

# Hearing Listens to Pros, Cons of Permitting Quarries in Zone Plan

Members of Esqueuing council and planning board sitting jointly to hear points for and against the designation of sites owned by T. H. McGee and Consolidated Sand and Gravel in the proposed official township plan Wednesday night will continue their deliberations at a later date.

Esqueuing council rejected the official plan at their November 1 meeting after a controversy developed. A delegation from the

area protested the designation of the McGee property on Lot 6 Concession 10 as a quarry, and Consolidated's claim that a quarrying operation on Concession 2 near Speyside was an existing use was also disputed.

Plenview Ratepayers presented their arguments opposing the designation of the McGee property as a commercial pit through Andrew Stabins, Kenneth A. Langdon spoke on Mr. McGee's behalf.

Stabins stressed that a pit in the area did nothing for "the welfare of the inhabitants" of which he pointed out there are many. The pit, he said, would be dead centre in a rectangle bounded by paved roads - 10 Sideroad, 7th Line, Steeles Avenue and the Hulton-Peel Town Line, and trucks would have to travel about two miles in any direction on gravel road before reaching pavement.

He said a pit on the McGee

property "would not be compatible with the urbanized pattern", and expressed concern for tax money required to maintain the roads, danger factor presented by truck traffic, the water table, dust, noise and the lowering of property values.

He said the appearance of another Springbank pit on Mississauga Road also gave him cause for concern. He said he could see no signs of rehabilitation taking place

there and described "unsightly piles of gravel and sand" rising 30 and 40 feet above the horizon. "That is not a model gravel pit," he submitted.

In answer to a question from councillor Ken Howatt he admitted he thought there is nothing in the new quarries act which specifically prevents the township from entering into an agreement with Springbank.

Kenneth Langdon, in his presentation, suggested the whole question of planning is a question of balance with residences and industry both to be considered.

"Gravel is a necessity...and you have to get gravel where it is," he told the hearing.

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He pointed out the homes of the ratepayers are in strip develop-

ment, a type of development now frowned on by planners. He said residential assessment alone cannot provide the kind of assessment the community demands. He also said some 70 pits in the Toronto area have been worked out with some now parkland, and no visible evidence that the others existed.

Arguing against an "existing use" type of zoning bylaw, Langdon said "It perpetuates all the errors made in the past".

Springbank president replying to Stabins' slaps at his company's Mississauga operation, denied it is a blight on the landscape, said a tree screen had been planted, and claimed the fact that a high priced home had just been built in the vicinity proves there is no concern about the proximity of the pit.

Regarding rehabilitation he said, "It doesn't make sense to leave a pit in a state where it couldn't be sold at a profit. Besides, two cents of every ton extracted goes into a trust fund to insure rehabilitation."

"I'm disappointed this has turned into an application for rezoning instead of a hearing", Stabins said.

A number of Plenview Ratepayers including their president F. J. Cartwright were at the hearing.

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Consolidated Sand and Gravel's contention that their Speyside property should be designated as a quarry on the township's "current use" planning map got some argument from Councillor Howatt. He said most of the 75,000 tons quarried went into the road on the property, and the property is being assessed residential.

"The property has been posted as a quarry for 10 years", Consolidated president Hugh Gritemire said. "We have never abandoned it for this use for which was approved by Esqueuing council in 1962".

He said the property has been quarried as recently as 1970.

OPOSED

Bill Boyd, director of Cameron Heights Development, spoke against the CSG property being designated a quarry because of the effect on Cameron Heights' plans for a "\$1 and a half million subdivision" on the adjoining property.

Boyd said he feared the blasting factor and noise.

Paul Coburne, a neighbour, also made a plea to bar CSG from quarrying the property because it would ruin the esthetic qualities of that piece of escarpment.



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Latimer received his public and high school education in Georgetown, and then attended the University of Toronto and the Osgoode Hall Law School.

He was appointed Crown Attorney for the County of Halton in 1968 after practicing law in Georgetown since 1967. He is a member of the National Council of the Canadian Bar Association, a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada, the Advocates' Society, Past-President of The Halton County Law Association, a member of the Halton Legal Aid Committee, and a member of the American National District Attorneys Association.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**  
GEORGETOWN PLANNING BOARD

The Georgetown Planning Board will hold a public meeting, in the Council Chambers, Municipal Offices, 36 Main St. North, on Wednesday, December 15, 1971, at 8 p.m., to discuss a proposed official plan amendment, redesignating approximately twelve (12) acres of land, situated north of River Road and East of Mountview Road, from low density residential to medium density residential.

Representations from the Public are invited on this matter.

Mrs. E. Burns, Secretary, Georgetown Planning Board, 28 Arletta Street, Georgetown, Ontario.

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Take notice that I have appointed Thursday, the 16th day of December, 1971, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon at my Chambers at the Court House, Upper Base Line Road, Milton, Ontario, for consideration of an application by the Corporations of the Town of Milton and the Town of Burlington, to change the name of Upper Base Line Road to Steeles Avenue throughout its entire length within the County of Halton and for hearing those advocating and opposing such change.

DATED at Milton this 28th day of October, 1971.

Alan B. Sprague, Judge of the County Court of the County of Halton

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