

Accelerate tenders for building...

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out to tender by mid-July, key to beginning construction to be ready for in-door soccer in January.

Dautovich said July

would be a very good month as far as fundraising, and since they would meet Council's goal of raising \$350,000 by the end of July, they want to begin the tender processing early, so the final results could be brought to the August Council meeting.

Council agreed, and instructed staff to prepare the necessary paperwork.

Outside of the council chambers, Dautovich would only grin when asked if the all-important \$100,000 donation has been made to the fundraising campaign.

"It's going very, very well, but there's sensitivity to the timing of the release

of some of the information...and it won't be too long," he said, adding they recently became very confident that they would hit the threshold. So they want to move ahead with the tendering process and not wait a matter of weeks, which, at the end of most projects "are terribly important."

The Society already had \$250,000 in its buildings fund and pledged to raise \$350,000 by the end of July for a \$750,000 fundraising campaign to help secure a \$1.3-million Town loan.

After the meeting, Halton Hills Mayor Rick Bonnette praised the hard work of

the Society.

"We don't want to be in their way - this is excellent news that they are going to meet their first fundraising goal," he said.

The Society's proposed building is approximately 26,000-square-feet, roughly the size of the old arena and includes a foyer, washrooms, offices, meeting rooms, a utility room and an indoor soccer pitch with turf for local soccer clubs that have already committed to booking up to 70 per cent of the available time this fall.

TOWN DIGEST

Road work

Cheaper than expected prices for road repairs means the Town will be able to add more roads to the list being resurfaced this summer in Acton.

Council accepted the lowest tender from Graham Brothers Construction for \$794,455 for the project that includes resurfacing sections of six streets, including Bower Avenue, Willow Street, St. Alban's Drive, Acton Boulevard, McDonald Boulevard and Norman Avenue.

Because the project was under budget, staff suggested adding George Street, from Mill Street to Arthur Street, and Cedar Road from Churchill Road to Somerville Road, to the project at an added cost of \$87,000, still leaving \$47,432 in the budget.



EARLY ARRIVAL: Matthew Michael McMillan made an unexpected appearance at 4:25am Friday just as his mother was getting ready to go to hospital by ambulance. Submitted photo.

Acton mom gives birth at home

By Frances Niblock

Mathew Michael McMillan - fondly called 3M by his Grandpa - couldn't wait to be born in hospital.

He put in a speedy appearance as his mother was being readied for transport to hospital at 4:25 on Friday morning at her Kingham Road home.

Although his mother, Jennifer Lafée, had gone to the Guelph Hospital earlier that night thinking she was in labour, hospital staff sent her home.

About 4 a.m., Lafée found herself in active labour and asked her mother to wake up her husband, Rob McMillan.

But, Lafée said she quickly realized things were moving too fast, and asked her mother to call an ambulance.

The Emergency Services Crew had Lafée on a stretcher ready to take her to hospital

when she realized that the birth was going to happen then and there and Mathew Michael McMillan was born, weighing eight-pounds, one-ounce, and measuring 21.1-inches long.

Mother and son were transported to Georgetown Hospital, kept overnight and released the next day, much to the delight of Mathew's older sister, two-year-old Kendra.

Lafée has special thanks for Dr. Jeff Sutherland who took care of her and baby Mathew at Georgetown Hospital, and for EMS workers Dale Corbett and Glen Woolvett who she said are "sort of special to me."

"The ambulance guys listened to me so well - they were so calm - if it wasn't for them, I don't know what I would have done. They did everything perfectly," a tired but happy Lafée said on Monday.

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