

Speyside quarry

Town goes to cabinet stop O.M.B. hearing

The town wants the provincial cabinet to step in and adjourn O.M.B. hearings into Speyside area quarries. Last week the O.M.B. turned down Halton Hills' request to adjourn the hearing, scheduled to resume March 10. Council has sent a resolution to Queen's Park asking the province to stop the hearings.

The town says any decision the O.M.B. might reach would be premature since the Niagara Escarpment official plan has not been completed. Council contends there might be a conflict between the O.M.B. decision and the Escarpment plan for the use of the Consolidated Sand and Gravel property. The Escarpment plan is expected to be made public within six months to a year.

Halton Hills' notes the quarry property is in an area where quarry and pit operations are restricted by the province and that the Escarpment plan shows there will be no development of the land until the Escarpment plan is finalized.

Since it is the policy of the provincial government that development on Escarpment land should be restricted, the town believes the O.M.B. should carry out Queen's Park policy and avoid a decision on the quarries until the Escarpment plan is completed.

The town is also worried about the high cost of the hearing before the O.M.B. for Halton Hills, the region, Niagara Escarpment Commission, and the Speyside ratepayers association. Council expects it could cost as much as \$30,000 for expert help at the hearings and stated there is no logic to the cost since government policy says there should be no development until the Escarpment plan is completed.

Councillor Ern Hyde said at a council meeting last Wednesday he was in favor of the resolution but he may not support any action the town might take in the future. He explained that if the petition to Cabinet failed the town would have to decide if it was worth \$30,000 for experts at the O.M.B. hearing or just forget about the hearings.

Councillor Ric Morrow said he thought the resolution they sent to Queen's Park had a lot of teeth in it and their argument for adjournment made a lot of sense.

Last Friday Mayor Tom Hill and Deputy Clerk Delmar French presented copies of the resolution to Premier Bill Davis, Halton East M.P.P. Jim Snow, Halton West M.P.P. George Kerr and J. J. Young, clerk of the executive of council for the cabinet.



SHERIDAN COLLEGE Journalism student Debbie De Bellis finds plenty of work to do on her first day at the Free Press. All Journalism students are sent to local papers for two weeks to gain actual working experience.

Parking laws

Halton Hills works committee is working on a comprehensive parking by-law. There are a number of streets which will have their parking status changed due to the new rulings. The town is incorporating the old parking by-laws in Acton, Georgetown and Esqueving, and then adding any changes they feel are necessary. All members of council will have an opportunity to suggest any changes in parking they think would be helpful in Halton Hills.



ACTON STUDENT Tammy Gould of Robert Little School was an honorable mention prize-winner in Halton Region Fire Prevention Committee's fire poster contest. She received a pen set and certificate from Halton Hills Mayor Tom Hill.

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Helen Van Sicker, one of the organizers of the event, says her committee is hopeful that interested residents who can not be on hand for the dinner will attend the business meeting slated for about 8 p.m. Voting on a board, with new faces to choose from, will be another matter of importance for the evening's business.

According to the spokesman, the proposed 1975 constitution and by-laws will be placed on the Y bulletin board for open personal use as soon as possible this week. "As soon as nominations for directors of the Y board are completed, that list will also be posted," she said.

Mrs. Van Sicker stated the committee who have put a great deal of time and effort into researching, planning and generally updating the constitution. She is enthusiastic that those who are included range in years from 18 to 45, thus providing a wide scale viewpoint for Y activities. The committee is composed of Helen Robertson, Vivian Smith, Helen Van Sicker, Robert Drinkwater and Peter Marks.

According to the spokesman, the new constitution is based on both a nationally proposed document and the original 1935 constitution and first by-laws.

Voting members. The committee also spent some time investigating constitutions of other Y's. Mrs. Van Sicker hopes that all voting members (anyone over 16 with paid up membership), will attend the important meeting. She says that ten percent of voting members must be present and that, if favorably accepted, the constitution can only be passed by a two-thirds vote.

During the past year, new interest has been created in the Acton Y program.

Organizers are hopeful that greater things can, through adoption of the proposed constitution, be achieved. Reservations for the dinner meeting can be procured by contacting Dave Hunter at 853-2624. Mrs. Van Sicker gives her phone number, 877-9476 for interested residents requiring more information on the constitution and by-laws.

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Inoculations needed for tags

For the first time in Acton, certificates of inoculation are required for dog licenses. Notices have been sent to all previous holders of dog licenses from the town of Halton Hills. However, Acton animal owners discovered that they now must produce a certificate or metal tag which shows the dog has been inoculated with anti-rabies vaccine. The vaccine must have been administered by a vet within 24 months.

Lorna Clark in the Acton office says people are forgetting in the newly-required certificates as they apply for licenses.

Precaution License holder Grant Usher, whose office is in Georgetown, thinks most people have already taken the precaution of having their pets inoculated against rabies.

The requirement was included in last year's licensing bylaw but this is the first time it's required.

The town is sending out notices to everyone who had licenses last year. Deadline is Feb. 15. Other dogs will be added to the list with the co-

operation of the dog catcher," says Mr. Usher.

"The prices remain the same, \$1 for each male or female dog, \$5 for each spayed female dog and neutered male dog.

Apprentice journalist

For the next two weeks, the Acton Free Press will be showing the ropes to a student of Journalism from Sheridan college.

Debbie De Bellis is a 20-year-old first year student at Sheridan's Oakville campus. She graduated from Gordon E. Perdue High School in Oakville in 1972. Shortly after leaving school, she went back to her native Gerinany for a visit. In 1973, she married Angelo De Bellis.

After a short stint in the commercial business field, she returned to school to pursue her main interest—journalism.

Chargebacks are optional

Staff at Halton Regional headquarters hope to clarify the recent legislation concerning chargebacks to area municipalities for sewer and water projects.

Legislation passed Jan. 1, 1975 left council with a number of options. Prior to now, council has been charging water and sewer projects back to the area councils. That may not be continued.

One of the alternatives to the chargeback system would be equal rates based on equalized assessment. Council has never come to grips with the equalization problem and the matter is bound to be controversial.

Administrator Ernie Reid told the Public Works Committee a report on the matter would be coming up in the very near future.

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