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### ABOUT THOSE TEXAS SHEEP

If you've concluded those big woolly creatures roaming the Wynfield Farm just west of town must be sheep from the lone star state give yourself no points. They're llamas — and they're from Detroit. Roy Ianson, feeding the strange livestock, above, swapped for them with a friend who inherited them and many other foreign beasts when he bought out a bankrupt zoo in the motor city. Roy originally had six, but passers-by were so taken by the aloof animals they bought four. He said he did some horse trading for them just for the novelty.

## Hyde, Morrow Lock Horns Over Floodlands Permit

Tempers flared and shouting erupted, Monday night, when Crs. Ern Hyde and Ric Morrow argued over the issuing of a building permit for land on Ontario Street, which Cr. Morrow claimed is zoned conservation.

The lot in question, owned by W. Hunter Jr. fronts 70 feet on Ontario Street and runs back to the creek, roughly two hundred feet from the bridge.

In an impassioned plea, Cr. Morrow stated, "Somehow a building permit was issued for one house down by-law. I don't know how, but I'd rather fight it out in court and save the lands for future residents of the town. People will say we have made a big mistake, when they realize how valuable this land is."

Cr. W. Smith said he had been of the same opinion as Cr. Morrow and had asked for a legal opinion.

According to the lawyer's advice read out at council, the chances are high that refusal of a permit by council would be thrown out of court, because council directly or indirectly by issuing a permit for this one house now completed and located two lots nearer the river than this lot, had set a policy for land use in that area.

Cr. Ern Hyde said it was left as open space for flood control "but this land is well above any flood area." He contended the mapping was done simply to indicate the purpose, but not done by legal description and survey.

Cr. Donna Denison insisted on knowing the status of the land on the new official plan. On being informed it was non-residential Cr. Denison stated: "It isn't just this lot we'd have to sell, we'll have to sell the birthright for this whole area." For all intents and purposes, our by-law is a farce, if this goes through," she challenged.

"Anybody can see without exact lines to show them where O3 zoning is intended," contended Cr. Morrow. "There is beautiful gully on both sides I am trying to conserve these beautiful lands, which are going to be destroyed tonight by you people who vote for the building permit." He finished throwing his pencil on the table.

Cr. Hyde claimed the legal opinion stated—the precedent has been set by use, in this case another house closer to the river.

"If that's the lawyer's opin-

ion, who am I say to say" asked Cr. Smith. "I don't think any of those houses should be built," he concluded.

"Can anyone tell me how Wolfe (the owner of the existing house) got a permit in the first place," challenged Cr. Morrow.

"I suppose he asked for it and got it," retorted Cr. Smith. "If all the flood lines were hard and fast," began Cr. Ern Hyde. "The Catholic Church wouldn't be there, the Halton Co-op wouldn't be there, and some parts of Cedarvale" he remarked.

As a mature man who has been elected by the people in your Ward to provide for the future, how can you suggest that anybody could run a line anywhere else but at the edge of the ravine, not down in the valley?" countered Cr. Morrow. "We are supposed to protect not destroy," he added.

Cr. Hyde insisted it was not conservation area but flood land control zoning. "and this land could never flood" he repeated.

Holding up the map, Cr. Morrow shouted, "It says conservation right there, if you can read."

A sharp exchange took place between Crs. Hyde and Morrow, ending with chairman W. Hunter intervening. Deputy reeve Art Speight termed it a "miserable, contemptible, childish display."

The deputy reeve claimed the town had the chance to get the land for conservation, but did not pick up the option, some years back.

The vote to allow the building permit to be issued was passed with Crs. Denison and Morrow opposed. Mayor Emmerson and Cr. Levy were absent.

It's all part of an Emergency Measures Organization exercise, which is really a trial run for a similar occurrence to be staged at a later date. The difference is, that one will be sprung on the hospital staff with no prior warning.

During Wednesday's exercise, Prince Charles Drive will be closed off to traffic.

It will also be necessary to curtail visiting hours and the hospital asks anyone planning on visiting friends or relatives on that date to arrange to make their visit during the afternoon if possible.

High school students will play the role of the victims and will be made up to look the part. It was not disclosed what form the disaster would take, but will likely be a school bus accident.

This is the first such exercise for Georgetown and is designed to determine how the Georgetown hospital and other local

### NEXT STAGE ROADS PLAN GETS NOD

A \$473,000 programme for road work was okayed by council Monday night. With subsidies the town's share will amount to \$198,000.

Roads to be done are Maple Avenue from Main Street to the town limits, at a cost of \$207,000; Tyers Avenue from Edward to Maple, at a cost of \$49,000, and Delrex Avenue from Guelph Street to south of Chelvin Drive at a cost of \$50,000.

Included in the total cost is \$116,500 for storm sewers on Maple and Delrex.

The projects now await OMB approval.

### CHOO CHOO THROUGH

A steam locomotive pulling an excursion train loaded with railway buffs, puffed and snorted its way through town Sunday.

The special train, chartered by the Upper Canada Railway Society didn't stop in passing through the local yard at about 12:30. Its shrill whistle blasts were recognizable to all who recall the pre-diesel days.

### CAR SLAMS ISLAND FLIPS, DRIVER HURT

An Inglewood man, suffered severe head and chest injuries in a single car accident at the corner of Maple Avenue and Guelph Street early Saturday morning.

Gordon Sheppard, 30, was given emergency treatment at Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital and then transferred to Toronto General where his condition is poor.

Police said Sheppard was driving west on Guelph Street when his car rammed the traffic island at the intersection and tipped over. Sheppard was thrown from the vehicle.

Constable Charlie Harrison placed damage to the car, a 1964 Rambler at \$1,000, and \$350 damage to a concrete light standard on the island.

The accident happened at 8:40 a.m.

Ronald R. Brown of 7 Emery Street escaped injury in another automobile accident later the same morning. He was northbound on Main Street and turning to go east on Mill when an unidentified car pulled up in front of him. When he braked, his car skidded sideways hitting a hydro pole.

# School Girl Killed After Leaving Bus

## Smith Proposes Crosswalk System for Town Streets

Cr. W. Smith suggested to council that crosswalks be instituted in town, Monday night, following a discussion of the tragic death of a five year old girl Friday.

He claimed that the citizens as a whole are adhering to the new road markings, and felt it was the best solution.

Prior to the discussion a letter from Ronald Dodokin was read reminding council that he had brought the intersection of Park and Charles to their attention two weeks ago. He acknowledged that road markings and warning signs had been erected subsequent to his letter, but claimed the council and the school shared some responsibility "for their inability to anticipate such a situation."

He advocated a school crossing guard be stationed at this point.

In conclusion he urged council "to overcome its bureaucratic lethargy and act in a positive, responsible manner now before other accidents occur."

Cr. Donna Denison stated she had called Trustee Ernie Bodnar on the subject and he suggested school safety patrols be set up to act as crossing guards. (This system was in operation in town for several years, but when the senior public schools were formed, leaving no Grade 7 and 8 pupils in the junior schools the school board of that day felt grade 6 students were too young to have that responsibility.)

Cr. Ern Hyde stated the letter was misleading, since the child did not come from Park School, as it said, and the school bus was not parked on Charles Street.

Acting mayor W. F. Hunter admitted he had been surprised to find out that cars did not have to stop both ways for a school bus when it was within the town limits.

The crosswalk idea will be discussed at the next committee meeting.

### IS IT A FIRE? ONLY FIREMEN WILL KNOW

The "beepers" which will replace the wailing of the fire siren, have been delivered.

The thirty-one beepers costing \$6,196 will be issued to and will soon be in operation, the firemen who will be alerted to a fire without the use of the siren.

Many local residents, especially those living near the sirens will be delighted with disappearance of the sirens, but others feel they won't know what's going on.

The delay at the moment, is due to setting up and tuning of the 3" by 5" instruments, according to deputy reeve Art Speight, chairman of the fire committee. They have to be tuned to the wave length the town will use.

### FIND MAN BEATEN IN APARTMENT

A Georgetown man was found apparently beaten in his Water Street apartment Monday, but the circumstances are still a mystery.

James H. Blair of 21 Water Street is in a Toronto hospital in critical condition his wounds reportedly inflicted by a blunt instrument.

At press time, further details were not available. Police refused to comment.

Georgetown Police Department and the Ontario Provincial Police are continuing the investigation.

No arrests have been made.

## Six Year Old Struck by Car Dies in Hospital, Friday Afternoon

Six year old Suzanne Schipper was buried in Glen Williams Cemetery, Monday afternoon, following a funeral service in the Christian Reformed Church beside her school on the 7th Line of Esquesing.

The grade one pupil at Georgetown District Christian School died in hospital Friday of injuries suffered when she was struck by a car at the corner of Park and Charles Street at about 3:40 p.m. after leaving the school bus.

A police report says she got off the bus after it stopped on the north side of Charles Street west of Park, walked to the corner and started to cross on the marked crossing zone when she was hit. The car was driven by Mrs. Verna Prouse of 11 Margaret Street.

The child was pronounced dead at Georgetown & District Memorial Hospital where she was rushed in a cruiser by Constable John Lyver.

The entire Georgetown District Christian School enrolment attended the church funeral where the dead girl's classmates sang "Jesus Loves Me" as part of the service.

Suzanne was the daughter of Ed and Betsy Schipper, R.R. 4 Georgetown, partners in the Golden Fish and Chip store downtown. It was to the store that the girl was going when the accident happened. She also leaves a sister, Judy, and brother Bryan.

The fatality was the first on Georgetown streets in four years.

## Council Debates Debating Delegations Get One Shot

### NIX ADS FOR PROCLAMATIONS

Council will not advertise any more proclamations other than the mandatory Civic Holiday, Boxing Day, and the changes from standard to daylight saving time they decided Monday night, over the objections of Deputy Reeve Art Speight.

The deputy reeve claimed some causes were worth endorsing by proclamation, and he would oppose the measure.

Reeve W. F. Hunter, acting mayor for the night, stated such proclamations had cost the town around a thousand dollars last year. "We wonder if they are read, or if any attention is paid to them," he concluded.

A move by Crs. Ric Morrow and Donna Denison to allow council delegations to participate in open debate for a maximum of fifteen minutes was defeated on a close 4-3 vote, Monday night Cr. Harry Levy and mayor Emmerson were absent.

The move would have changed the system from the present which allows delegations to speak as long as they wish but once finished, they can make no rebuttal. The Monday night motion would still have adhered to the advance notice now necessary.

Cr. Ern Hyde termed it "a backward step" saying "existing procedure allows citizens to present their views but doesn't take up the hours they used to take up."

Deputy Reeve Art Speight contended some people could not get their point across at first and should be allowed rebuttal.

"Because of personal experience when I was not in council," maintained Cr. Ric Morrow "I know how frustrating it can be when you can't reply. This is one thing I wanted to do when I got into council," he added.

Cr. Morrow claimed further, that very seldom do delegations take the fifteen minutes. "It may not be good business, but we're not running a business, and the opportunity should be here for the people who are paying the money," he concluded.

Cr. Sandy Mackenzie disagreed, feeling that the rebuttal would lead to more antagonism. "I think anyone has the right to speak, and if not satisfied come back to council, or come to committee."

"Some people ask a question as a starting point," contended Cr. Denison, "but if the answer does not satisfy them, they cannot say any more. I think it's unfair."

Stating he had served in council under both systems, Cr. W. Smith favoured the present system saying it was much more efficient.

"The chairman takes the whole load, the minute you allow debate" commented Cr. Ern Hyde.

"It's our duty to listen to any citizen with a grievance" said the deputy reeve, "He should be able to say why the answer he was given does not satisfy him" he added.

Acting mayor W. Hunter disapproved of the fifteen minute time limit, and suggested also, there only be one rebuttal allowed.

The vote showed only deputy-reeve Speight and Cr. Morrow and Denison in favour, so the motion was lost.

### GAIN THAT HOUR BACK SUNDAY

The hour's sleep that has been missing since the spring will be recovered this weekend with the return to Standard Time. Remember to turn your clock back one hour before retiring Saturday night.

## Apple Day Sees 35 Bushels Disappear

Thirty-five bushels of apples disappeared Saturday, when two hundred eager Cubs and Scouts swarmed all over town offering them to any and all potential customers.

A total of \$420 was raised, which will be individually divided equally among the seven

groups who took part.

The apples were purchased from Gord Laidlaw on the 5th Line, and the banks in which the nickels and dimes were gathered, were donated by Campbell's Soup.

All the Cub packs and Scout troops within the town partici-

pated in the onslaught on the residents' pocketbooks, most of which were opened willingly to please a boyish face as much as to munch a crunchy apple.

Ron McIntyre, a member of the Georgetown District Boy Scout council, was in charge of this year's Apple Day.



First Georgetown Scouts sample the product during an apple polishing session Friday night. They call it quality control.