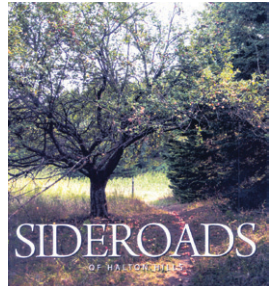


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A bystander took this photo of a tractor trailer not long after it caught fire at Steeles Ave. and Ninth Line late Tuesday afternoon, forcing roads in the area to be closed for several hours. Submitted photo

Truck fire snarls traffic on Steeles

By Eamonn Maher
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The drive home from work was a headache for thousands of motorists Tuesday afternoon after a tractor trailer caught fire at the intersection of Ninth Line and Steeles Ave. at around 4 p.m.

The cab of the truck was destroyed in the blaze and smoke could be seen for miles around the area, which was snarled with rush-hour traffic.

The Halton Hills Fire Department quickly doused the fire, but Steeles Ave. from Winston Churchill Blvd. to Eighth Line was closed for several hours as the asphalt had melted underneath the vehicle, which sat in the eastbound lane.

A large quantity of diesel fuel spilled onto the roadway as well in an area where work crews were paving the westbound lanes of Steeles Ave. at the time of the incident.

There were no injuries reported in the fire and Town of Halton Hills officials were on hand to determine the extent of the damage to the roadway.

Ninth Line was also closed to through traffic from Steeles Ave. to 5 Sideroad.

Mike Albano elected Ward 1 Councillor

By Melanie Hennessey
Special to The IFP

Longtime Acton resident Mike Albano is the newest member of Halton Hills Council after claiming victory in Monday's by-election.

The retired school board manager of information technology emerged on top of the group of seven candidates, taking home 24 per cent, or 298, of the votes.

"I'm pretty excited and a little overwhelmed," said Albano as he received

congratulations at the Civic Centre from Councillors Moya Johnson and Ted Brown on Monday evening. "I know I have a lot of work cut out for me just to get up to speed in terms of the whole process and procedures."

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