

Kingsmill residents' group gaining members

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Although just two months old, some townhouse units in Phase 2 are showing signs of deficiencies which homeowners find upsetting and unacceptable. Nail heads are popping out of walls, uneven beams are showing through the dry-wall, noticeable touch-up jobs on the walls have been left unfinished, some units have uneven doors and windows and some have covered fuse boxes in their living rooms and hot water heaters placed in upper level closets.

On Tuesday when Phase 2 homeowners were to sign the final closing with the developer, they were unable to become registered owners because there is a \$43,829.30 lien on the units resulting from unpaid bills owed by the builder to an engineering firm.

The homeowner also acknowledged the hope that some help for the homeowners could be forthcoming from the town.

He described the outcome of his meeting with Mayor Russ Miller last Friday morning as "constructive."

"The mayor said he will make an attempt to look into things," he

said, adding that the homeowners' action group has asked occupants of the subdivision, in Phases 1 and 2, to compile a list of their concerns so that they can be passed on to the mayor.

"Mayor Miller was very helpful," the homeowner said while speaking about the recent meeting at the Civic Centre.

Also attending the meeting were the town's director of building code and by-law enforcement Henry Tse, building inspector Sean Dillon and Councillor Gail Rutherford.

After the meeting, Dillon visited the Kingsmill site and the builders were directed to put snow fencing around outside areas which are cluttered with debris or covered with water.

However, much more remains to be done to make the site safe for children and adults in the complex, the new owner said.

The homeowners' association, which began with three people, has been growing steadily.

"The phone hasn't stopped ringing" since a story about the development was published in Halton Hills This Week, an organizer of the association said.

"We've picked up easily 30 names and now have close to 45 or 50 households looking to us for guidance."

The angry homeowner is current-

ly waiting for information brochures which have been mailed from the Hamilton office of the Ontario New Home Warranty Program (ONHWP).

He plans to distribute the information to homeowners in the subdivision to make them aware of their rights as new home buyers.

Child bitten on face by dog

In what police are calling an "unprovoked attack", a seven-year-old boy was bitten in the face by a dog.

The child was visiting a relative's Rexway Drive, Georgetown residence Sunday evening when the attack occurred.

As the child reached down to pet the animal -- which was playing with on a bone -- the dog "leapt up

and bit the child in the face without provocation."

The child was taken to Georgetown District Memorial Hospital by his father where a plastic surgeon treated the youth.

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