

Five stand for Rockwood trustees

Three to be elected



SANDY HUDSON



DON HILTS



STAN HARRIS



BERT SMITH



DAVE ROWE

Friday night's nomination meeting for the naming of Rockwood village trustees set a new precedent when nine names were proposed for office and five allowed their names to stand on the election slate.

As township councillor Warren Parkinson so aptly put it "maybe it's the sewer and water proposition that's the hot potato" but, whatever it is election fever in Rockwood is hitting at high pitch and there will be no apathetic voting attitudes this year. The town hall which at the 1969 nomination meeting was practically devoid of spectators had a tremendous turnout of citizens who were anxious that enough names be submitted to create the necessity of an election with no trustees sliding into position by acclamation.

Murray bows out
Nominated as chairman for the evening's events Charles O'Brien first called on the incumbent trustee board members to speak and last year's chairman, convey their platforms to the audience. Ken Murray last year's chairman said that although he had enjoyed his years on the board he was bowing out this year and did not intend to qualify.

He thanked his supporters for their confidence but felt that after all his years of office it was time somebody else stepped into his position. He referred to the progress the village had made during his terms. Mr. Murray said no headway had been made on the installation of the proposed water and sewage system since last summer but imagined that there would be a meeting of the Ontario Municipal Board in the new year and something conclusive would possibly be done at that time.

He further mentioned two matters which he hoped that the new trustee board would consider and follow up on. One was the updating of the billing system for the hydro and also the installation of new street signs. He thanked his past trustee members for their co-operation and also Mr. O'Brien.

Smith speaks
Herb Smith another 1969-70 trustee, then was asked to speak. After thanking his nominators he gave a short resume of the progress which had resulted since his term of office and said that he would let his name stand and if elected to office he would try to assist in any way possible. He felt that as the only incumbent trustee the job required at least one man with experience to help the new board and with regional government slated, Rockwood could be an important place.

Dave Rowe was called upon next as first of the nominated candidates. He expressed his pleasure that so many people had taken an interest in the meeting. "I will devote all my time and energy to the job and to the mutual benefit of the village and hopefully to many people's appreciation."

Mr. Rowe felt that he had the time and enthusiasm to donate which would be required for public interest.

A past candidate who asked the citizens to refer back to increased hydro rates in 1969 was Don Hilts. He referred to matters which he had been involved with during his years on the board and felt that, at this time, an important issue was that of the sewers and water. He would do his best to see the matter would be conducted to the best interests of the people in Rockwood.

Mr. Hilts was on the board at the time of the initial proposal of the Ontario Water Resource Commission to make the instalment.

"Hot potato"
Bob Leslie said that he would withhold a definite decision but that he was interested in Don's comments on the town water business. He referred to the issue as a "hot potato" and said that he would certainly not want to make any commitments for any board other than he'd say "I'd try to be responsible."

"The people on the board must have a responsible and sensible approach to the information as it lays. If we go ahead with this approach then there would leave no questionable decisions made on how things would be done." He referred to the long drawn out business of the installation of storm sewers a few years previously and felt that, in the case of any work done, proper controls should exist, with fines as penalties, if job is not kept in accordance with the contract itself.

He personally thanked past trustee chairman Ken Murray for his several years of office and said that he recognized the many hours of time consuming effort required. Although Mr. Leslie said that he was most interested in the community he would like to withhold his decision.

Objective look
Sandy Hudson, next nominee, said that if elected he would look at it objectively as to what was good for Rockwood. He said he didn't know exactly what the overall effect of the sewer and water installations will be in the village but "I should like to echo Bob Leslie and say, I would do a lot of listening and at the moment I am uncommitted."

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He commended various leaders in the community for the work in areas such as the fire department, the fire chief, and working in the park and recreational fields. Saturday's qualifying hour with the 9 p.m. deadline the township office saw the original nine man election slate reduced to five candidates for the office of village trustee.

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that he, too, would resign from the executive of the Association.

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Cam Lush steps down



SECOND SECTION

ACTON, ONTARIO, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1970

Election in Eramosa for reeve, council

The decision to step down from his office as reeve of Eramosa Township had been hinted at by Cam Lush during last year's plunge into elections, at which time he was declared elected reeve by acclamation. When his name was sponsored for this year's elections, however, Mr. Lush thanked his nominators but declined saying that he had

enjoyed his years of service to the community but felt it was time someone else had the opportunity of taking over.

The township nomination meeting was held last Saturday and nominations between the hours of 1 to 2 p.m. sparked controversy and excitement with challenges, shifts, and returns to the race by former councillors

and aspirants for the new positions of reeve, deputy-reeve and three council members. Two men earlier proclaimed their intention to vie for the position of reeve only and if not elected would be off township council.

Up or out
Jimmie Milne, deputy-reeve,

said he was allowing his name to be put in one place and there was only one way to go, up or out. He said he enjoyed his years on council and right now under Mr. Lush's management, the township was in good shape. He paid special tribute to Clerk Lloyd Hindley and referred to him as the man to go to for information and assistance. "If you don't know the answers" said Mr. Milne, "Mr. Hindley is the best man in the best position to ask."

He made reference to the Wellington County Board of Education and the recent unemployment problems in the township which, said Mr. Milne, are not getting any better. He expressed his concerns on this matter and talked about his county board affiliations in the Wellington-Dufferin-Guelph and on the progress of the new Elora home called "Wellington Haven" which will soon be completed.

Jimmie Milne has served a number of years on the Rockwood Board of Trustees and moved into the councillor position on the Township of Eramosa to which he had been elected and served for a period of five years, two as councillor and three as deputy-reeve an office to which he was appointed by acclamation last year.

Place for new ideas
Duncan McPhedran said that he felt that he spent five years on council of Eramosa and that there were places for new people with new ideas on the council. He

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JIMMIE MILNE



WARREN PARKINSON

Eramosa

REEVE
(one to be elected)
Jimmie Milne
Warren Parkinson

DEPUTY-REEVE
Duncan McPhedran (accl.)

COUNCILLORS
(three to be elected)
Bill Adsett
Ken Fair
John Hewitt
George Lindblad
Dick Strong

RE-ELECT BERT SMITH
FOR
Rockwood Village Trustee
"FAIR CONSIDERATION TO ALL"



DUNCAN MCPHEDRAN (acclaimed)

Responsible Municipal Government
IS THE RESULT OF A RESPONSIBLE VOTE
"You Have a Choice"
YOUR SUPPORT ON DEC. 7TH WILL BE APPRECIATED
STANLEY C. HARRIS
Candidate for Rockwood Trustee Board



ERAMOSIA TOWNSHIP
THANK YOU . . .
FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING YOU ON COUNCIL 1968-69-70
BE SURE
OF CONTINUED TRULY REPRESENTATIVE RESPONSIBLE LOCAL GOVERNMENT BY RE-ELECTING THE ONLY COUNCIL CANDIDATE WHO HAS CURRENT COUNCIL EXPERIENCE.

FOR RE-ELECTION I OFFER:

- 3 years of faithful representation.
- 15 years varied business experience.
- Familiarity with local problems through life long residence.
- Understanding representation for the farmer and the commuting urban worker because I am and have been both of these.
- Proven active involvement in municipal issues, church and community affairs including studies of Regional Economic Development and Regional Government.

— One of Council Representatives to Eramosa Recreation Committee.

— Director Mid Western Ontario Regional Tourist Council and member of New Projects and Public Relations Sub-Committee.

— The conviction that membership in Council represents a serious job, not a part time hobby.

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED

I HAVE WORKED FOR YOU AND I'M STILL WILLING—

FOR COUNCIL
RE-ELECT
ON DEC. 7, 1970

ADSETT Wm. H. X
YOUR SUPPORT IS APPRECIATED!



GEORGE F. DAY
Candidate for Wellington County Board of Education
(Townships of Guelph, Eramosa, Erin, Village of Erin)
SECTY-TREAS. OF FORMER ERAMOSIA SCHOOL BOARD FOR 13 YEARS
VOTE A CANDIDATE WITH EXPERIENCE
I would appreciate your support on Dec. 7th



GEORGE A. (SANDY) HUDSON
TRUSTEE CANDIDATE
VILLAGE of ROCKWOOD

I solicit your vote on the basis that I am in favour of water and sewers but NOT at any price and NOT under the terms of the proposal published in the newspapers last August. I believe that a better method of payment has to be negotiated with the O.W.R.C. and the final cost has to be determined before I or anyone else can approve or disapprove of the proposal.

I also believe that the changes which will result from the introduction of water and sewers should be kept to a minimum to retain the present character of the village.

Plan to divert Fourth Line around conservation area

The Grand River Conservation Authority will include \$90,000 in its 1971 budget estimates to cover the cost of diverting the Fourth Line, Eramosa, which now runs through the Rockwood Conservation Area.

The project will be carried out with the co-operation of Eramosa township council which is including \$29,000 in its own 1971 budget to construct a bridge and culvert on the new road diversion.

The engineering report pointed out that the present road (Eramosa Township 4th Line) has created several problems for the authority and the township. The heavily travelled road is difficult to maintain and there is a problem of safety because the road passes through the conservation area's camp sites. Aggravating the situation are two narrow bridges which help tie up traffic on busy days. Authority officials claim that under the present situation there is no way of controlling access to the conservation area. Many people park along the township road and enter the park without paying.

said the road diversion is a "good economic move". The conservation area's revenue should increase because people will not be able to enter the park without paying admission fees.

Wellington

BOARD OF EDUCATION
(three to be elected)
George Day
Jack Gilchrist
Gordon Gregson
Russell Sears
David Wright

Erin Twp.

REEVE
Lloyd Lang
Stan Fuller

DEPUTY-REEVE
Donald Matheson (accl.)

COUNCIL (accl.)
Harold Griffin
William McLean
Bert Wheeler