Flooding at 9 Mill Pond Dr. in Stewarttown can be stopped if council is willing to spend \$89,000, the town engineer said Monday night.

Bob Austin said he was familiar with the problem and had flagged it to councillors earlier, with an \$89,000 price tag, during budget time. "It isn't a simple situation you can

put a few dollars in to correct," the engineer sald. "The proper answer is to relocate the water."

An elderly widow, Elizabeth Grant, lives at that address and experienced severe flooding problems

Salt tender

Domtar Chemicals Group won the tender for winter salt for the town. The Toronto company made the lowest bid of \$27.58 per tonne delivered. The town expects to use 1500 tonnes this season.

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Saturday night which eroded the garden driveway and caused flooding in her home.

Coun. Joe Hewitt said he was called to come down Saturday night and asked what was the town policy on cleaning up yards and the damage caused by storms.

The drainage ditch was blocked up during the storm, causing the flooding problems. Mr. Austin said much of the cleaning had been done for Mrs. Grant, as far as he knew.

He said there is no written policy but rather there is a public relations responsibility to go over and clean

Coun. Hewitt asked if there could be more culverts or ditching done for the area.

Mr. Austin said the problem originated 25 years ago when the culverts were first installed. No changes can be made to drainage on Sideroad 17, he said. There's a restricted right of way and if proper ditches were put in, they would narrow the road.

Coun. Peter Norton suggested a site plan meeting be held with members of that ward.

Fire hall addition gets final approval

Despite a second cost overrun on the proposal to build an addition onto the Maple Avenue fire station, town councillors gave the project the go-

ahead Monday night. In general committee, councillors authorized the construction of the box-shaped addition which will confirm the Maple Avenue station as fire department headquarters, at a

cost of \$124,814. Town tressurer Ray King said the 900 square foot addition was \$24,000 over budget, but that he anticipated savings in the 1986 fire department budget would help make up the difference. As well, there are monies in the town's contingency fund, he add-

The fire department only received one tender for the project which will house the communications centre staff, although four or five "specs" were picked up.

"I feel reluctant to pay this amount of money," Coun. Betty Fisher said. She said the town was caught in a construction market where there's more work than people to do them, "We're taking on construction of something at a time

when the bellies are full." Although she called the cost of the addition "somewhat exhorbitant", Coun. Fisher said the town had no

choice but to go shead with it.
Fire Chief Bill Cunningham said just over the past three months, construction costs have escalated 10 per cent. As this project will now be undertaken through the winter mon-ths, it means another 25 per cent ad-

ditional costs, he said. "As you can see, it's getting more expensive all the time," Chief Cunn-

ingham said. He pointed out the tender ad was the largest the town has ever had, even larger than the one for the municipal complex. "We can't do much more than take a full-page ad out," he said.

Mayor Russ Miller said the town has to go ahead with the addition. The elderly couple currently manning the incoming calls for the fire department want to quit and it isn't

fair to them. Construction is likely to start the first week of December and to conclude in the new year, Chief Cunningham said.

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Stoop and scoop isn't working

A creative approach to doing away with doggie doo in town parks and sidewalks has been assigned to the town's recreation director and bylaw enforcement officer.

Although the town has a "stoop and scoop" bylaw, it isn't being respected, Coun. Lillias Bowman said Monday night.

She said she's received many complaints about dog excrement in Cedarvale Park, downtown streets and some of the smaller parkettes.

To enforce the stoop and scoop bylaw, the name of the person owning the dog is required. That person is then prosecuted.

Coun. Bowman said she wants the public to know about the bylaw and suggested perhaps signs could be put up in parks and other spots popular with man's best friend, advising dog owners to clean up after

their pet. Another suggestion by Coun. Bowman was that people issued a dog license be sent a notice that the town has a "stoop and scoop" bylaw.

Coun, Rick Bonnette asked town staff to find out what other municipalities with the same bylaw do to enforce and publicize it.

"I think signs would be probably the best way to go. I can't imagine anybody taking a day off work to get somebody's Fide fined \$50 for mess-

ing things up." Coun. Bonnette said. In a humourous vein, Coun. Norman Elliott agreed that the difficulty was that nobody wants to be a stool-pigeon", and tell on dog owners whose dogs are disobeying the bylaw.

Coun. Betty Fisher suggested when dog licenses are issued, dog lovers be given a shovel and plastic bag to go with it.

She acknowledged it may be gimmicky. Coun. McDonald pointed out most people submit their fee for a dog license through the mail. "What are we going to do, mail them a shovel and bag?" he asked.

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