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Town to request hearing with MOE

In the name of "fairness" Halton Hills General Committee recommended Monday, Town staff request that the provincial Ministry of Environment hold a hearing under the province's Environmental Protection Act convironmental Protection Act concerning a proposal by Georgetown's Leferink Transfer Limited to take in more garbage.

Acton Councillor Rick Bonnette said the hearing is the fairest way to decide if Leferink should be permitted to increase the garbage tonnage it takes in from 150 tonnes to 300 tonnes given concerns raised by local environmental groups, councillors and the general public. General Committee's recommendation will go before Town council this Monday for final consideration. General Committee is comprised of town councillors.

Coun. Bonnette along with several other councillors, including Marilyn Serjeanston, all expressed concern the Town may not be able to handle the extra truck traffic that would result if the transfer station's capacity is increased to 300 tonnes.

Company representative Bert.

Leferink told Committee Monday
night he had no problem with the
matter being referred to a hearing.

Protect Our Water Environmental Resources (POWER) President Barbara Halsall, who also appeared before General Committee, urged Councillors to outright reject the expansion proposal. Expansion will only mean increased truck traffic and therefore more pollution, she said.

Recognition plaque

Halton Hills Public School Trustee Dick Howitt and Halton Board of Education Director Bob Williams appeared at Monday's Town General Committee meeting to present the committee with a plaque in recognition of councillors' participation in the board's In-Council Program. The program brings municipal councillors and students together in order to simulate a council proceeding.

Request bylaw change

At the request of Halton Hills residents Gladys and Sherwood Hume, Town General Committee recommended Monday that the bylaw prohibiting auctions on Sundays be repealed. The recommendation will go to Town Council this Monday for final approval.

Boudreau sentenced

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his testimony, Boudreau said he was confused during the abduction and would often cry at night while watching his son sleep in the Hawaii home Boudreau used to hide himself and his son.

The experience has been unsettling for young Luke who has received counselling and still has nightmares, stated Janet Cipryk in her court testimony. She said Luke has been handling the experience well despite the nightmares.

gntmares. Boudreau also testified it was two or three days after he arrived in Hawaii with his son before he realized he had committed a criminal offence.

Boudreau's past also came up in the trial. The court learned that prior to the abduction, Boudreau, an ordained minister, had been on probation for assaulting Josh, Ms. Cipryk's 14-year-old son from a previous marriage.

Since the couple's separation, they have been to court seven times over the custody of Luke, but Boudreau lost every time.

Senior centres recommendations

Halton Hills General Committee took one more step, albeit a small one, Monday towards establishing senior centres for both Georgetown and Acton. Committee recommended that in addition to seniors centres for both communities being identified in the Town's Municipal Capital Forecast, the Town Recreation and Parks Department include a needs study for the seniors centres in its Master Plan.

The recommendation will go before Town Council for final approval this Monday.

Trucks needed

Town General Committee,

which is comprised of Town Councillors, recommended Monday staff purchase several types of trucks from Georgetown's Andrew Murray Motors at a total cost of \$225,175.75. The recommendation goes to council this Monday for final approval.

More composters

Those residents who were unable to buy one of the 500 home composters the Town sold late last year, will probably have another chance to purchase one in the near future. Town General Committee recommended Monday staff purchase 1,000 home composters to be sold to the public at a cost of \$16 per composter. The recommendation will go to Town Council this Monday for final approval.







