

Farmer cries foul over severance

In an impassioned speech to Halton Regional councillors, a Milton man applying for a land severance said the Region treated him unfairly in rejecting his application.

Gino DaRe owns 95 acres of property near Guelph Line and Sideroad 10 in Milton. Mr. DaRe, represented by Fred Cunningham, told councillors last month that he had 35 head of cattle "waiting to come home" to his farm in Milton. He said his family was to restart a farming operation that halted in 1983 and was ravaged by fire in 1986.

At the meeting where Mr. DaRe spoke as a delegation, Halton Regional councillors turned around a staff decision to reject the man's land severance for his son, who was to be a worker on the farm. But the next week, Regional council rejected the new decision, deciding that the application was contrary to the Regional plan.

Three people have been charged with illegal land severances by Halton Regional Police over the last two months.

But Mr. DaRe said Regional councillors showed "a complete lack of understanding" in rejecting his application for land severance. Mr. DaRe had promised the Region he would sign an affidavit swearing the land use was strictly for farming. But Regional staff say such a paper would not be legally binding, and that Mr. DaRe could sell his land after gaining a severance without Regional permission.

In a voice reaching an almost frenzied peak, Mr. DaRe repeated the findings of Regional staff to council members. "The DaRes are not farmers. The DaRes don't qualify. The DaRes are not bona fide farmers."

Mr. DaRe has been working outside the farming profession for some years, council heard. His wife and children have taken over

milking the few cattle that are not boarding on a farm in Stayner.

But Mr. DaRe said the Region is not judging he and his family fairly. "Who're they to define what we've got?" said an angry Mr. DaRe. The local Ministry of Agriculture representative "looked into all kinds of records and asked all kinds of questions" about the property, he said.

Mr. DaRe invited Regional councillors to examine his property.

Regional Chairman Peter Pomeroy asked Mr. DaRe to contain himself during the farmer's heated delivery. But Mr. DaRe said Regional Planner Rash Mohammed was wrong in his assessment of the DaRes' situation. He said the findings of the Regional committee were "not properly represented."

Chairman Pomeroy told Mr. DaRe that he would have to stop speaking to councillors last Wednesday.

"If you cut me out, you're cutting out the essence of the democratic process," Mr. DaRe said.

Mr. Pomeroy said the DaRes should take their case to the department of planning and public works.

But Mr. DaRe was then asked to leave the Regional council chambers.

Traffic charges follow accidents

Police have laid charges of careless driving in connection with a two-vehicle collision at Main Street and Moore Park Crescent in Georgetown May 17.

Police say a 46-year-old Georgetown man, driving a 1988 Mercury northbound on Main Street, waiting for a vehicle to turn ahead, when his car was hit from behind by a 1988 Chevrolet driven by a 25-year-old Kitchener man. The 1988 Chevrolet was severely damaged. The Mercury received minor damages.

Charges of following too closely were laid following a two-car collision at Main Street and Kennedy Street in Georgetown early May 19. Police report a 1987 southbound Mazda, driven by a 25-year-old Erin man, struck the

rear of a 1988 Ford driven by a 27-year-old Acton man.

Police say an eastbound 1984 Pontiac driven by an Acton woman, 21, was demolished after it was hit from behind by a 1979 Dodge driven by a 20-year-old Limehouse woman.

The Acton woman had stopped her car to help a boy who had fallen off a bicycle. Police say Ms. Brown saw the brake lights

of Ms. Kollanay's vehicle but was unable to stop in time.

Police have laid charges of following too closely in connection with a two-vehicle collision at Mill Street and Wellington Street Saturday morning. A 1969 Plymouth driven by an Acton male, 16, was westbound when it struck the rear of a 1985 Chevrolet, travelling in the same direction.



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