



WATER FROM THE construction site can be seen flowing down into the backyard of one resident of the Kingham Hill Estates.

Space lack

Municipal complex long range solution

A central administration building, or municipal complex is a long term object of the town staff, who would like to see building started by January, 1979.

Haltom Hills finance committee look no action on the long term answer to the space problem, saying there should be public meetings and much more information before any municipal complex, or addition to the present administration building is considered.

The treasurer pointed out it was tentatively included for debenture purposes in the 1978 capital budget.

The immediate suggestions to house staff, in a department head report, included spending \$17,000 on the Main Street treasury building; the moving of the fire chief and fire safety inspector's office to the new Maple Avenue fire hall from the Main Street office; the recreation department to remain where it is in Alcot arena; the clerks, planning, and engineering department stay where they are, and \$5,000 to be spent on winterizing and installing windows in the engineering department, which is operating out of a bay in the works garage.

Haltom Hills finance administration committee recommended approval of all the suggestions.

In the long run, the department heads claimed all departments should be under one roof. They said economics and location may well justify an expansion to the present Seventh Line administration building.

Chairman Russ Miller said the public is more aware of the space lack than they were.

Councillor Peter Marks said the people who signed petitions against the municipal complex should be given a chance to be heard at public forums. He suggested September, 1977, as a good time to begin such meetings.

Miller pointed out there was no reason an addition could not be constructed in two phases.

Both said the planning department could be the first stage which would then ease the burden on other departments.

Councillor Walter Blehn

said he had a unique reason for opposing the complex before the election. He said he wondered if Haltom Hills would cease to exist as one town, and the two separate towns be revived. "It seems to me Acton is unhappy and I feel two towns are more workable."

Marks wondered if there would be any point in asking Queen's Park if would consider having Acton secede from Haltom Hills or if there is any move to one tier government.

Treasurer Ray King said something similar had been asked last year, and Queen's Park simply replied they could not guarantee anything. In that case a 25 year guarantee was sought.

Marks said he would not support any central building until he heard from the people. He said he did not mean a plebiscite.

"It looks like we're moving

Gone south

A record number of Actonians have had trips to the south this winter.

Many ill

There are many cases of colds and flu

Expropriation . . .

(Continued from page one) northern part of the corridor, from Bruce to Colbeck. Assuming the court appeal fails, only the approximately 25 mile central section remains open.

Plans for the line would have it pass over Highway 7 between Acton and Limehouse. Hearing officer Meyrick is to write a report to the energy minister.

The decision to go, ahead with the middle portion of the line, is the view of the opposing lawyers, as good as made. The key to the middle portion was the minister's decision on the north. When the minister ruled in favor of the provincial utility, opened the door for the power lines to the south.

We feel the Grey County Committee and the Interested Citizen's Group (ICG) effort at Durham was maximum, and in spite of it, the hearing officer and the minister ruled against them opposition lawyer Richard Howitt said Thursday. "It's obvious to us that anything we do here will not be successful," he said. "It's too late. That's the political bullet the politicians will have to bite," an Ontario Hydro lawyer said over coffee.

A copy of the energy minister's decision concerning the north section, dated March 9,

was delivered to hearing officer Meyrick's home that evening. Mr. Meyrick acknowledged Thursday that the ministry of energy delivered it.

Mr. Meyrick, who was not a party to the expropriation hearing at Durham, refused to speculate why he received a copy when other people closer to the issue had not.

"You weren't at Durham, yet you have the document," John Schneider of the ICG told the hearing officer.

"We were and we haven't gotten a copy," he added.

The point was raised before by opposition lawyer Leon Parolan, but the hearing officer assured the audience in the Legion Hall: "You can be sure that I am my own man."

A turning point in the hearing was the refusal by lawyers for the opponents to table any evidence. They felt Hydro had to first show why

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Flooding

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drainage ditch which was dug has been largely blocked by fill and the end of it is closed off, creating a long puddle behind the condominiums. This problem could disappear as Mr. Ford said that the company will dig a larger ditch to accommodate the water runoff.

One of the lots was cleared of snow and still had water around its window, which was cited as proof that the flooding was not caused by snow. Although the mud does not reach near the building, there is debris leading right up to the side of the condominiums, and the pathway of the water could be seen clearly.

G.R. Cornelisse, president of the Haltom Condominium Corporation No. 24, claims that mud slides down every summer, making it impossible to sit in the yards.

Residents claim that there was no problem until the buildings were started, and feel sure enough of their position that they are sending a delegation to council on Monday.

Saves mosquito abatement program

A convincing plea from Regional Chairman Ric Morrow is all that saved Haltom's Mosquito Abatement program from being abolished in the eyes of the Region's Public Works Committee.

The committee considered a routine report recommending council confirm action taken by the Medical Officer of Health in arranging the program. The board of Health had already approved the program subject to a report on possible hazards from the chemicals.

When the report came before the Public Works Committee Wednesday Laurie Mannell said the program in Oakville the year before had been a complete farce.

"One man with a backpack could have done more than the four students with the truck who were supposed to be working in Oakville."

"They didn't even know what a mosquito looked like. They had no training. It was an out and out farce. There wasn't 100 hours of work done in the whole project and they only sprayed public property. Mosquitos don't stop breeding when they get to the fence-line."

Chairman Morrow was out

of the meeting when Councillor Mannell blasted the program. The committee decided to cancel the program.

When Morrow returned to the chambers he said that last year the provincial health authorities were concerned about an outbreak of encephalitis. "There was great concern in the newspapers and with the general public. We decided we wouldn't go

into the summer without preparation.

"There wasn't a penny wasted. People were pleased that the region cared and did something."

"We reacted to fear. Those who have it (encephalitis) and have lived, have suffered, some for the rest of their lives."

Immediately after his speech the committee reversed its earlier decision.

A program of mosquito abatement is currently in the advanced planning stages and a seminar has already been held.

Identity unknown

The identity of a pedestrian who was hit by a car on No. 5 Highway, just west of the Sixteen Mile Creek Bridge, still remains unknown and the Milton OPP are asking for public assistance to help identify the man.

John Pimington was west-bound on the highway at 11:15 p.m. when he hit the man who was directly in his path.

At the time of the accident the victim had no identification. He is currently in the Oakville-Trafalgar Hospital in guarded condition.

According to a spokesman for the Milton OPP the man is a white caucasian, about 25-30-years-old with dark brown hair and a short trimmed beard. His height is about five feet eight inches and he weighs about 130 pounds.

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