

**ACTON Municipal Council ACTIVITIES**

All members of Acton council were present for the meeting last Wednesday evening. Regular meeting night had been put off a day to accommodate the meeting on regional government called by Arthur Meen.

Various items of business were dealt with and reported through committee meeting minutes.

Lions club attempts to keep the CNR station in Acton were endorsed by council. Art Gordon, Neil Miller and Peter Papillon had attended a committee meeting to explain the proposal.

Girl Guides were given permission to hold Cookie Day Saturday, April 28.

Acton Chamber of Commerce requested the town support them in the form of a membership. At a committee meeting members felt the town should not become a member but would co-operate. The deputy clerk had learned that neither Esqueving, Milton or Georgetown take out memberships in their local Chapter.

Councillor Coats at the regular council meeting said he'd like to investigate further. He said the Chamber had hoped for closer contact and a vote from council. Council is in fact an employer of personnel in town, and the Chamber represents both industry and business, he pointed out.

Council approved payment of \$2,383.76 for the balance owing on arena renovations.

The Agnes St. pumping station pump will be repaired at an estimated cost of \$850.

The town trucks will be repainted over a period of months when time permits. Estimates had been received showing cost of about \$2,300.

Quotations are being received for a new radio system for the town.

R. V. Anderson Associates are to be paid \$6,049 for phosphorus removal study at the pollution control plant. The costs are completely recoverable from the government.

A business person requested permission to park during business hours on Mill St. and was turned down. The matter was discussed at committee level and members were unwilling to set a precedent. They suggested parking around the corner or behind the Y. The requested parking spot was to facilitate deliveries.

Halton county board of education has plans to construct a new parking lot for the M. Z. Bennett school, council learned by letter. The board is to be informed the town is contemplating storm-sewering Acton Blvd. if funds are available.

Development commission informed council of two special meetings: on Feb. 15 to discuss possible highway 7 bypass and Feb. 21 to discuss the downtown and parking.

Clerk-administrator Joe Hurst reported to council the Halton Clerks and Treasurers Association requests all municipalities to submit briefs on regional government to the county council for a review and possibility of a joint bid to the province. This would not preclude a separate bid from municipalities. Council accepted.

their suggestion and would submit any brief to the county council.

Reeve McKenzie relayed to Acton council his concern that Oakville has requested \$15,000 for a park in Oakville from county council. He felt that if county council entertains grants to parks, it should be for all parks. The grant has not yet been passed by county council.

Councillor Elliott reported new storm windows are now installed at the town office and police office.

Complaints of blasting were relayed to council by Councillor Inacoe. His colleagues recalled instances of previous complaints and subsequent reassurances and tests by Indusmin to indicate blast levels were not above that permitted. Councillor Masales thought the best answer might be for the town to spend money initiating tests itself.

Toronto Garbage in the quarries brought comments. Councillor Masales said Indusmin is probably the best site in Ontario for garbage. Councillor Elliott had strong concern for the town water supply. Halton garbage is being studied by county council, said the reeve. And the mayor added there'll be studies and hearings before anything is final.

## Set five year program for town capital works

A special meeting of councillors was held Feb. 9 to discuss the municipal services report prepared by the engineer and to discuss the town's five year capital works program for submission to the Ontario Municipal Board. The Public Works committee called the meeting with administration committee attending as well.

New assessment An assessment forecast for taxation from 1973 to 1977 was presented allowing for natural growth, reassessment in 1975 and

## Bow out of meeting

Although council had been asked to attend a special meeting of the development commission tonight (Wed., Feb. 21) they have had to bow out to attend a regional government meeting in Georgetown instead.

The meeting had on its agenda parking and downtown development. The development commissioners will assemble in any case.

## Mailbox theft

A Campbellville youth was fined \$50 and placed on suspended sentence in court, on a charge of theft of a mail box laid by Acton O.P.P. Three others involved in the incident appeared in court earlier and were fined \$75 and put on probation. Two of those involved were from Campbellville, one from Milton and one from R.R. 3, Acton. Minor traffic charges were heard in court in Milton this week.

## Three alarms...

(Continued from Page 1) holding their weekly practice. This time the call was to the apartment of Glenn Hubbell, 94 Main St. N., where a space heater overheated. Minor damage was caused by smoke.

Prior to the three fires, there has been little activity for several weeks for Acton firefighters.

**The German Canadian Club**  
of Halton County invites you to its  
**'LADIES' CHOICE DANCE'**  
Saturday, Feb. 24 -  
8.30 p.m. to 1 a.m.  
with **WILLY STACHEL'S TRIO**  
at the **Milton Pine St. Union Hall**



FRAMED PORTRAIT of Queen Elizabeth II was presented by representatives of Lakeside chapter of the I.O.D.E. to council last week at their regular meeting. Mayor Les Duby admired the colored print given by Lucille Cooksley (left) and Marguerite Taylor (right) on behalf of the chapter. Council chambers have recently been renovated.

—(Photo by K. Dills)

retirement of capital debt. (In 1975 a new program of market value assessment comes into effect.)

Capital works for which approval of the Ontario Municipal Board will be requested in each of the years 1973 to 1977 are as follows.

Five years  
1973 - roads \$120,000; storm sewers \$90,000; sanitary sewers nil; waterworks \$20,000; underground hydro \$30,000; total \$250,000.

1974 - roads \$146,000; storm sewers \$22,000; sanitary sewers \$18,000; waterworks \$50,000; underground hydro \$15,000; total \$251,000.

1975 - roads \$136,000; storm sewers \$35,000; sanitary sewers \$114,000; waterworks \$5,000; underground hydro nil; total \$290,000.

1976 - roads \$132,000; storm sewers \$6,000; sanitary sewers \$55,000; waterworks \$59,000; underground hydro \$15,000; total \$267,000.

1977 - roads \$30,000; storm sewers nil; sanitary sewers \$53,000; waterworks \$171,000; underground hydro \$15,000; total \$269,000.

## 1973 works

After very lengthy discussion, the committees also prepared the 1973 works program, which was approved in principle by council last Wednesday with a charge allotting more money to roads from water.

This year's work program includes reconstruction and storm sewers on Church St. and Elizabeth Dr., carryover from 1972 on Wallace St., Mill St. sidewalk, Leishman subdivision storm sewer, test drilling and well development with mains, and an intensive maintenance program.

The clerk was instructed to carry out the necessary details for arranging for Ministry of Transportation and Communications subsidy and engineering field work.

The special meeting of council did not adjourn until 11:45 p.m.

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## Council gets consensus on regional set-up

Acton councillors agreed to four Halton areas when they discussed regional government at a special meeting Feb. 7. However, they agreed to support the township of Esqueving and the township of Nasagaweya if they wish to negotiate the southern boundary.

These were some of the answers reached when the council met to arrive at a consensus of opinion. Deputy-Reeve Marks, chairman of the administration committee of council which called the meeting of both committees, explained the meeting's purpose - to clarify their position on regional government and discuss the minister's report.

15 on council  
After discussion Acton council felt a suitable size for North Halton's council would be 15 plus

a mayor - two from Nasagaweya, three from Esqueving, seven from Georgetown and three from Acton. They would suggest election at large and by wards, but felt the wards should include part of the townships. Wards should be larger than present existing boundaries.

They would recommend a mayor elected at large, and four regional councillors elected by the local council from its representatives. There would be four from North Halton, three from central Halton, six from Oakville and nine from Burlington.

They felt the Minister should make legislation that all boundary boundary roads become regional roads. Consideration should be given to include or exclude Eden Mills, Ballinacree and Terra

Cotta, villages divided between two counties.

Responsibility  
In the questionnaire which had been set up for council's perusal and suggestions, division of responsibility for various functions was discussed. Some functions would have regional control, some local and some both.

Under regional control the local council would suggest placing planning, official plans, water and sewer, public transportation, regional roads, traffic control, health and welfare, police protection, county forest, garbage disposal, industrial development, hydro, tax collection, emergency measures and capital borrowing, with regional appointments to conservation areas.

Local control would be recommended for subdivision agreements, zoning, land drainage, local roads, fire protection, parks and recreation, garbage collection.

Both levels could control licensing and parking.

All members of council attended the meeting as well as Joe Hurst, Grant Usher, Hugh Patterson and Alf Duly of the staff.

## Will untangle sale of land

Legalities at the industrial park will be untangled at a meeting of all concerned, Acton council learned Wednesday.

An exchange of land between the town and Dref Industries, and wider right of way for the railroad have made it uncertain yet exactly how much land is involved in the sale of the remainder of the park to Gino Civiero and Paul Nielsen. The surveyor's work is not yet completed because of these complications.

A building permit is wanted now for a new building, while complications are holding up final registration of the agreement.

The mayor expressed his

feeling the matter could all be cleared up at one meeting with the people concerned.

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