



TOY CANNON DISPLAY belonging to Ron Hargreaves of Oakawa (left) caught the fancy of youngsters Clark and Gary DeLong of Galt at Sunday's Halton Antique Arms Association gun show held at Acton



SHOWING OFF his attractive display of colt firearms is Paul MacKinnon of Thornhill.—(Staff Photo)

Fewer meetings, more work G'town reeve recommends

Georgetown Reeve Rick Morrow called for re-organization of what he referred to as the terribly inefficient committee system at Halton County Council during their February meeting held last week.

He said the number of committees should be reduced and the number of items dealt with at each meeting increased. He said members would increase the efficiency of the operation if they had longer committee meetings and fewer of them.

Morrow's initial attack on the system was launched during a discussion on the hiring of additional people for the department of Social and Family

Services. Chairman of that committee Reeve Ron Harris asked county council's approval before the matter went to personnel due to the urgency of the matter.

By-pass channel

When Burlington Reeve Jim Swanborough questioned the move to bypass personnel, Morrow said he had become disillusioned with the committee system. He said any one item had to go through too many committees before finally being passed.

Later during the meeting Morrow challenged Nassagaweya Reeve Mrs. A. MacArthur in a debate about the museum board. He pointed out there were

12 members, all drawing pay, and suggested not nearly that many people were necessary to run the show.

Inefficient

Mrs. MacArthur suggested the museum was being run efficiently and she argued there was too much emphasis on efficiency and not enough on human needs. Morrow calculated the cost of committee fees for the museum to be \$2,000 a year, providing they met only once a month.

After considerable discussion County Council agreed to hire one field worker and one clerical worker as soon as possible for Social and Family Services.

Lawyers honored elect new slate

Honorary life memberships in the Halton County Law Association were awarded to three area lawyers on Monday evening, Feb. 15 at the annual meeting and dinner in Burlington. Thomas A. Hutchinson of Milton, E. Hughes Cleaver of Burlington and Cecil E. Putman of Oakville received the memberships.

Three others who received honorary memberships were Ontario Attorney General Arthur A. Wishart, James W. Snow, MPP for Halton East, and Rud Whiting, MP for Halton. Mr. Whiting also accepted an award for Federal Minister of Justice John N. Turner. In return, Mr. Whiting presented the

association with a book entitled "Stones of History" and a copy of the Bill of Rights and Canadian flag declaration, autographed by John Diefenbaker, on behalf of Mr. Turner.

McWilliams awarded

A touch of humor was provided when ex-crown attorney Peter McWilliams of Oakville was given the "Dastardly Digit of Destiny" award by his colleagues for his controversial stand on marijuana and criticisms of judicial decisions. The trophy was presented by association president Doug Latimer, and was a take-off on Rowan and Martin's "Flying Fiddle Finger of Fate".

Retired Halton Sheriff Andrew W. Frank of Milton was given a humidor of cigars by Allan A. Russell, Ontario deputy minister of justice, and his successor Mac Sprawl received a pair of cuff links. Newly-appointed provincial judge William Sharpe was presented with a gavel.

Election of new association officials also took place at the dinner. Crown Doug Latimer relinquished his position as president to Oakville lawyer Murray J. Haesler. Latimer, who is a Georgetown resident, was elected secretary by the 10-member board of directors.

Jack R. Belleghem of Georgetown became vice-president and John Ford of Oakville was given the job of treasurer.

Directors

1971 members of the board of directors are William Perras of Oakville, Ronald Dodokin of Georgetown, David Thompson of Milton, and Donald Green, William Hawken and T. R. Sutherland of Burlington.

Other guests at the dinner included several judges and court officials and presidents of the Peel, Wellington and Hamilton law associations.

Seek new appraiser disallow W. Hunter

A motion authorizing William F. Hunter Real Estate in Georgetown to appraise the Coulter property in Campbellville was shot down at Halton County Council last week.

Georgetown Reeve Rick Morrow (who defeated Hunter in the last election) challenged the motion. He said appraising property was a complex business and the job should be given to someone who had taken the appraisers' course. He said no one in the Hunter firm had those qualifications. He added it wasn't proper to give him the job before others who were qualified, and noted Mr. Hunter had served on county council recently.

"Save thank"

Milton Reeve Ron Harris said the recommendation "stuck out like a sore thumb" when he read it.

Mover of the original motion, Reeve Tom Hill of Easington suggested no one on the committee knew of anyone who could do the job. Roads chairman

Reeve Jim Swanborough from Burlington suggested it was such a small amount of money it wasn't worth debating.

Challenged

He was challenged by Morrow when he suggested all they wanted was a letter suggesting the appraised value, not a study. "That's not what the resolution says," Morrow retorted. He added appraisals could run into a fair amount of money.

The recommendation was referred back for further consideration.

When Graham Richards was appointed to the Burlington Hospital Board later in the meeting, Reeve Hill quipped "yah, let's take him, nobody knows him so he's okay."

The County is interested in purchasing the parcel of land in Campbellville for road widening purposes. Consideration has been given to selling the part of land that they don't need to Halton Region Conservation Authority.

Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

If you look at these hands you won't see anything unusual about them. In fact, I wouldn't notice anything except that no one bid game when these hands came up at the Acton Bridge Club.

West dealt with North-South vulnerable.

NORTH	EAST
S-A 6 3	S-J 9 5
H-10 6 3	H-K Q 9 8 5
D-8 9	D-7 4
C-Q J 10 8 4	C-K 9 6

Suggested Bidding:

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
PASS	PASS	PASS	1 S
PASS	2 C	PASS	3 S
PASS	4 S	ALL PASS	

Opening lead - Seven of clubs.

South is the only hand to hold enough points to open the bidding and he does so with a bid of one spade. North holds enough points (at least 10) to respond at the two level. After North bids two clubs, South must take some positive action. Two South players chose to bid just two spades and the bidding died right there. In another auction, West came in with diamonds and played at four diamonds, down several.

Age 65 is limit for county staffers

After 1974, staff members with Halton County will be required to retire at age 65. A motion brought to the February meeting of the County Council from the personnel committee noted the retirement policy would be mandatory and no exceptions would be made.

The policy set out by Georgetown Reeve Rick Morrow calls for a man age 69 during the first six months of 1972 to retire in June of 1972, while a person turning 68 in the last six months of 1972 will retire in December 1972.

Accordingly a staff member who turns 67 during the first six months of 1973 retires June 1973 and a man turning 66 during the last six months of 1973 would retire in December of 1973. A man turning 65 during the first six months of 1974 would retire in June of 1974 and thereafter the retirement age would be 65 for all staff members.

MacArthur opposed

Nassagaweya Reeve Mrs. A. MacArthur opposed the resolution, noting some good staff members are still very valuable after their 65th birthday. She said it might be a very "efficient" notion but there should be more consideration to human needs.

"She sympathized with the man or woman put out of a job with nowhere to go."

Deputy Reeve of Acton Pat

McKenzie supported the motion and noted it allowed members of the staff ample time to provide for retirement.

Warden F. G. Oakes said the motion could be rescinded at any time and that exceptions could be made to the rule if it were necessary. Mr. Morrow warned about the dangers of making an exception.

Budget April 1

Mayor Doby at the regular council meeting Tuesday said the budget committee was "off and running and expects to come up with the budget figures April 1."

The first meeting of the budget committee is scheduled for Friday, February 26. It is anticipated the Halton county board of education figures will be available by March 15.

The annual race to the wire culminates with the issuance of the 1971 tax bills.

Various committees and local bodies submit their estimated expenditures to the budget committee and the final figures are presented then.

Jury tours buildings most in good condition

Results of the semi-annual inspection of Halton County Jail, Halton Children's Aid Society, County Administration Building and Halton Centennial Manor were completed by the Grand Jury Tuesday of last week and placed before the Hon. Mr. Justice Hughes.

The jury reported all prisoners at the jail were in the course of trial, or had been heard. Some of the inmates complained of the smell from the sewers around a corridor and this area was also found to be dirty, with cigarette butts along the floor behind the pipes. Physical activities seemed to be limited. One member of the jury, E. G. Ryder, is a former Governor of the Halton Jail.

The Children's Aid Society was in clean and adequate condition considering the age and type of

the building and the number of personnel utilizing the facilities. The jury recommended checking with the Oakville Recreation Committee about free swimming at one of their pools for children domiciled in the Oakville group home.

County Administration Building was found to be in excellent condition, however rather warm. Their only recommendation was that some windows be opened, especially in the Jury Rooms.

An extensive inspection of the Halton Manor was provided by Superintendent Stan Allen. The building was clean and well maintained and the food was excellent. The jury reported after speaking to many of the senior citizens that all appeared happy and had no complaints.

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