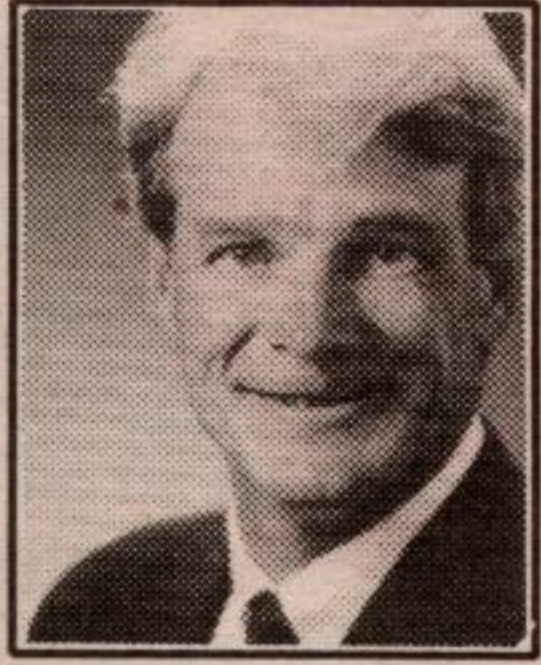


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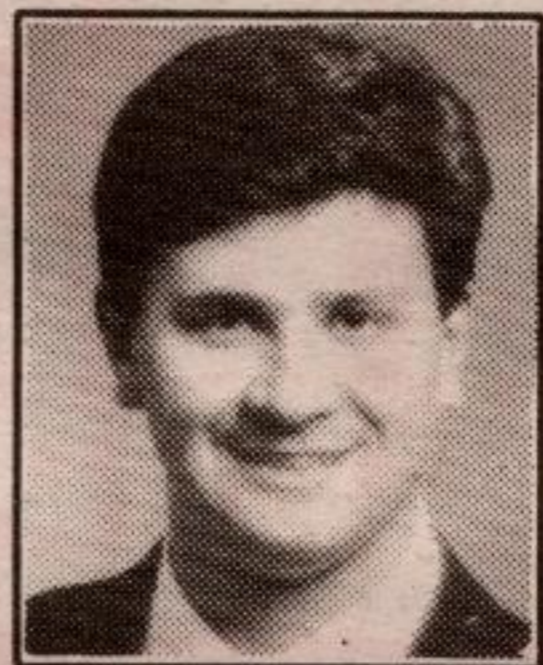
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Old drag strip property development imminent

BY FRANCES NIBLOCK
The Acton Tanner

After a dozen years of delays it looks like the owners of the old drag strip property, north of Hwy. 7 between the Fifth and Sixth Lines, are ready to proceed with Phase I of their proposed 51-lot estate subdivision, and that news comes none too soon for at least one Acton councillor.

Although the owner of the property, Lyncean Investments Limited, initially received draft approval for the subdivision in the 1980s and in 1993, they did not proceed with any work and Halton Region considered refusing to extend draft approval as they no longer comply with the current regional Official Plan, which bans estate subdivisions in rural areas.

Staff report because of the long history of getting approval of subdivision agreements and then failing to act on them, the Town said it

would not review the project until they pre-paid 10 per cent – about \$10,000 – of the administration fees and Lyncean has done that.

The Region is also requiring that the developer meet new policies not required under the old draft approval, including having to prove that there is a good well on each lot. To meet that requirement the Region was willing to grant the owner a three-year extension of the draft plan of subdivision, subject to Town Council's concurrence.

Acton Councillor Gerald Rennie said he had "real difficulty" with another extension and suggested that councillors just receive the report and take no action.

"I think what we are doing is just extending the rope a little longer with very little likelihood that anything is going to be done," he said.

The Town's legal administrative co-ordinator Stephen

Thomson said the developer had given every indication they intend to proceed and they paid \$10,000 of the administration fee up-front. Phase 1 would have to be registered before the end of October. Thomson said the Town was also expecting another \$22,000 in administration fees, \$10,000 cash-in-lieu of parkland and a \$612,000 letter of credit as security for public services.

"They are very serious," Thomson said.

Rennie disagreed: "I know that these people have been playing with us for years – at least it looks playing."

The agreement approved by the Town consists of 11 lots off the Sixth Line, leaving two more phases of 20 lots each. If the owner doesn't develop Phase II and Phase III within the three-year draft plan extension period, they could lose draft plan approval on the remaining lots.

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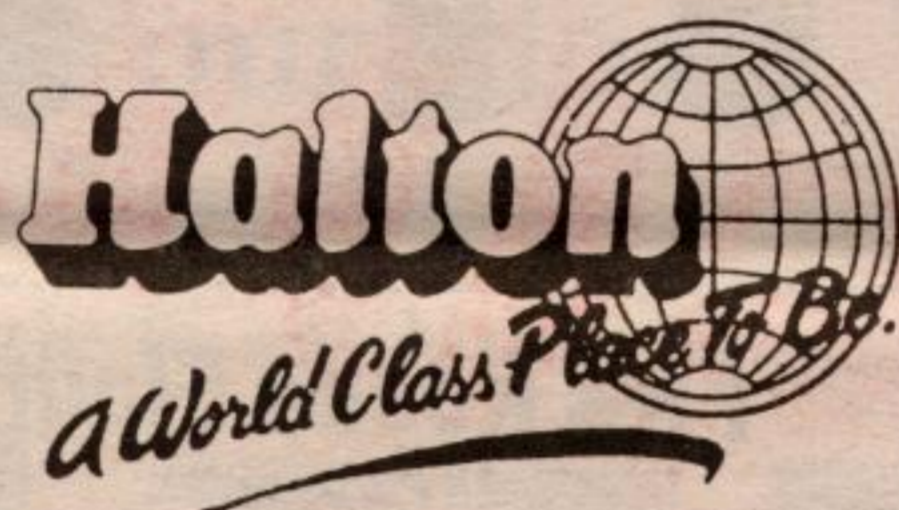
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR URBAN AND RURAL SERVICING GUIDELINES AND HIGHWAY DEDICATION GUIDELINES

The regional Municipality of Halton is seeking public comment on two new Draft Guidelines concerning the "servicing" of new development in Halton. These new Draft Guidelines have been developed in accordance with policies of Halton's new Regional Official Plan and are intended for use when considering the approval of new planning applications.

Halton's Draft "Urban and Rural Servicing Guidelines" primarily deals with the exemption of certain classes of Urban Area properties from the need for full municipal water and wastewater services. It also deals with the Regional Health Department requirements for the Private Supply of Water (Private Wells) and the Private Disposal of Sewage (Septic Tanks and Tile Fields) in Halton's Urban and Rural Areas.

Halton's Draft "Highway Dedication Guidelines" primarily deals with the exemption of certain development proposals in certain locations, e.g. Hamlets, from the need to dedicate lands for road widening purposes or to provide such dedication different from that which is specified in the Regional Official Plan.

Public Information Sessions on both Draft Guidelines will be held on:

1. Tuesday October 8th 1996 at 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the (North) Auditorium of the Halton Region Administration Centre 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville; and
2. Thursday October 10th 1996 at 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Hugh Foster Hall, Victoria Park Square, King Street, Town of Milton (Municipal Offices).

Copies of the new Draft Guidelines will be available at the Public Information Sessions or can be obtained from the Regional Municipality of Halton Planning and Public Works Department, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, or by calling Ms. Kathy Kielt at Ext. 7200 at:

- 825-6161 (Burlington, Oakville, Milton residents)
- 639-4540 (Aldershot residents)
- 878-8113 (Georgetown residents)
- 853-0501 (Acton residents)

Man threatens death

A 27-year-old Acton man faces charges stemming from an incident at a residence on Lasby Avenue, Sept. 27.

Police charged the man following an alleged assault on a woman in which she was

grabbed and had her life threatened. An Oct. 21 court date has been set.

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Halton Regional Police have charged a 29-year-old Erin man with mischief after an incident which saw a beer bottle thrown through the window of Super Submarine on Mill Street, Sept. 21. The Erin man appears in Milton provincial court Oct. 27.

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Police investigators are looking into a theft from a vehicle parked on Elizabeth Drive at 4 am on Sept. 25.

An area witness confirmed that a male suspect wearing a dark top with a hood was seen breaking into a 1989 Ford Aerostar minivan.

According to police the suspect fled when the witness turned on an interior residence light.

Police have no suspects currently in this case.

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