

Council seeks solution to poor condition of roads

The condition of roads in Equeusing, township councillors agree, leaves much to be desired, but money for road maintenance is limited by Queens Park. Consequently only the worst road problems are likely to get attention this year.

Councillors discussed the problem at great length Monday night after receiving a letter from Barry W. Brown complaining of the poor condition of 17 Sideroad. Mr. Brown listed dust and potholes as the major complaints but felt many of the side effects such as noise from trucks, poor visibility and pedestrian safety, stemmed from them.

He felt that since 17 Sideroad was a truck route extra money be

spent to keep it in better condition, suggesting also that it should be oiled as 18 Sideroad had been. He also complained about truck speeding and the lack of tarpaulins over loads.

Council grumbled road superintendent "Bud" Snow about maintenance on the road and he acknowledged it was in poor shape. He said he had applied calcium twice and had to keep grading it, but the road was still rough. Much of the problem was caused by heavy truck loads because the road was not meant for heavy traffic. More than maintenance is needed to keep it in shape, he said.

Deputy Reeve Len Cox said part of the dust problem was caused by edges of the road

which did not receive calcium, suggesting a wider spread of calcium might solve some of the difficulties. He said he felt some obligation over the condition of the road since he had supported using it as a truck route. Residents expected the township would keep it up to standard and did not understand the difficulties.

"Dust is the big problem," the deputy declared.

"We should do something about it," said Councillor George Maltby, who said he had travelled the road in question and had been aghast at their condition.

Questioned about costs to put the road in shape, road super-

intendent Bud Snow said approximately \$1,300 would pay for oiling 17 Sideroad but would not necessarily solve the pothole problem. Heavy traffic breaks up oiled roads as well as gravel. Part of the difficulty also stems from the type of year it has been weather-wise, he said, noting other municipalities were experiencing similar difficulties.

No money

Reeve Tom Hill, who had

remained aloof from the discussion until this point, reminded council that last week in committee they had discussed getting money for the maintenance of the township's 132 miles of road and ran up against a blank wall. If we fix 17 Sideroad, where are we going to get the money to keep the rest of the people quiet? he enquired.

"We can't pinch pennies. We must fix roads when needed and

spend a couple of bucks to keep the roads safe," said Councillor Maltby.

"If we do 17 Sideroad and someone else comes here complaining then we can't pinch pennies either," the reeve thundered. He said one road was the same as another and residents along 17 Sideroad had had the opportunity to enter into an agreement to keep the road in shape and did not want it.

"If you've got the money, Bud," he told the road superintendent, "then you go ahead and fix it. It is up to you to figure your budget out, but remember what they told you at Queens Park that there would be no more money for road maintenance."

After further discussion which included remarks about the almost unrecognizable condition of 8 and 10 Sideroads, council decided to leave it with the road superintendent. They instructed the clerk to write Mr. Brown that the matter of 17 Sideroad had been left with Mr. Snow.

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The commission also decided to purchase 2,000 scissors in leatherette cases to give to local customers at the hydro office.

Both these items will be imprinted with the name of the commission.

Change message Newspaper advertising is

NASSAGAWEYA Township Council NOTES

During the July meeting of Nassagaweya Township Council last week, members:

—Granted a 1973 wrecking yard licence to John F. Grant.

—Instructed the solicitor to incur no further expenses on the Brookville Estates municipal board hearings. The case has been before the OMB twice and was adjourned each time.

—Asked the clerk to notify the owner of an auto body shop on Guelph Line that the operation is contrary to the zoning by-law.

—Agreed to the termination of the Milton Fire Area Committee at the end of 1973. The fire department will be under the borough council when regional government comes into effect.

—Filed an Ontario Municipal Recreation Association petition seeking support for the use of government funds to help snowmobile clubs provide facilities for the sport, and a second resolution calling for a study on the use of abandoned railway lines for snowmobiling and other recreational uses.

—Asked the staff to investigate a Town of Oakville resolution calling for a licensing system for dogs-at-large offences, also legislation enabling the licensing of cats.

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A hundred folders, Wise Use of Electricity, are on hand for customers who wish them and will be advertised.

New transformers will be supplied for the Superior Glove plant which is expanding.

During July and August the hydro office will close on Fridays at 5 p.m., except the week before accounts are due. In the other months the office closed at 5:30 p.m. on Fridays.

Acton Blvd.

Mayor Dudy inquired if work on Acton Blvd. could be speeded up, and superintendent Doug Mason replied he thought it was possible and wire should be here very soon. He explained the route that would be used for the new underground wiring with a transformer at the highway corner.

The lights will be on the west side of the street, where most of the homes are in the Bovis subdivision.

Council hopes to have the work done soon since the paving contract will be let. Estimated cost of hydro services on the street is \$7,114.66.

May need fill
The phase 3 agreement for

Kingham Hill estates was received. A change had been added by hydro since the superintendent felt sand might be needed for fill. The developer would be required to pay for the fill. This agreement hasn't yet been signed by Kingham Hill.

Air conditioning for the hydro office is being considered and the matter will be pursued.

Uniforms will be purchased for the new meter reader George Cook.

Want uniforms?
Commissioner Bob MacArthur wondered if the two women in the office would like smocks with their names on them. Secretary for the meeting Marjory Loutlet said they had thought about it. Name tags were suggested as well. Mrs. Loutlet and Mrs. Urquhart are to talk over their preference.

Chairman Will McEachern presided; present were commissioners Ted Tyler Sr., Bob MacArthur, mayor Dudy, superintendent Mason and Mrs. Loutlet. Mr. Tyler commended Mrs. Loutlet for her capable handling of Mrs. Urquhart's duties as secretary.

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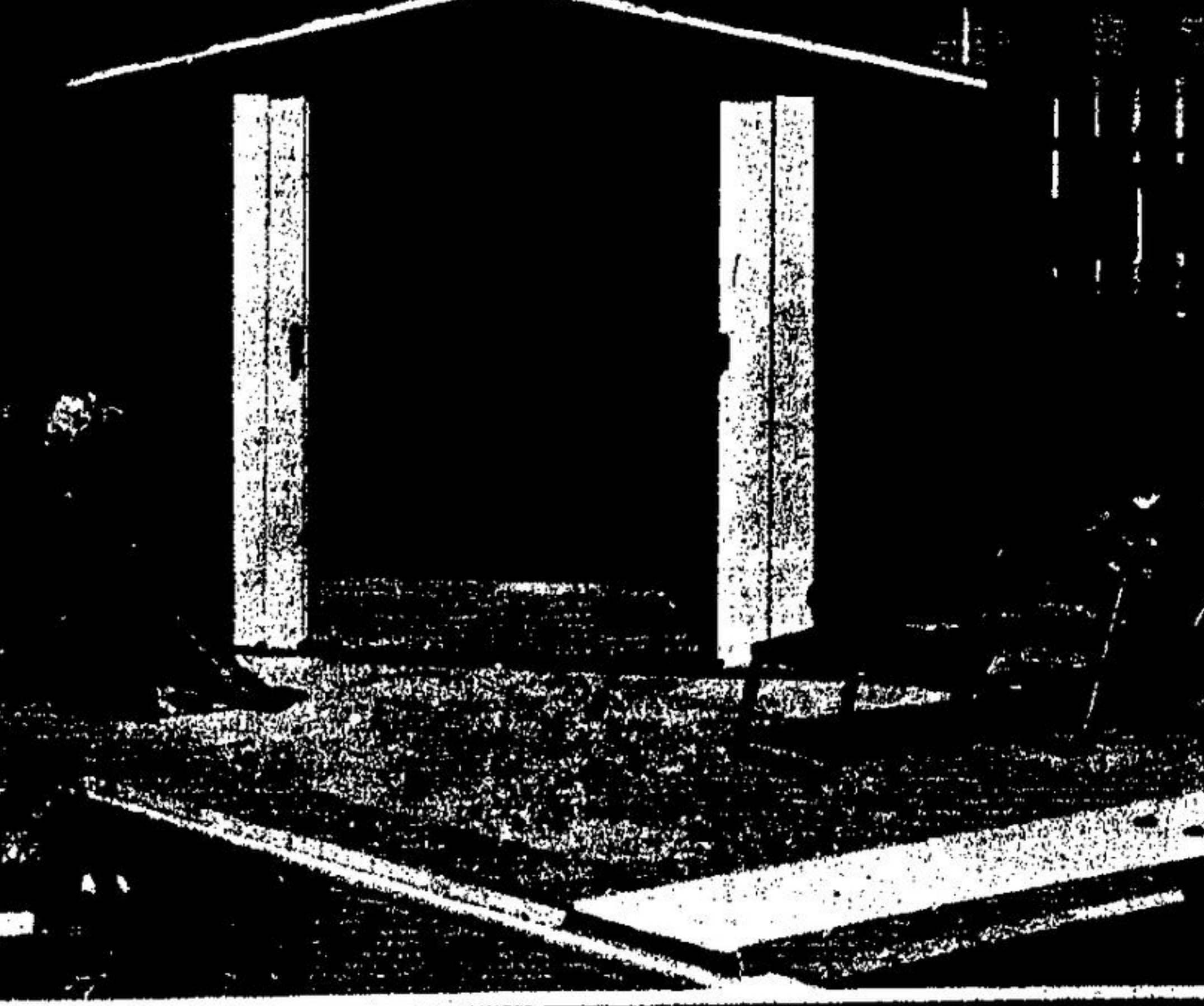


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