

Norval group continues to fight location of pumping station

The Norval Community Association (NCA) is continuing its fight to prevent the construction of a sewage pumping station in nearby valley lands and is demanding action by Halton Hills council.

The NCA, led by president Stella Bryant, has discovered that Ministry of Environment (MOE) issued approval certificates in the summer, listing the pump station location at the end of the cul-de-sac on the tablelands— not in the valley lands.

The pump station is expected to service the new Georgetown Estates lands located on the top of the Norval hill bordered by Hall Rd. and Hwy. 7. The Ontario Municipal Board (OMB) gave approval to then-owner John Spina to build 128 homes and in return he agreed to convey more than 30 acres of valley lands to the town, with the understanding that with proper approvals, public servicing facilities may be built there. Those proper approvals include MOE certificates.

Bryant says the new owner, Flume Developments Inc., did not have all the proper approvals and wants the town to write to the MOE to explain that when council voted to approve the pumping station staff did not inform councillors about the MOE certificates.

The NCA has also formally requested the MOE to investigate malfeasance by Flume Developments. As well, it has requested the Credit Valley Conservation reconsider its approval of the pump station in the valley lands.

The MOE has reopened its file on the pump station, and last week, Bryant, MOE Halton/Peel district engineer Tom Brankovic and David Huk, development coordinator of Halton Region, met at the pump station site for an information meeting.

Flume Developments is now refiled, through the region, for an amendment to the MOE certificates, changing the location information, confirmed Pat Murphy, Halton Region's manager of development review services.

When members of the town's site plan committee and Halton Hills council voted to approve the location of the pump station in the valley land, they were unaware of the erroneous MOE certificates.

"Why were (the MOE certificates) not mentioned in (the staff) report?" Ward 4 Councillor Ron Chatten, chair of the site plan committee, asked town staff at last Monday's council meeting. "I made it very clear, 'Were all certificates of approvals in and approved?'"

Director of planning Bruce

MacLean said Halton Region had advised him the MOE had been satisfied by the region's position on the pumping station. He did not see the MOE certificates copied to the town. Those certificates had been copied to the clerk's department which forwarded them to the engineering department, said acting town clerk Dorothy McDonald.

Chatten suggested either someone from the Department of Municipal Affairs or Chief Administrative Officer (CAO) Steve Andrews investigate the staff process that led up to the

pumping station decision.

However the CAO seemed reluctant to act.

"I don't see it as a big problem," said Andrews. "There's nothing untoward here. This is a very small building adjacent to the highway and isn't going to impact really very much in the valley. We have incurred tremendous value for future generations— we now have 30 acres of land in our ownership to protect from development in the future. I suggest an inquiry is not necessary."

"If I had my choice the pump house would not be where it is,"

said Mayor Marilyn Serjeantson. "But we have gone through negotiations and council has benefited with the lands. If we were to comment on the process now, I have a feeling, we as a council will be exposed and we may not have what we've gained, and ... that's a risk I'm not willing to take."

Council— not unanimously— decided to ask their town solicitor about approaching the MOE regarding the pump station location change and whether council will have an opportunity to comment.

—By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer



Minor injuries

Steeles Ave. was closed for the better part of the day Monday while a transport truck was righted after a collision with a Jeep Cherokee at approximately 8 a.m. at the intersection of Heritage Rd. Peel Police say the driver of the Cherokee was treated for bruises while the truck driver required stitches, but both suffered only minor injuries. The Cherokee driver, Patricia Defeudis, 54, of Terra Cotta, has been charged with disobeying the stop sign while driving south on Heritage.

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Written applications for the above position will be received by the Clerk's Department until 4:00 p.m., Friday, November 6th, 1998. 143

TENDER
CONTRACT NO. T-072-988-98
DESCRIPTION: GEORGETOWN SOUTH COMMUNITY PARK
PLAY AREA CONSTRUCTION
DUE NOVEMBER 17, 1998
2:00 p.m., local time

TENDERS for the contracts and services listed above, addressed to the Purchasing Agent, Town of Halton Hills, 1 Halton Hills Drive, Georgetown, ON L7G 5G2 will be received until 2:00 p.m., local time on the specified closing date. Bid documents can be viewed or obtained through the Finance Department, Purchasing Services, same address as above, telephone (905) 873-2601, ext. 272.

Plans, specifications and Forms of Tender may be obtained upon payment of \$9.35 plus \$0.65 G.S.T., for a total of \$10.00, which is non-refundable and additional sets are available if you wish to purchase extra plans.

Tenders will be opened in public at 2:00 p.m., on the due date specified. Those submitting tenders are invited to attend.

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Each municipality has been allocated a share of the Province's Advance Funds. Town Council is required to compile a roster of local charities eligible to share in the funds.

Please note that groups must meet specific requirements for inclusion in the roster. Application forms, advising of eligibility requirements and the process for accessing the Program, have been forwarded to charities by the Ontario Lottery Corporation and the municipality. Further information is also available at the Clerk's Department.

The deadline for submission of completed applications, including all supporting materials and a \$50.00 administration fee, is November 27th, 1998. Completed applications are to be submitted to:

Arvin Prasad, Acting Deputy Clerk
Town of Halton Hills
1 Halton Hills Drive, P.O. Box 128
Halton Hills, (Georgetown), ON L7G 5G2 145

COURTESY NOTICE
The following community event will be held within the Town of Halton Hills as follows:

NAME OF EVENT: Annual Santa Claus Parade

DATE & TIME: Saturday, November 7 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Sinclair to Guelph St. to Mill St. to Charles St. to Park Ave. to Fairgrounds

ORGANIZED BY: Georgetown Lions Club

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