

Council objects to severance of lots alongside Lake

Acton council made no objections to three applications to be dealt with by the Committee of Adjustment next Monday but objected to a fourth asking for a severance on Elmore Drive, adjacent to parkland on Fairy Lake.

A resolution passed objecting to the application for severance by Joe Jany Jr. because the creation of two lots would prohibit an adequate and safe allowance along Fairy Lake.

Mayor Les Dudy voted against the resolution because the property owners, who originally owned the farm, had saved the lot for their own use. He opposed encumbering their application. He said Mr. Jany originally hoped to have four lots along the lake but had acceded to the wishes of council and parks board in reducing the request to two, fronting on Elmore Drive.

However, deputy-reeve Peter Marks, felt adequate walkway from parkland behind Elizabeth Drive to Elmore Drive was necessary and the severance

could make passage difficult and unsafe because of the steep grade of Fairy Lake banks.

Residents meet
Councillor Barry Insoce said he attended a meeting of residents in the area on Monday and they were not too happy with the application because their access to the park and lake would be cut off and the continuity of the lake green belt would be disturbed. He asked if it was possible for Parks Board to purchase the tract of land and incorporate it into the system of parking or have it rezoned.

The clerk recalled the deputy-reeve's efforts to have the area rezoned two years ago and the subsequent turn down, suggesting council put themselves in Mr. Jany's shoes. He said the lot if severed could be worth as much as \$30,000 but if zoned for parkland would be worth virtually nothing.

However, Marks said it wouldn't bother his conscience too much because the land had been low and swampy before

public money had been spent to fill it with dredging material, his concern was for an adequate walkway for the park system. He felt council must consider the public good and register a strong obligation.

Marks said he did not think council could stop Mr. Jany from building since the land was zoned R1 but felt the committee of adjustment should be aware of the narrow walkway.

Earlier the clerk pointed out the three part application was also asking for a conveyance from Beardmore to Mr. Jany and vice versa to straighten out the lots. Beardmore had negotiated with Mr. Jany to save the strip along the lake for public use. Mr. Jany had one complete building lot 60 feet by 240 feet but needed a minor variance of over two feet to cover the second lot.

Short parking
Council made no objection to an application by Aldo Braida who wished a minor variance to

permit erection of a 40 x 60 foot building at 65 Mill St. E., on the east side of the Rumley-Shoemaker funeral home. Mr. Braida proposes to have two offices in the building and four apartments above them, however, he lacks two parking spaces to supply the minimum requirement of 18 and has applied for a variance. The clerk explained the application would not likely be delayed because there is a provision in the by-law to allow extra parking spaces within 500 feet.

Council gave conditional ap-

approval to an application by T. Pratt, a solicitor who wishes to operate a law firm from the basement of his house at 44 Church St. E. The clerk explained provision had been made in the by-law for professional people but through an oversight lawyers had not been included, so Mr. Pratt was applying for a variance. Council made no objection providing the practice was limited to the basement as outlined in the application.

Another application from Mrs. Daisy Barber to sever a double house raised no objections.

Lakeview residents oppose applications before committee

Residents of Lakeview subdivision may contest applications before the Committee of Adjustment to sever Lot 132 and create two building lots with frontage on the south end of Elmore Drive, adjacent to Fairy Lake.

The residents feel building in that location will interrupt the continuity of the 140 ft. ribbon of parkland which follows Fairy Lake from the upper end of Elizabeth Drive. The land, zoned R1, is partly built up as a result of dredging material from Fairy Lake and ownership has been the subject of some controversy between Beardmore and owner Joe Jany Jr. The applications also include one for a conveyance of lands to settle the boundaries between the two owners and

another for a minor variance of 2.67 feet.

Parks Board efforts to purchase the land in the past have not been successful. The Board hoped to preserve the width of the greenbelt around Fairy Lake by preserving it for public use.

In the event the applications are successful only an 18 foot walkway along the lake will be available for those who wish access to the green belt and it's owned by Beardmore, who has expressed their intention to preserve it for the town.

Residents of the area met Monday evening to discuss possible ways to preserve the area for public use.

A committee of adjustment hearing on the applications is being held on Monday, April 30, in the council chambers.

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(D. Gibbons photo)

DELICIOUS from the nose right down to the toes! That's the way Susie Bennett imagines this huge chocolate Easter bunny will taste. Susie won the yummy in an art contest at a Brampton

shopping plaza. Many area youngsters woke up on Easter morning to find goodies left by the Easter bunny. Susie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bennett, Elmore Drive.



Let's Play Bridge

by bill coats

Sometimes I feel that these bridge columns are very critical. It might seem that no one plays any hand correctly. This is not so. I realize the difficulties actually encountered at the table when you cannot see all the cards.

However, I am occasionally surprised and I must be critical, when not one table reaches the best and rather obvious contract.

I first looked up this hand because three pairs played at three no trump and made an overtrick while the fourth played the hand at three no trump and went down one. Here is what I found.

Dealer North—neither side vulnerable.

NORTH
S-A 5
H-J 10 7 6 5
D-10 8 4 2
C-K J

WEST EAST
S-J 10 7 6 2 H-A K 9 3
H-Q 9 3 H-4 2
D-A 3 D-5
C-7 5 C-10 8 6 3 2

SOUTH
S-Q 8 4
H-A K 8
D-10 8 4 2
C-A Q 7

Suggested bidding:
NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST
PASS PASS 2NT PASS
3H PASS 4H ALL PASS

If the bidding did go this way, North would have no problem making five hearts losing only the diamond ace and the heart queen. I am sure that most

North's would show their major suit and I am afraid the most Souths would simply rebid three no trumps.

North should not bid a four card major over an opening bid of two no trump. If he holds any four card major he can uncover a fit by using the stayman convention.

Five card suit
Therefore, a direct bid of a major in response to no trump must be at least a five card suit. With three card support, and to two honors as well, South should support hearts rather than persist in no trump.

For example, if the diamond and spade aces change hands, South will be defeated at no trump while four hearts still makes.

At the usual three no trump contract, I discovered that one declarer tried a little too hard. West led a spade ducked to East's king. East returned a spade to dummy's ace. Declarer now tried a heart finesse which failed and back came another spade.

Down one
Declarer cashed the heart ace and king and entered dummy with a club. After taking dummy's good hearts, the declarer led a diamond.

West gobbled up the trick and proceeded to cash two more spades — down one.

This week's winners: first Ian Coats and Gloria Coats; second Pat Jeffares and Bill Coats; third Art Norris and Jack Coats.

"Low" bidders object

Two firms involved in pavement marking told Halton County Council Wednesday they felt they should have been awarded a contract valued at about \$15,000. When quotations were accepted by the county engineering department recently, engineers Jack Corbett and Bruce Kitchen recommended council accept the bid of A and A Linemarking even though it wasn't the low bid.

Corbett had told the roads committee he based his recommendation to award the contract to A and A because they were more experienced and because of the questions raised about the lack of machinery in the case of Herb Tonge.

Has both
Tonge appeared at County Council to say he had considerable experience and had access to adequate machinery to do the job. His was the low bid.

E. MacFarlane of Niagara Pavement marking told council there could be some discrepancy as to who was second low, although he noted Tonge was low.

After discussion engineer Corbett suggested it would be

No stone removal

Stone clearing from the sides of 17 Sideroad, although approved by the road superintendent, were ordered stopped by Esqueusing council when two residents objected.

Road superintendent Bud Snow said he had given permission to R. Height to remove the stones which were a hazard to the snow plow in winter and grader in summer. He said two residents of the Sideroad had objected but four others had spoke to him, happy the rocks were being moved.

Reeve Tom Hill said things were coming to a pretty pass when two residents could dictate to council. He advocated that the stone picker be told to go ahead, but received no support from council.

The deputy reeve, Len Coxe, told council there would have been no trouble if council had been aware of the work but he felt there were problems.

"O.K. then, tell him to stop it. Raise the taxes to clear the road," the reeve said in irritated tone. "I hope it costs \$20,000 in a year's time."

The stones are hauled away and sold in Toronto.

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Unless you like it raw.

Best of all, it's now quite cheap,
Like other substitutes,

It's tomorrow's cow, gone modern now,
You don't need leather boots.

Since the farmer now doesn't need the cow,
With all it's costly waste,
He'll grow more grass, to feed the ass,
That eats the greasy paste.

If we could find a substitute,
For all the Government money,
We could lift the tax from off our backs,
In this land of milk and honey.

But as long as I can save some dough
To buy my ale and smoke,
I don't care what, the farmers' lot,
Let the little guy go BROKE.

Victor Smith
R.R. 2, Rockwood

Minor accident several charges

A minor collision at the Canadian Tire parking lot Monday was investigated by Acton O.P.P. Drivers were

Farmers can't hire helpers

It is harder than ever for farmers to hire farm help to assist in the operation of the farm, Halton Federation of Agriculture president Bruce McClure told Halton County Council's Administration Committee.

McClure told the committee he understood there was high unemployment in the country but he and other farmers couldn't find help. "You hire them today and if you don't fire them tomorrow, they quit the day after," he explained.

McClure said some farmers in the county had gone as far as bringing people in from other countries to work.

Director leaving

Some of the artifacts now in Halton County Museum will be taken back by their original owners. At the last meeting of the museum board members agreed to have the chairman of the committee write the individuals withdrawing artifacts from the museum and express gratitude for their patronage in the past.

The resolution also expressed the desire to have donors reconsider the action. Asked for clarification on the matter at the county council meeting last week, Museum Board member Len Coxe said some of the artifacts had been donated by friends of the director who aren't necessarily friends of the museum.

Director H. Newman is retiring this year. It is understood that Dr. Newman had wished to stay on at the museum although he had passed the compulsory retirement age.

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