People's Forum

Sympathy is extended to "fair campaign" candidates

To the Editor:

I have just read Ben Dummett's article entitled "Complaint on back-burner," Oct. 30, 1991. I would like to give my side of the story.

I am an 18 month resident of the Fernbrook development in south Georgetown. After receiving an "Open House" invitation, I attended the meeting hosted by Russ Miller, Marilyn Serjeantson and Al Cook on October 23, 1991.

I never received the letter Ms. Serjeantson referred to: "enquiring if they would appreciate an Open House to get an update on the subdivision," nor, to my

knowledge, did any of my friends and neighbours in the development.

When I arrived at the meeting, I was surprised that the other candidates running for election were not present. I got the distinct impression that the three incumbents were indeed campaigining and were trying desperately to placate those in attendance. When I returned home, I took another look at the "invitation" and realized that it was a controlled, closed meeting.

Unfortunately, I was under the misconception that Linda Walton and Robert Barlow would be in attendance. I had been looking forward to the opportunity to hear all of the Ward 4 candidates speak. To me, this would have been both fair and proper.

I was not impressed with the apparent lack of knowledge possessed by our Mayor, Russ Miller. Perhaps he should have spent less time having his picture taken.

In all fairness to Ms. Sarjeantson, she chaired the meeting and seemed to be more informed than Mr. Miller. However, both myself and others around me, felt that our concerns were not being addressed adequately. We were simply told to write down our concerns and Ms. Serjeanston told me they would be dealt with after the election. More delays!

As for Al Cook, he spent most of the meeting talking to individuals off to one side. I found this behaviour to be very rude and distracting. When a question arose that Mr. Cook needed to address, his attention had to be brought back to the floor and the question then repeated.

From what I have seen, read and heard, I am appalled by the way the present council handles issues.

In my opinion, the way this "invitation only" meeting was held, totally backfired on the incumbents. My sympathy goes out to those candidates trying to run a fair campaign in this election.

> Sincerely, M. King, Georgetown.

DEVELOPMENT CHARGES ACT, 1989



NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF A DEVELOPMENT CHARGE BY-LAW BY THE TOWN OF HALTON HILLS

HALTON HILLS HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMMISSION TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Halton Hills passed By-Law Number 91-171

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Halton Hills not later than November 26, 1991 a Notice of Appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection.

The Development Charges imposed under By-Law Number 91-171 are as follows:

on October 28, 1991 under Section 4 of the Development Charges Act, 1989.

HALTON HILLS HYDRO-ELECTRIC COMMISSION

RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGE (PER HOUSING UNIT)

(Effective November 15, 1991 to November 14, 1996) Single detached & Seml-detached Dwelling Unit 727 Apartment units containing 2 or more Bedrooms & 2 Bedroom Multiple Family Dwelling Units 271 222 Apartment Units containing 1 or fewer Bedrooms All Other Dwelling Units Types

NON-RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT CHARGE (PER SQ. FT. OF GROSS FLOOR AREA) 0.57 *

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SCHEDULE "C" 91-171

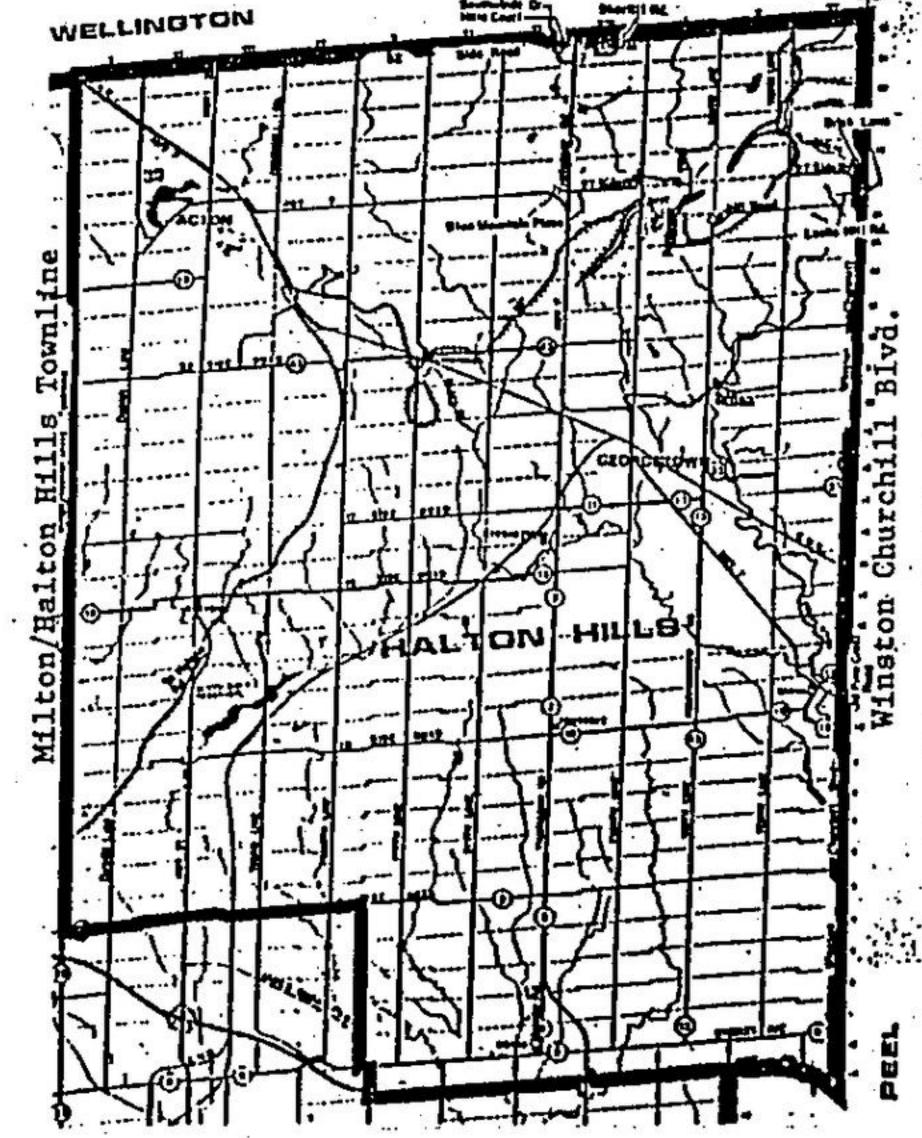
AREA WITHIN WHICH

DEVELOPMENT CHARGES

ARE TO BE IMPOSED

- (1) from November 15, 1991 through December 31, 1992, by 90%;
- from January 1, 1993 through December 31, 1993, by 80%
- (3) from January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994, by 60%; and
- (4) from January 1, 1995 through December 31, 1995, by 30%.

Development charges shall be imposed upon all development of land, buildings or structures throughout the Town of Halton Hills.



The complete By-Law is available for inspection in the office of the Clerk during regular office hours (8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.) Dated at the Town of Halton Hills the 6th day of November, 1991.

> Janet Lunn Stewart Clerk Town of Halton Hills P.O. Box 128 1 Halton Hills Drive HALTON HILLS (Georgetown) Ontario. L7G 5G2

Editorial praised

To the Editor:

Thank you very much for your recent editorial comment on the realities of growth and prosperity of our community and for pointing out so clearly the necessity for development to ensure the strength and prosperity that our community and its many fine business's are working so hard to achieve.

Halton Hills currently enjoys a way of life that is on the brink of change. Transition is occuring in various neighborhoods and wholesale development is creating entirely new communities from the cornfields of Georgetown South. I gladly welcome all of our new citizens and I welcome the additional commercial enterprises that are bound to follow each and every one of them.

The variety and scope of development coming to Halton Hills will certainly change our community and change it for the better. As our community grows so will our neighborhoods and so will the spirit of participation within the community by all who choose to live, work and shop here.

Rather than believe the Special Interest Group Candidates and particularly, one candidate, who feels that a lone, proposed condominium development, located across the street from her house will be our community's downfall, I choose rather to see an individual consumed with the unfounded obsession that her property values will be adversely affected if the current project is allowed to proceed. A very typical N.I.M.B.Y. response.

The election of Special Interest Group Candidates, who put forward biased and self-serving platforms should surely be a strong indication to the electorate of the type of Municipal Government that we could expect from the election of anyone so inclined.

In this critical time in the growth and development of our community I feel a certain comfort in the knowledge that experienced politicians, with a proven commitment, will have the abilities to foresee many of the pitfalls that the novices may come to overlook, consider frivolous or not even have the general ability to comprehend the issues of Government. These qualities come with the years of community service that all of our incumbent candidates bring with them.

We deserve the finest community and services that we can achieve and with a greater vision we'll all be able to enjoy many of the fine rewards that the development of our community will pro-

I urge that you take the time to question your candidates .horoughly and to ensure yourself that the growth and prosperity of Halton Hills is first and foremost in their hearts and that their candidacy is not an attempt to impose their narrow vision of the ruture on the rest of us.

> Sincerely, Gary Brand.

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