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Stew Innes, of Delrex Blvd. in Georgetown, took time out during his recent vacation in London, England to catch up on all the local news courtesy of Halton Hills This Week. Stew is standing in front of Buckingham Palace. photo submitted

Eight-year capital forecast approved

Despite Town of Halton Hills Councillor Rick Bonnette's explanation the report was only a forecast, councillors debated many points of the preliminary capital forecast (through the next eight years) Monday evening at the Halton Hills Civic Centre.

Town treasurer Grant Usher began by saying there will be "many major cuts in '94," and recommended no new debentures be applied for until 1996 - 1997.

Discounting the gloomy recommendation, councillor Gerald Rennie asked why no reconstruction was planned for the north/south streets crossing Mill St. in Acton.

"The downtown (Acton) core is deteriorating more and more," he pointed out. Ted Dravlo, municipal engi-

neer, said certain areas will be resurfaced, but not reconstructed.

The next issue to be addressed was the allotment of \$300,000 for a new fire truck, which Fire Chief Bill Cunningham described as an "absolute necessity."

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson felt the proposed integration of regional fire departments would make the request unnecessary. She also asked where the subsidy would be coming from for the purchase, and was told by Cunningham it would be granted by the federal government, but "there are no guarantees."

The issue of the new Acton Arena was of foremost interest to Councillor Norm Elliot, who wondered why \$33,000 was allocated to

replace an ice resurfer, and \$15,000 for arena repairs if the new arena has not yet been built. Recreation and Parks Department Director Tom Shepard, explained the funds would be required for an arena, whether it be the proposed arena or the existing arena.

Further issues were brought up and discussed before councillor Pam Johnston praised town staff for the work they've done and recommended council approve the preliminary capital forecast, keeping in mind, issues could be reintroduced as new business during future meetings and staff could be requested to provide reports at any time.

The forecast was subsequently accepted.

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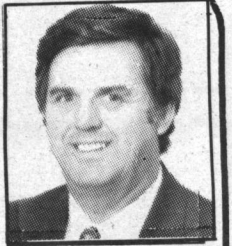
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'Complex formula' depriving town of developers cash

In a lengthy discussion regarding zoning, development and cash in lieu of parkland, during Monday evening's Town of Halton Hills council meeting, Wendy Nott, municipal planning consultant, stated the town would receive a five per cent stipend in lieu of parkland for a development, regardless of the zoning of the area.

If an area is zoned low density, the town would receive the same five per cent stipend as a medium

density zoned area, and more people have to share the same parkland.

Councillor Marilyn Serjeantson asked if something could be done to make the percentage proportional with the number of people in the development, and Councillor Rob Heaton suggested the percentage coincide with the value of the land. He added much land is being developed, or is in the preliminary stages of being developed, but the town is seeing

very little money.

Nott explained there is an option in the Planning Act, but did not explain the

Centralized fire system

The Halton Hills Fire Department will participate in a study on the feasibility of sharing one dispatch system with other municipalities in Halton Region.

Councillor Rick Bonnette's concern about cost was addressed by Halton Hills Fire Chief Bill Cunningham, who said he "didn't see any cost other than a minimal amount of staff time," but then added the issue was pretty broad-based and it would be misleading to say there would be no other costs involved.

Councillor Bill Robson's difficulty with the proposal

Country Dreams nightmare

A police officer on a routine inspection Thursday morning at Country Dreams dance club in Norval, discovered someone had smashed the front window of the office, entered the club and made off with over \$5,000 worth of office equipment.

As well as stealing a television, typewriter, computer and printer, the suspects did

option. She added Halton Hills does not have a by-law which would enable councillors to make use of this option. Ian Keith, the option is based on a director of planning, hinted "complex formula."

Cunningham explained the municipalities referred to by the proposed centralization are already on the same radio network, and assured councillors a "leap frog affect" (the closest municipality helping the threatened one) has proved "very successful" in the last several years.

substantial damage to the interior - discharging a fire extinguisher, overturning pool tables and electrical and music equipment.

The club, previously known as Club 2000 and RAVES, has consistently fallen victim to break-ins. Police have no suspects but are continuing their investigation.



Halton Regional Police District #1 Clerk John Horning is busy organizing unclaimed property for 11 & 12 Divisions' upcoming Police Auction to be held at the Gordon Alcott Arena in Georgetown. Viewing will be at 5:30 p.m. and the sale starts at 6:30 p.m. this Friday.

photo by Simon Wilson/HHTW

Charity proposal rejected

Councillors rejected the Canadian National Institute for the Blind's (CNIB) request to endorse a "Roll or Toll" fundraising drive Monday evening.

As explained, volunteers, wearing highly visible safety clothing, would approach stopped cars and solicit donations. Once a donation had been made, the driver would be given a thank-you card to display so as not to be approached by other volunteers.

In a letter addressed to council, Roxanna Spruyt-Rocks, CNIB district administrator, said the project was very successful in the Hamilton-Wentworth Region.

Councillor Gail Rutherford, who initially seconded the request, withdrew her support, stating the project was much too dangerous. "Even if they only approach stationary cars, there'll be other cars driving past them," she said.

Councillor Norm Elliot remarked people are getting fed up with "in your face" charity. He called the venture "offensive" and "a strange thing," adding people should donate because they want to, not because they feel guilty. "This will create a feeling of ill will, which will backfire," he insisted.

The motion was rejected.

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