

Zoning bylaw changes reviewed

Although planning board members had expected to discuss annexation at their last meeting, a discouraging letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs caused them to change their agenda. Instead, a lengthy discussion on proposed changes in the town's zoning bylaw evolved.

Discrepancies and omissions had been detected since the last full printing of the zoning bylaw. Since copies are now becoming scarce and another printing is due, the changes will be made and incorporated.

That shelves it
Planning board secretary Grant Usher read the letter from the Department of Municipal Affairs which squelched the town's hopes for annexation. The letter said annexations in Peel and Halton had been discouraged and deferred and there was no reason to think any differently. "That shelves it," said chairman Sid Saitz, "after that long delay."
"To tell us nothing," added Lou Bonnette.
Bill Coats said council was not content to let the matter drop. Planning board had originally initiated inquiry about annexation in July, 1970.

Two hearings
Two hearings are set for Nov. 30 in the town hall, as a result of applications.

Ed Hufnagel applied for a severance; he has agreed to sell his landlocked small piece of property to neighbors J. Van der Brink and F. Houston.

Pearl Lazenby is applying for a minor variance to build a carport to within four feet of a side yard line; the set limit is six feet. Two abutting driveways are involved.

Start in December
Discussion of the zoning bylaw changes were first discussed by planning board last December. Items up for decisions range adding one asterisk, to the as-yet unsolved problem of ownership of the altered shoreline of Fairy Lake.

Eleven points were discussed and recommendations will be forwarded to council. Then bylaws will be passed and an amount included in the budget for the next printing.

Planning board and council are "hung up" on the matter of the high water mark limiting boundaries on Fairy Lake.

The planning consultant has expressed his opinion the land should be surveyed, but Mayor Dudy added surveys differ, too.

Commercial problems
At present Commercial Holding zonings make no provision for additions or repairs to the houses in these areas. No decision was reached.

There is also no provision for rebuilding, non-conforming houses after loss by fire of buildings in the Commercial

zoning. To assist owners, members agreed to set an 80 per cent loss figure beyond which the owner could not rebuild.

The board's planning consultant will be asked for clarification of a recreation building and corner lot obstruction dimensions.

Other corrections include adding "side" yard to front and rear designations in one section; correcting side yard minimums for semi-detached or double

duplex buildings. Present were chairman Sid Saitz, members Frank Simoni, Lou Bonnette, Bill Coats, Vic Bristow, Norm Elliott, Les Dudy and secretary Grant Usher. The meeting was held in the council chamber last Thursday.

GOLDEN Age club's Christmas dinner is slated for next Tuesday in the Legion Hall.



ICY GREETING FOR QUACKERS

"Fowl" ice landings delight spectator

Someone facetiously labelled it "fowl play" when wild ducks and geese tried to land on frozen Fairy Lake early Tuesday morning.

Covered by its first thin sheet of transparent ice, the wild ducks came in expecting to splash into the water. Instead they bounced off the ice and did topsy-turvy landings on the ice surface.

Attraction drawing the wild fowl were ducks and Canada geese harbored in the lake by the parks board, and parks manager Harold Townsley calling them for breakfast.

"You could almost see a look of surprise on their faces when they landed on that ice," laughed early morning spectator Jack Carpenter. "They waddled and

tumbled all over the place. But the biggest surprise was to the geese who thumped into the ice with all their weight."

Later that day the parks board fowl "goose stepped" down the lake ice in a line like a troop of corporals, seeking wet spots where ice had melted.

A large flock of wild ducks came in to join the Canadas and

tame ducks, taking refuge at centre ice when spectators approached.

Most popular watering spots are where the two creeks join the lake behind the park drill shed, an open stretch easily discernible from Elizabeth Drive.

Brownie enrolment for 29 Friday

The scout hall was packed Friday evening when 29 Brownies were enrolled as Brownies by commissioner Mrs. Rose Hall. There was a good turnout of parents including the groups' Father of the Year, Norman Tonge, whose daughter was being

enrolled. New Brownies from the Third Acton Pack were Teresa Scott, Susan Tonge, Colleen Colton, Rhonda Parsons, Linda Henderson, Diane Wilson, Mickey Phillips, Marty Phillips, Lynn Phillips, Yvonne Cunningham,

ham, Marie LaMarsh. One of the girls, Ann Bomans, was absent due to illness.

From the Second Acton Pack — Karen Ann Haskell, Lisa Thomas, Lynn Kearley, Gail Robb, Debbie McQuade, Kitty

Payne, Beverly Kilby, Elizabeth Belogh, Linda Dunciffe, Cindy Elliott, Denise Patton, Kelly Dunciffe, Tyra McKinnon, Kathy Payne, Linda Patton, Robin House, Brenda Dredge, Cindy Pettibone.

Inscoe applies heat for arena heat

Parks and recreation member Barry Inscoe has put the heat on his committee to get some heat in the Acton arena.

Inscoe made his pitch for installation of gas heaters in the arena at Thursday night's parks meeting.

"I think it's about time we took a long objective look at putting heaters in there," he told committee members. "The arena is the focal point of activity in this community in the winter time," he said.

Impressed
Inscoe said he was very impressed with gas heaters presently in use in the Fergus arena. He said the Fergus arena manager had told him they were very economical.

Leaders assist
Leaders assisting were, from the Third Pack Brown Owl Mrs. Shirley Scott, Tawny Owl Mrs. Ann Cathcart, Snowy Owl Christine Forbes, Packy Jennifer Rowe, and from the Second Pack, Brown Owl Mrs. Pat van der Eycken, Tawny Owl Brenda McClure and Snowy Owl Lynne Simoni.

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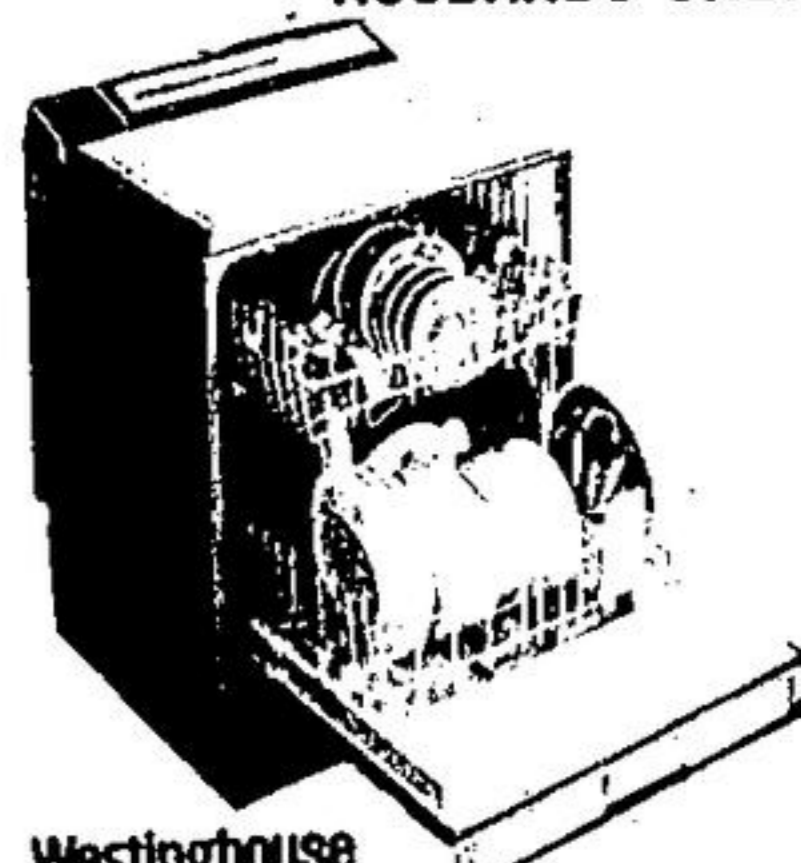
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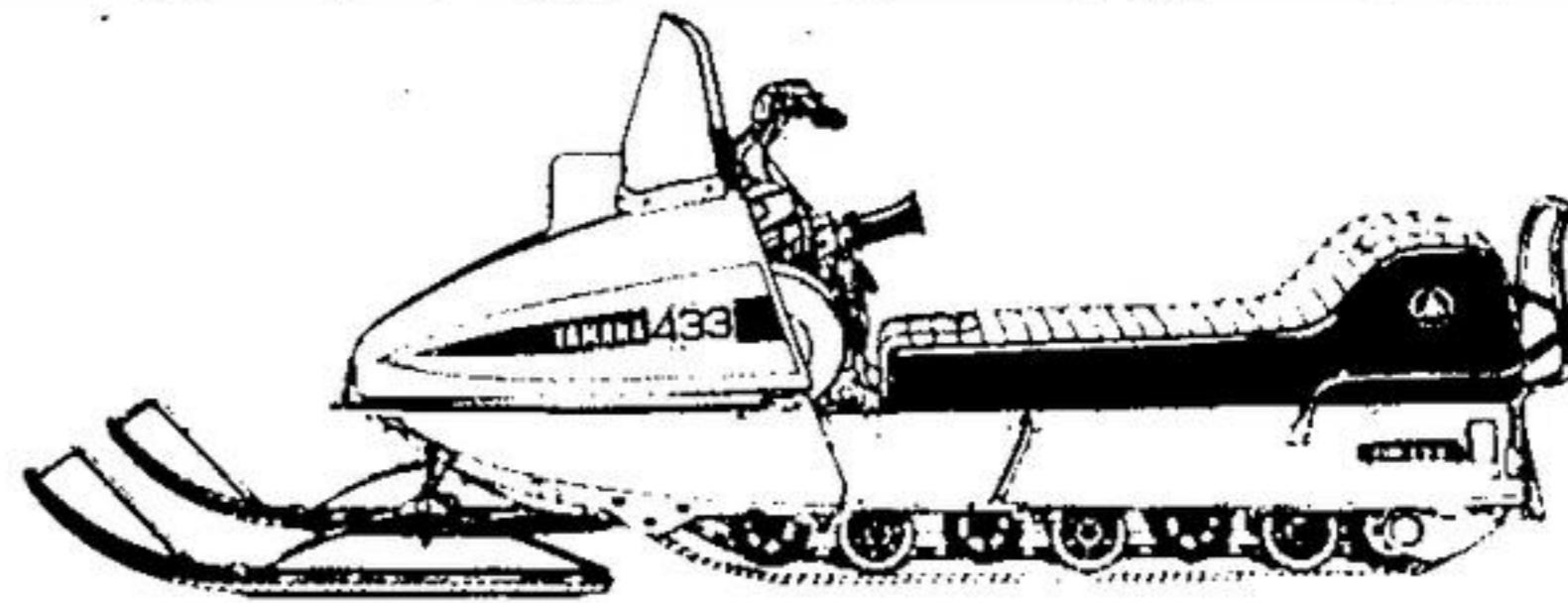
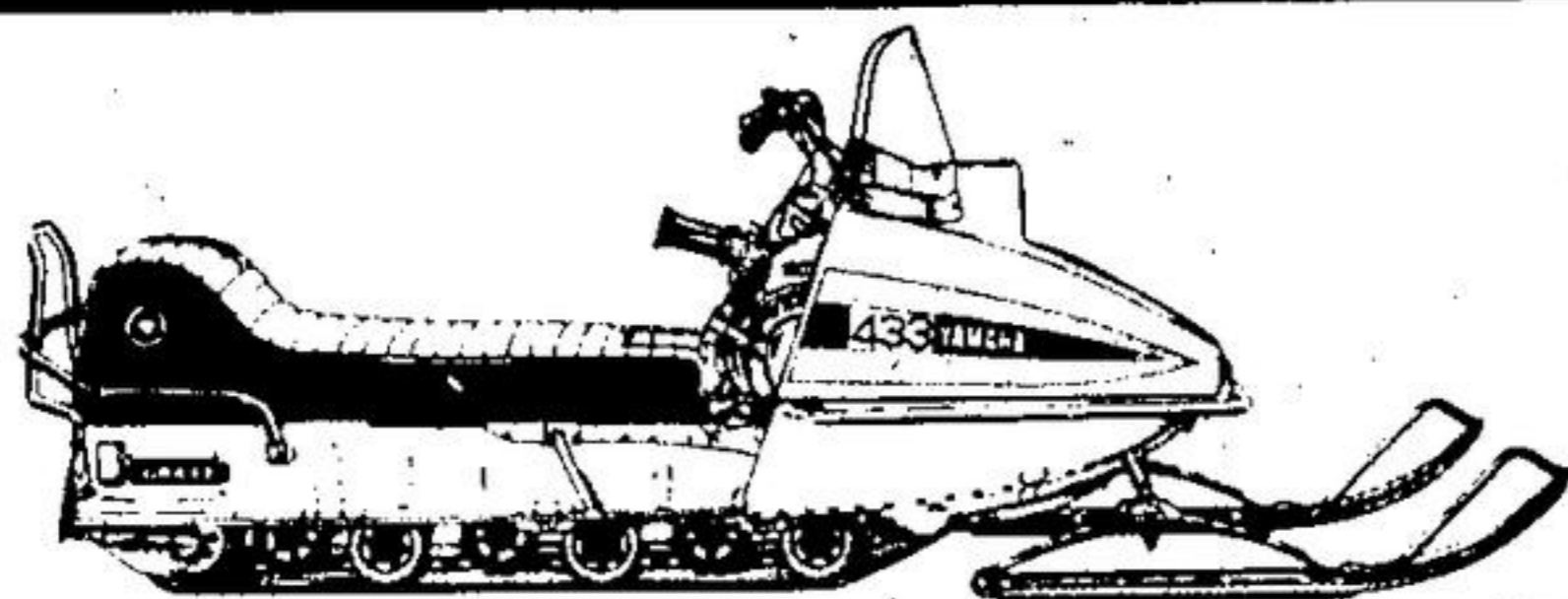


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