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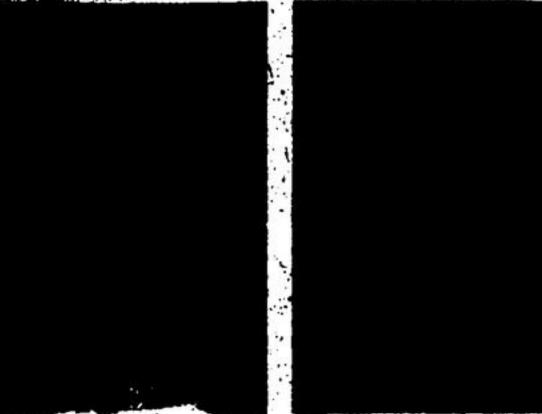
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PEOPLE PICK MAYOR MONDAY



A FORMER REEVE, JOHN ELLIOTT, and two members of council, Wheldon Steamer Emmerson, and Bob Francis are campaigning this week to win votes in the Georgetown

Prospective Industry Seeks 13 Hwy. Acres from Town

Tial land.

JOHN ELLIOTT

mayorally race.

the land until last week when, last week's deal." concerned about threatened court action by the Brumac de- Cr. Roy Ballentine said -- a yelopment firm, council voted to 50,000 foot factory on such a release its option on the land. large tract of land is away out The option came about in a of proportion to what the town talking about 200,000 square land release agreement with has demanded of other industri-Delrex Developments, original es which have purchased land owner of the land. It was pas here. sed on to Brumac when that firm acquired the Delrex as-Lets. The town sold the land to that should an industry wish to purchase it. Georgetown would have first chance to repurchase land at the \$5,000 an acre price Georgetown had received.

Some months ago, Brumaci old the land to the Induland firm which proposes to bring industrial development to town and Brumac asked council for a quit claim deed dropping its option. No action was taken until the epincil meeting on Tuesday, November 19. That night, a strong letter from Brumacs solicitors warned that if the town did not release the land that night it would take the matter to court.

Advice from the town sollcitor was received that if this happened, the decision could be untavourable to the town.

With Reeve Hunter and Cr. Emmerson in opposition, council instructed, the clerk at mayor to sign the necessary papers, and this was done of Wednesday.

At council meeting on Monis acting mayor following the ase offer from an unnamed firm offering \$8,000 an acre for ap-50,000 square feet.

"I'm of the opinion that they have also contacted Induland" that a group of conservation of-Mr. Hunter said "but Induland ficials had visited the dam site is interested in building factor- recently and it is being given are developed, then I think les for rental and this firm top priority. wants to build its own."

Cr. Robert Francis reminded council that the town has sevmac if council could still deal Finalize Land Release

They reminded us strongly we would certainly have to discuss this with Brumac" added

Cr. Jim Young was of a different opinion.

HERALD WILL BE ELECTION DETUDIA CENTRE

Up to the minute election returns of the Monday municipal election in Geergetown and Esquesing will be as close as your telephone election night, December 2nd, when the Haraid will again provide Its election night service.

You can keep posted by dialing 877-2201 after 9:00 p.m.

Brumac and say we want to exercise our option. There is no The town had an option on relationship between this and what surprised at the 50,000

Georgetown council learned| "We have found this industry, Cr. Bill Smith agreed that Monday that a prospective new and we stand to make \$1,000 tying up this many acres for a industry is interested in acquir- an acre on the land," he said small building might not be ing 13 acres of highway indust- "All we have to do is go to good business.

> Mr. Hunter sald he was somefigure in the purchase propos-

"I met these gentlemen today and I had an idea they were

Council decided to . consult "This is highway frontage the town solicitor about the backing on a residential area" matter the next day, then conthe firm, with the stipulation he said. "I would want to know tact Brumac to see what arrantoo, what type of industry it is." gement could be worked out.

WANT ESQUESING'S TOP OFFICE



GEORGE CURRIE



MALCOLM FREEMAN

A TWO MAN RACE for the Esquesing Township reeveship Gibbons' civic life. Tuesday picious return to OHA Interme- bowed 9-6. this year has Malcolm Freeman challenging Reeve George night he presided as usual at diate B play November 15 have

day, Reeve Wm. F. Hunter, who Ballentine Tells Council work, passed around a purch. Could Get-Dam in 1969

proximately 1315 acres. The firm may get its long awaited dam on surrounding lands owned by elected a councillor in 1931. He late and left around midnight but were held from running up Richardson, and Phil Lavell it again Monday night in the would build an initial factory of next year was voiced by Cr. Brumac Developments. A bridge held this position for three with an 8-8 win. Roy Ballentine Monday,

Mr. Ballentine told council costs are being ascertained.

and four land road would years, ran for mayor and serbe part of a dam project, and

"If the lands across the river Georgetown has a good chance of getting the dam next year"

The dam, he said, hinges on he said. the land and it would only be a Asks Council Meet and

Deputy Reove Arthur Speight, to a new RCAF posting at Ot- der study by Georgetown countawa, from Comox, B.C. has cil. been visiting, with his mother Mrs. Alleen Bradley and his grandmother, Mrs. S.B. Groat and other members of his fam-

Lead are pleased to welcome

dith, Sandra and Donna to Georgetown. It is boped they will enjoy their new home at 40 Wober Drive.

GOOD NEWS

underwrite costs of Georgetown mayor Wm. F. Hunter. Ambulance Service next year was received by council Monday. "Good news to see some mo- volunteer service.

of our contractual rights and SOCIAL & PERSONAL endments to a land release plan mayor at the time of is death. Mr. Brock Bradley, en route land owned by Brumac, are un-

> cil from developer Bruce Mc- in Morton's barber shop there Laughlin sald that he had intended to visit council that Friends, neighbours and rel- death of Mayor Gibbons he was shop with Freeman Kersey and atives of Barbara and Keith Mc- enclosing his proposals instead. later operating it on his own.

> > the malter.

Recently consultants for the town and the developer had met | nicipal building. in Toronto to talk the matter | Except for the Lions Club, of

ney coming in, instead of all the hospital association. News that the province will going out," remarked acting With other mayors, he had

on any final action.

Georgetown was the

In Monday Elections Mayor's Death Ends 36

Year Municipal Career



MAYOR JOSEPH GIBBONS

Thirty-six years of municipal He leaves his wife, Hattie service - 22 of them as an el-| Sykes and one sister Miss Annie ected official, 14 as an appoin- Gibbons, Guelph .. ted one, ended last Wednesday night, November 20th, when Government officials including their suppliers. Mayor Joseph Gibbons died in the provincial and federal me-Georgetown hospital. He was mbers of parliament and the rushed to hospital following a county judge joined local peoheart attack in the early even- ple in attending requiem mass to assessment commissioner

The previous week, he had ther V.J. Morgan of Acton, a "It exemplifies a lot of hard nounce that he would not be seeking re-election in December. And only two nights before he had addressed the nomination meeting, confirming his decision to retire.

the weekly council meeting, had trouble finding their secand followed this with a coffee ond victory since humbling Jack Kemshead Sr., a long time each netted one. and sandwiches party for coun- Fergus Thistles. . cil in the committee rooms. Wednesday night he was planning to attend a hydro commission meeting.

ved a ten year term. He was absent from the political scene for two years, returned in 1946 for a year as a councillor, then was elected mayor again. During his third year in the post, he resigned in the fall of 1049 to accept an appointment as the town's assessment commission-

Resigning this position after 14 years, he entered politics again with a successful campaign for the mayoralty, and was com-A number of proposed am- pleting his eighteenth term. as

A barber by trade, he was born in Eramosa township, son of John J. and Sarah Kennedy Gibbons. His parents moved to On Monday a letter to coun- Acton and he learned his trade

Coming to Georgetown in 1917, he became a Main Street night, but due to the sudden businessman, sharing a barber He asked that a special meeting The shop was the hub of muni-

> office for the mayor long before an office was created in the mu-

Mr. and Mrs. Graham Farnell, over. No report has yet been which he was a past member Mr 19 Albert St. and Mr. and Mrs. received from the consulting Gibbons' main love was politica. Stuart Young, 7 Reid , Court firm which the town engaged As mayor, he served as a memspent a recent hollday in Flori. to make a study for them, and her of the hydro commission da, staying in the Miami Beach council decided to first meet and the board of police commiswith this firm before embarking stoners. He was an honorary life member of the lawn bowling club and life member of

> the honour of having a street first named after him when the Del-Gibbons Place.

NAME HUNTER ACTING MAYOR.

Expect Heavy Ballot

At a special council meeting fore, council appointed Reeve municipal election. Wm. F. Hunter to be acting mayor for the duration of the

new year.

ning for office also decided at resent county Roman Catholics the separate school board is opthe meeting to suspend campaig- on the board of education. ping until Monday, November 25th, and contacted other candidates asking their consideration will vote for reeve, deputy and for this also.

Bill Sykes Winner In Cake Decorating

With only one year's experience in the baking business. contestant.

in the store, and the cash award, probably spent.

at the Bakery Production Club of Ontario's convention at Seaway Towers which is attended

GETS CERTIFICATE

Presentation of a certificate ing, from which he failed to ral- in Holy Cross R.C. Church on Marshall Bain was made at last Hole, William R. Smith and Jim Saturday morning. Father Ot-week's council meeting by ger DeVent officiated and Fa- Mayor Gibbons.

called a press conference fol- former pastor at Holy Cross, work" said the mayor in conlowing a council meeting to an- conducted a service at the gratulating Mr. Bain on comp-(Continued on Page 22) letion of his course.

With Five Days Left, Election Pace Steps Up in Town, Twp. With top posts being contes- est Hyde, who is a former ma-

ing the sudden death of Mayor led in both town and township yor and Sandy Mackenzie. Joseph Gibbons the night be- interest is keen in Monday's

puty reeve and six councillors, and Frank Tyrrell. Mr. Hunter will continue in Public school supporters vote office until a new mayor, to be on a representative to the new chosen from three candidates county board of education, and next Monday, takes office in the separate school supporters a As a mark of respect to the dition, the latter will also have getown on the board of educmayor, councillors who are run- a vote on two members to rep-

> In Esquesing, 4,900 residents three councillors. Separate school supporters here will vote George Currie and Malcolm for one member for the separate school board (a combined post. Deputy Reeve Thomas Hill scat with Milton and Nassagaweya). And they will also be France a candidate also. voting for the two R.C. members of the board of education.

Bill Sykes, son of the owner of Already elected by acclam-Sykes Scotch Bakery, copped allon in Georgetown are Reeve first prize in a rake decorating William F. Hunter; hydro com- mer council member James competition, Mainst a "baker's missioners John T. Armstrong Goodlet, and Percy Hicks, Kendozen" of seasoned experienced and Gerald McCallum; and wacompetitors. A fifteen minute ter commissioners Roy Ballen- ler. time limit was placed on each tine and Winston Smith. In Essure of his seat as a board of The plaque is now on display education member.

John Elliott, a past reeve and

only by professional bakers and liam Sunnucks as his opposition and Kenneth Walsh of Oak-The town's ward 2 is the most

> hotly contested. Here three present council members, John

are vying for the two seats.

. Ward 3 voters have their choice of four men, all new to Georgelowns more than 7,000 municipal politics, Harry Levy voters will choose a mayor, de- Richard Morrow, Philip Siddall

Ernest Bodnar and Gudnl Sigurdson, who are members of the high school board and pubmember of the new county lic school board, respectively. separate school board. In ad. are seeking to represent Georation. Ben Boyle, a member of posed by Ed Hayes In the separate school board election.

> Esquesing voters have their choice of the present reeve Freeman for the township's top also has opposition, with Jim

> For three council seats, voters have their choice of present councillors. Wilfrid Leslie and C. F. (Pat) Patterson, a forneth Marshall and Russell Mil-

Two Milton residents are quesing only William Lawson is seeking the separate school-seat. James Langedyke and Angelo

R.C. voters in Georgetown and sitting councillors Wheldon Esquesing who will choose two The competition took place Emmerson and Robert Francis board of education members are contesting the Georgetown have their choice of Hubert Clomayoralty. The present deputy heey, Hugh Henderson and Wilreeve Arthur Speight has Wil- llam Priestner, all of Burling-

PICKET'S IS PICK

Claude Picket of Georgetown Young and Jim Court, Mrs. showed the Grand Champion Donna Denison and James Em- Holstein cow at the Royal Winmerson, a former councillor, ter Fair. He took the honours with his first prize age cow In ward I there are three Barivue Pabst Lana. candidates, Michael Foot, Ern-

Georgetown-Acton to Renew Hockey Rivalry

home season Friday night in front of 500 fans with a rude

They lifted the lid off their to Georgetown but for some pating minutes in penalties.

soft Husky goals. Mr. Gibbons first entered surprise from Durham Huskies Raiders had a wide territorial more in a losing cause against Possibility that Georgetown what development takes place municipal politics when he was the league champs, who arrived edge for the first two periods the Harvesters, Tuesday. Doug Georgetown and Acton go at

Georgetown Intermediates who; Tuesday, Raiders played the hot Durham netminder. There was no let-up in Mr. won their first game for an aus. Harvesters in Bramalea and Paul Robinson scored three,

> Friday night's contest which Wayne Davison, who was Gefaithful Raider rooter dropping The rough game produced 74

a comfortable lead by a red both of whom missed Friday's Memorial Arena.

Blake Inglis, Don Norton and

Robinson maintained scorching pace scoring three in years.

game, and Jack Gudgeon scoreu the other Georgetown goals.

A large crowd of Georgetown followers watched this one and an even larger number is expected to click the Acton turnstiles tomorrow night when Acton Tanners host Raiders for his their first intermediate meeting



MRS. JACK KEMSHEAD SR. drops the first puck to open the home schedule of the Georgetown intermediate Raiders Fri-Canadian town to inaugurate a rex subdivision was created - day night. With her is Georgetown reeve and acting mayor Bill Hunter who accompanied the well-known Georgetown intermellate hockey fan to centre ice. The Georgetown player, at right, taking the face-off is team captain Jack Gudgeon.