

Editorial angers ICG

An editorial in the Toronto Globe and Mail, criticizing Halton Hills for delaying the construction of Ontario Hydro's Bruce to Milton transmission corridor, has drawn fire from local politicians and corridor opponents.

Local reaction to last Thursday's editorial, "Deadlock in Halton Hills", was immediate, defensive and apparently unanimous. Corridor opponents have questioned the source of the Globe's information, complaining that it is erroneous and misleading in the extreme.

Shocked members of the Interested Citizens Group (ICG), which continues to oppose the 500,000-volt corridor after five years of confrontations with Ontario Hydro and the provincial government, assembled Sunday to prepare an official response, published in Tuesday's Globe as a letter to the editor.

OWN OPINION

"They're entitled to their own opinion," Mayor Tom Hill conceded when contacted by The Herald, "but we'll just wait and see what the courts decide."

The Globe's editorial outlined the series of public hearings and private investigations that have surrounded the hydro corridor issue since 1972 and concluded that Halton Hills is partly to blame for the 10 per cent hydro rate increase that has been promised for January.

"The fourth unit of the Bruce nuclear power station on Lake Huron is due to be completed late this year and to be capable of full operation early next year," the editorial noted. "The power it can deliver will be needed throughout southern Ontario, both to improve the security of the system and to cut costs."

"But this power will not be

Acton girl

struck by car

One girl was hospitalized, three cars were damaged and a second pedestrian escaped injury following an accident in Acton early Saturday evening.

Karen Cooper, 17, of Main Street, Acton is reported in stable condition in Georgetown and District Memorial Hospital with scalp and face lacerations and a broken ankle after being struck as she walked along Main Street South at 8:30 p.m. Surgery was performed Monday to set Miss Cooper's ankle.

Ken Elliott was pinned between two parked vehicles when the vehicle which struck Miss Cooper hit the two parked cars. He was not injured.

Miss Cooper was struck when a car driven by Leslie Winter, 19, of Maria Street, Acton, left the road, travelled along the west sidewalk of Main Street South, hit her, then carried her around the corner onto Church Street and dumped her off. The car then crossed Church Street, mounted the north sidewalk and struck two parked cars as it swerved back towards the road. The car belonging to Stephen Oakley of Guelph received \$75 damage to the right front and Peter Gripps of Acton had \$750 damage done to the front of his car. There was also \$1,000 damage to the front of Mr. Winter's car.

Halton Regional Police have charged Mr. Winter with criminal negligence and driving without a licence.

Graduate



Michael L. McCracken, son of Mr. and Mrs. William McCracken, Regan Crescent, has received his Honors Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Guelph. Mr. McCracken specialized in hotel and food administration and is now working as the manager of a Toronto food outlet.

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available early next year because the town of Halton Hills - succeeding a series of other protesters - has been delaying construction of nine miles of the transmission line since early in 1978. It has been estimated that this will increase the cost of power in 1979 by from \$1 million to \$3 million a month."

LISTS FORMS

The editorial continued by listing the forms of public assessment which the corridor has witnessed over the years and observed that the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) upheld Halton Hills' right to control its own planning in 1976. That right will be the subject of an OMB hearing once again in January, unless, as corridor opponents fear, the OMB does not in fact have the authority to consider the issue.

The Globe editorial stressed that hydro costs are soaring because power being produced at Bruce cannot be released into the province-wide grid system until a new corridor can be built. Only the Bruce to Milton corridor can safely ensure full power output, it contended.

"The Interested Citizens of Halton Hills are entitled to fair prices for land expropriated to meet a public need that has been judged to take precedence over theirs," the editorial stated.

ICG chairman Bill Mann of Ospringe described the editorial simply as "crazy." He said it is "ridiculous" to think that Halton Hills and the ICG are helping to hike hydro rates by delaying the release of power from Bruce, particularly after recent revelations that the Bruce plant will probably never be used to full capacity, regardless of the available transmission system, because of safety problems. Workers are being laid off at Bruce because there will be simply no work for them, Mr. Mann pointed out.

FIRST PLACE

"Maybe if the people got what they'd asked for in the first place, there wouldn't be all these delays," Mayor Hill added, in reference to the fact that there has never been a full independent examination of alternative corridor routes for the Bruce to Milton line. Such studies are now a routine procedure for major utilities.

"Maybe Halton Hills did the right thing by including a utility control clause in its official plan," Mayor Hill said. "But we're going to court this week. I think we should just wait and see what the courts think."

FEATURE FILMS

Mr. Haylock's personal in-



LEGION CELEBRATES 40th ANNIVERSARY

The Imperial section of Georgetown's Royal Canadian Legion Branch 120 celebrated its 40th anniversary with a dinner and dance in the Legion Saturday. Past presidents of the Imperials who attended the event are front row from the left: Bill Rannachan, Jim Murphy, and

Alex Goldie. Back row from the left: Roy Rudiger, Les Mallabon, Wright Smith, Harry Bottoms, Tom Clarke and Matt McDonough. Guest speaker for the evening was vice-president of the Dominion command and a former president of Branch 120, Dave Capperault.

Council questions ravine cost

Why should the ratepayers of Wards 1 and 2 help pay for a "mistake" on the part of the former town of Georgetown that led to extensive and costly

erosion in the community's Metcalfe Court ravine?

The question was posed Monday night by Ward 2 Coun. Pat Patterson after the town fin-

ance and administration committee agreed to endorse a contract bid of \$215,494.25 for erosion control measures to be undertaken in the ravine by Inverleigh Construction Ltd.

Clerk-administrator Ken Richardson advised the committee that Halton Hills' share of the total cost, as benefiting municipality, amounts to 42.75 per cent of the total, or approximately \$92,123. Mr. Richardson reminded the committee that council already budgetted \$55,000 for the project in 1978, leaving another \$37,123 to be allotted in next year's budget.

CONTRACT AWARDED

The project contract was awarded to Inverleigh Construction by the Credit Valley Conservation Authority earlier

this month, acting upon the advice of consulting engineers Kilborn Ltd. Inverleigh submitted the lowest of six bids, with the highest totalling nearly \$292,900.

The committee members did not discuss Coun. Patterson's criticism of the project's financing at length.

Coun. Walter Blehn commented only that the entire Metcalfe ravine issue, which culminated last year in heated confrontations between councillors and ratepayers, should serve as a lesson for all future councils of Halton Hills. Large-scale developments proposed in the future, he said, should be fully considered and properly engineered to prevent such near disasters from occurring again.

Movie fan forms club

The old adage about doing things yourself if you want them done seems to fit the man behind one of Halton Hills' newest clubs, the Hornby Movie Club.

Harry Haylock, the club's founder, says he attended a few meetings of movie clubs in Toronto because they were the closest clubs of that sort, then decided to start up a club here because Toronto was so far away.

The club, which began in the spring, has five members but can accommodate more interested movie makers. It has been called the Hornby Movie Club, Mr. Haylock said, because the group meets in Hornby Community Hall at 8 p.m. on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month.

Mr. Haylock said the members are looking for people interested in making feature movies in an amateur way. They do things at home and bring them to the club for adjudication, he said.

FEATURE FILMS

Mr. Haylock's personal in-

terest is feature films, but the club hopes to do a documentary type film on the Jaycees Crazy Boat race next spring. They had also been interested in doing something on the steam railway from Georgetown to Cheltenham which was being discussed some time ago but have heard nothing more for so long they wonder if it is still being considered.

Movie clubs bring in people to demonstrate techniques in making films Mr. Haylock said, but at this point their membership is so small it wouldn't be worthwhile. Often the guest is a member of another club. A professional person may also be contacted, however, to demonstrate proper use of certain types of equipment.

Looks Don't Count

Looks don't count all that much - especially in a poker game. The man with a vacant look could well be holding a full house.



Ontario Municipal Board

IN THE MATTER OF Section 17(5) of The Planning Act (R.S.O. 1970, c. 319),

IN THE MATTER OF a reference to this Board by the Honourable John R. Rhodes, Minister of Housing, of an application by Ontario Hydro to amend the Official Plan for the former Esopus Planning Area (now in the Town of Halton Hills) to permit the construction, operation and maintenance by Ontario Hydro of high voltage transmission lines and uses incidental thereto on those lands known as the proposed North/South Hydro Corridor within the Town of Halton Hills, and set out as Schedule "A" to this Appointment for Hearing, Minister's File O.P. 0012-17(3A)

APPOINTMENT FOR HEARING

THE ONTARIO MUNICIPAL BOARD hereby appoints Tuesday, the 2nd day of January, 1979, at the hour of ten o'clock (local time) in the forenoon at the George Alcott Memorial Recreation Complex, 211 Guelph Street, Georgetown, for the continuation of the hearing of all parties interested in supporting or opposing this application.

If you do not attend and are not represented at this hearing, the Board may proceed in your absence and you will not be entitled to any further notice of the proceedings.

In the event the decision is reserved, persons taking part in the hearing may request a copy of the decision from the presiding Board Member. Such decision will be mailed to you when available.

DATED at Toronto this 14th day of September, 1978.

SECRETARY



Ontario Municipal Board

IN THE MATTER OF Section 15(22) of The Planning Act (R.S.O. 1970, c. 319),

IN THE MATTER OF an appeal by Ontario Hydro for an order directing an amendment to By-Law 71-51 of the Town of Halton Hills, as amended by By-Law 76-95, to permit the construction, operation and maintenance by Ontario Hydro of high voltage transmission lines and uses incidental thereto, on those lands known as the proposed North/South Hydro Corridor within the Town of Halton Hills, and set out as Schedule "A" to this Appointment for Hearing

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SCHEDULE "A" TO THE BOARD'S APPOINTMENT FOR HEARING DATED THE 14th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 1978

All and singular that certain parcel or tract of land situate, lying and being in the Town of Halton Hills, in the Regional Municipality of Halton and the Province of Ontario and being all those portions of Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32 and the public highways and road allowances adjacent to or within the said Lots, all in Concession 5 in the Township of Esquesing, now in the said Town, lying within a strip of land 250 feet in perpendicular width lying 125 feet on each side of a centre line and centre line produced, which said centre line may be more particularly described as follows:

COMMENCING at a point in the centre line of the road allowance between the said Town of Halton Hills and the Town of Milton, the said point being distant 33.12 feet measured South 55° 34' and 20" East from a point in the Southeastern limit of the aforesaid Lot 1 distant 1655.05 feet measured Southwesterly along the said limit from the most Easterly corner of the said Lot 1;

THENCE North 55° 34' and 20" West 1021.02 feet;
THENCE North 44° 50' and 50" West 1580.08 feet;
THENCE North 72° 13' and 10" West 874.86 feet;
THENCE North 43° 57' and 15" West 14,669.98 feet;
THENCE North 43° and 58' West 14,173.69 feet;
THENCE North 47° and 44' West 2440.19 feet;
THENCE North 45° and 11' West 1784.22 feet;
THENCE North 43° 40' and 20" West 4478.29 feet;
THENCE North 49° 12' and 10" West 5779.17 feet;
THENCE North 42° 01' and 30" West 6525.08 feet;
THENCE North 38° 12' and 25" West 5081.36 feet;
THENCE North 43° 40' and 50" West 6444.60 feet to the centre line of the road allowance between the aforesaid Town of Halton Hills and the Township of Erin.

EXPLANATORY NOTES RE RESTRICTED AREA BY-LAW AMENDMENT APPEAL AND OFFICIAL PLAN AMENDMENT REFERRAL

The existing restricted area by-law permits Agriculture and Open Space uses on the subject lands. The purpose and effect of the proposed amendment is to permit the construction, operation and maintenance by Ontario Hydro of high voltage transmission lines and uses incidental thereto as shown on the draft schedules attached to the proposed by-law.

The existing official plan designation of the subject lands is Rural, Recreational-Conservation, Hazard Lands and Special Policy Area. The purpose and effect of the proposed amendment is to permit the construction, operation and maintenance by Ontario Hydro of high voltage transmission lines and uses incidental thereto within the corridor shown on the map attached to the draft official plan amendment.

The proposed official plan amendment corresponds with amendments contained in the restricted area by-law amendment appeal.

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