

Raftis, Masson both censured

After two hours of charges, countercharges and a host of insinuations, Halton Regional Council voted to censure Public Works Committee Chairman Jack Raftis for releasing a confidential report to reporters and Regional Chairman Allan Masson for sending the report to Queen's Park.



JACK RAFTIS

During the public works committee meeting last week Raftis released the report to reporters.

False anyway
A number of regional

councillors and in particular Mayor Anne MacArthur of Milton, Mayor Harry Barret of Oakville and Mayor George Harrington of Burlington chastised Raftis for releasing the report and the staff for producing what the mayors claimed to be a false and inaccurate report.

Barrett claimed the report was an attempt to shift the blame for the problems from the regional staff to the council and the area administrations. MacArthur said her staff had corresponded with the region. She said the report was false.

In his defense Raftis said he didn't see there was anything confidential about the report and said it should never have been marked confidential.

Not confidential
He said the matter had been discussed openly at committee meetings on a number of occasions and he felt reporters should have the whole story, rather than just bits and pieces. Raftis claimed that anything that dealt with the manner in which the taxpayers' money was being handled should be dealt with in open council.

Raftis told council it should quit wasting time on finding someone to blame and get on with the search for a remedy to the contract problems.

Solicitor Noel Bates told the council there were delays that had been caused when council opted to charge back projects rather than to share



ALLAN MASSON

the cost over the region. He explained the Kelso watermain in Milton was being held up because of a change in legislation. He noted there was no easy provision for upping frontage charges. To get the job on the road, Milton will have to tell the region and the OMB how it intends to pay for the additional \$150,000 due to increased costs.

The Main St. East sewer and water project in Milton could also be held up until the process and way in which to proceed could be sorted out. Bates said those projects as well as the Forest Grove project and the Alliance Beaver project could take some considerable time before the work could begin.



Story on cost warning false, claims Masson

Halton Regional Chairman Allan Masson has described as false, recent reports that he was summoned to Queen's Park by Provincial Treasurer John White and asked to keep costs down.

The treasurer was quoted in the daily press as saying he had met with Masson to make that request and would be doing the same thing in Durham.

Masson had met with White, however, to discuss problems in executing several public works contracts. He and several members of Halton's staff and council visited White on that matter a week ago.

Masson said he wasn't aware of how the report was

initiated or why, but told reporters he had not been contacted in that regard.

Start list

Halton Regional Council will be preparing a list of items required for start-up of regional government in Halton.

Each municipality in to file requests with the region and that, added to a list of regional expenses, will be presented to Provincial Treasurer John White.

Administration Chairman Ric Morrow told regional council Wednesday an itemized list would be prepared

CAR RECOVERED

Milton OPP have recovered a stolen car, found in a field off the 10th Line Esqueping last week. Three suspects have been questioned and investigation is continuing, police said.

CHURCH REWARD

The old church in Moffat, now owned by an Oakville man, was broken into over the weekend. But Milton OPP, after investigating report nothing appears to be missing.



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BACK IN business for herself, Monika Cook has reopened a salon in her former location on Mill St. This time it's Profile Beauty salon—a couple of years ago it was the Rendezvous salon. Her assistant is Sandy Palmer.

Area woman is honored

A district woman was honored at the fourth annual Ford Community Service awards dinner at the Seaway Towers Thursday. Mrs. Elaine Sales of the Ballinafad area received a silver plaque for outstanding community service.

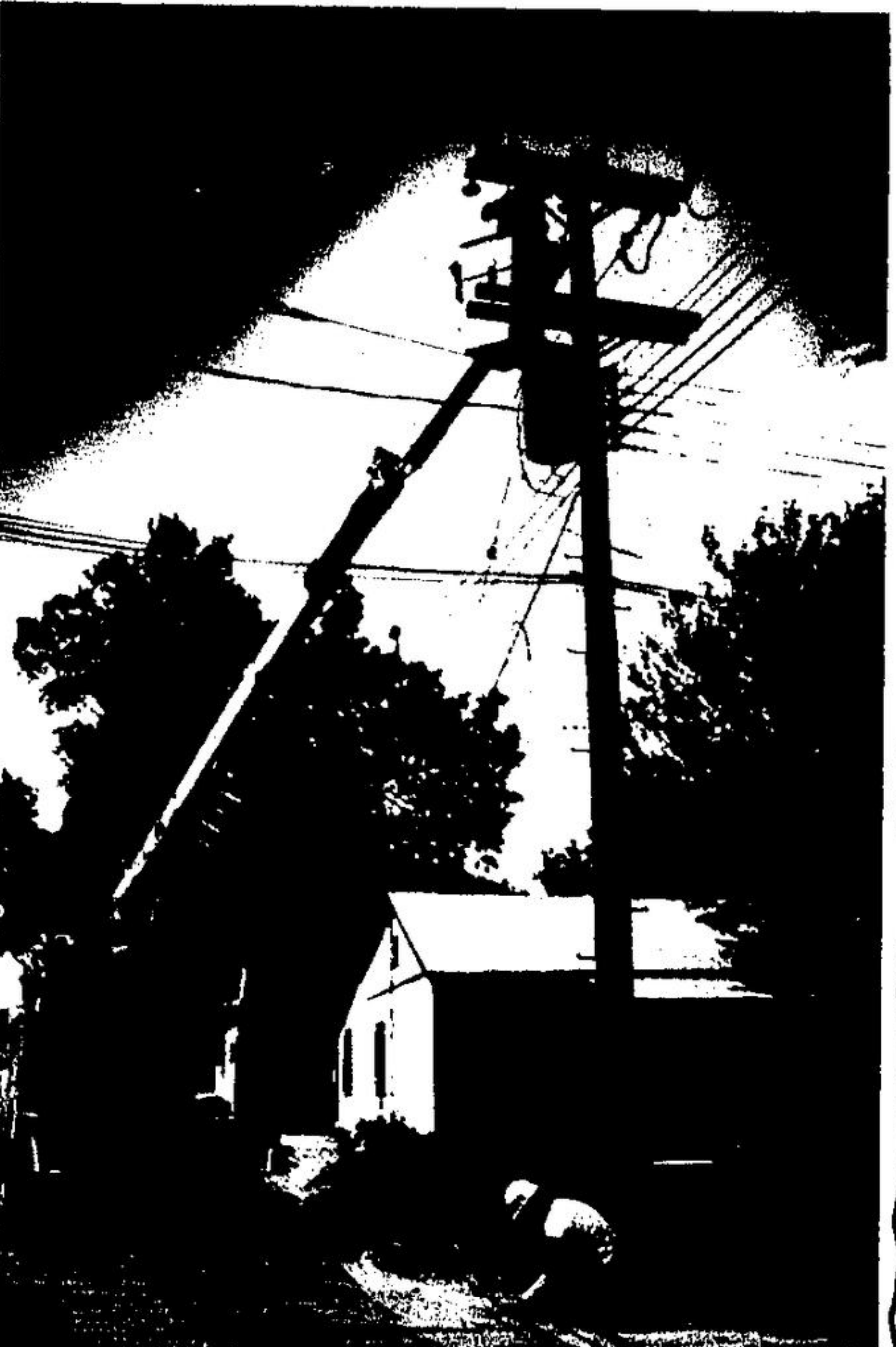
She is an active member of the Georgetown Red Cross, vice-chairman of the Halton Human Services council, past president of the United Church Women and treasurer of Ballinafad United church.

Her work with the Red Cross has included the holding of 13 different posts within the organization, including that of president. She has served with the Ontario Division of the Red Cross as vice-president of the Hamilton-Niagara region. The Red Cross awarded her a certificate of merit in 1971 for her work on behalf of the society.

She is also a canvasser for funds for the Georgetown Y and a volunteer with Georgetown Contact Centre. She is the wife of Rick Sales in the production department at the Ontario Truck Plant.



DORSON FRIZZELL tightens clamps on hydro lines on west Mill St. The lines will provide greater power to the new subdivision.



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