

County levy \$240,895 for Erin Township

The increase in property taxes for county purposes in Erin Township will not be as high as was first calculated by the provincial assessment branch.

According to the revised equalized assessment schedule the township assessment for county purposes now stands at \$240,895, an 18 per cent increase from 1975. Township clerk Elmer McKinnon, explained to the council meeting on Monday, that this does not necessarily mean that individual taxes will rise proportionately since there has been an increase in the number of residences, and the levy will be spread over a greater number.

A letter of thanks is being sent to MPP Jack Johnston for his efforts in correcting the bad intersection at Highway 24 and County Road 26. Two larger signs 48 by 48 will be erected, one at the corner to replace the 24 by 24 sign, and the other one 100 feet up the road. The township will keep the intersection under review, and if any other changes are needed they will act on them.

Award contracts
Contracts have been awarded to Cox Construction for crushed gravel for the roads, and to Miller Paving for calcium chloride.

A hard top surface has been scheduled for the second line this summer from 24 highway to 27 sideroad.

Several applications for land severance have been rejected for various reasons. A farm should be owned for five years before a retirement lot can be severed.

Notice was received from the Insurance Company that Hillsburgh arena, having been proven unsafe for use, is now, not covered for liability insurance.

Pay accounts
A motion by Ormisher and Reid was carried that the following accounts be paid: Calvin Aitkens - \$40, for 20

hens, killed by stray dogs, and Roy Miller - \$51, for a lamb, which showed all signs of being killed by a wolf.

A request was received for assistance in renovating the basement of Ballinacree hall, making it suitable for holding banquets, and events. Halton Hills has stated they will give a grant equal to that of Erin Township. On a motion by Wheeler and Marshall, a grant of \$400, will be given. A grant of \$200, will be forthcoming from the province, bringing the total to \$1000.

Ask appeal
A committee from the Anti-Gravel Concerned Citizens, David Wright, Brian Miller and Eric Salmond, brought a request to council, asking council to appeal to the cabinet to reverse the decision on granting a license to open a gravel pit. A lively discussion followed. Reeve Donald Matheson said "We should go and see legal counsel, talk to Mr. Hungerford, and get full particulars on what we can legally do, and go from there."

The councillors stated a desire to read the "Conditions of the License" before acting on the request. A special meeting was arranged, giving them reasonable time to peruse the papers.

Federation offers scholarships

by Murray Harris
The Halton Federation of Agriculture offers two scholarships of \$100 each to assist worthy students from Halton in courses in agriculture or family and consumer studies. One of these scholarships will be available to a student entering the first semester of the B.Sc. (Agr.) or B.A.Sc. program at the University of Guelph. The other will be available to a student entering the Diploma in Agriculture program at the University of Guelph or at any of the four Colleges of Agricultural Technology in Ontario (Ridgetown, Kemptonville, Centralia or New Liskeard).

These awards will be made on the basis of agricultural background and academic standing as well as participation and achievements in 4-H, Junior Farmer and other community activities. Application forms are obtainable from the office of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, 181 Main St., Milton. The application form should be submitted to the Agricultural Office by Sept. 1. The Education Committee of the Halton Federation of Agriculture will select the winners.

John Root joins new environmental board

Former Wellington-Dufferin MPP John Root of Erin Township was named Wednesday as a member of Ontario's first Environmental Assessment Board, according to Ontario Premier William Davis.

The 14-member board will play a vital role in the implementation of the Environmental Assessment Act, 1975, under the Ministry of the Environment. Proponents of any undertaking which may have a significant effect on

the natural environment must seek approval of the new board.

Prove effect
Industrial firms or government ministries will have to prove to the board any new developments will not upset the natural environment, the premier said.

The new board will also assume the activities of the Environmental Hearing Board which was formed in 1973. Many of the members of the Assessment Board were formerly on the Hearing Board, including chairman David S. Caverly of Toronto and vice-chairman Eleanor Lancaster of St. Catharines. The board will be sworn in on May 13.

Rural M.P.P.
Mr. Root represented the rural riding in the legislature from 1951 to 1975 and operates a 300-acre farm with his brother. He was a member of the Hearing Board and was first vice-chairman of the former Ontario Water Resources Commission.

Another area man appointed to the Assessment



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Halton motion on SMV signs approved at meet

By Mark Leahy
The spring Regional Farm Safety Meeting was held Thursday April 29 at Wellington Place. Mrs. Elia Patterson, Cecil Patterson, Alfred Ford and Mark Leahy represented Halton.

All counties reported on their safety projects for the year. Alfred Ford spoke for Halton on a scrap book competition on essay competition, and a farm safety meeting in conjunction with Halton 4-H Clubs.

The Halton Farm Safety Association introduced a resolution which was voted on and carried. The resolution read, Be it resolved that the Farm Safety Association

work with the Ontario Ministry of Transportation and Communications to educate the motoring public about slow moving vehicle emblems and the right of Ontario farmers on the roads of our province.

Options
In the event that no first year student applied for one of these scholarships, applications from second year students would be considered. If no applications were

received from students wishing to enter the Diploma Program, consideration would be given to a second selection from those wishing to enter the Degree Program and vice-versa.

Elevation
Acton's elevation is 1,150 feet above sea level, and the town's sun time is the same as Greenwich minus five hours, 20 minutes and eight seconds.

Tree down, no damage

Acton Hydro superintendent Doug Mason reported during the storm last week a tree fell over wires on Main St. N. just north of the old Legion building. There was no damage however, it was just a case of cutting the tree down.

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Battle of Atlantic marked

BURLINGTON—Old Salts in Burlington and area marked the Battle of the Atlantic with a church parade, wreath laying and flower ceremonies last Sunday. The day is set aside to honor the memory of men and ships lost at sea during World War II when tenacious links with Britain were preserved by men of the merchant marine and Allied navies.

Demand study of old arena

MILTON—Inspectors from the provincial Ministry of Labor have demanded a study of the old Fred Armstrong arena, Brown St. A \$3,500 engineering report to be prepared by an independent firm of consulting engineers must be in the hands of the minister's industrial safety branch by June 9 of this year. One flaw found recently in a steel beam has been repaired but Milton officials are aware inspectors have closed down 35 municipal arenas in the past year and it makes them uneasy. Milton has two arenas but the original called Fred Armstrong in honor of the donor, was built in 1921 and almost destroyed by fire in 1955, a blaze which left some steel beams distorted. It was rebuilt in 1965 at a cost of \$40,000. Inspectors are now as concerned with high winds as with weight of snow. It was noted the roof of the Burlington curling rink at the Burlington Golf and Country Club collapsed one weekend in late March when storm winds hit 60 miles per hour.

Man may lose dream home

OAKVILLE—An Oakville man may lose his lakefront dream home because town council says he built in defiance of local regulations. Council has ordered him to stop work on the building while it investigates the legality of its construction. One councillor estimated Thomas Chernoff has already put \$100,000 into the project at the back of his property located at 1230 Lakeshore Rd. W. Two regulations have dimmed the builder's dream—he has been stymied by the region in attempts to get a land severance required before a second building is allowed on a property; there is an existing building on the property. However, he was able to get a building permit from the town based on an "accessory" building. "Accessory" is the key word. Mr. Chernoff's and the town's interpretations differ. Chernoff also claims two unnamed members of the town staff told him to proceed.

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