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Erin Twp. Council briefs

Refuse to invest in bridge work

At the regular monthly meeting, Erin Township Council:

-Heard recommendations for tax write-offs totalling \$2,029.65. Included were taxes on businesses considered uncollectable by treasurer Bert Berry, where the owners had moved away.

Mr. Berry pointed out that utilities such as the telephone company, churches, cemeteries, the fire hall, community centre, library, shed, and pump house, were all wrongly listed on the tax roll because the IBM machine had not picked them out as being ex tax-

There were also refunds totalling \$301.41 and overpayments of

When questioned why the community telephone, a private company, was exempt, Mr. Berry informed council that instead of taxes, the company pays a grant of five per cent of taxable income on

-Met with Lester Prouse, appearing on behalf of the Colossus Development Corp., who asked for approval of a subdivision plan

subject to agreement on roads. The 94 lot subdivision will be bounded by the Eighth Line and 15 Sideroad, adjacent to Erin Village. Plans are underway to begin

Mr. Prouse pointed out the matter concerning the township is the share of costs of bringing the roads up to standard. There was also a question of who owned a bridge that needed work.

Reeve Lloyd Lang advised not only that the township doesn't own it, but the county also declines ownership. He went on to say that Erin Village and the township split road maintenance cost now on the stretch in question, but the village refuses to put money into reconstruction. Since all benefits of the subdivision will go to the village, the township decided not to invest money in it either.

Deputy-Reeve Donald Matheson summed up. "They can have our approval, but road negotiations should be between the village and the

-Agreed that \$50 per month was too little money for weekly garbage pick-up from 40 homes in Mountainview Subdivision, Erin. O. J. Hearn will now receive \$70, retroactive to January 1.

-Learned that Dog Control Officer Alec Duncan was threatened after appearing in court to collect unpaid dog taxes.

A Guelph judge had instructed Mr. Duncan to check to see if two dog owners disposed of their animals within the month, but the owners warned him against appearing on the property, he told Council. He was further instructed to take along a police officer.

-Learned that George Herrington of Limehouse is willing to drive to Erin township and the villages, one day a week, to collect dogs running loose. He would come varying days and charge \$15 each trip.

-Agreed to pay Henry Wheeler for 31 days time put in at the township offices while Clerk Elmer McKinnon was ill.

-Received a livestock death account of \$41.50. Elizabeth McQuald

lost 21 hens, 2 ducks, 1 turkey, and 1 goose to dogs last month.

Agreed to pay expenses for Bob Cheyne to go to the four day Fire Chiefs' Convention in Mississauga.

-Heard Reeve Lang express his doubts as to the forming of a Recreation Board for Erin township. He commented "It seems that everybody's in favor, but nobody wants to do the work. We need a bit more enthusiasm here."

Councillor Bert Wheeler pointed out that there would be enough work, once it got going, to make the hiring of one man feasible.

-Met with a representative of the Library Board to discuss the fate of the old library. Council was informed that children had been breaking in, and it was feared they might set fire to it. It was decided to tear the building down.

Suggested changes in layout of a proposed subdivision to Dennis Edwards when he appeared to ask approval for his plan at Ballinafad on the Shortill farm.

Reeve Lang added that he doubted very much if the Planning Board would approve of another subdivision in the Township.

Teachers' president says school trustees should act without pay

Trustees sitting on the Halton County Board of Education should offer their services free of charge. At least that is the opinion of Tom Ramautarsingh, president of the Halton Division of the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation.

Ramautarsingh made the statement in a speech to the Falgarwood-Holton Heights Community Association last week. Real Indication

"The board believes in maintaining its budget although prices and the cost of living have risen. I feel that a good place to start is that the trustees should offer their services free of charge. It should be a true indication of those members who earnestly want to serve their community. This can help to not only maintain the budget, but help to reduce it. Before the formation of the Halton County Board of Education, the trustees of other boards served well without remuneration. The trustees can act immediately or keep it in mind when the next election comes along."

Hydro rate increase noted at convention

annual convention of the AMEU-OMEA. Acton delegates were among the many who heard the announcement made in the Royal York Hotel, Toronto, by Ontario Hydro chairman George

Gathercole. Wholesale power rates will go up 8 per cent on July 1. Like other commissions, Acton will likely have to pass on the

increase to consumers, meaning higher electrical bills. Mr. Gathercole told the hydro men increases are inevitable

Charge laid

following an attempt to cash two n.s.f. cheques during the past

An increase in hydro rates was every year due to interest announced last week at the payments, wages, rising fuel prices and expenditures to control pollution.

No rural increase

"No increase in rates to rural customers is being effected at this time," he said, "but the matter is being studied."

There were about 1,400 delegates at the convention with those attending from Acton hydro hydro commission chairman and Will McEachern, commissioner and Mrs. Bob MacArthur and superintendent Doug Mason.

The three-day convention is held jointly by the Ontario An Acton person was charged Municipal Electric Association and the Municipal Electrical Utilities. There are special events for the ladies.



MANAGER BRENDAN Ahearne peruses the annual report of the Acton Community Credit Union. "A great surge forward" was reported for 1971 .- (Staff Photo)

board of directors have decided

The board recommended that a

five percent dividend on shares

based on the quarterly minimum

balance and a five percent

interest rebate to members

meeting their full commitment

during 1971 at the annual meeting

of the credit union last week. The

annual took the form of a dinner

and dance and was held at Acton

Executive

The board of directors

president, Bob Bruce vice-

secretary and Brendan Aherne

treasurer, John Last and Bob

Drinkwalter were re-elected to

the board of directors and Robert

Also of interest to Acton friends

is a visit Mrs. Brown made

recently to Mrs. Agnes (Bell)

Leslie, whose husband was in the

bank at Acton; her son Jack was

mayor of Calgary for a number of

Mrs. Brown, "I am almost

horrified to find that the 75 Years

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Highlights of 1971 included the Smiza to the supervisory board.

president, Elaine

will be an annual event.

The annual report of the Acton

Community Credit Union shows a

"great surke forward during

1971" to use the words of

president Jack C. Denny. Assets

have just about doubled and the

rate of growth is expected to

"All indications are that we

will pass the half million dollar

mark before the end of the year"

large increase on 1970 and the

ratio of expenses are expected to

Demand strong

reported that loan demand is still strong but he expected savings

would increase in line with the

demand. Delinquency is being

held at a reasonable level, he

Identification of the people in

two old pictures published

recently has come from Mrs. J.

Ralston Brown who lives now in

Calgary, Mrs. Brown herself --

then Ethel Coleman - was in one

The photograph which

appeared in the Free Press

February 2 was taken on the

occasion of Nellie Dingman's removal from Acton to the

Stratford area in 1905, says Mrs. Brown. Musicians in the picture

with Ethel Coleman (Brown) and

Miss Dingman were left to right,

Charles W. Mason, Al Nicklin,

Mr. Booth, Joe Lake, Mrs.

Tarswell, John Hill and Bert

Smith. John Hill played the violin

and was the leader. Miss

Coleman was pianist replacing

Miss Dingman. She recalls that

Joe Lake worked at the Free Press at the time, and H. P. Moore, who is also in the picture, was Sunday School super-

She also identifies two of the

players in a recently-published

picture of the Acton Crescents

lacrosse team which won the

Ontario championship in 1899. To

those recognized here (Frank

McIntosh, Fred Ryder and Eddle

Hyder) Mrs. Brown added the

names of Carr Williams and his

brother Lawrence "Bud". She

also says Charlie Erwin and Bob

Scott were on the team but she

can't tell which they are in the

remembers Mazo de la Roche

and her cousin when they lived in

Mrs. Brown also notes that she

of the pictures.

intendent.

photo.

Former Actonian

recognizes friends

Manager Brendan Aherne

Assets now stand at \$326,000, a

continue during 1972.

the president reported.

improve during 1972.

asserted.

A delegation of nine appeared before Erin Township Council Wednesday to protest the cutting of trees on the Eighth Line. A spokesman for the group related how, on February 29, the

residents were surprised to see trees well beyond the township's six foot margin being felled, and had stopped any further cutting. Ratepayers' Association was

That evening, the Eighth Line formed, "to protect the environment we like to see maintained."

14 sign brief

The Reeve was then presented with a memorandum signed by 14 residents, stating they would like to see the appearance of their road remain unchanged, that no herbicides or insectleldes be used on the weeds, and that the school bus turning circle be completed. as the present slope is unsatisfactory. They also asked something be done about a sand pit in the area.

When Reeve Lang commented that the brush was being cleared

Credit Union growth and to the Snider car \$500.

cited at annual meeting March 4:

complaints at any time.

Student

injured

police report.

The reeve countered by

pointing out that the bus driver

had no say in it what-so-ever, he

went on, "If that's the desire of

John Hamilton, 16, of R.R. 5,

Georgetown, is progressing

following serious injuries suf-

fered in an accident last week. He

was driving to Actor high school

to play basketball when the ac-

cident occurred on highway 7

east of town. He had a fractured

pelvis, ribs and concussion,

He was taken to St. Michael's

Ludies' high Mrs. Edith Storey 124; ladies' low Yvonne Dewar; men's high Fred Robertson 120; men's low John Dewar 7; door

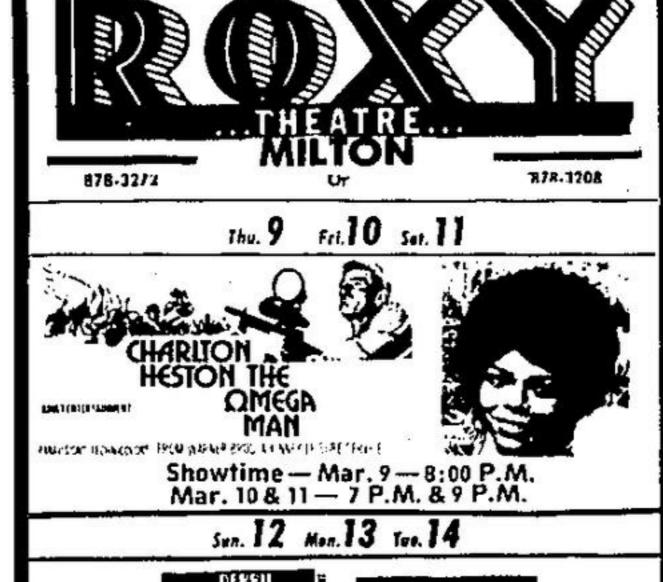
renovation of the credit union's Peter Binnie and Colin Foster front office on Mill St. and a were returned to the credit successful fall dance which the committee.

hospital, Toronto. The other driver involved was Fred Snider of Downsview. Damage to the Hamilton vehicle was estimated at \$2,000

L.O.L. winners

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prize Millie Rowles.



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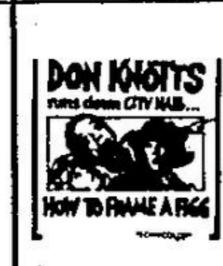
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along the Eighth Line, Erin the people on the road, we'll leave on complaints from the school the brush alone, but the school board, that the trees ellp the bus board complains about that read mirrors, the delegation answered every year, and has said the bus that the bus driver had made no

Residents protest tree cutting

will pick up children only if trees are cut back." Residents commented that they are not against the cutting of trees that need it, but would like

the present beauty to mulntained. "There are tomarack roads on either side of us. Why not leave the eighth Line as a scenic route?"

Must remove hazards

Clerk Elmer McKlnnon entered 'the 'discussion to acquaint the deligation with the legal side of the matter. "The municipality is responsible for damages to vehicles because of the overhanging branches, and those

same branches prevent gravel trucks from spreading gravel properly. The township must remove obstructions or hazards they know are there."

It was decided that one of the delegation would meet with the road superintendent to decide which trees and branches must go. No decision was reached about the sand hill which residents regard as a hazard to small children who play in it. They pointed out that the

overhang is very dangerous. Reeve Lang re-assured the delegation on the question of insecticides. "I think I can promise you there'll be no spraying on your road this year. There's no money to spray anywhere, anyhow."

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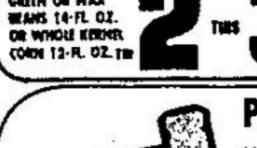
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