

Ninth Line repairs, Trafalgar Sports Park not part of 2006 plans

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Sometime in the next nine years, council may spend money on new library branches for Georgetown and Acton, a new arena, and lots of roads including Main St. in Georgetown in 2007 and Main St. in Acton in 2009.

Despite pleas from Ninth Line residents Monday night to move their road to the 2006 budget year, budget committee kept the repairs in the 2008 capital budget.

Committee also withdrew spending of \$500,000 on the Trafalgar Rd. Sports Park after the Georgetown Soccer Club withdrew its \$100,000 contribution. No money will be spent on the park this year.

Budget committee also added \$108,000 for Civic Centre improvements, including moving the archive section to a storage facility. Committee also added \$18,000 for an irrigation system for the Dominion Gardens Park, but removed \$18,000 for an

equipment-deodorizing machine, which the Recreation Department had hoped would eventually become a revenue-generating operation.

Committee also approved a new transit system for those with disabili-

ties or over the age of 65 that included the purchase of a \$60,000 mini-van.

Council must formally approve the capital budget and forecast, which is expected to be done at the Feb. 6 council meeting.

Debate on the operating budget and the future of the Halton Hills Public Library continue on Jan. 30 and 31 in the council chambers.

—By Cynthia Gamble, staff writer

New fire station at top of town's to-do list for this year

Halton Hills budget committee approved a \$10.4 million capital budget for 2006 at Tuesday meeting.

The top four expenditures are:

- \$1.2 million for a Georgetown South satellite fire station— location still to be determined
- \$1.1 million for pavement management projects (Acton roads in the Bower Ave. area is the focus this year)
- \$1 million on the realignment of Fifth Line in the 401 Corridor
- \$800,000 for rehabilitation (stabilization of slopes) of the East West

(Credit River) tributary in the Hall Rd. area

- \$500,000 for Phase 2 of the Acton Sports Park (\$100,000 to be donated by the Acton Soccer Club)

Other work to be done this year includes:

- Acton Skateboard Park, (\$204,000, again with \$100,000 contributed by Acton Sports Action Park committee)
- Installation of a leash-free zone in Cedarvale Park (\$18,000, \$3,000 donated by a community group, HH-Dog)

- Playground installation at Tanner Dr. Park (\$69,000) and Arbor Glen parkette (\$65,000)

• \$190,000 for the second phase of the Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw—a new bylaw program to replace aged, outdated ones

- \$110,000 for a new firefighter training facility at the Trafalgar Rd. public works yard

• \$500,000 for reconstruction of Eastern Ave. in Acton

- Surface treatment of Sixth Line (completed in 2006) and Third Line (completed in 2007)

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