Milton Council Notes

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Proclamations – October 8 – 15: Fire Prevention Week. October 17-23: Canada's Citizenship Week. October 26: Child Care Worker & Early Childhood Educator Appreciation Day. Month of October: Child Abuse Awareness Month.

Transit Appreciation Week - October 17-21 marks the one-year anniversary of the new fixed-route transit service with free service on Milton Transit each weekday from 9am - 3pm. There will also be no charge for rides on Friday between 5 & 6:30pm when Mayor Krantz and Councillors will join riders to celebrate this service.

Special Recognition - Ontario's Chief Energy Conservation Officer presented the Town of Milton with a Certificate of Recognition for its efforts in conserving energy.

Senior of the Year – Ken Lamb received this prestigious award from the Province for his dedicated work in our community as an author and as a founder and committed volunteer with the Milton Senior's Centre.

School Zone – Council approved a 40km/h speed limit on Bennett Boulevard between Clark Boulevard and Meighen Way.

2006 Corporate Objectives – Council approved Report ES-44-05 outlining the 2006 Corporate Objectives.

Muzzle Order – The Administration & Planning Committee, serving as the Board of Appeal, removed the interim muzzle order on the German Shepherd Quatlee following an appeal by the Beczala family.

211 Service – Council received a report from the 211 Halton Steering Committee outlining this service that will connect callers to non-emergency community, health, gov-

ernment and social services by dialing 211. The anticipated start date is November 2006.

Niagara Escarpment Plan Amendment – Council unanimously voted not to support a proposed NEC Plan amendment that would redesignate lands in the Milton Outlier as 'Escarpment Natural' or 'Escarpment Protection.'

Town Hall Expansion – Council approved proceeding with designs for an expanded 50,000 square foot Town Hall to serve a larger population, with financial impacts being considered as part of the 2006 Capital Budget and the 2007 Capital Forecast. Results from all community consultation events will be considered as part of the process.

Traffic Signals – The Region has agreed to install temporary signals at the intersection of Derry Road and Fifth Line due to increased traffic during the construction of James Snow Parkway.

Fire Department Open House – Milton Firefighters invite residents to a fun-filled day of activities, demonstrations and BBQ on October 15th, 10am – 2pm at Station 2 on Reid Sideroad, Campbellville. (A similar day was held at the Central Station October 8th.)

"So...you're moving to the Country" – This brochure, produced by the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs to help new residents understand the importance and practices of the province's 55,000 farm business, is available by phoning 519-826-3970 or Elizabeth.mcclung@omaf.gov.on.ca.

Well Water Information – The Region of Halton is hosting a series of information sessions to help residents ensure the safety of their water through testing and well maintenance. Drop in format from 3pm to 9pm. October 11th at

Conservation Halton in Lowville. October 20th at Stewarttown Public School. October 27th at Campbellville Lion's Hall.

Rural Forum – The Region of Halton hosts it's third Rural Forum on Tuesday, October 18th at the Halton Regional Museum in Kelso, 6pm.

Public Meetings – Proposed plan of subdivision and zoning amendment by Octavian Meadows Estates to permit a mixed use subdivision including 96 units (detached & townhouse units) and employment block on Maple Avenue between Thompson Road and Main Street and lands south of Hwy. 401. Zoning amendment to permit a commercial self-storage facility at 30 Market Drive (formerly Canadian Tire). Once all comments have been received, reports will be brought forward for Council's consideration. If you wish to comment or would like further information, contact the Town's Planning Department.

Approved Zoning Amendments – Council approved the following amendments: To permit a three-storey office building and a drive-through service facility at the northwest corner of Steeles Avenue and Ontario Street. To permit a fitness centre within the retail plaza at 1580 Derry Road East. To permit residential plan of subdivision by Valeri Developments including 104 detached homes, 11 townhouse blocks (68 dwelling units), three neighbourhood blocks, nine apartment building (627 units), neighbourhood park, and 21 future residential blocks on the west side of Fourth Line, north of Derry Road. A second proposed residential plan of subdivision by Valeri Developments including 89 detached lots, 12 future residential block east of Miller Way, north of Derry Road.

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