

Councillors take 'significant' step to deal with surplus property

Looking for best use and value

On Monday, Town Council is expected to ratify a general committee decision to declare four Town properties surplus, and publicly post notice of their potential sale. The properties include vacant land on the Third Line adjacent to the former United Presbyterian Church, the former Guelph Street ambulance building, the Memorial arena site and vacant land behind the Civic Centre.

Regional/Ward Two Councillor Jane Fogal said maps and better descriptions of the properties to be deemed surplus are needed and asked that they be added to the Town website. She also asked what any proceeds would be used for, as she'd be-

lieved it would go to the Town's arena program, because the idea to look for surplus land revenue was part of an arena budget resolution.

Terry Alyman, the Town's Director of Recreation and Parks said proceeds would be "re-directed back into the Town's capital reserves to address Council's capital (budget) pressure, in general."

To help the Town find the best value and best use of the surplus properties Alyman recommended awarding a \$60,266 contract to Dillon Consulting Limited to create development options for three of the properties to be considered as surplus – the



CHRISTMAS CAROLS: Members of the Acton Citizens Band entertained a large crowd with Christmas music at the Light Up The Hills ignition ceremony on Saturday at the Town Christmas tree in Acton East. – Ted Tyler photo

ambulance station, arena site and Civic Centre land.

Initially critical of spending \$60,000 for a consultant, Councillor Fogal now likes that Dillon will include public input in the process, and

provide more opportunity to talk with the building industry. Councillor Moya Johnson said they could just stick a For Sale sign on a property, but in the case of the Civic Centre area land, they need

to "have a vision for that property and then go looking for the right person to build out that vision..." Mayor Bonnette agreed with Councillor Johnson that they were making a "significant" decision,

and without the necessary expertise on staff, the consultant will help them "not necessarily just get the biggest buck." "We want to see the best value, but also the best use for the Town," Bonnette said.

Call LEATHERTOWN LUMBER

for Competitive Prices on all your Holiday Projects

<p>ROUGH PINE Great for Board & Batten 1 x 12 99¢ lin. ft.</p>	<p>FULL STOCK of quality PASTWAY pressure treated lumber & accessories</p>	<p>Authorized Dealer</p>	
<p>ROUGH 1 x 6 x 16' OAK FENCING PRESSURE TREATED ROUND POSTS</p>	<p>PORTABLE FOLDING WORKTABLE REGULAR \$35.99</p>	<p>1X6 TONGUE & GROOVE FLOORING 75¢ ft.</p>	<p>YARD OUTLET STAKE \$14.99</p>
<p>TOP QUALITY LEATHER TOOL POUCHES MANY STYLES TO CHOOSE FROM</p>	<p>BLACK & DECKER CORDLESS DRILL With Carrying Case & Stud Finder \$59.99 SAVE \$10</p>	<p>ROXUL The Better Insulation Great for Home or Cottage R14 Flexibat</p>	<p>MILWAUKEE DRILL BIT SET 1/2 PRICE \$27.50 REGULAR \$54.99 55pcs</p>
<p>PICK UP A GIFT CERTIFICATE For That Special Person</p>		<p>We stock a full line of SICO PAINTS & STAINS</p>	<p>SYSTEM SAVER WATER SOFTENER SALT \$6.99 20KG BAG</p>

WE STOCK A FULL LINE OF PLUMBING & ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES

Leathertown LUMBER
Value and service you can build on
264 MAIN ST. N, ACTON
FAMILY OWNED AND OPERATED
519-853-1970

While Supplies Last

FREE LOCAL DELIVERY

FAX LINE: (519) 853-2542 • Toronto Line: (416) 601-1259 • HOURS: Mon. - Fri. 7 am - 6 pm • Sat. 8 am - 4 pm

'Tis the Season for THE NEW TANNER'S MEGA ADVERTISING SPECIAL!

Book your Christmas Ad (1/4 page or larger) for our December 20th edition at the regular rates and receive your New Year's Ad for our December 27th edition for **HALF PRICE!**

In addition - Take advantage of our reduced rates (colour only) for all November and December advertising!

FULL COLOUR	
Full Page (reg. \$275.00)	NOW \$125.00
1/2 Page (reg. \$150.00)	NOW \$75.00
1/4 Page (reg. \$90.00)	NOW \$45.00
1/8 Page (reg. \$90.00)	NOW \$30.00
SPOT COLOUR	
Full Page (reg. \$80.00)	NOW \$40.00
1/2 Page (reg. \$40.00)	NOW \$30.00
1/4 Page	NOW \$20.00
1/8 Page	NOW \$10.00
Business Card	NOW \$5.00

All Prices + HST

Advertise with THE NEW TANNER, published every Thursday

Read front to back by almost 10,000 households in Acton, Rockwood and surrounding areas.

Contact our advertising department today to ensure your spot!
519-853-0051
or by email at thenewtanner@on.aibn.com

THIS IS A DEAL YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO MISS!