



FOUR LADS from Acton took first place at the Chamber of Commerce talent show at Milton fair, and organizer Andy Frank came up to the Robert Little school last Thursday to make the official presentation of the new trophy. Left to right are Geoff Saxon, Mark Bray, Mr. Frank, Paul Bray and Jim Saxon. They formed a band to win the trophy and cash award.

\$19,825,000 in three years

Approve capital budget predict crowded schools

Halton Board of Education plans to spend \$19,825,000 in the next three years on capital expenditures. Even though a large percentage of that money is earmarked for providing additional pupil places, the board will face increasingly crowded conditions in some high schools in the region.

Director of Education Em Lavender told the board Thursday that the secondary school enrolment increase, while still on the rise, is expected to peak in a few years. He said the staff was trying to recommend a building program that would alleviate overcrowding but at the same time prevent overbuilding.

Trustee Bill Lawson expressed concern about possible overcrowding at Robert Baldwin School in Milton. He suggested that the \$600,000 addition planned for 1977 be split and half of that work be done in 1976 providing 150 student place in 1976 and another 150 in 1977. When a proposed amendment to that effect went before the board, it received little support and was defeated.

Trustee Dick Goodin's solution to the crowded situation in secondary schools was to stop encouraging sit-ins.

Superintendent of Business and Finance Bruce Lindley told the board the executive

committee had examined the possible overcrowding situation at Baldwin and was prepared to recommend bussing students to Pineview, a distance of seven miles, if development did outpace the rate of building in the Dorset Park area.

A secondary school enrolment and accommodation report tabled at the board Thursday showed that as of Sept. 30, 1975 the region had 20,140 secondary school students and schools to handle an effective capacity of 19,566.

Enrolment has climbed from 17,659 in 1971.

Top priorities

Ranking at the top of board priorities for 1976 is the addition of senior school facilities at W.I. Dick School in Milton including a general purpose room and library resource centre with capacity for 315 additional pupils. That

work will include the addition of a general purpose room and conversion of existing general purpose room to a library resource centre.

Among those projects slated for 1977 are the addition to Robert Baldwin in Milton at \$600,000, land acquisition in the Silver Creek development for a new high school and new elementary school as well as land acquisition in Milton for an elementary school.

project is estimated to cost \$1,350,000.

Other new projects on the slate for North Halton include an addition at Glen Williams School valued at \$225,000. The

Public information program seeks input on landfill sites

A full fledged public information program geared to telling the Halton public about the region's plans for a new landfill site or sites in the region and the possibility of a resource recovery plant is underway.

Connor Development Services Limited has been engaged to operate the public participation program which has now become part of the more technical study carried out by M. M. Dillon Limited.

Last night elected officials met to hear the consultants explain which direction the study would be taking, and today a press conference will be held to fill reporters in on the details of the study.

Contacts groups

Carolyn Dutka, a representative of the public relations firm, said she has been in contact with many concerned groups in Burlington and some in the northern part of the region. In all there are some 50 citizen groups she and her firm will contact before the study is over.

The first of a series of brochures has been developed and it invites comments and suggestions. The brochure was designed to be sent in the mail and a coupon is to be returned. Mrs. Dutka said that while the mail strike lasts she will rely on municipal drop-off points and libraries. Coupons can be picked up at

town halls, libraries and other centres and returned in the same fashion.

The brochure points out the detailing of alternatives and completion of cost estimates is expected to take place in April or May.

Forced into it

It wasn't until October that council finally agreed to the public information program. Until then it was felt by most members that the public information program could serve no real purpose until council had received final reports and had something to take to the public.

Only after the Ministry of the Environment withdrew fi-

ancial support for the study on landfill sites did the council agree to the study.

The need to choose a landfill site or sites has been described as urgent. The existing sites in the region are due to close within two years and it takes that long at least to go through the long line of procedures that must be followed in order to have a new site opened.

Groups, organizations or individuals interested in submitting a brief, offering comments or requesting information can contact Mrs. Dutka at the Halton Regional Council offices in Burlington.

Smoke signals stay 'spite Sykes censure

An attempt to ban smoking in Halton Hills council chamber was shot down in flames, Monday night, on a motion that squeaked through by one vote.

"I didn't make the motion," exclaimed Councillor Ric Morrow, a constant critic of the air in the council chamber.

Councillor Ernie said it was his motion. He explained he didn't want to deprive anyone, and said he smoked when he was younger, but he said the air was poor in the council chamber, and something has to be done.

Sykes said his point in making the motion was to speed up the installation of a better air circulation system. He said nothing has been done

after a year and a half's talk.

Morrow said he could not support the motion since he feels people must compromise to get along. He said he was disappointed a motion to install a \$1,500 fresh air inlet had been lost earlier in the evening and accused Councillors Pat McKenzie and Harry Levy of using a ploy to defeat it.

Morrow claimed the fact it wasn't in the budget had been used, while many other items not in the budget had been approved.

McKenzie retorted he felt other requests had been turned down because they weren't in the budget and stated council should not treat themselves differently from other citizens.


Councillor Ern Hyde said he had quit smoking, but wouldn't deprive anyone else. He claimed the air in the council chamber was no worse than the Royal York or any other place. He claimed the \$1,500 air vent would be a waste of money and would only cause a cold draught on the back of their necks.

Councillor Dick Howitt said he seconded the motion to help out Morrow, but was now surprised to find Morrow was opposing it.

Levy, a smoker, surprised everyone by saying he would support the motion.

The smoking ban was defeated six to five.

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