

# Consider EMO plan for unseen problems

If 100 head of cattle are running loose through Rockwood, a special group of people will know exactly what to do.

The same goes for the case of a chemical spill from one of the railroad oil tankers.

Eramosa township council is looking into the possibility of having an Emergency Measures Organization plan introduced to the township. This service would cost nothing to the taxpayers, as it is already coming off their taxes through other things, and they are not deriving the benefits.

Roy Margetts EMO planner visited the council during their bi-monthly meeting Monday evening to tell them about the project.

He said that he will study the area, draw up a rough draft of the plan, and council could decide whether or not to pass a by-law to accept the plan. Mr. Margetts told the group a book would be made up listing all the people to telephone in the case of emergency and what to do. A "thumbprint sketch" of the area would be included so someone from outside the area could look at the description and know immediately what would be involved.

He cited one advantage of having this plan would be if there was a broken gas main. It would not be necessary to contact a gas man to turn it off.

**Committee**

The EMO representative said that a committee would have to be set up whose members could confer in case of an emergency. He suggested the Reeve, Deputy Reeve, councillors, clerk treasurer, Ontario Provincial Police of-

ficers, Bell Canada employees, Union Gas employees etc. would be good for such a committee.

Mr. Margetts pointed out that it was necessary to be careful when planning this committee to make sure people who are going to be where the action is are not on the committee. He cited the fire chief as an example. The chief would want to be fighting the fire rather than discussing what will be done.

He told the council that the welfare of the people was the prime concern.

Boundaries were worrying Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark. She wondered if the EMO boundaries went by Bell Canada, Hydro or township boundaries. Mr. Margetts reassured her that they used geographical boundaries only.

He said the purpose of the plan was to prevent wasted minutes and get the necessary work done.

When asked by Councillor John Hewitt what the group should do in case of a cattle train derailling and the beasts invading Rockwood, Mr. Margetts turned the question back to Councillor Allan Burnett. He said it would be their own EMO plan and they would have to come up with the answer.

**Plan laid**

Mr. Margetts said that two years ago he had approached the Eramosa township council and asked them if they wanted this plan. He said that he received no answer and dropped the idea until now. Mrs. Clark said she could think of an reason why it was turned down two years ago now, and accepted now, but

said it must have been "lost in the shuffle".

Mr. Margetts told the council that had Cambridge had such a plan during their flooding two years ago the damage would not nearly have been as extensive. He said that the area had offered such a plan and it had been drawn up but was not passed by council. The plan had been sitting in a desk drawer while the flooding was happening. Mr. Margetts said this came up later at an inquiry concerning the matter.

He said that on April 14, the provincial government decided they no longer needed the EMO, so the federal government said they would offer aid for individual municipal programs. However, he continued, the government will not put out the money until the number of towns is

determined and the towns will not obligate themselves until they find out how much money they can get.

Mr. Margetts said that if for everything, it would only cost 25 cents per capita per annum, and the federal government plans to pay for 75 percent of this.

Council gave Mr. Margetts permission to go ahead and draw up a rough plan, with the understanding that they could look over the copy and make any necessary changes. They would then approve it and pass a by-law.

It was decided at Monday evening's meeting that the Reeve Bill Adsett, Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark, Roads Superintendent Bob Hamilton, Clerk Lloyd Hindley and Fire Chief Carl Meadows would comprise the special EMO committee.



HALLOWE'EN visitors Joanne and Gail McArthur didn't scare anybody Friday.

# Restore cabin to original condition

A newcomer to the Eramosa area will be allowed to build a house on his 100-acre farm and to restore an existing log cabin for historical purposes only.

Eramosa township council came to this decision during Monday evening's meeting after Harry Sterne visited with them.

Mr. Sterne explained that he bought a farm at Lot 21, Con. Six. There is, at present, a disheveled log cabin covered with barn boards and a barn on the site. He has been renovating the cabin for some time, he said, and would now like to build a home for his wife and himself. He stressed that he was not asking for a separation, but merely a building permit.

Mr. Sterne commented on the historical value of the cabin and told council "it would be a shame to have to tear it down". Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark thought it was a "lovely log cabin." She pointed out that a two-storey log cabin was unusual.

The area newcomer said after the restoration process is completed, he would like to use the cabin as a farm of guest house. At the present time his nephew, who is attending the University of Guelph, is living in the structure.

Mr. Sterne told council he intended to farm the land and would not be having a hired hand on the property.

Mr. Sterne admitted his house would be 100 feet less than that but was prepared to alter his plans slightly to adhere to the by-laws.

Councillor John Hewitt told the other council members that there was always the danger that if council let him build a second house, he would turn around and get a severance for the first structure. Mr. Sterne told the councillor that he bought 100 acres because he wanted that

much, not 15 or 25 acres. He had no intention of severing the land.

Mrs. Clark pointed out to Mr. Sterne that Eramosa township was zoned agricultural "and we want to protect it" she said.

**To begin**

Mr. Sterne said he would like to start as soon as possible on the construction of the house and that the contractor could begin in two weeks.

Council discussed the matter later in the evening, with Councillor Dave Masson opposed to the building permit.

Mr. Masson said that to permit Mr. Sterne to build another building on the property would be to go directly against a by-law they passed in January stating that more than one house would not be permitted on the same property except in the case of a hired hand's quarters.

Mrs. Clark told Mr. Masson she felt once the man in question started farming, he would realize he would need a hired hand who would live in the cabin, permissible in the by-law.

**History**

Mr. Hewitt pointed out that

# Pet of the week



**NUBS IS THE THREE** and a half year old "Toodle" of Kari Aitken. A Toodle is part terrier, but more poodle, according to his proud owner. Nubs likes everything except coffee and beets, and especially likes roast beef dinners, because he knows he will get the bone. Tug of war is his favorite game. Nubs always shakes his paw before receiving food.

# Wolf bounties raise differences

Mixed reactions over the proposed wolf bounty have Eramosa township council seeking advice.

Councillor Dave Masson said he has spoken to people who are strongly in favor of the idea, while others are 100 per cent against it. Councillor Allan Burnett said he had the same reactions from people he had spoken to about the topic.

Mr. Masson wondered if they should consult a farm organization about the matter and get their opinion. He suggested the Junior Farmers or a senior level of the same group if it existed.

Clerk Lloyd Hindley pointed out that there was another case of a wolf killing a sheep last week.

**Honesty**

Mr. Masson said the honesty of the hunter would be tested as the hunter could shoot the animal one place and say he got it at another

Mr. Burnett wondered who should get the bounty, the hunter or the farmer?

"I don't think we need wolves this close to civilization," Councillor John Hewitt said.

Deputy Reeve Betty Lou Clark emphasized that she did not want a man's livelihood destroyed because of sheep-killing wolves.

It was decided members of the council would speak to various organizations and learn the general consensus of farmers before making a decision.

The subject originally came up several weeks ago after several killings had been reported by farmers. They said it was definitely wolves doing the killing.

Mr. Masson said the council would have to check and make sure the sheep were killed by wolves rather than dogs.

# Rockwood bowling

- Standings**
- Countrymen 41, Nortons 38, Unpredictables 34, Optimists 33, Four Corners 31, Junior Farmers 27, Carneys 26, Mustangs 25, Raggedy Pants 24, Kay's Foods 21, Pin Pal 20, Guelphites 17.
- Men over 600—**Clarence Hillon 102, Peter Boach 620, Ted Jestin 622, Don McKeralie 609.
- Women over 500—**Nellie Stokman 606, Ivy Ritchie 612, Marg McKenzie 581, Nancy Ferguson 571, Viv Nightingale 568, Ann Parkinson 511, Helen Klaver 517, Olga Sanderson 514, Nancy Gordon 511, Gerda Bekker 505, Gerry Hillon 500.
- Four Corners 5—**Nellie Stokman 226, 184 (636), Don McKeralie 253, 190, 204 (609), J. Farmers 2, Glen Gray 237, 150, 206 (593), Wayne Taraswell 158, 137, 194 (489), Carneys 3 Nancy Ferguson 181, 200, 175 (557), John Carney 173, 151, 109 (516), Optimists 2, Ted Jestin 195, 232, 190 (623), Jerry Burke 165, 172, 182 (519), Nortons 3, Ivy Ritchie 198, 208, 248 (612), John Gordon 190, 181, 211 (582), Kay's Foods 2, Mary Lush 186, 176, 138 (498), Ruth Kingslay 120, 140, 235 (495).
- Country Men 7—**Peter Boach 233, 163, 210 (606), Jan Loaf 183, 228, 158 (530), Pin Pal 9, Alex Johnson 171, 163, 157 (491), Mary Nightingale 181, 147, 131 (452).
- Unpredictables 7—**George Smith 172, 229, 103 (504), Eugene Ferguson 191, 180, 200 (590), Guelphites 6, Ross Gordon 137, 220, 202 (560), Sam Lawler 169, 167, 187 (563).
- Raggedy Pants 5—**Clarence Hillon 246, 236, 197 (702), Jack Britney 242, 144, 139 (525), Mustangs 2, Day Cleveland 212, 184, 201 (507), Olga Sanderson 203, 152, 161 (516).

# Centre open in a few weeks

The Rockwood-Eramosa Medical Centre will be ready for occupancy on or before November 29 according to Eramosa township Reeve Bill Adsett. He told the Eramosa township council members this at their bi-monthly meeting Monday evening.

# HRCA wants NEC changes

The Land Use Advisory Board of Hutton Region Conservation Authority has made recommendations for revision of boundaries under the jurisdiction of the Niagara Escarpment Commission.

The HRCA report defines the areas on the face of the Escarpment in need of control along the brow and talus slopes.

They recommended the area above 403 Highway currently within the Parkway Belt be controlled by NEC. It was felt this area, a source of several watercourses and one of the most aesthetic areas of the Escarpment, could be in danger of future development. The Parkway Belt has been designated as a utility corridor as well as a greenbelt.

**Quarry zoning**

Nelson Crushed Stone and its surrounding property was excluded in HRCA's recommendation as it is in a quarry zoning area and controlled by the Pits and Quarries Act.

Urban hamlets such as Kildee and Campbellville have also been excluded because they contain no physical features of the Escarpment and are very difficult to control.

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