

# Norval residents crowd council meeting to protest proposed plaza

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Over 50 Norval residents crowded into the Civic Centre Monday united in their opposition to a proposed commercial plaza for their neighborhood.

Their concerns focussed mainly on increased traffic, structural crowding of the area and a fear that the plaza will detract from the quiet setting of the hamlet.

Antoy Developments is hoping to develop its half-acre parcel on the corner of Mary St. and Hwy. 7 into a 5,748 square foot commercial plaza. The property currently contains an old home and barn.

The application requires an Official Plan amendment and a rezoning, and no objections were heard from approving agencies, according to town planner Glenn Wellings.

However, a petition with 101 signatures was presented to council Monday night by one of a dozen residents who voiced their opposition to the proposal.

"Norval was first settled in 1820, there are three churches over 100 years old, and several of our houses are amongst the oldest in Halton Hills," she said. "We feel our village must be protected — why can't it be designated as a heritage district?"

Planning director Ian Keith noted the application will be forwarded to the Ministry of Culture and Communications Heritage Branch for review.

Norval's postmaster Joan Carter argued the area is too small to support a development of that nature, adding that existing lots are overcrowded already.

Norval's Bill Appleby stressed that traffic is congested enough at the corner of Mary St. and the highway without adding a shopping plaza next to it. He claimed that since 1985, there have been 29 motor vehicle accidents at or near the intersection, adding that they've been increasing each year.

Resident Dorothy McLean claimed she and her neighbors fear that the plaza will increase stormwater runoff to their properties, and urged councillors to listen to the people and reject the proposal. She added that a development will also adversely affect her privacy if trees bordering the two properties are replaced by a fence.

"I am filled with horror as I picture an ugly, horrible privacy fence to replace those trees," she said. "The developer looks at this property and sees a million dollars. Council sees the many tax dollars, but we see the restoration of a beautiful home. If the proposal succeeds, the developer may or may not gain, Halton Hills will gain the taxes, but...we have everything to lose."

"I urge council to look at the best interests of the residents when it reviews the proposal. Recently the planning department and council have not been following the wishes of the residents...so I am anxiously awaiting your vote on this issue." Councillor Gerald Rennie took exception to the remark but waited until the meeting had concluded before rebutting McLean's statements.

"A statement was made that in recent years council has not been serving the needs of its constituents, and that is simply not true," Rennie said. "We cannot be pushed and pulled by special interest groups in any particular direction. Our decisions are based on the facts. This council looks at every

aspect of a proposal... and makes a fair, honest and honorable decision that is in the best interests of Halton Hills."

Wellings noted that the residents' concerns will be included in his final report to council, which is expected sometime in the next several weeks.

## Gun stolen

Halton Regional Police are continuing their investigation after a Hewson Cres., Georgetown house was entered Tuesday morning. Sometime between 9 a.m. and noon, someone pried off a window screen and opened the window to gain access to the house. Once inside, the culprit entered several rooms including the bedroom where a "BB" gun, cash and jewelry were taken. Police believe the culprit then went into the kitchen and fired several pellets into the walls and refrigerator. The jewelry was worth approximately \$300.

## Smashed window

About \$150 cash was a determined culprit's only reward after a break-in at the Terra Cotta Conservation Area Saturday morning. Police believe the culprit first tried to enter the park's concession booth and when he failed "attacked" the gatehouse. After trying every entrance, the culprit successfully smashed a window to gain

entry. The cash was removed from an unlocked safe. The investigation continues.

## Car shot

About \$500 damage was done when the rear window and tail lights of a parked car were shot out sometime between 3:30 p.m. and 11 p.m. Tuesday. The vehicle was parked at a River Rd. business. Police believe a "BB" gun was used to fire more than a dozen shots at the 1987 Oldmobile Cutlass.

## Windows shot

About \$750 worth of damage was done at about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday night when 11 windows were smashed at Holy Cross School on Maple Ave., Georgetown. Police believe the culprit used a pellet gun to shoot out the windows.

## Mirror smashed

Some smashed the driver's side mirror on a vehicle parked outside a Bower St., Acton residence sometime between 6 p.m. Monday and 10 p.m. Tuesday. Damage has been estimated at \$150.

# Hydro to complete Dufferin Quarry line

A delay in approval for a road closure on Todd Rd. in Georgetown has prompted Halton Hills Hydro officials to change their plans for the remainder of 1990.

Halton Hills Hydro commissioners decided on Friday that while Town staff determine what is happening with the possibility of closing Todd Rd. at Sinclair Ave. in Georgetown, they will continue with a project originally slated for 1991.

Hydro had budgeted to build a permanent substation on the Todd Rd. site, but word that the needed closure would likely take place too late for the work to be done this year has prompted the Commission to take a closer look at completing the Dufferin Quarry line and completing a Guelph St. rebuilding project.

Halton Hills Hydro manager Gerry Trudell told the Commission that the temporary substation on Todd Rd. was operating at full capacity and that no service

disruptions would occur by proceeding with the Dufferin Quarry line while waiting for confirmation of the Todd Rd. closing.

The Dufferin Quarry line was originally planned for the 1991 budget at \$180,000. The money will now come from the 1990 budget, the \$200,000 earmarked for the Todd Rd. project. According to Trudell the remaining \$20,000 will be put toward the Guelph St. rebuilding project.

Currently Halton Hills Hydro is paying Milton Hydro \$2,000 per month to feed Dufferin Quarry, a property that falls into Halton Hills service area. The additional line would carry power to the quarry and save the local utility the added cost.

"We would be independent of Milton by March 1991," Trudell told the Commission.

The Commission approved the change and will add the Todd Rd. substation back into the 1991 budget.

# United Way's single campaign saves year-round bell ringing

Try to imagine 19 canvassers standing together at your door this month. That's how it could be - if we went back to separate canvasses.

The Halton Hills United Way was founded in 1985 to co-ordinate a single fund raising campaign for the following 19 local non-profit health and social service groups:

Acton Social Services and Information Centre; Big Brothers of Halton; Big Sisters of North Halton; Canadian National Institute for the Blind; Canadian Red Cross; Community Resource Centre of Halton; Grace House; Halton Down Syndrome Association; Halton Family Services; Halton Helping Hands; Halton Recovery House; Halton Sexual Abuse Programme; North Halton Association for the Developmentally Handicapped; North Halton Distress Centre; Open Door Youth Centre; St. John Ambulance; Victorian Order of Nurses; Volunteer Centre of Halton Hills; Y.M.C.A.

In five years, one third of all Halton Hills residents have used a United Way agency. Some day, probably, we all will. United Way campaign week is October 1 to 6.

## Toy library toyland

The Halton Hills Toy Lending Library has begun its 10th anniversary year with membership topping 100 and an even bigger selection for visiting "babes in toyland."

More than \$2,000 worth of new toys were purchased for the library last year.

On the 1990-91 executive are chairperson Helen Vandermeij (877-7636), secretary Chris Hope, volunteer co-ordinator Beverly Shafer, treasurer Shiona Watson, toy co-ordinator Joanne Duff, membership co-ordinator Mary Jane Clarridge and head librarian Joyce Farmer.

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