

ANNOUNCEMENT



DAHLIA PETERSEN

Dr. Maderasz and his staff at the GEORGETOWN CHIROPRACTIC CENTRE would like to extend a special thank-you to all those who applied for the position of Assistant Office Manager.

We extend a warm welcome to DAHLIA PETERSEN as the new Chiropractic Assistant on our team.

Dahlia graduated from Grade 13 at Acton High School as top Grade 13 scholar. She then enjoyed a successful year at Trent University in Peterborough. Among Dahlia's favourite activities are musical composition and working to help people.



NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

TAKE NOTICE THAT A Public Meeting of The Liquor Licence Board of Ontario will be held at the BRAMBLE LIONS COMMUNITY HALL, 45 AVONDALE BLVD., BRAMPTON, ONTARIO on THURSDAY, JUNE 21st, 1984 at the hour of 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the Board will hear applications in accordance with the Liquor Licence Act, and Regulations thereunder.

The following establishments have applied for a licence of the class indicated, and the application will be entertained at the aforementioned location and time:

Application For New Licence

House of Buddha Restaurant
Town of Halton Hills
53 Main Street South, Georgetown
Dining Room Licence or Dining Lounge Licence
Applicant: House of Buddha Restaurant Limited

Application For Additional Seating Capacity

McGibbon Hotel
Halton Hills (G)
79 Main Street South, Georgetown
Additional Dining Lounge Facilities
Licence: G-Mark-N Holdings Ltd.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any person who is resident in the municipality and who wishes to make representation relative to the application, shall make their submission to the Board in writing prior to the date of the hearing, or in person at the time and place of the hearing. (Copies of written submissions will be forwarded to the applicant).

Liquor Licence Board of Ontario
55 Lakeshore Boulevard East
TORONTO, Ontario M5E 1A4

MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AND COMMERCIAL RELATIONS
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Rural policies rapped

Town councillors heard an elaborate presentation on Halton region's newly-completed rural development policies review Monday night, then continued to listen as two local farmers verbally tore the document apart.

Peter Branch of the Norval area, a member of the Halton Agricultural Advisory Committee, and Deborah Sankey of the Acton area, who serves on the Halton Ecological Advisory Committee, took turns rebutting many of the new review's contentions and recommendations.

Members of the town's general committee had some questions but will await their own staff report on the regional review before making formal comment to regional council.

Initial, unofficial reviews were not good. "The tone of the eight papers (comprising the review) I'm not particularly happy with," Councillor Pam Sheldon told regional planner Peter Langdon, who made the presentation to the town committee.

"These papers will not help us in agriculture in any way," Branch commented, "because they're identifying minor problems instead of the major ones."

Sankey singled out dozens of points made in the review that concern her, citing numerous conflicting contentions and what she perceived as an overall lack of consensus among rural residents polled for the review.

Langdon acknowledged that a main reason behind the review was Halton Hills' request that the region amend its Official Plan to allow residential "infilling" in the rural area. While he pointed out that the review's authors "haven't ignored the fact there is demand for rural residential development", Langdon said, the review does recommend substantial restrictions on such development.

Langdon noted that regional council itself has not yet adopted the review, opting to await municipal comment before taking action.

The review's main recommendation suggests reviewing and strengthening agricultural policies in Halton's official plan through consultation with involved and interested parties.

Among the specific recommendations to be considered during those consultations:

—reinstatement of a minimum farm lot size of 20 hectares;

—more stringent policies governing farm-land fragmentation;

—recognition of the contribution made to local agriculture by farm lots that are not themselves viable;

—clarification of the retirement lot privilege so that applicants for such separations show proof of their intent to retire on the lot;

—new means of evaluating non-farm development taking into account "indirect impact", which the planners say is more important than "direct impact";

—maintenance of current policy governing rural cluster development, prohibiting non-farm residential development and infilling outside hamlets, clusters and rural estate plans of subdivision;

—consistent implementation of regional policy. Much of the regional review involves statistics on Halton rural lands compiled from several sources. While Langdon told councillors that more than 50 per cent of those contacted responded to questionnaires, Sheldon, Branch and Sankey all challenged his claim that the results are truly representative.

"I'd have to agree that some of the figures in the report are largely unproved for this area," Langdon said. "We're basing our conclusions largely on some of the past research done. I would agree we need further documentation."

Sheldon complained that the region is taking an apparently devious and undemocratic route in prohibiting rural infilling, giving Halton Hills an opportunity to formally comment on the policy only after it has been submitted to Queen's Park for approval.

Langdon's reassurance that the regional official plan, once approved by Queen's Park, can still be amended to satisfy the town struck Sheldon as "a little silly".

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson called the review "idealistic".

"I think that's fine, but I believe it won't work in Halton Hills," she said.

Branch and Sankey, both coincidentally sheep farmers, took issue with many of the review's findings and pointed out numerous areas where it falls short of resolving issues. Branch told councillors the review's



Anita van Vliet, daughter of Greta and Gerry van Vliet, Ballinafad, graduated from Guelph University, June 1, with a Honors Bachelor of Science degree. She is employed with North Halton Association for the Mentally Retarded.

findings on rented farmland run counter to his own observations, which indicate that rental arrangements represent "a better deal for the farmer".

"It's foolish to own more land than you need for the buildings with interest rates the way they are today," he said. "Land is no longer a valid equity at the bank. They want to see your turn-over."

"Did you know that the government can get all the severances it wants without getting anyone's approval? These are the things that cause frustration."

Sankey similarly described the review's findings as off-base. She rebutted its claims concerning land values and the hazards of urban encroachment and took exception to references to non-farm development as an "aesthetic blight".

"I hope you think very carefully about this report," she told councillors.

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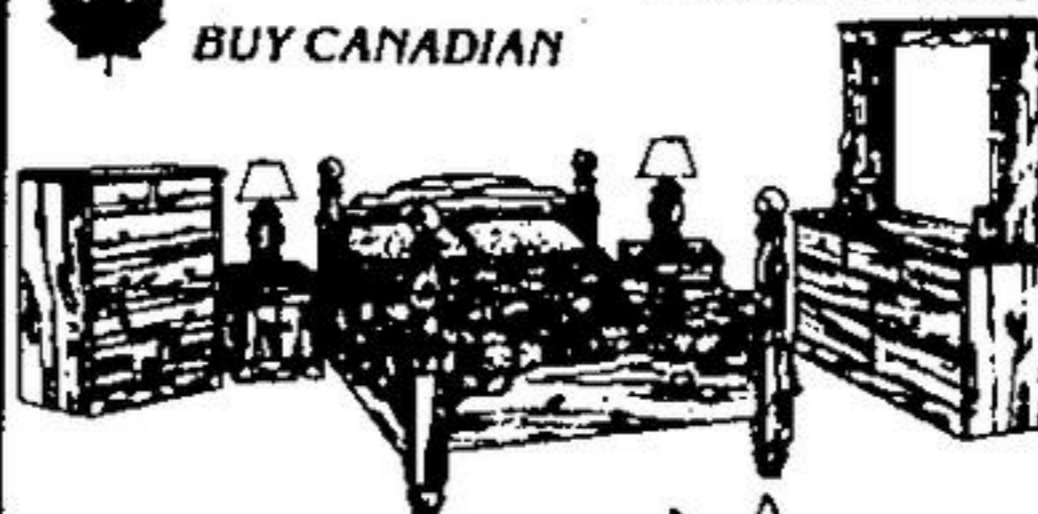
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