



TOWN OF ACTON becomes the town of Halton Hills, and Acton town office furniture was trucked Monday to centralized offices in Georgetown and Esquesing township hall. Packing up are Mrs. Lorna Clark, Heather Dumarsh, Joyce Pickles and

Sue Lockerbie. Mrs. Clark and Ron McKnight will remain in the office here to take sewer and water accounts, issue dog tags, take parking fines etc. and help Acton people find the right business departments of Halton Hills.

GEORGETOWN works staff drove to the west end of Halton Hills Monday to take a truckload of office furniture to its assigned locations under regional government. Greg Moody, Dave McMenemy, Herman Viera and driver Clifford Scott took loads of files and furniture from the hands of Grant Usher,

Hugh Patterson and their office staff here to load up their truck. It's not yet decided what will fill the empty office space in the former quarters. The three Acton Halton Hills councillors hope to have an office there where they can meet to inform each other of committee decisions.

## Mayor Hill out of puff

Mayor Tom Hill, who wanted to attend all three Halton Hills committee meetings scheduled for Monday night, puffed "There's got to be something done!"

He felt he should be at all three so he would be aware of all recommendations due to come before full council.

Since committee meetings have assumed responsibilities of former local boards, such as parks board, recreation committee,

planning boards, etc., there are more meetings, and they are open to the public.

Present schedule has a full Halton Hills council meeting every other Monday night in Esquesing township hall, with all three committees meeting on the alternate Mondays.

Administration committee met Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week. Works committee met Monday and Tuesday in Esquesing hall and finance committee Monday in Georgetown.

## Esquesing hydro line opposed

Another brief has been forwarded to the Soland Commission, objecting to a proposed hydro line route through Esquesing township along the fifth line. The brief was submitted at the end of the year by the 1973 Esquesing township council and had been prepared by councillor George Maltby, Sandra Symes, Dolly Moulden, Gordon Kidd and Reford Gardhouse.

The brief prefers the concept of concentrating communications, utilities and transport in one corridor along Highway 401, where 22 per cent of the traffic is trucks and the average number of passengers fewer than two in a car.

"An overwhelming majority of groups submitting briefs and survey returns have strongly recommended that the Highway 401 crossing be used for the power corridor. If public participation in selecting the route is to have meaning, this overwhelming consensus of opinion cannot be ignored," the brief concludes.

"Our brief was very timely," Mr. Maltby said. "Dr. Soland has been flying over the route."

The brief says the proposed fifth line route would bring the line through unspoiled Niagara escarpment land, through fine homes and over

## Council rules on permit renewals

All building permit renewal requests submitted to Halton Hills building inspector Douglas Sargent will at least for a while have to be referred to council.

Works committee of council decided Monday night to pursue this course until engineer Peter Morris has time to draft up a new building by-law for Halton Hills, one which would take into consideration the old by-laws of Acton, Esquesing and Georgetown.

Councillor Ern Hyde said he did not think it fair for the

building inspector to stick his neck out unnecessarily in certain situations when approval or rejection is really the responsibility of council.

Chairman Councillor Len Cox agreed council is responsible for making the decisions.

Building by-laws have been enforced in different ways in Acton, Esquesing and Georgetown in the past.

Engineer Peter Morris also suggested that council consider drawing up a plumbing by-law.



CERTIFICATE OF commendation is held proudly by Patricia Ann Woloshyn, R. R. 1, Rockwood. She assisted at an accident three years ago and just received the unexpected certificate last week. Don't be reluctant to help, she urges others.

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## Firemen backed in unanimous vote

Halton Hills council gave a unanimous vote of confidence to the Acton and Georgetown area volunteer firemen, Thursday afternoon.

The statement of confidence was given to the press following a closed meeting of council.

then could be invited back to hear the statement.

Councillor Ernie Sykes pointed out the letter had been published in the press, so was public knowledge.

The vote showed councillors Ric Morrow, Russell Miller, Ernie Sykes, Mike Armstrong, and Harry Levy opposed to closing the meeting.

now appears from reported statements in the press that there are members of council who have absolutely no faith in Volunteer Firefighters", said the letter.

Mayor Tom Hill called for a vote of council on closing the meeting. He said the meeting was called to discuss a letter he had received from the Acton Firefighters. It was the same letter published here last week.

Councillor Roy Booth suggested the meeting be closed in the initial stages, since personalities would be discussed. He said the press

Councillor Ern Hyde reminded council that statements are made "when tempers flare", which are better not published. He backed Councillor Booth's stand to close the meeting.

Councillor Ric Morrow said there was nothing he intended to say he couldn't say in public.

"The whole reason we are here today is because there have been too many comments to the press", retorted Councillor Hyde.

The letter from the 29 members of Acton Firefighters Association said they felt Chief Mick Holmes had been maligned. "Mr. Holmes has headed the fire department for the last 13 1/2 years, and we feel our record alone must say something about the qualifications of the man as a very capable and competent leader", the letter stated.

Continuing the firefighters said they had always enjoyed the faith and trust of Acton and district residents. "It

Council gave them the vote of confidence Thursday and will appoint a committee of council to meet with the firefighters to allay their fears.



RETIREE FROM Acton Firefighters after 23 years, Wilf McEachern and wife Laura were honored Saturday night at the firefighters ladies' night at the Legion. For the couple there was a beautiful table lamp, and for Laura a bouquet of roses and a birthday cake suitably inscribed with a question mark. Former chief Jack Newton, Toronto, and district chief Mickey Holmes add congratulations.

## We'll work it out Alf DUBY promises

"Things will work themselves out," promises Alf DUBY, when asked about changes due to the amalgamation of Acton, Esquesing and Georgetown work forces.

One of the main changes so far is in garbage collection. Collection now begins at 8

a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays and continues till it's finished. Since the routes are not completely determined, Mr. DUBY suggests everyone put out their garbage good and early. Georgetown's garbage packer will be coming up here on garbage days to join the Acton packer in collec-

tions. And Acton's packer goes to assist with Georgetown garbage on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The Acton landfill area will be open five days from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturdays from 1 to noon. Dumping will continue here for the time being. Permits are issued for six month periods at a time.

The men of the three former crews are gradually getting to know each other and have begun, in a small way, the co-operation that is expected to evolve. "We're trying to become knit together as one group," says Mr. DUBY.

Acton's men will be going to Georgetown and Esquesing, maybe for just a week, to familiarize themselves with its streets and staff. But it's expected former staffs will remain in their own municipalities for a while. That's where they are most familiar with services and equipment.



Ron Barrett

## On staff of O.P.P.

Replacing Cons. Roy Wood, Cons. Ron Barrett has joined the staff of the Acton O.P.P. detachment. He has been with the O.P.P. for six and a half years, all of them with the Milton detachment.

He has lived in Acton on Poplar Ave., with his wife and six children, for the past year and a half. They lived formerly in Milton.

The first snowstorm after Halton Hills' birth brought a problem and plowing began here late. Mr. DUBY explained the annoying reason — the men in Georgetown had not been told how to use the new phone system and weren't able to contact Mr. DUBY. However, plowing will begin early when necessary as it has before, or proceed through the night. The normal work day begins at 8 a.m. and the union contract makes it uneconomical to start earlier unless it's necessary.

## Nielsen hopes

### Four plants by June 30

Acton may have four new industries in the industrial park, formerly owned by the town, by June 30.

That's the hope of Paul Nielsen, who together with Gino Civera purchased the land from the town last year.

Nielsen told Acton Hydro

Commission members Thursday night his firm, North Halton Real Estate Co. Ltd. is presently negotiating with four different plants. One, he said, would first occupy 10,000 square feet, but after three years would expand to 90,000 square feet.

He asked the commission to draw up a letter verifying the amount of electrical energy they can supply, so that he can present it to the prospective industries. He explained that industries must know whether or not they need to build substations.

## Nightmare experience ends with commendation

Now it can be told, and a nightmare experience which has haunted a district woman for the past three years has been absolved in a letter of commendation received last week from the Manitoba Police Association.

The letter praised Patricia Ann Woloshyn of R.R. 1, Rockwood, for her quick-thinking in an incident where she helped save the life of a 13-year-old Winnipeg boy.

"My husband Stefan and I were on our way out west on a family camping trip with our nine year old son," said Patricia Ann. "It was to have been Michael's first big summer. We'd always gone camping before but Michael was just old enough to really enjoy the outdoors that year," she said, "but in one sweep it was ruined."

Pulled-in Mrs. Woloshyn tells a horrendous story of how she and her family stopped off at a laundromat on the outskirts of the city of Winnipeg to catch up on two days' travelling time of soiled clothes.

"Two young boys were at the laundromat when we arrived," she said, "and while we were putting our clothes into the washer they were loading theirs into the extractor."

"The machine couldn't have been working properly." She explained that when her clothing was ready to be taken from the washer the extractor still hadn't cut off. "The boy opened the lid but it continued to spin and, as he reached in to grab the clothing it became entangled

around his arm and dragged him into the machine.

Arm severed "We heard a terrible thud and all I could think of was that he had lost his head", Mrs. Woloshyn said that instinctively she turned away and considered running out she was so shaken.

"Everyone in the laundromat ran as fast as they could," she said "and then I heard a scream."

Apparently the boy was thrown away from the machine and screamed when he saw that his arm was severed from his body a few inches from his shoulder.

"B.A.S."

In a flash her years of St. John Ambulance training came to the fore and Mrs. Woloshyn said she kept hearing the words of her

instructor yelling at his students, "B.B.S." Instinctively she checked her young patient to see that his "B" for breathing was normal; she applied pressure on the pressure points to stop the "B" for bleeding, and watched closely to identify the "S" for shock identifiable by choking if the tongue should fall back.

All the time, she said, she kept talking to him like a mother consoling him that everything would be all right. "I couldn't put a towel on his injury in case it would stick," she said, "but kept my fingers on the pressure points to arrest the bleeding."

Emergency Ambulance While Patricia Ann looked after the boy her husband ran next door and summoned the ambulance. The boy was

taken to the Winnipeg General Hospital and, seven minutes later via police car, the boy's arm was delivered. The limb was retrieved after Mr. Woloshyn disassembled the extractor and removed it, wrapping it in a clean towel. The police had to assist in stopping the mashing spinning.

Reportedly it was a touch and go operation by a team of Winnipeg surgeons who restored the boy's limb to his body but Mrs. Woloshyn has never had confirmation indicating complete arm usage.

Last week's letter from the police association came as a great relief to Patricia Ann who said that, for months she had suffered nightmares remembering the terrible bleeding as she recalled her

Always Assist Mrs. Woloshyn's word now is a plea to anyone who backs away when someone is in trouble. "This letter of commendation from the police has proved to me that we can assist," she said. "Everyone should help out other people when they can."

The brave lady feels that people are too often intimidated and afraid to help or get involved but wonders what would have happened to her own small charge if she hadn't kept her head.

The Woloshyns have lived in the Rockwood area for the past six years. Stefan Woloshyn is employed with H.K. Porter Company and he and his family came with them on their move to Acton from Toronto.

They lived in Acton ten years prior to their Rockwood move and Patricia Ann used to teach the first Limehouse Brownie Pack, moving up from Tawny Owl to Brown Owl.

She credits her cool perseverance at the time of stress to her training in St. John Ambulance and a course in Red Cross courses and will be even happier when she knows for certain, that Theodore Boutiller is actually able to use his arm.