

Elliot pleads for housing...

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"Acton's needs are just as real as they are in other municipalities," Elliott continued as he urged council to go to the Province to make small adjustments to the Greenbelt so people aren't forced to move to other places for affordable accommodations.

Elliot also told council that water needs could possibly be met by re-opening the South Springs well, which was closed in the 80's. The well supplied the whole town with good water for decades until it was closed due to pollution alleged to be from the Beardmore Tannery.

An estimated 500,000 gallons a day were pro-

duced by the South Springs well until it was shut down. He noted it was on a different aquifer than the Fairy Lake system so it would not interrupt the flow from these wells.

If the water from the well needs treatment then it could be done because a manganese problem with the Fairy Lake well was solved by treating it.

Mayor Rick Bonnette interjected as Elliott closed his remarks by noting the Region was looking at the South Springs well as a solution to Acton's water woes.

Elliot noted that local developers (Acton East Housing Corporation) want to create a 150 acre version

of the Village by the Arboretum in Guelph on the property they own in Acton's East End. He scoffed at notions that it would be characterized as rampant growth and urban sprawl.

It would only create a moderate increase in population and situations such as those in Milton and Georgetown when unbridled growth has taken over would be avoided, he asserted

"The predictable response from council is that the idea cannot proceed due to the stringent guidelines of the Greenbelt Plan," Elliot said. "I submit that no Provincial guideline should be considered sacrosanct, and any guideline that puts off any review until the year 2015 should be the object of a sincere appeal, particularly since it represents such a miniscule adjustment to the Acton urban boundary."

"Issues of planning, concerning financing servicing for water and sewage capacity use of the remaining portions of the lands in question, can all be resolved through discussion between the Town, Region and the developer, with extensive public input in the upcoming months," he concluded.

Council will not be making any decisions on submissions until a later date.



HERITAGE AWARD: Halton Region Chairman Gary Carr, left, presents former Acton resident, Mark Rowe, with a "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the Ontario Heritage Trust for his promotion and preservation of local history. Rowe has produced numerous articles, pamphlets and books since joining the Esquesing Historical Society in 1982. - submitted photo

Mark Rowe recognized for contributions to our heritage

Halton Regional Council recognized former Acton resident, Mark Rowe, for his significant contributions to heritage preservation in Halton at a meeting Wednesday, Oct. 10. Mr. Rowe, now a resident of Georgetown, was selected by the Ontario Heritage Trust for the 'Lifetime Achievement

Award' through its Heritage Community Recognition Program.

Mark is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rowe of Acton.

He has been active in the preservation and promotion of local history since joining the Esquesing Historical Society in 1982. He has written extensively on the history of

communities in north Halton, developed walking tours and researched the history of more than 50 properties in Halton Hills while serving on the Heritage Halton Hills Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee (LACAC).

Mark is a Grades 7 and 8 teacher at St. Bridgid School, Georgetown.

"Volunteers such as Mr. Rowe play a vital role in keeping our heritage alive and our communities strong. In addition to the untold number of volunteer hours he has contributed, he is undoubtedly passing along his love of history to many young people in Halton through his work as a teacher," said Halton Regional Chair Gary Carr. "Council is very pleased to have this opportunity to recognize Mr. Rowe with this Lifetime Achievement Award."

Rowe has written a history of Acton among many other books and pamphlets he has produced over 25 years.

The Ontario Heritage Trust is an agency of the Province of Ontario. As part of its Heritage Community Recognition Program, the Trust enables municipal and regional councils to recognize individuals who have made significant contributions to heritage preservation in their communities.



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