

# Province waffling on Glen water project

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The need for the project has been identified for the past 10 years but this letter indicates it doesn't look good for funding to become available soon, he added.

Meanwhile, the situation isn't getting any better," said Mayor Miller.

"I know people who have been doing their wash at a laundromat for the past 15 years because they have had no water," said Mayor Miller.

The mayor isn't the only local politicians upset with the province.

"I feel Glen Williams residents have been short-changed," said Glen Williams area councillor Alf Spence Monday.

"Without water, there will be no further development in the

Glen," he said.

Rob Heaton, the other Glen Williams area councillor said Halton Region is partly to blame for the hold-up in provincial funding. The Region hasn't submitted all of the necessary information to the province concerning the project, so the MOE hasn't been able to process the application, said Coun. Heaton.

Hopefully, all of the information will become available during a public meeting on the Glen Williams reservoir project scheduled for August 15 at the Glen Williams Town Hall, he added.

Bob McMurray, Halton Manager of Budgets and Developments, said Monday, he had no idea what Mr. Heaton might be referring to. As far as he is concerned the Region has

submitted all of the necessary information. However, Mr. McMurray is submitting an environmental report to the MOE that wasn't considered when the application was first made in



Russ Miller

1989. The report should emphasize to the province the need for the reservoir to be built, he said.

He predicted provincial money would be forthcoming either in 1992 or 1993.

Contacted Monday, North-Halton MPP Noel Duignan said he has been pushing the project from his end and he too is hopeful provincial money will soon be forthcoming.



## Here's looking at me

Glen Williams resident Ronnie Wilkinson, 6, took some time Saturday to admire himself on his bicycle during the Tweedle Street giant garage sale. This mirror was only one of several items on sale during the event. (Herald photo)

# Robbery suspect taken peacefully

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male, who was visiting the suspect, soon came out but the suspect remained in the home.

"With the information we had on him, we thought it would be in the best interest of everyone's safety that the TRU team be called to get him out of the house," said Det. Sgt. Woudstra.

The TRU team consists of police officers specially trained in weapon use and apprehending barricaded persons.

Subsequently, the area surrounding the home was blocked off by police cruisers as TRU members attempted to safely urge the suspect out of the home.

It took an hour-and-a-half before Mr. Cunningham emerged.

The detectives immediately searched the house and seized a carton of milk, a T-shirt resembling the one the Mac's Milk robber wore and part of a carton of cigarettes. No knife was found at the scene.

During the incident, no officer was threatened by the accused.

Det. Sgt. Woudstra said if investigators had known the suspect was in the home with his girlfriend and her young son, they may have waited until Mr. Cunningham was alone and then tried to apprehend him.

"With the information we had gathered, we thought he was in Toronto," he said. "When we walk into these situations, we handle what's there."

A resident of the upper apartment of the Prince Charles drive home, Cindy Gray, said she could have had Mr. Cunningham out in no time if police would have let

her talk to him.

She was held back by police along with numerous other bystanders who were wondering what was happening to their quiet residential neighborhood.

Ms. Gray said Mr. Cunningham, his girlfriend of approximately two months and the child (who live in the downstairs apartment of the home) were at her apartment for supper Thursday night and told her they were going to visit friends in Toronto that night.

She described Mr. Cunningham as "harmless."

At press time, Mr. Cunningham was incarcerated at the Hamilton-Wentworth Detention Centre where he was taken after detectives tried to interview him at the Halton Regional Police station in Georgetown.

"He wasn't too co-operative with us," said Det. Sgt. Woudstra. "He only had two words for us."

Mr. Cunningham appeared in Milton Court Monday for a bail hearing on the charge of armed robbery and three other charges police laid in relation to three break and enters in the area.

He was charged with two counts of break, enter and theft in connection with two break-ins at The Smoke Shoppe in Acton on June 12 and 15 where over \$7,000 worth of cigarettes were stolen.

He's also been charged with one count of break and enter and theft in connection with a break and enter at Kal's Gas Bar on Hwy. 25 and 22 Sideroad in Acton where \$1,300 worth of cigarettes were stolen June 18.

# Public pressure put on council

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Mr. Thorn went on to take exception with percentage, housing densities outlined in the housing statement. The statement calls for all new developments in Town to be comprised of 65 per cent low density, (single family homes), 15 per cent medium density (townhouses), and 20 per cent high density housing (apartments). Comparatively, the existing housing mix is comprised of 85 per cent low density, nine per cent medium density and six per cent high density.

The projected housing mix doesn't jive with existing percentages, the implication being the statement is calling for a change in the housing character of the Town, he said.

Following the meeting, Mr. Thorn said if the statement projections are encouraged, certain people are going to make a lot of money through building apartments.

In response to Mr. Thorne's comments, Town Planning Director Ian Keith said the projections and existing housing mixes "represent a small incremental change, not a large change."

He went on to say these projections are accurate because the Town's population is aging. That means more people will want to live in townhouses or apartments rather than single family homes. The projections reflect this predicted change in

demographics, said Mr. Keith.

"I'm stressed that people are trying to kill the beast (the statement)," Mr. Keith told Council.

In the end, however, it appears as if Town Council has no intention of killing the beast despite the deferral.

As Acton Coun. Norm Elliott put it, "I don't want a radical change to the statement (as a result of the deferral). I think the study provides a good basis for planning."

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