

Georgetown closes Oct. 31

31 days to solve puzzle

Debate on the Oct. 31 closing of the Georgetown dump elicited strong comments during last Wednesday's regular regional council meeting.

Halton Hills councillor Roy Booth charged Georgetown "wouldn't be the shape it's in... if we hadn't been made to accept Milton's garbage for the past five years."

Milton Mayor Don Gordon countered, "If the region had accepted Site II as the appropriate site as we asked... we wouldn't be in the fix."

At the present time, discussion on possible transfer sites for Milton and Georgetown will not be heard before the end of the month at the Solid Waste Management Committee that leaves only 31 days to find a solution.

The need for a swift solution came after a request "for help" from Halton Hills Councillor Russ Miller at the last regional public works committee meeting.

Miller said if the dump closed on schedule and no provision is made for transfer haulage to Oakville or Burlington landfill sites, it would lead to "people driving out to the closest sideroad and dumping their garbage there."

Council finally adopted a two-part recommendation on interim procedures.

"That the Solid Waste Management Committee be requested to consider the provision as soon as possible of public and/or private transfer facilities for waste disposal purposes for the citizens of Halton north of Highway 401."

"That, in the meantime, the Towns of Milton and Halton Hills be respectfully requested to arrange for temporary collection facilities as they deem necessary for their municipalities on the closure of the existing Georgetown landfill site to assist individual citizens experiencing difficulties in the taking of their waste to the Oakville and/or Burlington landfill sites."

Later in the meeting, the proposal of study for allowing private and/or public transfer sites was discussed.

The region has recently been advised that the Ministry of the Environment has relaxed its previous hard-line stand on transfer sites.

The relaxation came in a letter to the region from the Ministry in regards to studies on two privately-owned sites proposed as transfer stations.

Council has asked staff to review with the Ministry, its guidelines if transfer stations are to be allowed.

Pension increase for the elderly

Increases in the Old Age Security pension, Guaranteed Income Supplement and Spouse's Allowance are effective in October.

The basic Old Age Security pension will rise to \$179.02 from the present \$174.82.

The maximum Guaranteed Income Supplement for a single person or a married person whose spouse is not a pensioner and is not receiving a Spouse's Allowance, will increase to \$143.53. Added to the basic pension, this gives a person receiving both the OAS and the maximum GIS a monthly total of \$322.99.

The maximum Guaranteed Income Supplement for a married couple, both pensioners, will increase to \$122.20 each from \$119.34.

Added to the basic pension this will give each married pensioner receiving the maximum GIS a total of \$301.22, or \$602.44 for the couple.

The maximum Spouse's Allowance will increase to \$301.22 from \$294.16. The maximum Spouse's Allowance is made up of an amount equivalent to the basic Old Age Security pension and the maximum GIS at the married rate and is paid to persons between 60 and 65 years of age who are married to OAS pensioners and meet residence requirements.

Raftis softens his opinions

A verbal clash on the viability of the region's Solid Waste Management Committee has ended with a meeting of the minds between the two antagonists.

At last Wednesday's region council meeting, chairman Jack Raftis charged the SWM committee was over-represented by staff members and undermined by councillors.

He said the committee was wasting time and pointed to a 17-hour meeting on the selection of a consultant firm to handle the Solid Waste Management Systems Study as proof.

Committee chairman Terry Mannel said he was prepared to resign on the spot and blamed the region chairman for trying to shift the weight of guilt for slow movement on solid waste from the council onto the committee.

Councillor Bill Johnson of Milton said, "We must be re-structured. Right now, the staff can out vote the members."

"But, I'll tell you that I'll do anything just to get moving on this thing."

Councillor Walter Mulkevic of Burlington said he was in favor of solid waste management going to the public works committee "where it belongs so we can trash it out and take it to council."

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M.Z. Bennett teacher guest

As the theme was "Education" at the meeting of Dublin Women's Institute Thursday evening, Miss Cynthia Blades, a Grade 1 teacher at the MZ Bennett School, Acton, was guest speaker.

Miss Blades, a native of Trinidad, told of the geographical location of this country, which was under British rule until 1962, when it received independence and since has become a republic.

Customs, and especially the educational system as compared with the Canadian curriculum was discussed.

Mrs. D. Hunter introduced Miss Blades, and Mrs. E. Norton thanked her for her informative address.

Mrs. William Frank was hostess to the 25 ladies attending at her home on the Sixth Line, Nassagaweya.

A fine tribute with a moments silence observed, was paid by Mrs. Wallace Lasby during the opening exercises in memory of the late Mrs. Pearl Kennedy, who passed away recently in Guelph. She was a former member of the Branch, and was the instigator and first Curator of the Tweedsmuir History, and always took a keen interest in the activities of it.

Two upcoming catering events in October were outlined by Mrs. E. Wilson.

Notification to the secretary of anyone wishing WI Area Convention Banquet tickets at... Bingham Park Waterloo October 29 should be made as soon as possible. Resolutions being presented at this Convention were approved and the delegate, Mrs. H. Besley, was instructed to vote accordingly.

The hospitality booth at Acton Fall Fair was well received as reported by the committee of Mrs. E. Norton, Mrs. B. Alder and Mrs. J.C. Dennis. Other members assisted in the booth too. Many interesting acquaintances were made during the three days.

A Leaders' Training School on "Indoor Gardening" will be held in the near future and Mrs. M. Nellis and Mrs. C. Armstrong will attend for instruction.

Three members of Dublin Women's Institute received three times the surprise they had been hoping for earlier this month. Members Mrs. W.J. McIntyre and Mrs. W. Britton became great grandmothers while Mrs. Calvin McIntyre became a grandmother when Mr. and Mrs. David McIntyre became the parents of not one, but three little bundles of love in Hamilton's McMaster Hospital, September 8. The Institute ladies decided to honor this particular occasion, and are opening bank ac-

counts of \$50 for each of the three boys, who are only the third set of triplets born in this Hospital.

Mrs. G. McMillan introduced a contest, and the lucky winners were Mrs. W. Lasby, Mrs. J. Kranendonk and Mrs. W. Frank.

A pleasant feature of the evening was the presentation by Mrs. M. Hunter of Silver Trays to two 4-H girls, Miss Teresa McCarron and Mrs. Kim (van der Eyken) Blackburn.

These young ladies have taken Eighteen Clubs and have received Advanced Provincial Honors. They have also served as leaders on several occasions. They were congratulated on receiving these fine accomplishments.

Tea hostess for the meeting were Mrs. B. Alder, Mrs. G. McMillan and Mrs. D. Appleyard.

Mrs. W. Britton was courtesy convener.

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Ballroom Dancing	8:30-9:30	8	\$ 8.00
Woodworking	7:00-10:00	10	\$35.00

Starting Tuesday, October 2, 1979

Christmas Crafts and Decorations	7:30-9:30	6	\$10.00
Drawing and Painting	7:30-9:30	10	\$16.00

Starting Wednesday, October 3, 1979

Cooking: Microwave	7:30-9:30	5	\$12.00
Disco	7:30-8:30	8	\$ 8.00
(Note: 8:30-9:30 Class Is Now Full!)			
Sewing I & II	7:00-10:00	10	\$20.00
Typing: Beginning & Brushup	7:00-10:00	10	\$25.00
Yoga (at Robert Little)	7:30-9:30	10	\$16.00

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50 homes...

(Continued from Page 1) recommended for development, subject to the normal agreements.

He argued it was time something "got going" in Acton, and emphasized there seemed to be no servicing problems with the comparatively small 50 home plan.

Councillor Russ Miller agreed the area around the high school should be developed, but said he was wary without a report from the planner.

Councillor George Maltby favored the motion, suggesting the planners should be told to try to make it work. "It's an ideal spot since it is filling in an area designed for development."

Levy contended in approving this right away, sewage allocation would be taken away from some other development already in the Official Plan.

Councillor Pat Patterson told council to get "off their butts" and help development in the town.

Maltby argued the people of Acton are paying dearly for the sewage plant and said development would help them.

Woods pointed out nothing has been happening in Acton and claimed no industry would be attracted to a "dead, dormant town."

Mayor Pete Pomeroy said he could see nothing wrong with the plan, which he termed infilling.

The motion passed with Levy and Serjeantsen opposed.

Councillors Walter Biehn, John McDonald and Roy Booth were absent.

A motion to include the whole 400 acres in the Official Plan was defeated, but the concept of "Acton Heights", as it is named, will be studied by the planning department.

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