

Commission chooses site for new police building

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The Halton Regional Police Commission has found the site it wants for a new police building in the Georgetown area, but there is a lot to be done before construction can begin.

Oakville Mayor Harry Barrett, chairman of the commission, said at Thursday's commission meeting that members had met with a Halton Hills council special

committee established to help them find a site in the area, and they had studied a number of locations.

Glenn Magnuson, provincial appointee to the commission, said the site the commission favors most is located near Gordon Alcott Arena on Highway 7. The site is 80 feet by 200 feet, and is probably sufficiently large for a building and a parking lot, he said.

Mr. Magnuson said this site, which is located on town land just west of the arena, has the

most suitable location, particularly as regards visibility. He said the commission looked at four or five sites before settling on this one as the most suitable.

MOVES AHEAD

Mr. Barrett said that if the process moves ahead smoothly, the new building would be ready by July, 1980. He said that he had proposed at the meeting of the regional administration committee meeting last week that the region

should set aside "about \$1 million" in the capital budget for 1980 for police buildings, including the new building in Georgetown. He said the committee seemed to be in favor of the idea.

"It's in the mill, and it will just keep moving forward, and I'm sure we'll have a new police building in Georgetown by July or August," Mayor Barrett said.

"That location is very visible, because almost everybody in town passes it once a day," Mr. Magnuson said. "To me, visibility is very important for a police building. People like to know where their police are."

Deputy-chief W.I. Harding, acting chief of the force, said this location would be ideal for the building, and expressed appreciation, on his own behalf and on behalf of the uniformed officers, to the commission for their efforts to get a new building in Georgetown. He said the information on the site and the possibility of a new building next year would greatly improve morale among the uniformed officers.

GREAT DEAL

Halton Hills Mayor Pete Pomeroy said there is a great deal to be done before the site near the arena is chosen for the new police building, however. He said the town council has not approved the site yet, and he said he wouldn't be willing to approve the choice without a staff report, including information on servicing and the results of a property search.

"The commission liked that site, but all we've done so far is look at sites," Mayor Pomeroy

said. Among the sites the commission and the council committee looked at were the town offices on Trafalgar Road, the finance building on Main Street south, the Georgetown Hydro building on Mill Street and some private sites.

"Halton Hills won't be making a decision on the site until council receives a staff report," Mayor Pomeroy said.



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Firearms okay for pesky birds

Halton farmers may soon be granted permission to discharge firearms to scare or kill crop-raiding Canada geese if regional council accepts a recommendation from its administration committee.

The committee endorsed a staff recommendation last week asking Halton four area municipalities to amend pertinent bylaws to exempt beleaguered farmers whose productivity is being diminished by marauding geese and, in some cases, by deer.

Subject to council's approval this week, farmers who have been granted special permits by the Canada Wildlife Service (CWS) to discharge firearms for the purpose of scaring off or killing the geese will become exempt from municipal hunting bylaws and other legislation prohibiting the use of firearms.

DEMAND RESPONSE

The recommendation came in response to demands for action from the Halton Federation of Agriculture and other officials of the farming community, who pointed out the increasing and alarming number of cases in which acres of crops had been wiped out. Apple orchards have become a favorite target of herds of deer, which, like the geese, have increased substantially in number due largely to law protecting them.

Regional clerk Garfield Brown consulted the CWS and Ontario's ministry of natural resources and the Halton Region Conservation Authority in search of solutions to the problems noted by farmers.

As well as learning that the CWS issues "scare permits" and, when necessary, "kill" permits to farmers who are pestered by wildlife, Mr. Brown was informed of the ministry's practice of staging a controlled hunt in certain problem areas.

The special hunts are organized at the Valens and Binbrooks conservation areas, Mr. Brown reported, and could be staged at the Mountsberg Wildlife Centre near Campbellville in an effort to reduce the geese population and disperse the flocks. Such a hunt would feature six blinds with two hunters at each, he said, and each hunter would fire 12 shells on each of three morning hunts per week.

PROPRANE BANGERS

Also suggested as possible

solutions were the ministry's practice of renting propane "bangers" designed to scare geese off and advice from the CWS to help farmers plant crops in such a way as to reduce raiding.

Mr. Brown obtained confirmation from the CWS that the goose population has increased substantially since the breed's "reintroduction" in 1968. Canada geese will not migrate from their summer habitat as

long as there is sufficient food and open water to meet their needs, he reported.

The Conservation Authority advised Mr. Brown of its willingness to visit problem areas that are reported and move as many geese as can be captured to the Mountsberg Centre, which it operates. The Authority is responding to complaints about geese in the Mountsberg area, he said, by "increasing the production of the centre's own feed".

Mayor's brother complains to town

There were a few chuckles Monday night when a letter from Norval resident Bill Pomeroy came before Mayor Pete Pomeroy and town council, but the contents of the letter were far from humorous.

In a letter received and filed by council without comment, Mr. Pomeroy, the mayor's brother, registered his protest over ongoing plans to upgrade part of Regional Road 19 in Norval.

After garnering information about the plans from the mayor, Mr. Pomeroy said he was "deeply concerned" over council's intention to proceed with the reconstruction despite opposition expressed by "a great number of the residents of Norval".

Mr. Pomeroy noted that the residents had made their views known to council twice during the past five years. To continue pursuing plans to upgrade the regional road and to build a new bridge over the Credit River represents "direct contempt for these citizens", he complained.

ROAD UPGRADING

"The upgrading of this road, on the pretext that it is a

stop-gap measure until a proper thoroughfare can be constructed across the valley, is, in my opinion, dreaming," Mr. Pomeroy wrote, predicting that the reconstructed road will become a permanent highway and eventually "a major arterial traffic road".

"To entice such traffic through our village, which already has a major highway as its main street, is contrary to modern trends, namely, the re-routing of traffic around residential areas," Mr. Pomeroy said. "The reasons that most of us chose for living here are being destroyed, as the beauty and quiet of our village is rapidly being destroyed."

Mr. Pomeroy announced his intention to verbalize his protest before council upon his return from vacation.

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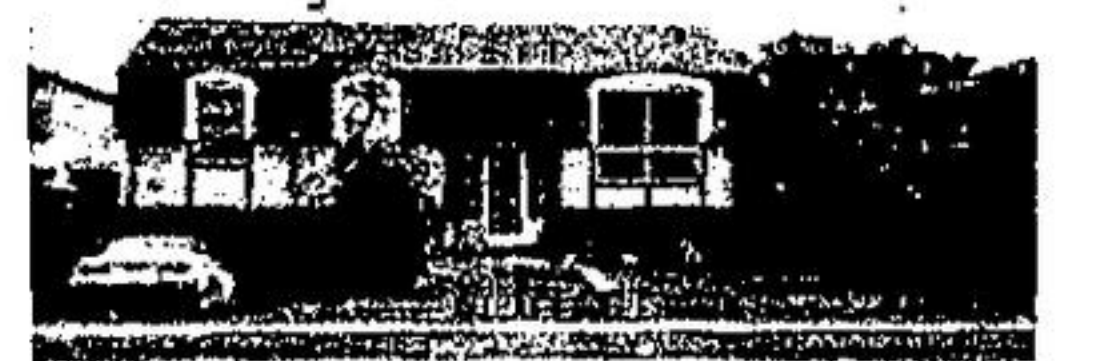
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This youngster dares a rope bridge on the weekend at the annual Acton Fall Fair. Fair president Brent Marshall said this year's fair had more activities than ever, and the fair board plans to continue making the fair better each year.

(Herald photo)

About the Hills

Acton PC executive

Acton's Progressive Conservative Association elected a new slate of officers at their annual meeting last Thursday night. The new executive is: Brian Cargill president, Ross Ballentina vice-president, Mario Shadbolt vice-president, Donna Aitken secretary-treasurer. Directors are: William (Bill) Denny, David Swetman, John DeBlaw, Brian Hammond, Esther Taylor.

Entrance scholarship

Christopher Halonen, 61 Irwin Cres., Georgetown has been awarded a \$1000 entrance scholarship to Trent University. He will enter this first year of study at Trent this fall; the scholarship is awarded by Canadian Tire Corporation. He is a graduate of Georgetown District High School. Mr. Halonen will be one of 95 scholarship students beginning their studies at Trent; among them they have won more than \$50,000 in scholarships.

Trash and treasure sale

Residents of Faludon Drive in Georgetown will be having a trash and treasure sale this Saturday, with part of the proceeds from the sale being donated to the Operation Lifeline organization to provide assistance for the Vietnamese refugees who settle in Halton Hills. The sale will begin at 9 a.m.

Volleyball clinics

Operation ACTION, will be holding two volleyball clinics for the general public. They are designed to review the basic volleyball skills needed in recreational volleyball. Come out for a quick lesson before you start your season.
Sept. 25 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Georgetown high school gymnasium, Georgetown, Sept. 27 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. McKenzie-Smith Middle School gymnasium, Acton. Call Operation ACTION and let us know you are coming!

Trailer demolished

The driver escaped unharmed when a tractor trailer rolled over Monday evening, demolishing the cab.
The tractor trailer, driven by Leslie Chalmers, 23, of Georgetown, was northbound on the 9th Line with a load of sand when the right rear wheel began to sink into the shoulder of the road. The load shifted, causing the truck to roll over.
Damage to the truck is estimated at \$5,000. The edge of the road crumbled, and damage to the roadway is estimated at \$1,000.

Local firm robbed

A local firm has been burglarized twice over the past three days.

Customatic Aluminum reported someone had broken into the premises and stolen 59 aluminum billets and 300 lbs. of serrated ladder rails. On Tuesday, the firm reported the theft of a red tool box, two sets of welding torches and two skill saws. Value of the property taken in the second burglary is estimated at \$2,000.

A Pioneer receiver and two ESS speakers were stolen during a burglary of a residence on Mill Street. The burglars entered through a window which may have been left unlocked.

An unknown small amount of change was taken during a break-in in a home on John Street. The burglar got in by breaking the glass in a screen door at the rear of the house.

Vandals pried open a window at Pineview Public School and smashed some glass doors when they got inside the building, but nothing has been reported missing.

FIRE REPORT

Largely because of the blaze which consumed Acton's Dominion Hotel late last month, the total amount of damages caused by fires to date this year is more than double the cost of damages from the same period last year. Fire chief Mick Holmes' monthly report lists damage costs for August, 1979, at \$710,800, with 11 fires having taken place in Georgetown and five in Acton. August's fires bring total damages for 1979 to \$1,081,233 compared to a total of \$492,545 for the first eight months of 1978.

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