

Consider Adding Recreation Program Co-Ordinator to Staff

A net budget of \$147,202 was approved by the Recreation, Parks and Community Centres Committee a week ago Tuesday, and went to council Monday night. Last year's net budget was \$174,328. The Committee's approved gross budget for this year is \$254,932, there being \$107,670 collected in revenue from ice rentals, canteen, etc.

A resolution was passed that the Georgetown Figure Skating Club be paid a \$1 per capita grant for their 1972-73 registration which is \$290. An honorarium to be paid in the amount listed, for their assistance with the Gymnastic Program held for a 10 week period from January 9, 1973 was approved by the committee. The persons to receive payment are: Miss Stephanie Lister \$42; Miss Phillipa Walker \$44; Miss Toni Treahy \$38; Miss Patty Slyles \$24; Miss Cheryl McNeilly \$38; Miss Jane Anne Aggias \$24; and Mr. Connell Smith \$14.

CO-ORDINATOR

The committee agreed that a program co-ordinator was needed in the way of additional personnel in the recreation department. Doug Collison, recreation director, stated that this person would organize the existing recreation programs and develop new ones in the areas needed. This person would also co-ordinate with the

sport groups, community groups, etc. in attending their meetings and assisting them. Three items on the agenda were deferred until the next meeting on April 24, because of a time consuming discussion on the budget proposal. These items are Cedarvale Park plan, meeting dates for sub-committees, and church property on Carole Street. Marcus Junius Brutus was the real name of the Brutus of Julius Caesar fame.

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SECOND SECTION

Provincial Budget Means \$301,000 For Georgetown

TORONTO BUREAU OF THE HERALD

While the provincial budget announced a new tax on fuel and lighting and increased the sales tax to seven percent in Ontario it also announced measures designed to lower the municipal tax burden.

Grants in addition to the normal provincial municipal money were announced for all areas where the residential and industrial rates were not in balance.

Georgetown will receive \$301,000.

NO STRINGS

The grants announced in the provincial budget have no strings attached. The grants are based on the 1971 audited tax bases of the communities. Final grants based on the 1972 information may change somewhat.

The increase to the municipalities comes from four areas. The general support grant which is four percent of the 1972 municipal levy, additional money for low residential to industrial

assessment, increased police grants, and funds for hospitals.

If the municipal council can hold spending growth to eight percent, they will receive a two percent bonus over the four percent grant to all municipalities. A penalty of two percent is imposed if spending exceeds 12 percent.

Mr. White said the incentive for municipal economy is intended to ensure that local taxpayers get the benefits of the increased provincial funding. He said the revenue sharing will permit reductions in mill rates in most municipalities.

BUDGET POINTS
Points from the budget announced Thursday:

—The sales tax rate will be increased from five percent to seven percent. Effective May 1, 1973.

—The exemption for restaurant meals will be increased from \$2.50 to \$4.00.

—Energy sources such as electricity, natural gas, and coal will be taxed at seven percent effective July 1.

Instruction Session for Tree Planters

Four hundred Boy Scouts and Cubs armed with buckets and spades will set about the task of planting 25,000 trees, according to a program announced March 8 by the provincial government entitled "Trees for Canada." Wednesday evening, April 11, leaders and members of various group committees of the North Halton District Boy Scouts attended a meeting at Cedarvale Community Centre.

Mr. Baker also explained why particular trees and shrubs were being planted in specific areas.

Ray Youmans of Norval, the site and planting co-ordinator for the project, indicated how the actual planting would be carried out and how the boys would be organized.

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Recommend Approval 6,700 Square Foot Library Addition

The 6,700 square foot addition to Georgetown Public Library took a giant step closer to reality Thursday night, when committee of the whole recommended its approval to council.

If approved the application for financing will be made under the Federal-Provincial Winter Capital Projects Fund, in which 100 percent of winter labour costs and 50 percent of summer labour costs are forgivable.

In view of rising costs, and architect's and consultant's fees not covered in the estimate, committee decided application should be made for \$250,000.

UNCOVER BEAMS
Architect Paul Martel outlined the plans retaining the

existing stained glass windows, and uncovering the old arched beams, at present hidden by a false ceiling.

The split level addition, wrapping around the end of the building adjacent to Knox Church, will have an open gallery overlooking the present library.

IMPRESSED

The plans will now go to Planning Board, and the town will apply to the Committee of Adjustments for minor variances.

Mayor Bill Smith repeated his praise of the plan, made at the first presentation in February, telling the architect he was impressed with his work in preserving the character of the existing building.

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