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Tyler upset with possible by-law amendments

BY BRAD HAMMOND

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Ted Tyler, owner and operator of Tyler Transport, felt like the Lone Ranger at Monday night's public meeting.

He was the only Acton business person to attend the meeting, where he argued against amendments to Acton zoning by-law 1358.

The proposed amendments would only allow "dry" industries to operate in Acton — that is, industries which do not use water in their production process.

It would also place a "holding provision" on the land east of Hwy. 25 and north of the CNR tracks. Anyone wishing to develop this land would need confirmation of servicing capacity before they could build. This is the same water and sewage issue that has stalled development in Acton for years.

Tyler criticized the amendments: "I don't understand how

you can put more restrictions on industry coming to Acton. I cannot think of how many new industries Acton received last year compared to all of those who left. We want to entice industry to Acton instead of scaring it away."

Tyler suggested if Acton has a sewage problem they should pump it to Georgetown, just as Rockwood pumps sewage to Guelph.

Glen Wellings, senior planner, agreed that "it's a serious issue — the last thing we want to do is discourage industrial development in Acton. But we have to be realistic about the water and sewage problems that currently exist here."

Acton councillor Norm Elliott believes that despite Tyler's criticism, the amendments will only benefit the town.

"If we allow one major water consuming industry to establish in Acton, it makes it impossible for other industries to settle and develop in town. We want to bring industry to Acton but we have to ensure that we are capable of handling them correctly."



PANCAKE LOVER: St. Joseph's Kindergarten student Kurtis Knapton, 5, digs into his fluffy pancakes on Shrove Tuesday during the school's luncheon in the gymnasium. (Doug Harrison photo)

Villa residents tired of alarm

Fire alarms seem to be as common as telephone rings at Lakeview Villa.

The Elizabeth Drive seniors' residence has experienced a number of false alarms in the last two years, but the frequency has increased recently to two successive Friday mornings.

"The first Friday was the first time in three months that we'd had a false alarm, but the scary part is that people

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Acton Citizens' Band wins small victory

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After a heated discussion last Tuesday night at the third budget meeting, Council decided to leave the grant for the Acton Citizens' Band at \$4,000 for 1994.

A by-law was passed in 1958 guaranteeing a fixed contribution to the Acton Citizens' Band every year. In 1978 the municipal act was amended and the fixed contribution was removed from the by-

law, leaving no legal basis for giving the grant to the band.

"Over the years the band has still received a grant from the Town, but for the past five years we have really had to fight to keep it in the budget," says Acton councillor Norm Elliott. "I believe that the band has always deserved their grant. I would have been very unhappy if the grant was cut from \$4,000 to \$2,500."

The Citizens' Band has a long

history in the community. Since 1872 the Acton Citizens' Band has performed at the Acton and Georgetown Fall Fairs, the Acton Legion and in the Acton Santa Claus Parade.

The band hall on Wallace Street was built by members in 1964. Grant money has enabled the band to purchase the land on which the hall currently stands.

Bandmaster George Elliott states: "The grant is essential for

the operation of the band. We do raise other funds ourselves but I don't think we would be able to survive without the grant."

Membership currently stands at approximately 50 for this volunteer organization.

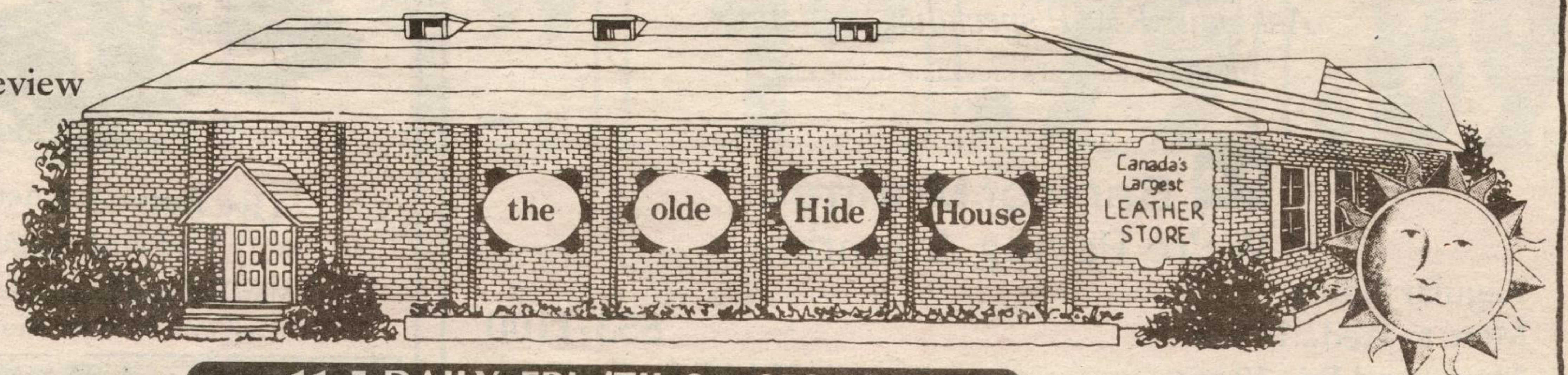
Dr. Elliott boasts: "Whenever there is an activity that requires music we always play for free. We feel it is our responsibility to play for the community at no charge."

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