

Industrial building approval delayed, but developers ready

By ANI PEDERIAN
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Town councillors were asked Monday night to give their support to building proposals for 101 acres on the Highway 401 Corridor.

The Corridor refers to the acreage in Halton Hills bordering on Highway 401.

Joe Shaw of Nor-Shaw Developments Ltd. Planners and Consultants is a landowner in Halton Hills and a speculator.

He came to council's general committee meeting representing the six owners of the 101 acres near Highway 401.

All the lands are paid for and owned by developers, Mr. Shaw said.

He said he has owned the land since 1968 and has been trying to get it designated for rural industrial use.

Formerly covered by the old Burlington Official Plan, the land is currently designated rural.

AMENDMENT

An amendment to the Halton Hills Official Plan, for which Mr. Shaw has applied, has been held up two years as the town concurrently awaits provincial approval of its Official Plan.

"We know we have a commodity," Mr. Shaw said. "People are telling us, 'We want to relocate on the 401 Corridor.'"

Most of those who want to relocate are now in the Elobicoke and the Dixie Road and Highway 401 areas. They like it better in Halton Hills because the highway isn't as congested, Mr. Shaw said.

However, the long wait is discouraging developers from Halton Hills, he indicated.

Citing the example of a precast company which had wanted to locate in Halton Hills with 50 employees, Mr. Shaw said the company eventually moved to Clairville where they have mushroomed into 147 staff.

The company didn't require the water or sewage services of an urban area. On their 10 acres of land they would have operated with a septic system and recycled water.

OWN LAND

The developers owning the 101 acres along the Highway 401 are all ready with at least one building proposal each for their lands, Mr. Shaw said.

The lands have individual wells, he said, noting hydrological and other studies have been done of the properties.

A recent study of Halton region's rural industrial land needs acknowledges the long-term potential for the Highway 401 Corridor.

The study by Peter Barnard and Associates recommends growth along the Corridor be discouraged until the region has studied future urbanization patterns.

INHIBIT

Interim rural industrial development in the Corridor is feared to inhibit future urban industrial development there.

Regional councillor for Ward 4 Mike Armstrong insisted industrial applications must go before the region.

"If there's a tie-up with the (regional) staff, take it before the regional councillors," Coun. Armstrong advised. "Your problem is at the region. You're in the wrong place."

Coun. Harry Levy asked what steps Mr. Shaw had taken so far and if he had discussed the matter with the town's planning department.

"To hell with the region," Coun. Levy said. "Why haven't you come to Ian (Keith, town planning director)?"

Mayor Miller gave his support for Mr. Shaw's rural industrial intentions.

"We'll go to bat for you if you want to develop in the rural area, but with specific guarantees," the mayor said. "I'll give you 100 per cent backing from Ian's office and our council."

Smith and Stone employees retire after many years

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
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Three long time employees have retired from Smith and Stone Inc. in Georgetown. Archie Schamehorn, Alberto Scanferla, and Raymond Pickney have

resident, who has worked 25 years with the company, will now have more time for his hunting and fishing hobbies. He's planning to start his retirement with a visit to his mom in Vancouver.

Raymond Pickney first started with the company in 1940, and after a short leave, returned again in 1946. Mr. Pickney's main job with the firm was as a clay press operator although he was a foreman for a few years.

Present foreman Lloyd (Sharkey) Grozelle says Mr. Pickney will be missed. "We always miss experienced people like that," he said.

Alberto Scanferla started with the company in September of 1959. After 25 years with the company Mr. Scanferla was a wheelabrator operator in the plastics department when he retired.



ALBERTO SCANFERLA all ended their careers with Smith and Stone.

Kay Leslie has worked with Mr. Schamehorn on the plastics press line for eleven years. "He's just like a family member," Mrs. Leslie said. "We'll really miss him."

The Glen Williams

New Glen subdivision given the green light

By ANI PEDERIAN
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A new subdivision in Glen Williams got the green light from town councillors at their general committee

meeting Monday night. The plan consists of 12 single family lots on Lot 21, Concession 8, bordered by Eighth Line and Wildwood Road.

In June 1983, the reg-

ion granted approval of the draft plan for the subdivision to Mr. K.M. Girvan.

A condition of the region's approval was the developer's meeting of all town conditions, financial or otherwise.

One of the conditions was a contribution towards the upgrading of Eighth Line. Through negotiations, the town's condition has been met, clerk-administrator Ken Richardson reported to councillors.

One million for road repair

By ANI PEDERIAN
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Nearly \$1 million is being spent for treating roads in Halton Hills.

An experienced contractor who successfully completed the 1982 and 1983 contracts in the region was again the lowest bidder.

M.S.O. Construction Ltd. of Rexdale was awarded the contract by town council's general committee Monday night.

The cost of the road work is made up by the town and the region. To keep within the town's 1984 budget, town engineering staff recom-

ended the work be cut back by \$39,723.

The town's share of the \$939,752 cost is \$350,723. With the cut-back, it will be \$311,000.

Deputy town engineer Ted Ballinger said the surface treating is expected to take three to four weeks and be completed by the end of August.

The voting population has increased by 5.1 per cent since 1982. Coun. Mike Armstrong said Monday night, citing figures from the town clerk's office.

Back burner

The back burner can only hold so much, town councillors recognized at their general committee meeting Monday night.

They approved the new position of traffic technician to be filled by the town engineering department mid-June.

The traffic technician will be kept busy dealing with traffic matters like bylaws for speed limits, through highways, stop or yield conditions, parking and stopping prohibitions, on-street accident reviews and the operation of parking lots.

For the \$18,640 annual salary, the traffic technician is expected to consolidate traffic bylaws under the town's jurisdiction and with the region's three other municipalities enact the drafted "Uniform Traffic Control Bylaw".

As well, the town's new traffic technician will be responsible for traffic analysis as it relates to town roads. Since the late 1970s, the town receives copies of accident reports from the police, but lacks a program reviewing the number and severity of accidents.

Wind storm causes fire, falling trees

By ROBIN BAKEWELL
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A low pressure system north of Lake Superior brought storm force winds throughout Halton Hills on Monday.

Environment Canada reported westerly winds of up to 110 kilometers per hour. Winds measuring 115 kilometers per hour are hurricane force and may have been felt if you were in the right spot, according to an Environment Canada spokesman.

Warton recorded the fastest winds with gusts up to 126 kilometers per hour, the highest ever recorded there.

Locally, a Main Street residence in Glen Williams received \$10,000 damage when the wind blew some of the roof flashing onto hydro lines. Friction from the wind caused the flashing to ignite which then spread to the roof.

The Halton Hills Hydro were busy from 11 a.m. Monday to 1:30 a.m. Tuesday with service calls resulting from the weather.

Most of the calls involved trees which had blown over onto hydro lines and disrupted power.

No-one was without power on Tuesday and Hydro employees spent the morning cleaning up after the storm.

Public Works Department employee, Mr. Duby, told The Herald the department was called on about 30 calls involving fallen trees.

The trees were either tangled up in hydro wires or blocking the road Mr. Duby said.

"The Hydro Department had most of the problems with the trees," he stated, adding that the Public Works Department had little difficulty with the problems.

Region day camp

The Halton Region Conservation Authority is once again offering their summer day camp program called "Ways of the Woods", starting July 2 - August 24, 1984.

Ways of the Woods is offered to children 8-12 years of age and they will learn about our land, its past and present, and its people, in an educational and recreational atmosphere.

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For more information call 878-4131.

Glen Lea facelift

Sidewalks, roads and sewers in Acton's Glen Lea Subdivision are going to receive attention from construction workers this summer.

It's the second phase of an anticipated seven phase program to bring the subdivision to full urban standards.

There'll be some storm sewer work to supplement the existing storm sewer system, and there'll be full road reconstruction for both Meadvale and Westcott Roads. New sidewalks are proposed for the east side of Meadvale Road between Longfield and Westcott Roads, and along the entire north side of Westcott Road.

Tenders for the project will be called June 8 and it's expected construction will begin July 3 and take 40 working days.

Engineering drawings and a brief overview of the project are available for viewing at the town engineer's office.

Council, trustees receive 5% raise

By ANI PEDERIAN
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How do members of council and school board trustees compare in their salaries for the last five years?

According to a town report, nobody's getting more than a five per cent maximum pay increase in 1984.

Town treasurer Ray King and his staff prepared a report on remuneration for the past five years for municipal and board elected representatives. The report had been requested by councillors during the 1984 budget discussions.

The Halton Hills mayor hasn't had a raise since his current \$17,490 salary was set in 1982. The same is true of Halton Hills councillors who earn \$6,922.

It was 1981 when The Halton Board of Education chairman last got a raise to \$10,800 and trustees to \$7,200. Since then, they've voted against pay hikes for themselves.

In Oakville, the mayor earns \$23,678 annually and his councillors \$7,796. They had a five per cent raise in 1982.

In Burlington, Mayor Roly Bird is paid \$32,536 and his last pay hike was the year before, by 4.6 per cent. Councillors are paid \$9,879, also a 4.6 per cent raise from 1983.

Milton Mayor Gord Krantz got a five per cent raise in 1982, making his annual salary \$15,750. Councillors in Milton earn \$5,500, the same they've been receiving since 1982.

Regional chairman Peter Pomeroy receives \$45,000 plus benefits as he is serving full time in the position. Past chairman Jack Itafis earned \$38,155, but had another

fulltime job. The increase is 24.46 per cent between the two salaries.

Regional councillors, of which Halton Hills has five - Dave Whiting,

Bang-O-Rama parade

A parade with RCMP horses trotting from Cedarvale Park to the Georgetown Fairgrounds is being planned for Bang-O-Rama.

The annual Victoria Day event is being held by the Georgetown Optimists May 21, and received general committee approval by town councillors Monday night.

The parade will begin on Delrex Boulevard, south of Maple Avenue at 12:30 p.m., go west on Maple Avenue, north on Main Street, west on Mill Street, south on Market Street and west on Park Street into the Fairgrounds.

The parade will celebrate Ontario's bicentennial with the theme of "Our Heritage". All townspeople, church and service groups, are invited to take part.

Fireworks worth \$6,000 will be fired off.

Triangle bus outing

Tuesday May 15 the Golden Triangle Club are going on a Niagara Blossom bus trip. Members can buy a ticket for \$22 while non-members pay \$25. All are welcome for the trip which includes dinner.

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