JIM SHEWCHUK, new member of Halton Hills planning department.

Planner added to town staff

An intermediate planner, Iim Shewchuk, has been idded to the staff of Halton tills planning department.

Mr. Shewchuk, 29, started work Monday morning, and has been hired at a salary of \$15,704. The new planner came here

from the town of Richmond Hill, where he was in the planning department for three years, after graduating from York University in 1974.

Mr. Shewchuk will be concentrating in the area of development control, including plans of subdivision, project planning, land severances and minor policy formulation. He will also 'establish ' an information

comment, then three days bureau for all agencies. later making the decision Mr. Shewchuk and his wife without having received a live in Downsview, but plan to reply, "presumptuous". move to Georgetown even-Chairman Roy Booth pointed out the kennel can

> being erected mainly to alleviate the nose. "The N.E.C. Halton Regional Solicitor Mike Martin has announced his resignation. He will leave the region to join a firm of Toronto lawyers. Martin joined the region in 1975 as an assistant to Noel Bates.

Limehouse

tor has told Halton Hills

council they have no alter-

native but issue a kennel

licence since the application

complies with the by-law,

according to Councillor Roy

At planning board, last

week, Booth a member of the

N.E.C., pointed out the N.E.C. had approved the

building permit. A letter was

Planner Mario Venditti

N.E.C. would review the

decision and may or may not

termed the N.E.C. action of

sending a letter asking for

operate without a building to

house the Siberian Huskies,

and claimed the kennel was

change their mind.

Plan and Zoning by-law.

Booth.

looked at it that way, too." The Niagara Escarpment He said the N.E.C. was Commission has approved a simply asking if the dog permit for kennel building on kennel contravened the Offithe Robert McLeod property cial Plan and Zoning Bylaw. on the Limehouse Road, between the Fifth and Sixth "The planner has already said it conforms with our In addition, the town solici-

N.E.C. approves kennel

Planning Board agrees

existing by-law." Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson said Mr. McLeod bought the land after

receiving tentative approval from council in October that a kennel could be operated, subject to the approval of the health and building depart-

Both Maltby and Serjeantson wanted to set conditions before sending the letter to N.E.C., but Booth maintained the N.E.C. would

do that anyway.

Planning Board voted to tell the N.E.C. they had no objections, since it conformed to the Official Plan.

Residents in the area presented a petition to council a month ago, objecting to the kennel, claiming the noise was disturbing the neighbor-

Committee talks tough line on budget

being discussed at the meeting asking if the building Administration Committee would conform to the Official wants to take a hard line on budget increases this year Booth explained the letter The committee instructed was sent prior to the Comstaff to stay within a 7.8 per mission approving the permit cent increase in this year's at a meeting the previous

departmental estimates. week. He said approval was During the committee disgiven pending a reply from cussion Wednesday, Chief Administrative Officer Ernie Reid told the committee that explained that if the town the level of service would recommended against the have to be reduced and he issuance of the permit the indicated the impact would be a very real one. He had suggested a goal of 14 per cent would be more realistic. Councillor George Maltby

members agreed that 7.8 per cent increase should be the goal and the goal should be met. Burlington Councillor David Coons wanted a commitment from the treasurer and chief administrative officer that the two would take a tough and arbitrary position with department heads when budgets are submitted.

Reid told the committee it should set realistic guidelines and then be ready to accept the cuts when staff recom-

He objected to the committee setting a goal and then telling staff that if they need a bit more, come back for per-

"If you say 7.8 per cent it can be done. It will be tough and it will mean a reduction in the level of the service offered but it can be done."

Treasurer Don Farmer said the guideline is a good idea but he suggested there should be some flexibility. "We haven't put pen to paper yet but we know we have additional debt charges for sewage plants that will be coming on in 1978."

On one hand the committee here."

was adament that staff take a tough and arbitrary position but on the other hand, the committee suggested staff shouldn't take an inflexible

"I don't want the staff to say it is 7.9 per cent and that is it," Coons said.

Oakville Mayor Harry Barrett said restricting new programs and cutting back on existing ones is the only way to control the budget. "We did it in Oakville and it worked and we should be doing it

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The Halton agency has rejected a 26 per cent increase offered by the Ministry of Community and Social Services and requested that a Child Welfare Review Committee be appointed to examine the 1977 budget request for a 39.7 per cent increase to \$1,589.616.

The 39.7 per cent increase had been approved by Halton Regional Council. The original CAS request was for

a 60 per cent increase. The Child Welfare Review Committee will consist of a chairman appointed by the province and appointed representatives from the region and the Ontario Associatlon of Children's Aid Soc-

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Mr. Coupland said if the outside of Halton because

there aren't proper facilities in the region to handle them. The society is now working on a line of credit and having to borrow money to pay bills based on the 39.7 per cent budget increase which had been approved by the region.

If they are held to a 26 per

cent increase Mr. Coupland said they would have to apply for a supplementary budget from the province which covers child care but does not cover any increases in staff, salaries or the costs of occupying a building.

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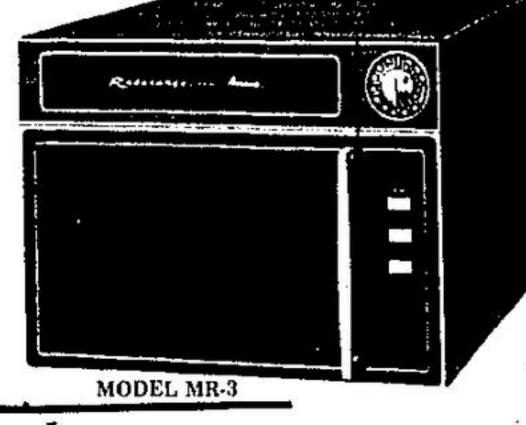
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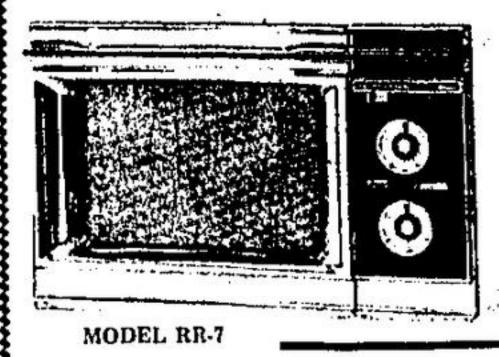
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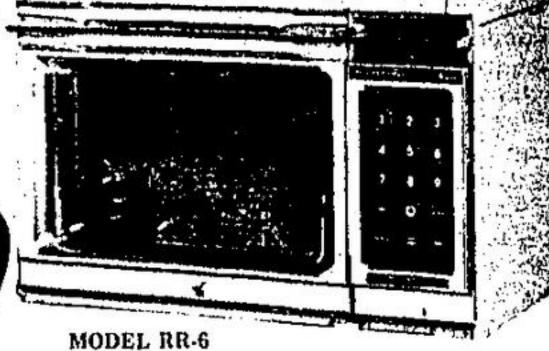
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