

Last commitments from last council

By-laws passed at the final meeting of Acton council Tuesday included the setting up of reserve funds of \$85,000 for the swimming pool project at the high school; \$11,000 in reserve fund to finance the construction of tennis courts at the Robert Little School grounds; and a reserve fund of \$15,000 for repairs and renovations to the roof of the Community Centre in Prospect Park.

A by-law authorizing an agreement with the Fair Board for the lease of land in Prospect Park was finalized as it was presented to Council a week ago. A by-law authorized the signing of an agreement with Elite Construction for an easement for storm drains across the property formerly known as McIsaac's garage.

Approval of the signing of the agreement for the construction of Block E of Phase III of Kingham Hill resulted from a revision of the agreement submitted to committee on Monday evening. Mike Brodigan of Windland Associates presented the revised agreement incorporating changes that had been suggested. He said

\$14,800 had been paid to Acton Hydro and an agreement signed for the installation of hydro services. \$7,450 will be paid to the town as a cash item and a 100 per cent performance bond of \$88,517.50 will cover the installation of municipal services.

Mr. Brodigan agreed consultations will be held with the recreation commission on the type of equipment used in the two lots in this portion of the subdivision. He said \$2,750 was available for the equipment for the lot lots and the total estimate for landscaping and equipment in these two lots was \$5,000.

In conclusion Mr. Brodigan expressed his "gratitude for the kind reception he had received from council over the years." Mayor Duby's response was that council had found "some degree of satisfaction from the results we see so far."

Eight lots A by-law to re-open Adams Street and a laneway connecting were passed by council. Adams Street, never opened to traffic, runs parallel to Ransom Street in the property on Main St. South, sold by the town at last

week's council meeting. Adams Street produces eight building lots in the area.

The mayor and clerk were authorized to sign an agreement with Bray, Turner, Vadeika and Schroeder leasing seven feet of land by the town in Lakeview. Council also passed a by-law authorizing a change in zoning on this property from residential to open space. Mr. Bray attended the meeting and objected both the rezoning and the agreement in its present form. He said that he had only received his copy of the agreement that evening and had not had time to consult with the other three property owners.

Will forward Council decided to pass the by-laws authorizing the signing of the agreements and felt that if the agreements were not signed by the property owners concerned information would be forwarded to Halton Hills for their consideration and action. Councillor Coats said "we would normally not do it this way (authorize the signing of the agreement) but would try to reach a satis-

factory agreement with the property owners. Resolutions Council, by resolution:

—Authorized Pete Papillon to plant trees on the municipal property next to his house.

—Paid accounts for paving in 1973; the solicitor's account

the engineer's account and the account of Crowley Ground Water Limited for the development of well in Prospect Park.

—Recommended that Halton Hills proceed with the rezoning of property owned by C. Rognvaldson and others on Main Street North from industrial to residential.

—Accepted the traffic operation study by M. M. Dillon Limited and referred the report to Halton Hills.

—Agreed to recommend to Halton Hills that Mrs. J. Patterson be considered a permanent part-time employee on loan to the O.P.P.

—Credited consumer deposits to the water and sewer account.

—Recommended to Halton Hills that the well in Prospect Park be proceeded with immediately and brought into production no later than June 1974.

Reeve objects . . .

(Continued from page one) out at the top," said Morrow. He said there were no exams in this choice. "The recommendation—was made on a political basis rather than on professionalism."

The reeve said he was adamantly opposed and wanted the public to know it was not a unanimous decision. Rumor has it the vote was 7 to 5 in favor of the Acton applicant.

Continuing his stream of objections, Morrow said, "I feel I have to accept majority decision's on administrative matters, but this could affect the safety of the residents, and particularly the industries, where the special knowledge of a technically trained man is necessary. Buikema has raised the level of the fire department. This is an atrocious political appointment," he said.

The reeve said he had planned to bring the matter up at Wednesday's Halton Hills meeting, but when he found out it was common knowledge he decided to break his silence.

"If this decision is not reversed before the inaugural meeting of Halton Hills council, I will put a motion on the table to hire Ken Buikema and ask for a recorded vote, so everyone's stand will be known," the reeve concluded.

Councillor Roy Booth in a separate statement backed the stand taken by the reeve. "I want to make it clear I support Ken Buikema," he said. He, too, stressed he had nothing against Mickey Holmes, whom he described as a respected fine gentleman.

"Nobody seemed to make a decision on professionalism, only on personalities," said Booth. He said there should have been an examination set by the Ontario Fire Marshal's office.

Councillor Booth said he had talked to most of the firemen, who almost to a man backed Buikema for the job. "I'm in favor of having the most qualified person whoever he is," said Booth. "I will ask council to reconsider."



BEVERLY TAYLOR mimed a rendition of "Puppy Love" for appreciative children and parents at the Acton Legion Christmas party Sunday. Earlier, she danced with her father, Bill, disguised in tall hat and stomach.

Small barn, contents destroyed by flames

Acton firefighters responded to two alarms Monday of this week, one a fire in the partition of a house on Queen St., and the other the total loss of a small barn and contents at R.R. 2, Acton, early in the evening.

Firefighters located flames between the partitions at the home of Cornelius Snook on Queen St. about 9.45 in the morning and quickly doused them. Mr. Snook smelled smoke and turned in the alarm.

A call to the Town Line between Erin and Esqueping

townships, north of the Fifth Concession in Monday evening's frigid temperatures sent the brigade rushing but they were too late to save either the small barn and contents of hay, a tractor, some pet ducks and antiques owned by Mr. and Mrs. D. Cuthbert.

Fonies which usually stay in the barn, fortunately were out in a nearby field. The brigade kept the flames under control as the wind whipped flames and sent sparks flying across the road.



"WHAT'S UNDER all that candy floss Santa?" asks 18 month old Jason Braida at Saturday's annual Beardmore Christmas party. Miss Acton Fair Anne Luty was one of Santa's helpers. Jason is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Braida and the grandson of Mrs. Norm Braida.

Principals . . .

(Continued from page one) worked individually on their own in the classroom.

Gary said he supports the teachers although he feels it is unfortunate the matter has come to this point. "I'm here at the request of the Federation," he said adding, "I'll be donating my salary to Federation so that I won't be getting a day's salary when teachers lose theirs."

Dave Katz, principal of Acton high school, reported an early morning attendance of 40 students—who left by noon. He was at the school on the request of the Federation. Also in attendance, was one other volunteer staff member.

"I probably would not be here if the Federation hadn't requested it," said Mr. Katz, who does not believe in strikes. "I can understand this one not as a strike but as a matter of conviction."

Referring to Bill 274, the legislation proposed by Minister of Education Tom Wells regarding mass resignations, Mr. Katz said that he feels that what Mr. Wells is proposing is wrong

and is an infringement on human rights. He suggested if you can't stand up for what you believe in how can you teach it?

He believes the teachers have no other alternative than to demonstrate. "We are not allowed to strike," said Mr. Katz and feels that, if the teachers were forced into a position of working to rule then the important function of extra curricular activities would come to an end and the students would miss all the after school activities which comprise much of the specialized training & pleasures of being part of a high school program.

Monday's demonstration was reported as being one of the largest ever held in Toronto with Maple Leaf Gardens filled to capacity. Reports said later however, that "Bill 274 still stands."

Morette head

Frank Morette, Georgetown Works Superintendent, has been appointed General Superintendent of Halton Hills works department. He will take up his new duties in January.

Mr. Morette will still be operating out of Georgetown works department on Maple Avenue East.

He has worked for the town for the past 13 years, and has headed the works force for the last eight years.

Collison heads

Recreation in Halton Hills

Georgetown Recreation Director Doug Collison has been appointed Recreation Director for Halton Hills.

Mr. Collison has been with the Georgetown Parks and Recreation Department for three and a half years, and came here from Mississauga. There he was area supervisor for the Recreation Department.

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25th, 1973
MONDAY, DECEMBER 31st, 1973 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 1st, 1974

All residents of the Town of Acton are requested to have their garbage out by 7.00 a.m. on Monday, December 24th, 1973 and Monday, December 31st, 1973 so that the town workmen can collect all garbage before noon hour.

Christmas Tree pickup is scheduled for **FRIDAY, JANUARY 4th, 1974**

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