

OPTIMISTS ELECTED an executive May 16 at their first meeting. Front row, left to right are Harmen Vander Heide, Walter Barlow, Bill Chagnon, field representative Paul Gorman and

Bert Huisman. Back row from left to right are Bill Johnston, Al Burns, Bob Hart and Clive

Optimist Club chartered with 40 members joining

Acton, as of last Tuesday, can now boast another community service club to its credit as Bill Chagnon has seen four months' work result in the chartering of an Optimists' club with the sponsorship of the Milton Optimists.

The two sponsors, Dennis Kwasnicki and Bob Ives. were at the meeting, along Milton Optimist president Ron Hudd, Don Knight and Bill McGuiness.

V.I.P.s from the district organization were on hand for the chartering, which will become official July 15. These included District Governor Bob Wahby and district secretary-treasurer Rake, as well as Ab Flood, chairman of the new club building committee for the Ontario district.

Only 23 Actonians had agreed to join the Optimist Club by May 9, but Chagnon, in a last minute flurry of activity, raised that number to 40 by the chartering meeting May 16 at the Station Hotel. The club is still planning to grow, and signed another member at a meeting

last night. Chagnon, as acting chairman of the club, opened the meeting and ran it until after dinner, when he turned over the gavel to field representa-

Police . . .

south of the county.

(Continued from page 1) saving Matthew's life. . All other awards related to

examples of citizenship in the

Halton Region Chairman Ric Morrow, of Georgetown, thanked all the citizens for their services above and beyond what is usually expected.

Halton-Burlington MPP Julian Reed echoed the words of Morrow and Kerr took the opportunity of wishing District One Superintendent Floyd Schwantz the best in his job as chief of police at Timmins. Schwantz has probably done more "to raise the morale of the force and the respect of citizenry than anyone," said Reed.

tive Paul Gorman, who was here from Pittsburg representing Optimist International. Gorman welcomed the 40 new members to the club, and spoke on Optimism and how the Optimists are the fastest growing club of

There are 3,500 members in North America, with the motto A Friend of Youth. Statistics say each Optimist reaches 11 children. "Eleven times 3,500 is a phenomenal according number

without volunteer organizations and how much higher our taxes would be. He

said the Optimists are in town to work with other community groups, not against - After his opening remarks,

election of officers for the new club began. The officers are: president, Optimist Bill Chagnon; vice presidents, Optimist Bob Hart and Optimist David Henderson.

There are six directors, two serving for one year, two for two years and two for three years. They are Optimists Harmon Vander Heide and Al Burns (one year), Optimists Walter Barlow and Bill Johnson (two years) and Optimists Clive Jago and Dave Boycott (three years.)

Optimist club begin on October 1, so these men will all have an extra five months in their time in office. New elections will not be held until volunteers in the world. October 1979. Zone Lt. Governor Jim Windich was on hand to

Gorman also spent some time discussing what an economy would be like

Optimist Bert Huisman was

inaugurate Immediately after the

elections the club got into a board meeting which, according to Bill Chagnon, had him going until 3 a.m..

The first general meeting of the club was last night, in the Acton Restaurant. Com-

approved by the board to act

All terms of office in an

as secretary treasurer.

Henry's to clothe cops

the

Halton Regional Police Commission awarded to tender for uniforms to Henry's Clothing and Custom Tailors, of Georgetown.

The tender is for \$31,634.72 and involves approximately 200 uniforms for the police. The decision came during the May 11 commission meeting

at Oakville. Halton police chief Ken Skerrett agreed with the recommendation from the region's senior buyer that the tender go to H & H Clothing.

Halton Region's senior purchaser Ken Alexander confirmed that the name of the company in the tender is

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the work of the club. The club will be sponsoring "whatever our funds find feasible" according to Chagnon. He mentioned they are in the process of considering a bike

safety demonstration. The club is working on organizing its fund raising activities.

Talking of his executive, Chagnon said "with a bunch of men like I have no doubt the club will be successful." He concluded by saying "I consider this one of the greater landmarks of Acton and I look forward to putting out Optimists signs at either

end of town."

Henry's Clothing of 62 Main St. S. Georgetown.

Alexander said Henry's will measure each officer on the force and also make whatever alterations are necessary. M. Stone Co., of Toronto, will cut, and make the uniforms, Alexander said.

Other recommendations set the life of the site at 2,000,000 tons instead of six years and authorized staff to respond to questions raised by Milton Council concerning region's choice of Site F.

Perlin told council costs of

carrying out the recom-

mended studies could run

from \$150,000 to \$200,000 and

Public Works Chairman

Jack Raftis fought to have the

life span at Site F changed

from six years or 2,000,000

tons to 6,000,000 tons or 20

years. "It's been four and

half years looking for a site

and it will be seven years

before we find one. Why play

around with a six-year site?"

Both Perlin and Morrow

explained all formal applica-

tions were based on a six-year

site on council's instructions

and to abandon that would

mean starting from square

one and drafting a whole new

application. Perlin said that

would set the process back

several months and "use up

time the region doesn't

the estimated cost

developing Site F

\$2,000,000.

he asked.

a 12-8 count with all three against the motion to look at

Regional Chairman Ric Morrow said the move was "absolute Hypocrisy" on the

"Staff is trying to do everything they can to find a solution to this problem. They've asked councillors to look at alternatives and they won't vote for it. They (Milton councillors) have everything

"We recommended the route that we felt was best to proceed on. They voted against it, and I'm really at a

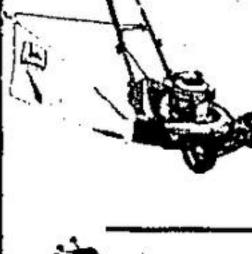
Morrow said the council had acted Irresponsibly and had pushed the situation to a critical level.

Perlin made three recommendations to council. The most crucial of the three recommended authorizing staff to engage consultants to carry out all necessary studies and prepare all necessary reports including hydrogeological, environmental, agricultural after use, and site design studies and reports for Site F (Tremaine and Britannia Rd.), Site B (Number 5 Highway and Walker's Line), D (Base Line Rd. and the Third Line Oakville), Site A (the existing Burlington landfill site) and Site O (the existing Oakville

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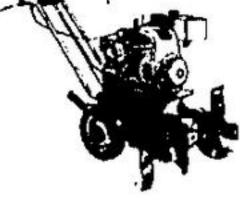


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Region won't consider alternate dump sites saying it is Site F or nothing. had threatened to go to court

Anderson sald that by voting

against Perlin's suggestion

the council closed the door on

alternatives to Site F. "If we

don't get Site F approved, we

could be up to our ears in

Consultant Wally Wells told

council that the District

Office of the Ministry of The

Environment had recently

indicated it may not be able to

support an application for

Site F if it is on a six-year

basis because it doesn't show

It was Anderson who made

the motion to have the in-

vestigation of Sites B and D

broadened to include in-

vestigating the possibility of

expanding the existing Oak-

when he made the motion.

"You promised people there

that there would be no ex-

pansion. You pay more at-

tention to the Site F guy

(lawyer David Estrin) than

your own lawyer and he's the

guy that has caused all of the

problems," Raftis shouted.

made it clear they weren't

By refusing to consider anxious to go up against

Both Anderson and Perlin

Raftis shouted at Anderson

ville and Burlington sites.

any long term planning.

garbage," he warned.

existing sites.

mental board.

a new application.

any comparisons.

In answer to a question

from Councillor Jim Watson,

Perlin said that If tests

proved other sites to be better

than Site F, he'd recommend

Just before the vote,

Chairman Morrow told the

council that Watson had just

told him he wouldn't support

investigation of alternatives

because he felt Milton had a

better chance to defeat Site F

if the region had to go before

the hearing board without

Morrow later described

Stu McFadden, President

of the Tremaine-Britannia

Citizens' Group, said he was

disappointed in the outcome

and had hoped the council

would have authorized the

that as some of the dirtiest

politics he'd ever seen.

Halton Regional Council refused to authorize studies, investigation and drilling at four sites that could prove to be alternatives to proposed Site F at Tremaine and Britannia Rd. for a

The crucial vote was lost on Milton councillors voting alternatives.

Ironically, Milton councillors and Site F opponents have been urging the examination of alternatives for more than two years and have always met a wall of opposition within the council.

behalf of Milton councillors.

to gain and nothing to lose.

loss," the chairman said.

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Outside the meeting, Milton Oakville Councillor Mac If the investigation did not Mayor Donald Gordon said he include possible expansion of had voted against considering alternatives because he felt more attention should be paid Perlin insisted that it was 10-point compulsory to have the resolution, and he was testing done because the suspicious of the motion. region had to have a fair "The whole thing seemed comparison for Site F when it fishy." goes before the environ-Councillor Jim Kerr said

> the whole meeting was a farce and he indicated he would like to see landfill responsibility returned to the area councils so one council wouldn't be pitted against another. He said he was opposed to

spending \$200,000 to find alternatives and he indicated he, too, was suspicious of the intentions of the region.

Unless there is a motion to reconsider council's actions. the region will be forced to go to the Environmental Review Board with a proposal for a six-year site at Site F and without any proper corr.parisons to make with it.

According to regional officials, time is rapidly running out in the existing sites and if Site F is turned down. the region would soon have nowhere to put garbage.

