

Site F perpetrators 'should be shot', says Planche

Shooting the people responsible for inflicting Site F on Halton was suggested at regional council Wednesday.

Oakville Councillor Ron Planche said, "The people who got us into this Site F mess should be shot."

The remark was made after Halton Solicitor Dennis Perlin asked council to approve recommendations to shore up the region's case before the Ontario

Municipal Board (OMB) hearing on Site F at Halton Centennial Manor.

The recommendations ask the region to express willingness to acquire lands adjacent to Site F, including the property of 93-year-old Bessie Smith.

Miss Smith's solicitor Peter McWilliams of Milton appeared before council.

"She doesn't want to sell her land," he said. "She has lived there all her life. Her grandfather

farmed the land in 1846."

He said she is opposed to locating a regional landfill dump at Site F around her property.

"She doesn't want to be surrounded," he said.

The region's proposal drew fire from Milton's representatives.

Mayor Don Gordon said, "I am beginning to feel personally responsible."

"She (Miss Smith) does not deserve to be harassed."

"She has done no harm."

Councillor Bill Johnson described Mr. Perlin's proposals as more "skulduggery" by the region's engineering consulting firm M. M. Dillon.

"I am against this," he said.

Mr. Perlin had approached council with the recommendation to apply to Milton for approval to acquire the lands required in con-

nection with the proposed sanitary landfill Site F... the lands of Mogil Properties and the lands of Kowal and Micallef together with the lands of Bessie Smith."

However, having received negative feedback, he said it appeared as if the region was proposing expropriation.

Consequently, he amended his proposals.

The amendment dealing with the proposed acquisition was amended

to say the region would be willing to acquire the three properties "after planning, financial and environmental approvals are received."

This amendment to the first amendment was further amended by council with the paragraph, "And further that staff prepare a report to council as to whether there are any additional adjacent properties that may be detrimentally affected by the Site F

development."

The last amendment was proposed after council was informed the region wasn't sure what lands were affected by Site F.

When regional chairman Jack Raftis held up a map of the Site F properties, it was the wrong map.

He had confused it with the Oakville dump map. Quipped Oakville Councillor Terry Man-

nell, "Don't you know where Site F is?"

Mr. Perlin's amendments to his proposals were also a result of a letter lawyer David Estrin wrote to council.

Mr. Estrin, who is the solicitor representing the Tremaine-Britannia Citizens' Group, said "It would be illegal for council to make application to the Town of Milton for the acquisition of these lands."

Legion

Notes

by Harry Norton

Tickets for the Chicken dinner are \$2.50 for adults and \$1.25 for children.

For those who prefer the indoor sports there will be dancing to Kent Tocher from 16:00 to 20:30 hrs.

Get your family and friends organized and let's make this a real fun day.

On Saturday January 27 about 80 members of the Ladies' Auxiliary were treated to a happy hour followed by a roast beef dinner with all the trimmings. This was the annual dinner for the ladies hosted and served by the branch executive. Some general and associate members pitched in to help the old men and Doug Mason and his crew cooked the meal.

Plans are now finalized for "Snowball '79", a winter family picnic to be held Feb. 18 from 13:00 to 20:00 hrs. There will be sleigh rides, ice skating, snowmobile rides, clowns, a cross country ski race and a broom ball game. Come on out and bring the family.

For those of you not wanting to pack a lunch and eat snowballs a chicken dinner will be available. Those wanting chicken (it is Sunday you know) should pick up their tickets at the bar soon so the cooks can get enough old hens plucked.

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A LIVELY DISCUSSION on a Rural Development Outreach Project being held in Halton under the auspices of the University of Guelph.

Future of rural area studied by group

The University of Guelph is helping develop a plan for rural Halton.

The university's Rural Development Outreach Project is being undertaken in this area to effectively plan future growth in rural Halton.

Professor Tony Fuller, a teacher of geography at the university, spoke to a gathering of about 30 local people Saturday morning at Halton Manor in Milton about the project.

The project is at the stage now where a group

of about 12 people from those 30, will form a Community Pulse Group to act as a steering committee to formulate the plan.

Mr. Fuller said the group should attempt to answer three questions: "Halton region north of Highway 5 needs to develop its own identity and solidarity and be able to react to change. How can this be achieved?"

"We must all live with change because it is inevitable, but change can also be guided and

directed. North Halton should attempt to have some control over change within it. How can we generate the community power to do so?"

"North Halton needs to become a true community and take advantage of its natural resources. How can it do so?"

The purpose of Saturday's meeting was to decide on the membership of the pulse group, which was done by secret ballot. The group has a life expectancy of about

three or four years.

"Good change will take three or four years to happen," said Mr. Fuller, "maybe even longer."

The project has been going in Halton for close to three years.

"The plan for rural development should really be a comprehensive rural guide," said Mr. Fuller. "It should be broad-based and integrated with other aspects of the community. I say that, not because they're fancy words, but because you can't really do anything in this community that doesn't in some way affect lots of other things."

"There are four major areas to be looked at: human, economic, environmental, and community structures. In that last category are physical things like roads, buildings, that sort of thing."

"The trick is to get them into a combination that is mutually complementing."

Mr. Fuller said the pulse group would have the resources of the University available to it.

"We can help them hold public meetings, form task groups, make surveys using summer students, any number of ways. I emphasize the word 'help'. We can help them do it, but we won't do it for them."

"They must work out what is best for the community, while remembering you can't turn the clock back, but think of what lies ahead."

May reopen pits on Fifth, Sixth Lines

Pits on the Fifth and Sixth Lines may again be used as sources of gravel for work on roads west of Metro.

Ministry of Transportation and Communications listed the Vincent, Odorico, Spitzer, Cohoon and Macassa Mines as possible sources for contractors.

Halton Hills council, after debate, went along with these suggestions, and suggested the addition of the Pilutti pit on the Sixth Line, and the consideration of any other pits in the town.

Councillor Roy Booth suggested the list was not satisfactory since the Odorico and Spitzer pits on the Sixth Line have been rehabilitated. He predicted reaction from residents if they are reopened.

Dale Gunter of the MTC said the Odorico and Spitzer pits would again be rehabilitated if

reopened since it is now unlawful to leave pits in a dangerous state. He said the ministry rehabilitates the parts of the pit that are worked out, and simply makes the other part safe.

Town engineer Bob Austin pointed out it may not be economical to reopen the Spitzer pit for the amount of material there.

Gunter said their aim is to list material sources having the least impact on the acre, and to leave the land in the best possible shape for a return to farming.

Councillor Russ Miller said he had come up with six more pits which are already open. He said he could see no reason to go into good farm land such as the Cohoon farm. He urged a road out to the Seventh Line, if the Pilutti pit is opened. He urged a plan, with the town and the MTC involved, for the taking of

aggregate out of the area.

The MTC representative explained the property owners must agree before a pit is listed, "and they can say No, and that's the end of it."

He emphasized there is a possibility none of the pits listed will be used, but said the fact they are available tends to control the price of base and sub-base gravel in the area.

He said the major construction planned in-law 401 from Mississauga Road to Highway 25, and Highway 403 from Highway 401 to the Q.E.W.

Miller claimed working a pit on the Cohoon farm on the Fourth Line would throw more truck traffic in an area already heavily travelled.

Councillor George Maltby said he would be concerned if five pits were opened at the same time.

Backing up his statement that listing of the pit does not mean it will be used, Gunter said the Pilutti pit has been listed four times and never yet been used. He said he could not guarantee only one pit would be used at a time. "We'd like to stage construction so that could be done, but only God and the Premier has control

Birthday banquet planned by group

Last Tuesday evening a potluck supper was held at the scout hall for the Scout and Guide Mothers Association.

The upcoming banquet celebrating Lord and Lady Baden-Powell's birthday was discussed in detail. It has been decided to hold two banquets this year in order to accommodate all groups without too much confusion.

The Father and Son banquet will be held February 20, 8:30 p.m. at the Acton Legion. Boys are to return their fee for this banquet to their leaders no later than Feb. 6.

The Mother and Daughter banquet will be

held February 27, 8:30 p.m. at the Legion. Girls are to return their fee for this banquet to their leaders no later than Feb. 13.

Please note that no late orders will be taken in order that these two evenings will go as smoothly as possible. The next Scout and Guide Mothers meeting will be held 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 27 at the scout hall.

FAMILY FARMS

There were 366,128 farms listed in the 1971 census. All but 1,077 of these were classed as family units.

Halton fills vacancies on regional authorities

Appointments to various organizations were approved by Halton Council at its meeting Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Approved to represent Milton at the Halton Region Conservation Authority are councillors Gord Krantz and Brian Penman.

Representing Halton Hills are Councillor Russ Miller and Garnet McKenzie, a former councillor.

Oakville is represented by Councillors Keith Bird, P.J. Farley and Terry Mannell.

Representation on be-

half of Burlington is filled by Councillor Joan Allingham, citizens Brock Harris and G. Logan.

Joseph Willmott was approved Milton's representative on the Halton Region Land Division Committee.

Mrs. Pamela Sheldon will represent Halton Hills and Brian Fletcher is Burlington's member. Oakville's representative hasn't been designated.

Halton Hills Mayor Peter Pomeroy and Councillor L.A. Doby represent the town on the Credit Valley Conservation Authority. Councillor Laurie Mannell was approved as Oakville's representative.

Councillor Brad Clements will return to Milton's seat at the Grand River Conservation Authority.

Kelth McIntyre was named to fill the opening on the Joseph Brant Memorial Hospital Board on behalf of Burlington.

Councillor McLean Anderson is Oakville's choice to fill the spot at the Oakville Trafalgar Memorial Hospital Board.

Mayor Pomeroy will represent Halton Hills on the Georgetown District Hospital Board while Jack McGeachie will represent Milton at the Milton District Hospital Board.

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Region OKs garbage group

Forming a solid waste management committee was approved by regional council Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Milton Councillor Bill Johnson was one of three people named.

Councillors Terry Mannell of Oakville and Walter Mulkevich of Burlington were also delegated.

Besides the three regional councillors, the committee will include two regional public works employees, a regional planner and a representative from each of Halton's four communities.

The committee has the power to call consultants when the need arises.

The terms of reference are "to recommend to council for its consideration an updated plan of action with respect to the implementation of resource recovery in Halton. Such a plan is to cover all relevant aspects including type, technology, site selection, cost, financing, pro-

private funding if any, private enterprise involvements if any, and transfer facilities."

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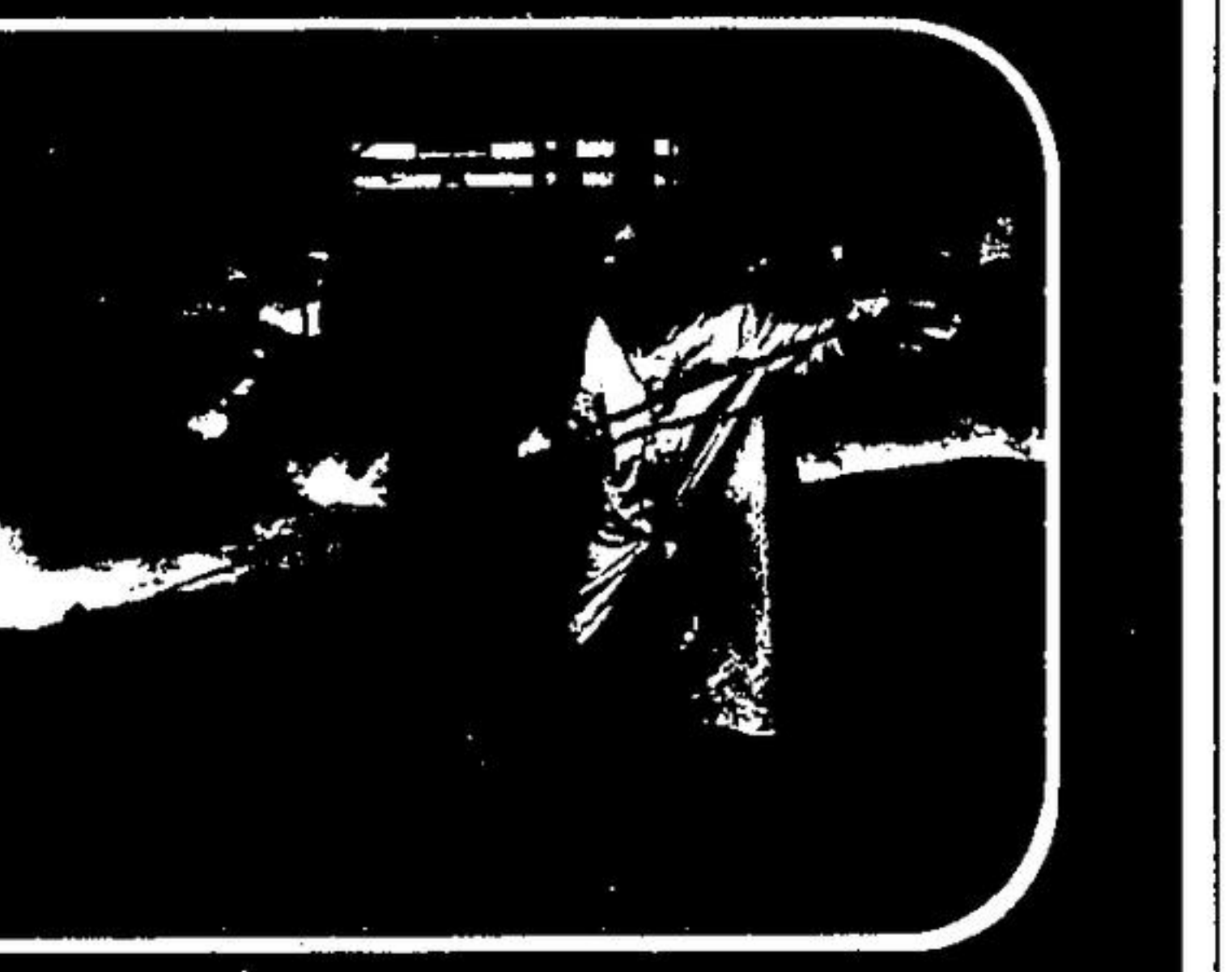
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