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OMB splits hydro hearings, Minister says

By BOB RUTTER Herald staff writer A spokesman for Housing Minister John Rhodes confirmed Monday that the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) has called separate hearings into applications by Ontario Hydro for construction of two power corridors through Halton Hills.

ings for the Nanticoke-to-Pickering and Bradley-to-Georgetown high voltage power transmission corridors was made at the request of Hydro solicitors. "I believe it is quite within the jurisdiction of the board to do it whenever, wherever or however," Miss Stevens said.

dors. A hearing on the east-west line is scheduled for Oct. 24. Ontario Hydro is seeking an amendment to the Esqueping official plan which would allow construction of power corridors in the rural area of Halton Hills. Also required is a rezoning for both rights-of-way.

with a request for a single hearing. The OMB began public notice of hearings last week on the east-west Nanticoke route but did not advertise a hearing for the Bradley-north-south route.

toled of the information received from the minister's office. "That interesting," he said. The original Ontario Hydro application placed before the minister says in part...

path varying "750 feet to 1,750 feet," according to the application, for the northern route to allow of variances in location of the towers in Halton Hills.

Mr. Webster in an interview Friday said the Milton switching station will be a junction point for at least seven and possibly 11 power corridors.

east to the Trafalgar trans-former station in Oakville and the Clairville station near Woodbridge.

eight possible corridor lines and will narrow to about 545 feet when half the corridors turn south to Trafalgar.

How many corridors?

By GEORGE EVASHUK Herald staff writer Exactly how many transmission corridors does Ontario Hydro want to build through Halton Hills or Milton? That question was before Halton Hills council which Monday reaffirmed its opposition to an amendment to the official plan proposed by Ontario Hydro to allow construction, operation and maintenance of transmission lines.

Schneider said there may be 17 towers by mid-1990. "This wide difference of figures means it is essential council know how many corridors are being planned," he said. He said Hydro's current plans indicate that nine to ten lines will cross Highway 401.



Tower timebomb, council is told

If Ontario Hydro builds 500 kilovolt transmission towers—perhaps as many as 17—through Halton Hills, a timebomb will be created which will force a Fifth Line farmer out of business, council was told Monday.

demonstrate how overheadlines would not charge electrically the irrigation pipes necessary to the operation of his farm. At Essex, Mr. Moffat said, Hydro had lengths of aluminum irrigation pipe insulated from the ground under the 500Kv line.

FALL FAIR CANCELLED

One youngster walks through the muddy, rain-soaked midway Saturday morning at the Georgetown Fairgrounds. Continued rain, protection of baseball diamonds and safety for animals forced the Georgetown Fair Board to cancel the fair for what is believed the first time in the history of the annual event.

Support to destroy dogs in livestock kills

Peter Branch has asked Halton Hills council to seek an amendment to the Dog Tax and Livestock and Poultry Protection Act, to make municipalities responsible for the destruction of a dog which has injured or killed livestock.

Reject hockey teams review, OK some help

A review of the financial status of three hockey clubs in town at the end of the current season was rejected by Halton Hills council Monday on a recorded 7-5 vote.

the Raiders to adult sport groups, which will save the club about \$740 and \$624 respectively in ice rental rates. As well, council approved reducing the rent on the booster rooms the two Georgetown clubs used from \$100 a night to \$25 but with the stipulation that the Geminis apply for a week over and above the rent toward their outstanding debt.

that they be reclassified from local adult group down to minor spots group in order to save about \$624 in ice fees. Council wasn't prepared to go this far and instead tossed the booster room rent in free with the ice rental rate, a saving of \$25 per night for the club.

arena's budget for the hockey season will be in 1978, the next budget could pick up the slack. Coun. Itoy Booth is opposed to reducing the rent without rescinding the policy of making recreation break even.

have no more demands on prime time — Fridays and Saturday — at the arenas than do other groups. "The reason they're paying is for this prime time."

Offices expansion resurrected

Plans for an addition to Halton Hills' administration building on Trafalgar Road, will be unveiled at a special meeting of council, Oct. 18.

ing town hall. Council Monday decided to put a \$50 ceiling on cost of the presentation and have an 8:30 a.m. meeting that day for the building committee to set an agenda.

itself", in wanting to view plans to expand the building. "I don't think we're ready to it yet," Coun. Pomeroy said. "We don't know if we need the plans. . . . We haven't even decided if there'll be a building."

nation was to acquaint new councillors with the idea. Coun. Roy Booth said the meeting is an endeavour to get the whole council involved and reach a consensus if there is a need for expansion and if so, if it is for the building on Trafalgar Road.

Norval water project debate

Halton region will be asked today to approve interim financing of the Norval water supply project until provincial funds are released April 1, 1978.

There are some in the south part of Halton who are not excited about Norval getting the water," he said. Should a referendum be called for in the village to support the project cost, "there's enough people for it," he says.

"I am surprised that they look soon to approve it what with an opposition MPP sitting in this riding," he said. "My opinion is that the region will not approve the financing until the money is in the bank."

Engineering studies on the projects were started this year with a provincial grant of \$50,000. Region chairman Ric Morrow, who asked for the matter to be brought before council today, says tendering for the project could be called shortly with construction starting before the end of the year.

Glen Williams residents with dry or low wells and who have been hooked to municipal water for some time will lose that supply beginning today to test whether the damaged aquifer has recovered, says Arnie Zweig, the resident's lawyer.

ments was pumping a site for sewer trenches they were constructing on Mullen Place. Tests turned up evidence that the construction may have pierced the aquifer and thus allowed the water table to drop.

Picked Up In Passing

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Successful drive

The Georgetown Venturers Bottle Drive last weekend was pronounced a success by Jim Fleming, one of The Venturers' leaders.

Fire prevention

Halton Hills council declared Monday that the week of Oct. 9 to 17 be Fire Prevention week.

Wintario grants

Wintario grants have been approved for a number of projects in Halton Hills, including two in Georgetown. The Kilmern Glen's Softball League is to receive a grant of \$877 to assist with the purchase of softball equipment.

Santa arrives

Halton Hills council gave its okay Monday for the Acton "Ya" Men to hold the Santa Claus Parade.

OMB hearing

Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) has set aside the month of November starting Nov. 7 for a full hearing on the subdivision application of Focal Properties land south of Silvercreek.

Contract award

Flinckote Canada was awarded a \$10,421 contract Monday by Halton Hills council for re-construction of the tennis courts at Gordon Alcott Arena.