

IN THE HILLS

No objection

Halton Region has no objection to a Georgetown man operating a garage for the storage and maintenance of contractors' vehicles and equipment at Steeles Avenue, west of Winston Churchill Boulevard.

The Region was asked for its comments on the proposed use, as it requires an amendment to the Halton Hills Official Plan.

The 1.87 acre property is in the Highway 401 corridor and designated rural.

Drivers needed

Ray Henry, an active driver and valued volunteer, has left the Children's Aid Society as he is relocating to Ottawa.

Mr. Henry, who is retired, drove for the Halton Children's Aid Society and other community organizations for over two years, and found the experience was a great opportunity for personal growth.

Mr. Henry drove hundreds of kilometres each week, transporting children to appointments and visits. His departure presents an urgent need for more volunteer drivers in north Halton and across the Region. Interested citizens are asked to call the C.A.S. volunteer department at 844-8211 or 878-2375.

Different strokes

Each municipality has a different approach to housing issues, says Coun. Pam Sheldon.

That's why she encouraged members of Halton Region's Planning and Public Works Committee to appoint members from each of the Region's four municipalities to sit on the Halton Housing Advisory Committee. The appointments are until Nov. 30, 1987.

Milton Mayor Gordon Krantz agreed and volunteered to represent Milton on the Committee. He said there is a need for affordable housing in Halton.

Coun. Sheldon will represent Halton Hills, Couns. Walter Mulkenwich and Barry Quinn, Burlington, and Couns. Liz Behrens and Kevin Flynn, Oakville.

Winter picnic

Attention school age children! Don't miss this year's Winter Picnic at the Georgetown and Acton Libraries Jan. 24, at 2 p.m. Just wear your snowsuit and be prepared for some outdoor fun. Register now by calling 877-2681 or 853-0301.

Garbage exporting plan needs provincial okay

The plan to ship 25,000 to 35,000 tonnes of garbage annually to a landfill site in Niagara Falls, Ontario needs to be approved at a public hearing under the Environmental Protection Act, the Ministry of Environment has told Halton Region.

Walker Brothers Quarries Limited have applied to the Ministry for per-

mission to accept Halton's municipal waste. About 8,600 tonnes of garbage per year could be shipped directly to Walker's from Leteruk's transfer station in Georgetown.

The rest of the garbage would come from the Burlington transfer station on an emergency basis, when unable to ship to the Occidental Energy From Waste plant in

Niagara Falls, New York.

It's not known whether Walker Brothers will want to go ahead with Halton if a hearing is required.

The Burlington landfill site has capacity for about 90,000 tonnes of waste. Shipping to Walker Brothers

was to help the Region keep the landfill open until the end of 1989. It would mean limiting to about 30,000 tonnes annually in Burlington.

If Halton isn't allowed to export to Walker Brothers and there are no other alternatives, the Burlington landfill will be filled to capacity by mid-1989.

Also shipping waste directly to Walker Brothers will mean saving on disposal costs for Halton Hills.

Regional staff are meeting with Walker Brothers and Ministry staff and municipalities neighboring Walker Brothers. The Walker Brothers neighbors are not keen on the idea.

Single parents

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Soon to be gliding



Bob Taylor, an outdoor education instructor for the Peel Board of

Education tutors three students about the finer points of cross-country skiing. A workshop organized by the Halton Hills recreation department was held Saturday in Terra Cotta. Taking part were (from left) Helen Near of Acton and Catherine Willis and Mandy Gregory of Georgetown. (Herald photo)

PROPERTY ASSESSMENT

and your 1987 Municipal and School Taxes

Regional Assessment Offices located throughout Ontario are responsible for assessing all real property for the purposes of municipal and school taxation.

The resulting Assessment Rolls are delivered to municipalities which use them to set their mill rates and compute municipal property tax bills.

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Open House Sessions

Open Houses are your opportunity to fully understand your assessment and to evaluate its equity.

Open Houses are held in every municipality at convenient times and locations to provide you with the opportunity to discuss your assessment with staff of the Regional Office.

An assessor will be pleased to explain the basis of your property assessment and is authorized to amend any inaccurate information prior to the delivery of the Assessment Roll to your municipality.

If you have any questions but are unable to attend the Open House, please contact your Regional Assessment Office at the address or telephone number shown below.

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Property owners and tenants will receive an Assessment Notice *only if information relating to their property or assessment was changed during the past year, if the assessment was appealed last year, or if there has been a general reassessment in the municipality.* If you receive an Assessment Notice, it may reflect changes you have requested in your school support designation,

in the amount of your assessed value, or other recorded information on last year's Notice.

Appeal Procedure

If, after attending your local Open House, you are still dissatisfied with your assessment, you have the right to appeal it to the Assessment Review Board. The Assessment Review Board conducts informal hearings and is responsible for determining whether the assessment under appeal is fair and equitable with the assessments of similar properties in the vicinity or neighbourhood, and may alter your assessment accordingly.

Appeal Deadline

The final date for appealing your assessment is February 26, 1987.

Your appeal must be forwarded, either on a Notice of Appeal Form or as a letter, to the Regional Registrar of the Assessment Review Board on or before February 26, 1987, noting your property address, roll number and the reason for the appeal.

To assist you, Notice of Appeal forms and the address of the Regional Registrar of the Assessment Review Board are available at Open Houses, your Regional Assessment Office, or your municipal office.

Schedule of Open Houses

Town of Halton Hills Mon. Jan. 26 & Tues. Jan. 27, 12 p.m. - 8 p.m., Halton Hills Municipal Office, Committee Room, Trafalgar Road, (North of Maple)
Town of Milton Mon. Jan. 26 & Tues. Jan. 27, 12 p.m. - 8 p.m., Milton Town Hall, Committee Room, Victoria Park Square, 43 Brown St.



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CAO lavishes praise on Region personnel

The three month probation period is up for Halton Region's new chief administrative officer.

John Fleming began the high ranking administrative job in September. He's written an evaluation of Halton's system that finds all is well with the corporation.

Halton is a healthy and dynamic organization, with "very highly committed and competent staff," Mr. Fleming says, lavishing praise early in his report to Regional councillors.

Responsive to community needs, Halton staff are providing a good level of service to the public and Regional organizations, the chief administrative officer said. However, there are areas where improvements can be made, Mr. Fleming acknowledged.

He says the system needs better co-operation, co-ordination and communication in order to make better and more integrated corporate decisions. He stresses final decisions, even though allowing for senior management input, rests with the chief administrative officer and council.

It's been more than five years the structure of the corporation hasn't been reviewed. It can use some fine-tuning, Mr. Fleming says, to account for the changes that have taken place.

He also hints that "additional

resources" may be needed by the corporation to meet the needs of a fast growing community. However, he fails to say whether "additional resources" means hiring more staff or buying more computers and word processors.

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