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Break and enter

Halton Regional Police report a temporary sales office in Georgetown used by Law Development Group of Toronto was broken into and maliciously vandalized overnight last Monday. Police say unknown suspects smashed a window to enter the business, smashed glass cases, frames and doors and threw papers all over the office. A microwave, two phones, a calculator and a neon sign were stolen from the building. The investigating officer reports damage and property loss is estimated at \$4,000 and believes the vandals' intention may have possibly been to hamper the development of a local property because of the extensive damage inside to specific files.

Jackets stolen

Police report two leather jackets, worth \$900, were stolen from the back seat of an unlocked 1987 Toyota hatchback while it was parked on Morris Street in

Georgetown Monday night.

Vandalism

Police say over the last several days, unknown suspects smashed an ornate cement deer belonging to a Georgetown man on the sidewalk along Duncan Dr. and tampered with the wires in his car. Police are investigating.

Car vandalized

A car owned by a Georgetown man was severely scratched overnight last Monday while parked on Delrex Boulevard police report. The car was scratched along the left front fender, and the two front doors. Damage is estimated at \$700.

Aluminum theft

Police report \$18,000 worth of aluminum, used in the making of concrete forms, were stolen from an establishment on Trafalgar Road in Georgetown, between April 16 and 18. Police have no suspects and are continuing to investigate the incident.



DRG wins safety award

Georgetown-based company, DRG Stationery was recognized Wednesday by the Industrial Accident Prevention Association of Ontario, for excellence in the prevention of industrial accidents. DRG Stationery boasts a two-year accident/lost time free record. In the picture above, Aileen Armstrong, President of Local 1173 Canadian Paper-

workers Union (with workers at the Georgetown business) and Frank Lloyd, DRG Manager of Operations representing the company's management, accept the congratulatory certificate from Pat Mastrandrea, a representative of IAPA of Ontario. (Herald photo)

More cash recommended for Silver Creek plan

By BEN DUMMETT
 The Herald

Halton Regional Planning and Public Works Committee recommended Wednesday that another \$57,700 be spent on the plan to expand the Silver Creek Trunk sewer line capacity.

If Halton Council approves the additional expenditure this Wednesday, the total amount spent on the Silver Trunk sewer project so far will total \$100,600. That figure is expected to climb to \$342,740 before construction ever begins.

The \$100,600 figure represents part of the cost to the Region of determining, in accordance with provincial legislation, if the proposal to twine the existing trunk sewer is the most environmentally safe method to expand sewage capacity, explained Region Engineer Rick Robertshaw following the committee meeting.

Further development in Georgetown south and Georgetown west depends on the Silver Creek sewer capacity being expanded, according to a Regional staff report.

Committee made its recommendations despite objections from local residents, Marilyn King and Ashley Ranson.

In a letter that went before committee, Ms. King and Mr. Ranson write "it is their recom-

mendation that no further work be approved at this time on the preferred alternative" - the twinning of the Silver Creek Trunk Sewer.

The two indicate the preferred alternative now being studied would be environmentally unfriendly because the new sewer line would pass through Class 2 Provincially significant wetlands.

They also point out in the letter that twinning the trunk sewer would require that two dormant landfills be dug up. The contents of the two landfills could end up entering Silver Creek, they say.

Mr. Robertshaw said if the additional money receives council approval and the environmental study report can be completed, all concerns raised by local residents and commenting agencies will be investigated.

Mr. Robertshaw said the final results of the environmental study report may show the twinning of the Silver Creek trunk sewer should be rejected and another design approved.

Ms. King and Ms. Ranson prefer the Region build the new

trunk sewer through Georgetown South, ending up at Main Street, thereby avoiding the Silver Creek Valley. They point out in their letter, this is the design alternative the Region's Ecological and Environmental Advisory Committee recommends.

Mr. Robertshaw acknowledged the Main Street alternative is environmentally sound. At the same time, the twinning option has so far proven to be environmentally sound as long as certain technical procedures are followed leading up to and during the construction period.

He also pointed out that the twinning option is \$1.6 million cheaper than the Main Street option. In determining the environmental impact, costs should not be ignored, explained Mr. Robertshaw.

The engineer said the Main Street option could have unforeseeable costs. He explained that it is controlled by a pumping station. In the case of an area power failure, the station could be damaged resulting in unexpected costs, he said.

Ms. King and Ms. Ranson ob-

ject to the Region hiring Toronto-based consulting firm Marshall, Macklin, Monaghan to complete the environmental study report on the twinning design option. It was this firm that has so far recommended the Region approve the twinning design. However, it was also this same consultant firm that didn't discover the existence of two dormant landfill sites until it was pointed out to them by local residents during a public meeting on the project last Fall. The company had been working on the project for over a year before then.

Ms. King and Ms. Ranson write, "We believe that the opportunity is being created to justify a preferred alternative identified by the consultant virtually at the outset of the study

Mr. Robertshaw conceded, he was a "bit surprised" that the consultants hadn't discovered the dormant landfills until the public meeting. Asked if the Region discussed dismissing the consultant for not discovering the landfill, Mr. Robertshaw said it was an issue. But in the end Region

staff decided the company was fully qualified to carry out the remaining work, he said.

In their letter, Ms. King and Ms. Ranson also raised concern that the Region should look at the cumulative impact of the twinning project and several other projects proposed for the Silver Creek Valley.

According to Mr. Robertshaw the Region is correctly following provincial guidelines in determining the environmental impact of each of the Silver Creek Valley projects. The Region is performing Environmental studies on each of the projects, he said. The province doesn't require the Region to carry a comprehensive environmental cumulative impact study on all of the projects, he explained.

Mr. Robertshaw did say the Region has informed all commenting agencies involved to consider the other projects in the Silver Creek Valley when commenting on any individual one.

He went on to say the province is monitoring the process the Region is following with respect to all projects ongoing in the valley.

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