

Hats in election ring

Pat Patterson



Pat Patterson may or may not be a candidate in the November 13 municipal election. A freshman Halton Hills councillor who represents ward two (Esquering) Patterson has been rumored for some time as retiring. However this week he said he is still undecided, adding he felt it was too early to declare his intentions. He also sat on Esquering council for a number of years.



Roy Booth

Roy Booth is going to try and hold his ward three regional council seat in the upcoming municipal election. Booth who served one term on Halton Hills council moved up to the regional seat in the last election. He defeated two candidates, including the incumbent Ernie Sykes, to take the seat. Prior to Halton Hills, Booth also served on Georgetown council. Regional councillors also sit on area council.

Tut Harrison



Fred (Tut) Harrison, defeated last year in a bid for a ward three council seat, is considering having another try at the same spot. He is strongly opposed to regional government in its present form and says taxpayers cannot afford the cost of the number of staff members, and claims the regional is too far removed from the people.



Peter Morris

Councillor Peter Morris, area councillor for Ward Four, hasn't made up his mind whether or not he will run for office again. He said he is thinking about it and will make the decision soon. This is Morris' first year on Halton Hills council. He served as town engineer before leaving three years ago to work for Wimpey Construction Ltd.

Bert Hinton

Halton Board of Education trustee Bert Hinton could not be reached for his decision as to whether he would seek re-election.

Harry Levy

Harry Levy, former Georgetown and Halton Hills councillor, who was defeated in the mayoralty race at the last municipal election, is considering running for area councillor in ward four. He still has not made a firm decision. He said he would not have time for the mayor's position, but feels he could fill the area council seat with no difficulty.

Walter Biehn



Walter Biehn will run for one of the two ward three area seats on Halton Hills council. Biehn, former publisher of the Georgetown Herald, who is completing his freshman council term topped a field of four in the race for the ward three seats.



Peter Pomeroy runs for mayor

A life-long Norval resident Councillor Pete Pomeroy announced this week he'll run for mayor in the upcoming municipal election.

Pomeroy, 39, will attempt to unseat incumbent Tom Hill, the only other declared candidate for the mayor's chair.

A first term councillor representing ward three in Georgetown, Pomeroy is owner of North Halton Sports and North Halton Sports Camp. He and his wife Judy have three daughters.

He cites the "complex problems" facing the town in the next two years as his reason for running for mayor declaring the "future is what this campaign is all about."

As a councillor he has spent upwards of 30 hours a week working on problems for residents in all four wards and feels considerable time must be devoted to the mayor's post.

The mayor's office will be the town office and not his store, he promises, noting he will "devote full-time and energy" to the job. He plans to appoint a manager for his downtown Georgetown business which will have four full-time and three part-time employees so he is freed from all business commitments.

He sees "taxes, development and the inherent rights of property owners, especially farmers," as major issues looming on the campaign horizon which he will address himself to in the coming weeks.

Pomeroy states as mayor he will work within the "controversial" regional system imposed on this area by Queen's Park but at the same time strive to insure the numerous "distinctive" communities in Halton Hills

maintain their "unique" identities.

He calls for strong leadership from the mayor's chair so teamwork will emerge from council not just at meetings but throughout the week. Only hard work will prepare council for the big hurdles ahead in 1979-80 he says.

Pomeroy continues his freshman term call for tightening council committees which sometimes frustrate residents as well as encouraging councillors to do

ment of the issue. Pomeroy's committee decided any new municipal building would have to be financed through lot levies saved over three years. This solution is cemented in a by-law he noted.

He also served as vice-chairman of works committee, as chairman of the regional review committee and as a member of the downtown Acton parking committee.

Active for many years in community sports he was

instrumental in launching the Gemini's, the Georgetown Raquet Club and is a former president of the Raiders.

During the first term he spoke out in favor of keeping Halton Hills united saying "there is no reason why Acton can't maintain its identity and still be part of Halton Hills." He has called for the town to explain the benefits of Halton Hills to Acton's taxpayers and also has suggested the names ward one and ward two be dropped in favor of simply Acton and

Esquering. He has worked to reduce red tape and speed up the planning process so delays won't be added to the cost of housing. Pomeroy has supported frank talks and negotiations to resolve the town's dispute with Focal

Properties without a financial burden being placed on taxpayers.

Supporter of a new library, who also opposed the Cedarvale site, he wants to see the issue settled by the body with proper jurisdiction—the library board.



Pete Pomeroy

their "homework" so meetings will be more efficient for the benefit of taxpayers.

Warning water and sewer costs will send tax bills soaring if effective lobbying doesn't produce uniform regional water and sewer rates, Pomeroy says the mayor will have to lead council in "biting the bullet" on capital costs so tax increases can be minimized.

Chairman of council's building committee, Pomeroy, who long opposed a municipal complex financed through debentures or tax dollars, led council to a settle-

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