

Project \$21,000 over other work could suffer

The construction of the new pumping station and watermain in Prospect Park has come in \$21,000 over budget, which could result in a postponement on watermain work on Agnes St.

The overexpenditure, according to a report to the Halton Region public works committee from the director of public works R.W.J. Mooré is made up of \$6,000 for the construction of the pumping station and watermain and \$15,000 for a water balance study.

When the project was approved the report said, the cost was set at \$198,720 and by the time the work was completed, the price tag stood at \$203,120.

The overexpenditure of the pumping station can be attributed to: re-design of the station foundation after the contract was awarded; pumping station equipment, additional to that specified at the time tenders were called; Bell Canada; hydro; supply and installation of the pump; and road restoration for the watermain, the report admitted.

Additional engineering, administration and supervision accounts for the remainder of the overexpenditure.

Before the Ministry would approve the work, certain conditions had to be met. Some of the conditions were: "an extended pumping test to a maximum of one year is to be carried out on the subject well adjacent to Fairy Lake.

"If diesel standby power is to be provided for this generator set in the future, the generator set may have to be located in a separate building away from the pump-house; during the initial pumping tests when raw water samples are being collected for further chemical analyses, we would incur with discharging the pumped water on site. However, when test pumping is being done for the purposes of ascertaining the safe perennial yield of the aquifer, the pumped water is to be discharged off site, so that it will not re-enter the aquifer being tested.

"If the concentration of chemical constituents in the water supply are such that they are not amenable to treatment, this Ministry would not concur with the use of the supply for potable purposes."

These conditions were made early in 1977.

The report continued to give the reasons for the impositions of the conditions, some of which are: "the safe perennial yield of the well supply is to be established so that there will be no detrimental hydraulic interference with Fairy Lake;

"Additional chemical analyses are requested to ensure that a potable water supply from the proposed well is being provided for the consumers on the system;

"Additional isolation distance may be required so that this Ministry's objectives for

Nitrous Oxide emissions from diesel generator sets can be met.

"In order to determine the true yield of the proposed well supply, the pumped water must be directed off site so that it is not re-pumped, thus giving an erroneous well capability;

"When not determined that the chemical quality of the well water is satisfactory for public consumption, it should be supplied to the consumers on the system;

"The water supplied to the consumers on the system is to be of a safe quality."

In his report, Mr. Moore assured the committee "The chemical analyses, referred to in the conditions of approval are being reviewed at the present time and no serious problems are anticipated."

Budget for the report was \$15,000 over.

In order to keep the \$21,000 within the 1978 budget the regional treasurer on financing suggested deferring a six inch watermain on Agnes St. from Main to Willow Streets, as it is the only Acton project on the 1978 list, and work would not start until early 1979.

"We can also find \$4,300 by reducing the estimated cost of a six inch watermain on McCraeey St. from the Sixth Line to Oxford, in Oakville, the report stated.



RECREATION DEPARTMENT worker Larry Kurtz was on the job cleaning up the park on the weekend. Recreation workers have been on the job all summer cleaning up, lining soccer fields and baseball diamonds.

McKenzie issues plea for uniform water rates

Acton area councillor Pat McKenzie has called on regional councillors from Oakville and Burlington to overcome "parochial preferences" and vote in favor of uniform water rates when it goes before council today (Wednesday).

In a letter to Regional Chairman Ric Morrow and regional councillors, McKenzie says "It is only a basic requirement that as we are the legal body required to provide water and sewer services that we should take the necessary steps to provide these services to our citizens at a uniform rate, as we do for social services, police and other regional responsibilities."

McKenzie claimed the unit cost of providing sewer and water services in the southern communities would be less than in the north because of the large plants and the proximity to the lake.

"I would hope that those members from Oakville and Burlington, who held the voting power in the Region, would consider that, only by sharing the costs of all regional services on an equal basis, can we provide fair government to our citizens."

That issue has commanded more attention at regional council than any other during the five-year life of the region.

way to save Acton residents from what they feel would be excessive charges for water and sewer services in that community.

Milton councillors remain opposed to the move because they feel they would be outvoted and services needed in that community would not be provided for.

The majority of Oakville councillors oppose the move and favor the retention of the charge back system, where each community pays for what is done within the

boundaries of the community. Burlington councillors tend to lean towards equalized water rates, but several of the Burlington councillors could go either way.

Regional Chairman Ric Morrow has come out strongly in favor of equalizing the costs and centering the decision making at the region. As it is now, council generally reacts to the wish of the municipalities as opposed to debating the issue and basing the decision on priorities within the region. The attitude has been, if Milton or Acton is paying for it, let them have it.

That attitude would no doubt change if the costs were shared across the region. Requests for services would generate more discussion at the regional council level.

Two hurt in bike crash

A motorcyclist and his passenger suffered minor injuries during a mishap on Elmore Drive Friday afternoon.

The driver is of juvenile age. His passenger was Robert Wakelin of 35 Division St.

Halton Regional Police estimate damage to the bike to be \$50.00 Roundup.

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Vets warn owners cat illness in area

A highly contagious cat disease is in the Acton-Georgetown area according to two veterinarians.

Dr. Ron Trenton, of Acton, said his clinic is receiving six cases per week, a rate which he describes as being very high.

Dr. Dave McKown, of Georgetown, has said the disease does not affect humans or dogs or any other species, but is fatal to cats if left untreated.

The disease is a respiratory virus complex made up of several agents, two of which research has isolated: Rhinotracheitis and Pneumonitis.

"In an unvaccinated animal the disease is very serious," Dr. Trenton stressed. The disease is especially fatal in young cats, he said.

Veterinarians are recommending vaccinations, Dr. Trenton said. Since the disease spreads quickly, pets should be confined to avoid contact with other cats, ac-

ording to Trenton. Rhinotracheitis attacks the cat's windpipe and causes swelling of the larynx. The animal therefore has difficulty swallowing. Cats stop eating, then sneezing and coughing begins while the animals run temperatures, said Trenton.

Pneumonitis leaves blisters on the tongue and is also highly contagious, according to Dr. Trenton.

The disease started about three years ago and Dr. Trenton said he first saw it reach epidemic proportions in Kitchener. Many cats died there, he said.

The following year there was an outbreak in the greater Toronto area.

The disease always comes at this time of year when temperatures and humidity are high, according to Dr. Trenton. There are also minor outbreaks in the spring and fall when the humidity is also high.

Banners to be across Main, Mill Sts.

The Acton Agricultural Society has been given permission from the town of Halton Hills to erect two banners across Mill and Main Streets, but will have to pay for the use of a garbage packer this year.

In a letter to council, the Society's secretary-treasurer John Rowe requested permission to string the banners across Mill at Frederick St. and across Main at Kingham

Road. He had previously requested the use of 30 rolls of snow fence and numerous stakes for the use during the Acton Fall Fair September 15 to 17 as well as use of the packer.

A letter sent to council from E. C. Ballinger, deputy town engineer, said "As the town's insurance does not cover the use of the garbage packer when operated by someone

not employed by the town, we strongly recommend that the practice of loaning the use of the packer without an operator from town staff be curtailed."

Mr. Ballinger did however, recommend the use of the machine if a town employee is paid by the society to operate the machine during the Sunday clean up.

The other requests were all met.

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