

Signs go up as council protests

The continuing saga of Mr. and Mrs. Ken Simpson ended Monday evening at Eramosa township council.

The couple had previously written council, and then attended one of their meetings, in an effort to get a sign of some sort erected near their home on 20 Sideroad. They claim there is a dangerous double curve there, and passing motorists cannot see around the bend where there are children playing and school buses unloading. He also said traffic is getting heavier and faster.

Council members agreed they did not think the spot was dangerous and refused to put up a sign of any kind.

See around bend

Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark said at previous meetings she drove the road four times a day and she could see completely around the bend.

Councillor David Masson told the Simpsons, signs would not slow down people who drive on the road quite often. It would make tourist traffic slow a bit but that was all.

The council suggested that the couple go to the Board of Education and suggest they erect a "School bus loading zone" sign.

After being refused by the Board of Education, Mr. Simpson returned to Eramosa council Monday evening to know why there were signs on all roads at curves such as this one. He said he had driven the roads and made a map with all the signs designated.

Bob Hamilton, roads superintendent, said that if a sign was erected at the spot requested, even though he did not feel one was warranted, "everyone would want a sign up."

"If I am supposed to be a mean old man, I should play the part," he stated emphatically. He continued to tell Mr. Simpson that if signs were put up, they would only be shot at, torn down, and subjected to other forms of vandalism, costing the township thousands of dollars.

He told the angered citizen that he thought he was wrong when it came to signs at every curve. He pointed out that the county roads have more signs than township roads; and Mr. Simpson must be referring to such a road.

Mrs. Clark told Mr. Simpson she thought if a few shrubs were taken off his property, there would be absolutely no problem.

Mr. Simpson told council that there was "one road, two bends, three lanes and no sign."

Around in circles

He explained that he had initially approached council for the children's sake, but everything was "going around in circles" where this was concerned. Now he is concerned about the "concealed" driveway, and would like a sign of any kind up "before someone gets hurt."

Mrs. Clark inquired about the possibility of moving Mr. Simpson's driveway, but was told this was not possible.

Mr. Masson suggested to council that Mr. Simpson be allowed to put up his own sign on township property, but pointed out that this would not solve anything. He may use the wording of his own choice, Mr. Masson suggested.

"I think Mr. Simpson firmly believes that a sign, no matter what it says, will alleviate the problem," the councillor told the rest of the group.

Mrs. Clark was against this motion as she felt it would give the children a false sense of security.

"You have stupid drivers and signs are not going to stop them," Mr. Masson said.

It was finally decided that Mr. Simpson be allowed to erect his own sign, or one of the township's at his own expense. Mrs. Clark and councillor Allan Burnett were strongly opposed to this answer.

Mr. Burnett suggested Mr. Simpson approach Clarence Denny, operator of the school bus lines, and see what he thought of the matter.



RAGGEDY ANNE AND RAGGEDY ANDY took first prize in the costumed pairs class at Rockwood's Gymkhana sponsored by the Trail Riders. "Anne" is Shawn Smith, "Andy" is Liz Moss of Rockwood and the unhappy horse is Mount Market of Acton.

Common sewer plant for Rockwood-Guelph?

One common sewage treatment plant for Rockwood and Guelph? That was the suggestion made by Eramosa township Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark at the regular meeting of the council Monday evening.

Mrs. Clark suggested having waste materials from Rockwood piped to Guelph, and the city would be paid accordingly. This would in turn save quite a lot of money with the installation of sewers and water.

Councillor Dave Masson thought the idea was "terrific."

Mr. Masson also told the council there was "an attitude of complacency within the village" concerning the intended sewers and water system. He explained that many people have the feeling the township is going to be paying for it, when in reality it is only the people who will be getting the service.

It was pointed out to Mr. Masson that the only way the township would be paying anything at all concerning the system would be indirectly. He was told that the township would have to pay for the inevitable wear and tear on the roads from trucks and heavy equipment during the construction period.

Request light danger corner

Eramosa township council is going to request a flashing red and amber light for the junction of the fifth line and Hwy. 24 from the Ministry of Transportation.

The spot in question, at Stratton-Dupuis gas station, has been the scene of a number of fatal accidents in the past years, the most recent being Monday in which an Ohio tourist was killed when his camper was in collision with a tractor-trailer.

Council members agreed that when the lights of the garage are shut off for the night, it is extremely difficult to see where the road is. Councillor Bill Hewitt said he has driven into Stratton-Dupuis property many times thinking it was the road.

One council member pointed out that some people not familiar with the road drive straight through the stop sign at 60 miles per hour crossing Hwy. 24, some still thinking they are on Highway seven, after missing the turn at Rockwood.

Fire week

Eramosa township council passed a motion at Monday evening's regular meeting to proclaim the week of October 5 to October 11 as Fire Prevention Week.

Fire chief Carl Meadows had requested that council proclaim the special week.

Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark pointed out to council members that Mr. Meadows was a very community-minded person and did his job as fire chief well. She was backed up by the group when she requested all the cooperation from council possible.

Rockwood personals

A reception at the Four Seasons Hotel, Belleville, followed the Given-Unger wedding which was held recently on the lawn of the family summer home. Among those attending from Rockwood were Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Given and Brock, and the Misses Tunny, Jean and

Olive Given, Mr. and Mrs. David Cox of Guelph were also present.

Brian and Jackie Given recently returned to their home in Rockwood following a vacation in the New England States and Maritime Provinces.

Question integrity council outraged

Ken Simpson, a 20 Sideroad resident, questioned the integrity of the Eramosa township council Monday evening.

Mr. Simpson felt he was receiving "the run around" from the council members concerning road signs in front of his property (see other story). He told council that he had heard from other people "if you wanted anything to get done, don't go to Eramosa council."

He pointed out that the people saying this sort of thing were not newcomers to the area, but other residents.

He accused council of "taking care of themselves" and no one else.

Angered

Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark, angered by this statement, told Mr. Simpson that it was the same complaining

people who are "too busy" to run for council themselves. She denied any of the verbal charges laid against herself and the other members.

Councillor Dave Masson asked Mr. Simpson if he didn't like the way things were run, why did he not run for council and do something about it instead of complaining. When the councillor pointed out to Mr. Simpson that there were positions open on the recreation committee, the resident replied "I'm thinking about it."

Bob Hamilton, roads superintendent, outraged at Mr. Simpson's accusations, defended council to the fullest.

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Have all Eden Mills surveyed-Dave Masson

Eramosa councillor David Masson suggested the entire village of Eden Mills be surveyed to avoid any future problems with land boundaries.

He told the other council members that for the four years he was a trustee in the village he had wanted it done, but he was told it would be too expensive.

Mr. Masson described the situation as "pathetic" when a man is given a lot by his grandfather and then has to drive through a parking lot to get to the place.

Mr. Hamilton explained that the hydro is willing to put their lines in over private property (the church) but Mr. Marshall would have to obtain an easement first.

Council will notify Mr. Marshall such a move has to be made.

"Dog gone problem" in village of Eden Mills

Eden Mills has a "dog-gone problem," according to Eramosa Township Reeve Bill Adsett.

Dog controller Bob Jestin attended the regular council meeting Monday evening to bring to council's attention the problem of barking dogs in that small village. He said neighbors in the vicinity of Mrs. T. Hennessy's home, which also has a dog kennel on the property, had complained about the noise of the dogs. Mr. Jestin pointed out it is particularly disturbing on Saturday and Sunday mornings when the barking begins around 6 a.m.

Councillor David Masson told council he sometimes hears it where he lives, quite a distance from the Hennessy property.

Mr. Jestin said there were at present five dogs and one monkey in the kennel but at one time there were 20 dogs according to Mrs. Masson. Mr. Jestin said that there were two small dogs, which

No staff cuts

There won't be any cuts in the staff complement of Halton Region's Board of Health Nursing Services. That decision was made by Halton Region's Administration Committee Wednesday after a special report from personnel Director Dennis Camm was presented.

Apparently some councillors became concerned at the cost of nursing services after nurses settled for a salary increase of 30 percent back in May.

Rent out space if no responsibility

Lion representatives, Darryl Nichol and Harry Bonner asked Eramosa township council if they approved the thought of renting out part of the foundation of the new recreation complex in Rockwood for storage space.

The two men also brought up the subject of winterizing the structure.

Mr. Nichol told council a gentleman had approached him wishing to rent some space.

Council was concerned over liabilities, to which Mr. Bonner replied that the person storing the items would have his own insurance.

The council members agreed to let the foundation be rented out, pending a decision from the township solicitor regarding liabilities.

At the same meeting, Mr. Nichol told council that Armstrong Construction Company of Brampton has requested they use part of the parking lot as a place to park their equipment. The Lions' representative told the group that the company would, to compensate the club for the use of their land, gravel the parking lot and fix up the playing field.

Council is looking into this matter.

Open old church for Thanksgiving

Credit Valley Conservation Authority is opening the historic "White Church", south of Belfountain for its second annual Thanksgiving Service at 2 p.m., Sunday, October 12.

Rev. Bob Rumble, Minister at the Evangelical Church for the Deaf, will conduct the service. Mr. Rumble is a Caledon resident.

The old church, known as Melville United Church for many years, is located about four miles south of Belfountain on the Fourth Line West in Caledon. It was built in 1837 by the Scottish settlers in Caledon and, early in its history, served as a meeting place for worshippers from Highway 10 to Erin.

The church was closed in 1965 and turned over to the Authority in 1969 for preservation.

Last Thanksgiving the church was overflowing with the 150 people who attended and joined in the old-time harvest home service.

Making bread new 4-H project

Greenock Women's Institute held their September meeting at the home of Mrs. Ed McGeragle, R.R. 1, Acton.

Mrs. R. Sinclair, the president, presided for the meeting. Mrs. C. Aitken gave the meditation. The 4-H girls will be sponsored by Greenock W.I. and the project, "Making Bread". Mrs. J. McCulloch and Miss Elva Pearen will be the leaders.

Mrs. W. Aitken and Mrs. E. McGeragle were presented with a silver dollar for their baby daughters. Mrs. J. Addison gave the current events. Mrs. Ed McGeragle gave consumer news.

Resolutions submitted by Elva Pearen were discussed before taking to the area convention at Atwood October 1st - 2nd.

Mrs. A. Gates and Miss E. Pearen gave an account of the tours planned by Wellington centre for the entertainment of 20 ladies from South Vancouver Island district B.C. institutes.

Two of the B.C. ladies stayed with Miss E. Pearen. She and Mrs. A. Gates, member of the planning board, accompanied them on

Construction finished when partitions put up

Construction on the new Rockwood Eramosa Medical Centre is nearing completion as the partitions will be installed this week, according to Eramosa township reeve Bill Adsett.

He also told council members during their Monday evening meeting that the railings are nearly up.

Councillor David Masson told the group the plaque for the building has been ordered and is due to arrive sometime around Thanksgiving.

Duck hunting

Duck hunting will open at dawn on Saturday, September 27 at the Orangeville Reservoir Conservation Area. The Credit Valley Conservation Authority and the Ministry of Natural Resources have a joint wildlife management agreement in this conservation area.

Hunters with hunting and migratory bird licences and shotguns only will be accepted on a first come, first served basis in the 12 blinds (two hunters per blind) on the shoreline and the islands of the Reservoir. Nonmotorized boats or canoes will be needed to reach several of the blinds.

The town has awarded a contract worth \$119,344.80 to Inverleigh Construction for construction of culverts on the Fourth and Fifth Lines. The contract was approved Monday by Halton Hills council.

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	5 4 3 2 1	35 WINNERS OF 1,000
	4 3 2 1	288 WINNERS OF 100
	3 2 1	2916 WINNERS OF 25
THIRD PRIZE		\$25,000 NUMBER
SERIES	TICKET NUMBER	
15	1 3 5 7 9	1 WINNER OF \$25,000
	1 3 5 7 9	35 WINNERS OF \$1,000
	3 5 7 9	288 WINNERS OF 100
	5 7 9	2916 WINNERS OF 25
FOURTH PRIZE		\$25,000 NUMBER
SERIES	TICKET NUMBER	
20	2 4 6 8 0	1 WINNER OF \$25,000
	2 4 6 8 0	35 WINNERS OF 1,000
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