Halton public school board to sell audio tapes of its meetings

Halton's public school board is going back into the recording sales biz.

A motion to allow the public to purchase audio tapes of Halton District School Board meetings was unanimously approved by trustees last week.

"I'm asking for support of this recommendation so the public can have access to the meetings," Burlington Trustee Sheila Flook said.

School council chairs and others may want the tapes, she said.

Flook noted some residents cannot attend board meetings, particularly those in north Halton.

The trustee said tapes have been sold to the public before. "It has been past practice for at least five years and it's a good practice. And the board does advocate open communication"

Sarah Hasko, who appeared before trustees on the issue, said the board previously sold tapes for \$5, but she knew three people who asked for copies recently and were denied.

"The reason given was that the legal department advised these were not true accounts of the meetings," she said. "But I know of no truer account. What better way to be brought up to speed than with tapes."

Minutes are available through school councils and the Internet, but they don't always answer questions the public is interested in, said Hasko.

Delegation presentations and staff responses to trustee questions are among items not reflected in minutes, she noted.

Education director Dusty Papke told trustees that minutes are considered the board's legal record.

He said video tapes are taken of board meetings and then converted to audio, a process which takes about a half-hour of staff

This information prompted an amendment that tapes should not exceed \$15 each and should have disclaimers that

they are not true records of board minutes.

"The legal opinion is they do not constitute a legal record and we should make that clear so there's no misunderstanding," Oakville Trustee Peter Petrusich said. "And the cost is not prohibitive, but there is effort involved. It should be at the discretion of administration what the tapes are priced at."

The proposal was approved with the amendments included.

By Dennis Smith, special

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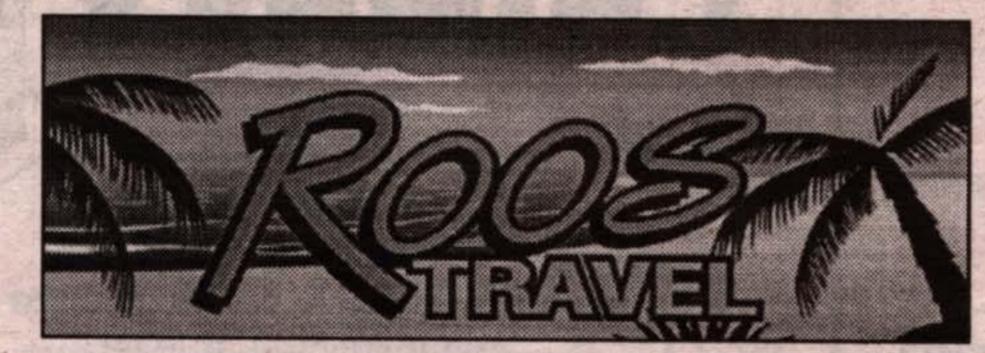
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Expropriations Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.26

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL TO EXPROPRIATE LAND

IN THE MATTER OF an application by The Regional Municipality of Halton for approval to expropriate lands described in Schedule "A" hereto, being in the Town of Milton, in the Regional Municipality of Halton for the purpose of widening and reconstructing Trafalgar Road from Highway 407 to south of Britannia Road.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that application has been made for approval to expropriate the land described as follows in Schedule "A" hereto:

Any owner of lands in respect of which notice is given who desires an inquiry into whether the taking of such land is fair, sound and reasonably necessary in the achievement of the objectives of the expropriating authority shall so notify the approving authority in writing.

- (a) in the case of a registered owner, served personally or by registered mail within thirty (30) days after the registered owner is served with the notice, or, when the registered owner is served by publication, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice;
- in the case of an owner who is not a registered owner, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of the notice.

The approving authority is:

The Council of the Regional Municipality of Halton, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

The expropriating authority is:

The Regional Municipality of Halton, c/o Joan Eaglesham, Regional Clerk, 1151 Bronte Road, Oakville, Ontario L6M 3L1.

Joan A. Eaglesham Regional Clerk

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SCHEDULE "A"

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3	7 and 8(NS)	1-4	20R-12960	24931-0028 24931-0027 24931-0026 24932-0084
1	7(NS)	1	20R-13315	24932-0045

