

At a Kinsmen dinner last Wednesday night, members of town council answered questions from concerned Kinsmen about town-related problems. Seated, from right, are Coun. Harry

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Levy, Coun. Roy Booth, Mayor Pete Pomeroy, Coun. Marilyn Serjeantson and Kin President Bob Malcolmson.

(Herald photo)

Town councillors calm Kinsmen concerns

By STEPHEN FROST

Herald Staff Writer Georgetown Kinsmen obtained reassurances and clarification about several town-related problems last Wednesday in a special discussion with four members of council that examined the local development, parking and vandalism issues.

Mayor Pete Pomeroy and councillors Roy Booth, Marllyn Serjeantson and Harry Levy weren't at the dinner "to be raked over the coals," Kinsmen president Bob Mal-

colmson told The Herald. Instead, more than 20 Kins-

men were provided with indepth explanations about local issues, straight from the horses' mouths.

"Studies are being done to see if this town can expand its sewage and water facilities to accommodate residential and industrial growth," Mayor Pomeroy told the Kinsmen in response to questions about Focal Properties Ltd., the development firm hoping to build 1,740 homes south of Georgetown. "If we aren't going to allow him (Focal chief S.B. McLaughlin) to develop, at least let's have the guns loaded in our favor," Mayor Pomeroy

Municipal concern continues over Focal's currently inactive \$27 million lawsuit against the town of Halton Hills.

"I can't honestly see that we can go ahead with the type of development that Focal wants," the Mayor continued,

"but rather than spend more money on opposition to Me-Laughlin, we though the money would be better spent on a study which would seek a positive solution to the prob-

MORE SPENT

The town has already spent more than \$200,000 opposing the massive development proposal, according to Coun. Booth.

parking in the street?" one Kinsman asked, "I can see a ban in the winter months for snow removal purposes, but not in the summer months." "We don't pay taxes for the upkeep of the town's roads so

"What's the purpose of a

year-round ban on overnight

people can use them as parking lots," Coun, Booth respon-

The Kinsman challenged Coun. Booth's explanation,

claiming that citizens can use

the roads for parking for three quarters of the day, but not during the evening hours.

"Part of the problem was that people were leaving junk cars on the street and, in one case, I recall there was a car left on the street for over six months sitting on its rims,"

Coun. Booth explained. "The town was getting a large amount of calls from neighbors complaining about cars parked or ahandoned in front of their houses, so something had to be done about it," the mayor agreed.

Both Mayor Pomeroy and Coun. Booth said that if residents know they're going to have visitors overnight who need to park in the street, they can phone the police and explain the situation. Cars will not be ticketed, as a result. ..

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Glerald photo by Richard Petrashek)

Way-Jay Club manager seeks deed and title

By RICHARD PETRASHEK Herald Staff Writer

Jim Robertson is deeply concerned about what the Ides of March may hold in store for him, because by then he will know whether he is on solid enough financial footing to add an ambitious pay-as-you-play indoor racquet sport complex to the sports club he operates in Norval, or facing personal bankruptcy.

March 14, this Friday, is the deadline by which Georgetown attorney Fred Helson is to produce the deed and title to the Way-Jay Club in Norval so that Mr. Robertson can complete a \$1.2 million deal to clear up outstanding debts he has incurred while operating the facility.

"I don't believe Mr. Helson will be able to produce the deed and title on March 14." Mr. Robertson told The Her-

When contacted, Mr. Helson said he foresees no problem in producing the deed and title on

Jeffrey Paul, a Brampton attorney who is handling the proposed \$1.2 million deal between Mr. Robertson and a group of investors, told The Herald that while "the state of the title is not normal" he also did not foresee any problems.

that he will close," Mr. Paul Mr. Robertson sald that if the deed and title are not available by March 14, the deal

"We have Mr. Helson's word

he has arranged may fall through and leave him unable to pay his creditors. The problem of the deed and title acquisition first came to light when Mr. Robertson ad-

dressed last week's town council meeting. CHARGES MADE At that time he made a

number of accusations regard-

ing the actions of Mr. Helson, whose law firm also represents

"Since 1978 I've been unable to get the deed on the property (Way-Jay Club) and your attorney Fred Helson is stopping me from getting the deed,' Mr. Robertson claimed at the meeting.

Mr. Robertson told The Herald that he signed a purchase agreement with Mr. Helson in October of 1978.

"The agreement was drawn up by Allan Kogon, who had represented me in previous business transactions," Mr. Robertson said.

Mr. Kogon at that time was and still is a member of Mr. Helson's law firm, according to Mr. Robertson.

Mr. Robertson said the deal was a long term purchase agreement, which meant that he would put part of the purchase price down and have several years to come up with the remainder at which time he would be given deed and title to the property.

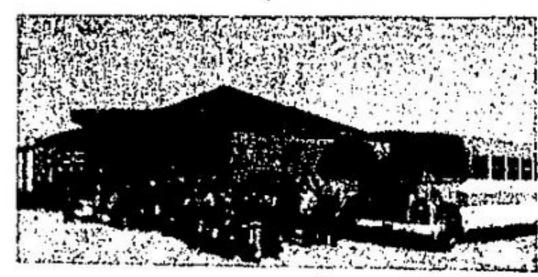
In August, 1978, Mr. Robertson claims, he was ready to pay the remainder through a deal he had set up with some European investors.

According to Mr. Robertson, when the time came for the deed to be transferred, Mr. Helson went on vacation although he had been notified by Mr. Robertson about the transfer date 21 days earlier.

Mr. Robertson arranged the present deal with investors last fall and the expiry day was set at January 30, 1979.

According to Mr. Robertson, that was then extended to February 25, at the request of Mr. Helson, and then once again extended to the present March 14 date.

"All I want is the deed and title to the property," Mr. Robertson said.



Jim Robertson, president and general manager of Norval's Way-Jay social and

recreational club, points at the club he fears he may lose if he does not secure deed and title to the

property by Friday. Should he get the deed and title, Mr. Robertson said he plans to expand the

club, adding an indoor racquet sports complex that would include six racquetball courts and six

squash courts and would be available to the general public on a pay-as-you-play basis.

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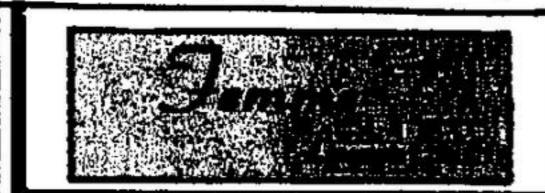
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