left and backhanded a shot between Ayers pads. The spoiler was small consolation for rooters from angle-ville.

Raiders coach Gerry Inglis had more than a finger in this pie. The Georgetown mentor plied his talent against Merchant general Murray Grenke like a chess player. Inglis pulled Russ Hartley back to the blue-line corps where he's most effective, tossed Mike Cummins and Terry Lane as a penalty killing unit at Grenke's power play reducing it to a very ordinary force; and pulled his people in the bench for a fresh replacement at the

slightest indication of leg weariness.

His forward line combinations were the same ones that he used to produce a record 14 game win string in the last part of the schedule.

His biggest role was as a needle. Pacing behind his charges on the bench Inglis was good vocal competition for the expectant crowd as he kept his club from resting each time they increased their margin.

For the Georgetown-fans the triumph proved the old adage about silence being golden. To their ears, the humbling hush that fell over the traditionally noisy Milton contingent in the third period was 24 karat.

KCE CHIPS - Georgetown meets New Hamburg in the first game of the league finals here Wednesday March 30. Game 2 is in New Hamburg Friday night, and the third back here Sunday. The balance of the seven game schedule is still to be drawn up.... Raider players got more than satisfaction out of their semi-final win. Alpine Recreational Club offered them free steam baths and rub downs.

Earl's Fish and Chip gave free orders of fish and chips and soft drinks, and a fan, Ken Robinson, will pick up the tab for a steak dinner.

A LOOK AT THE WEATHER

Table with 3 columns: Date, High, Low. Rows for March 23 Wed, 24 Thurs, 25 Fri, 26 Sat, 27 Sun, 28 Mon, 29 Tues.

2000 STRAIN MEMORIAL ARENA'S SEAMS

ARENA CUSTOMERS STAND SHOULDER TO shoulder in the street-end section of Georgetown Memorial Arena Sunday when two thousand adults and children passed by the box office to watch a Junior C hockey playoff, pitting Georgetown Raiders against Milton Merchants. The crowd is a modern day record, but not an all-time record. Fifteen years ago, 2,200 watched the intermediate version of the Raiders on a playoff encounter. An estimated 600 were in their places an hour and a half before game time Sunday, and the seats were three-quarters full an hour before play. Close to a hundred people asked and got their money refunded when they could not find vantage points half an hour before the game. However, other latecomers were willing to snatch up the ducats and take their chances.

Opinions Reversed, Council Retains Purchase Clause

With two readings approved for a by-law which would have dropped town purchase rights to industrial land fronting No. 7 Highway, council reversed its decision Monday and vetoed the by-law.

Last year Georgetown purchased an industrial acreage from Delrex Developments, receiving at the same time "first right of purchase" on 70 more highway acres, on which a ceiling price of \$5,000 per acre was set for five years.

Metropolitan Halton Developments, which subsequently bought the land from Delrex, has asked the town to waive these rights.

Last week town solicitor Fred Helson told council that the clause meant little to the town, as it does not constitute an option, and it is only a "cloud" on the firm's title to the land.

Deputy Reeve Young and Cr. Ballentine disagreed and at the deputy's request third reading of the by-law was delayed a week until Reeve Hunter returned from vacation.

On Monday, Crs. Harrison, Emmerson and Smith reversed their opinion and with Reeve Hunter also opposing the by-law it was lost by a 6-3 vote.

Cr. Hyde made a strong plea for council to "show good faith" with the developer and get off on the right foot with the new owner.

Would Extend Parking Downtown for 30 Cars

Deputy Reeve Young said he has talked to three members of last year's council, former industrial commissioners and a member of the Delrex firm and all are of the opinion that the town has a purchase right to the lands.

Reeve Hunter said if the town is to surrender its purchase rights, it should demand that a "buy back" clause which gives the development firm the right to repurchase town owned land at \$100 an acre should also be dropped.

With the reeve and deputy hurling accusations of "railroading" Cr. Hyde hotly denied this.

"There are a lot of sidewalk solicitors here tonight," he said, "and maybe I'm one of them. Perhaps the only way we can clarify this is to get an

opinion from another solicitor."

Cr. Arthur Speight expressed agreement with this.

"I've got a different opinion from another solicitor what are you going to do, get a referee?" said Mayor Gibbons.

He said the debate was away off the track, that council should be primarily concerned with getting industry.

"Here's a simple matter, something that doesn't mean anything," he said. "If we're going to get industrial assessment and more employment what are we quibbling about? We've got acres of land that we aren't even getting taxes on."

"Are you saying we don't want industry? You're asking us to release this firm from a clause in the contract. That hasn't a thing to do with industry," said Cr. Harrison.

"It could mean the difference between getting it or not," insisted the mayor.

Reeve Hunter said he can see no hurry.

"I haven't heard of any industry going on this property. If and when I'd be the first one to release the land," he said.

"Why the hurry?" said the mayor. "This was delayed a week because you weren't at last week's meeting. It's my privilege and duty to bring urgent matters before council. You're inferring there was something shady in my calling a meeting last Saturday."

"I wasn't notified of the meeting and if so I would have been here," said the reeve.

He said a motion had been on the table three weeks ago and asked why it hadn't been presented to council then.

"I didn't sign the motion then either," said Cr. Hyde, "because I wanted certain answers. I want it clearly understood that even though I suggest an opinion from another solicitor I am in full accord with the town solicitor's opinion."

At this point, the mayor and reeve continued an argument about whether an attempt had been made to contact the reeve to inform him about Saturday's meeting.

"I'll stake my seat that it was," said the mayor.

"I opposed this last week and it almost went through before other members realized the importance of the by-law," said Cr. Ballentine. "It took council eight months to make an agreement with Delrex last year, and now you want to change one of the main clauses in two weeks."

The by-law was lost on a 6-3 vote, with the mayor, Cr. Hyde and Speight the only supporters

Hillsburgh Musicians Assist At St. Paul's

In St. Paul's Baptist Church on Sunday morning, many friends from Hillsburgh Baptist Church were present, some of whom provided music for the service. Solos were sung by Miss Emily Matheson and Harry Burt. Alec Matheson and Clayton Root played a trumpet duet.

Herbert Taylor brought greetings from the Men's Brotherhood of the Guelph Association of Baptist Churches.

Next Sunday morning guests from First Baptist Church in Georgetown will visit St. Paul's. The Male Quartette will sing.

REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING SOLD

THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH building on Main Street north has been sold to an unnamed purchaser. The deal was completed last week. The large, two story structure, which was originally the station for the Toronto Suburban Electric Railway, was a dairy for many years, and briefly a discount house, before it was purchased by the Christian Reformed Church.