

Air Hillsburgh subdivision at special council meeting

On Monday, Feb. 19, Erin Township Council met with representatives of Glendevon Enterprises to discuss the draft plan of the third phase of the Hillsburgh subdivision.

Engineer Michael Brodigan spoke first, listing five major points, beginning with number of lots. Although only 77 lots were planned, a change in road design made 88 lots possible. Council wasn't too happy with the larger number of lots, Mr. Brodigan was.

"Since this is the last section of development, we'd like to live within your present restrictions yet have as many lots as possible to utilize the land to the best advantage," he added that he'd like to stay with 88 lots on the basis of what is being conceded elsewhere.

The question of underground wiring also depended on the number of lots as well as size of house (costs). "If a sufficient number of lots are approved, you'll get underground wiring."

Second point of discussion was the question of 5 per cent cash in lieu of park land donated to the township. Council was told "We're in agreement with contributing the 5 per cent, providing there's no major impediments such as impossible phasing or impractical reduction in the number of lots which would make it not only uneconomical but impractical from a developer's point of view."

This point was left undecided, as was phasing and house size.

Size of house
Council disagreed with Mr. Brodigan and Magnus Paulson of Victoria Wood Development Corporation as to the size of house apt to sell best. Council favored the larger sizes, but Mr. Brodigan felt that if the homes were 1,400 feet, phasing was automatically imposed because that size would not sell as quickly as 1,200 foot homes.

At present, plans are to build homes at a ratio of 24 per cent at 1,104 square feet; 24 per cent at 1,204; 21.2 per cent at 1,255; 12.7 per cent at 1,410; and 10.8 per cent at 1,490.

A capacity bond was agreed, with no discussion, as was a walkway to the park area, a roadway out the north end of the subdivision, eliminating two lots, and septic beds in front of some houses away from the river.

Council's next concern was the distance of the lots' line from the river, questioning if the 15 foot walkway was wide enough, although the river itself was at a 25 foot distance. Mr. Brodigan agreed that a 40 foot walkway could be incorporated, losing one or two lots. This was left without definite decision.

After much discussion, quality control could not be decided on. Reeve Lloyd Lang stated that there has been disappointment in the exterior appearance in the second phase subdivision. "Inside the work is very well done, but the outside leaves a whole lot to be desired. We'd like some control over what goes on outside."

Past difficulties
Mr. Paulson agreed that there were difficulties in the past but added that quality control people had been hired to take care of this sort of thing.

Deputy-reeve Don Matheson described the material used on the upper exteriors of the houses.

"It looks like pressed sawdust with a paper coating and wax finish! What will it be like in 10 years time?"

On being asked about other materials, Mr. Paulson told council that if brick and aluminum were used, the cost increases would be phenomenal and the houses maybe wouldn't sell.

Reeve Lang stated bluntly "If you're prepared to build a home where the bottom half is brick or stone and the top half aluminum, I suspect council is going to be a lot easier to deal with than if you're talking building with other stuff." He added that council would not approve the draft plan until main points of subdivision agreement have been agreed upon, and will not approve any number of lots until they know what type of house will be built.

Another meeting will be held March 1, with a revised draft plan being shown and more information on building materials being presented to council.



GIVE A MAN a horse which has the ability to take sustenance wherever he finds it—in this case on an elevator on the R. R. 1, Acton, farm of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Thomson, where the corn is on the cob despite the lateness of the season. —W. Thomson Photo

Holstein breeder wins shield

At 31 years of age, M. D. (Doug) Wingrove of Campbellville has become the youngest Holstein breeder ever to win the Master Breeder shield. This is the highest honor a Holstein breeder in Canada can win. The shield was presented at the annual meeting of the Association held Feb. 14 in Toronto, by W. P. Watson, former Ontario Live Stock Commissioner and Manager of the Royal Winter Fair.

Doug is the fifth generation of the Wingrove family to live on the present farm west of Campbellville which was settled in 1839. In the development of his herd he received a "leg-up" from his father William Wingrove who had developed an excellent herd previous to selling the farm and herd to Doug in 1962. Doug is grateful to his father for having given him this opportunity at 21 years of age and for guidance given along the way. He also gives credit to his wife "Babs" for her encouragement and help, and notes that the oldest of his five children are already taking a keen interest in the herd.

Sired by the best
Noted Holstein sires Forest Lee Rockette Centurion, Spring Farm Reflection Ormsby, and in particular Downalane Reflection Emperor have exerted a great influence on the herd. Daughters of the latter sire won the All-Canadian get of sire award for Doug in 1971 and were Reserve in 1972, this same group taking the All-Canadian award in the Breeder's Herd for both 1971 and 1972 and being awarded Reserve All-Canadian honors in 1970.

Ever since he took the herd over, Doug has exhibited each year at the Wentworth County Black and White Day at Ancaster Fair, and has been Premier Breeder and Premier Exhibitor a number of times. He has also won a number of championships, not only at the Black and White Day but at the West-Central Ontario Championship Holstein show held at Erin Fair. One of his notable is Allargrove Reflection Rose who was grand champion at Erin in 1971, Reserve grand champion in 1970 and was named All-Canadian three-year-old and Reserve All-Canadian four-year-old.

Doug notes that he grew up in the 4-H and Junior Farmer movements, and credits training received there with enabling him to win the Lawara Trophy as the Champion Junior Holstein Showman at the Royal Winter Fair in 1957. Currently he is a director and past president of the Wentworth County Holstein Club. In order to qualify as a Master Breeder, M. D. Wingrove has bred in a herd averaging 11 registrations per year, one Excellent bull, one Very Good bull, 3 Excellent cows and 15 very Good cows. Fifteen other Ontario breeders were recipients of the Master Breeder shield this year.

Now three million
Canadian president Curtis Clark of Carstairs, Alta, told the meeting 1972 was a year of positive progress for Holsteins. The three millionth calf was registered during 1972.

Registrations totalled 98,400, an increase of almost nine per cent over 1971 and within 400 animals of the record year in 1970. Percentage of calves resulting from artificial insemination rose from 74.6 per cent to 75.7.

Transfers of ownership to foreign markets (other than USA) increased by 11.84 per cent—12,403 animals went to buyers from 25 countries. A total of 46,812 animals were classified for type during 1972.

During the meeting a certificate of recognition was presented to Bruno Rossetti of Piacenza, Italy, an importer who has shipped the most cattle to Italy by air in 1972. He shipped about 800 head last year and has purchased almost 500 Canadian Holsteins for export to Italy.

Ask install sharpener

Operators of the Acton Hockey and Skating School have asked for a meeting with Acton Parks and Recreation Committee to discuss the possibility of the school installing and operating a skate sharpening machine in the arena.

An automatic sharpening machine was available in the arena for about a month, but it proved unsatisfactory and was removed.

Fuse rejectors demonstrated

Fuse rejectors, a new plastic plug which prevents accidental or intentional over-fusing in electrical fuse panels, were introduced and discussed at the February meeting of Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau.

Bill Leslie, of Smith and Stone, a Georgetown firm, brought samples of the new product to the Bureau meeting last week in Milton. Circular in shape and threaded to fit a standard fuse panel, the plastic rejectors are inserted into the fuse socket and their shape prevents a homeowner from inserting a larger fuse than needed.

The rejectors are to become mandatory in all new home construction on May 1, Mr. Leslie pointed out. Owners of older homes should also use rejectors, he said. "Many older homes are underwired and overfused, and present a potential electrical fire hazard," he said. Bureau members agreed the fuse rejectors are a good idea.

Smith and Stone manufactures one rejector which will only accept a 15-amp fuse, and one which takes only a 20-amp fuse. Mr. Leslie left samples with Bureau members to demonstrate to owners.

In other business, the Bureau agreed to chairman Jim Coulson's suggestion to reappoint last year's committee chairmen. They are, literature, Chief J. D. Wilson of Oakville; publicity, Chief A. E. Clement and Roy Downs of Milton; poster contest, Ivan Clarridge of Milton; auditors, B. Fowler and M. Holmes of Acton. Fire chiefs Wilson, Holmes, Clement and Ken Bulkema of Georgetown were named a committee to arrange programs for meetings.

If a man is successful he gives himself the credit but if he fails then he blames it on God.

Halton bureau winner fire prevention award

Halton County Fire Prevention Bureau has just been awarded another prize in the National Fire Protection Association's 1972 fire prevention scrapbook competition. One of 159 Canadian entries in the international competition, the Halton Bureau was awarded a "special recognition" certificate "for an outstanding county-sponsored fire prevention program," Ontario Fire Marshal Martin S. Hurst announced. The Halton Bureau comprises

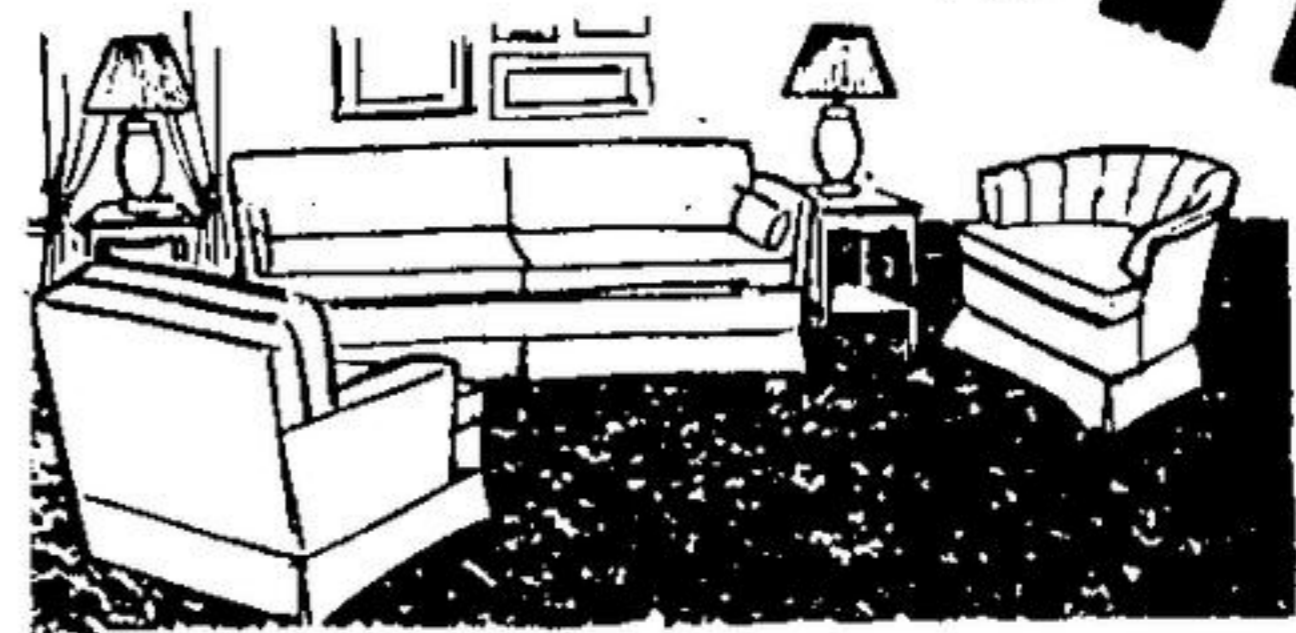
members of the county's fire departments, who meet monthly to plan a county-wide fire prevention program. Acton, Georgetown, Burlington, Oakville and Milton firefighters are members. A four-page entry form and a 200-page scrapbook of bureau activities were submitted to the contest by the Bureau's public relations officer Roy Downs.

Two fire departments in Halton won recognition in the 1972

contest. Oakville Fire Department won an "honorable mention" prize in the 25,000 to 100,000 population category, in both the Ontario-wide and Canada-wide sections of the contest. The Oakville entry was also judged 14th in all of Canada; Milton Fire Department won a third prize in the Ontario division and "honorable mention" in the all-Canada division for communities with 5,000 to 10,000 population.

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