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MILTON'S 1964 MUNICIPAL COUNCIL convened at the inaugural meeting Tuesday evening, and in a formal ceremony subscribed to the oath of office. Members shown seated, from left, are Mayor Sydney G. Childs, Reeve C. A. Martin, councillor Charles Fay and Deputy Reeve Austan Ledwith. Standing are clerk E. J. Costigan, and councillors Charles Menefy, Gerry Addison, Charles Johnson, Brian Best and Norman Pearce. Just prior to their induction, the 1963 council met briefly to approve the minutes of their last meeting, and pass year-end accounts.

Two Groups Meet Alternate Weeks

Council Re-Designs Committee Structure

In an inaugural session move Tuesday, Milton Council revamped its committee setup and altered its weekly council meeting schedule that has been in operation for a number of years.

Attend Inaugural See Dad Take Oath

There were two proud children in the audience Tuesday evening, when the town's 1964 council held its inaugural meeting. New councillor G. G. Addison's wife Mary and children Robert, 7 and Nancy, 5, sat in the spectators' gallery and beamed their approval as "daddy" swore his oath of office.

Also in the audience for the inaugural was Stan Fay, a former Reeve and councillor, and the father of Charles Fay who joined the council for the first time that evening. Others attending were former Reeve and Warden K. Y. Dick, now acting as the town's solicitor, and former Deputy-Reeve John Charlton, now the town assessor.

Ask Planners Prepare Annexation Land Map

Milton Planning Board will be asked to begin preparation of a land use map in preparation of the area proposed for annexation, to be completed by April 1, Milton Council decided at its inaugural meeting Tuesday.

Councillor B. Best emphasized the need for work to begin immediately to have such a map available by April 1.

Councillor N. Pearce suggested other areas of priority would be with land owners whose property might be developed for industry and the planning of stage development of services.

It was noted no decision had been received on the town's annexation application but Councillor Best suggested the establishment of target dates for accomplishments could speed work.

The new councillor also suggested the map should be prepared in conjunction with the

group and utilities committee another. The two large groups will meet in separate rooms, alternate Mondays to prepare recommendations for the full, formal council meeting the following Monday.

Reporting for the striking committee made up of Councillors Johnson, Pearce and Menefy, Reeve C. A. Martin outlined the suggestion.

Under Number one committee will be finance with Councillors

Merge Conservation Authorities Call First Meeting Feb. 13

The 12 Mile Creek and 16 Mile Creek Conservation Authorities were "officially" disbanded this week, when the Lieutenant-Governor approved an order-in-council setting up the new Halton Region Conservation Authority—

a merger of the two former authorities. The amalgamation was deemed retroactive to January 1, 1964. The new authority's first meeting will be called by the Minister of Lands and Forests on February 13, at which time a chairman and officers will be elected.

Representatives on the authority include five Halton municipalities and four from outside the county. Burlington will have three members, Oakville two, Esquesing, Nassagaweya and Milton one each. From outside Halton are Puslinch, East Flamboro, West Flamboro and Waterdown, with one representative each. The Province will also appoint representatives.

The 12 Mile Creek Conservation Authority was formed in 1956, while the 16 authority has been operating since 1958. Ralph Sherrwood of Puslinch and Dr. C. A. Martin of Milton were chairmen of the groups last year.

Power in Oakville Burlington and Oakville will be the largest financial contributors to the new authority, with respective 45 and 37 per cent shares of the budget. Milton's share will be about five per cent, West Flamboro three, Esquesing and West Flamboro two, Waterdown and Nassagaweya one, and Puslinch less than one per cent.

The watersheds covered by the authority include the 12 and 16 Mile Creeks, Joshua Creek in Oakville and Grindstone Creek in Burlington, for a total land area of over 300 square miles.

Menefy and Johnson; welfare with Councillors G. Addison and Deputy Reeve A. Ledwith; fire, light and police with Councillors Johnson and Addison; and planning with Deputy Reeve Ledwith and Councillor Menefy.

Under Number two committee will be sewers and sanitation with Councillors B. Best and N. Pearce; water with Reeve Martin and Councillor C. Fay; streets and walks with Councillor Pearce and Reeve Martin; properties and contingencies with Councillors Fay and Best.

More Committee Work Councillor Menefy reported it was the hope of the striking committee, in introducing this plan, that committees would do more work than in the past. The committee meetings on alternate Mondays would have as great an importance as the regular council meetings, he stressed. He urged members to give the new plan a try.

Reeve Martin suggested that since the two committees would be meeting at the same time it would be possible to get them

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Acton Reeve Joins Race 3 Contest Warden's Seat

Halton County Council holds its inaugural meeting next Tuesday afternoon in Milton, and a three-way race for the honored position of Warden should be the highlight of the afternoon's proceedings.

Reeve H. H. Hinton of Acton this week joined the fray, as he announced his intention to contest the seat against Reeve Herbert C. Merry of Oakville and Gordon Gallagher of Burlington. All three are well experienced in municipal affairs and it could be a toss-up for the job when the 14 councillors meet.

One Vote Apiece The Warden occupies the top seat in the county for a year at a time, and presides over the body of county councillors—two from each of the seven towns and townships in Halton. For the election of a Warden each councillor has just one vote, and a tie vote would be broken by the municipality with the largest rateable assessment—in this case Oakville.

In former years the position of Warden has been an honor rotated around the county from municipality to municipality with the north end holding the post one year and the south end the next year. In recent years this policy has become more unofficial, and Wardens were elected on their merit rather than the location of the voters they represented.

If all three candidates can be considered equal contenders, observers feel the system of north-south "turns" may come into the picture, and in that case Reeve Gallagher might get the nod.

Past Wardens Burlington last held the Wardenship in 1955 but the township of Nelson, which was amalgamated with Burlington, last held it in 1949. Acton had a Warden in 1954 and Oakville (including Trafalgar) has had four Warden since 1942 and 1951.

Mr. Gallagher has been a member of County Council three and one-half years as Burlington's Deputy-Reeve, and a Burlington councillor four years. He was also a member of the Burlington Suburban Area planning board over 10 years, and chairman four years. This is his first year as Reeve.

He feels it is definitely Burlington's turn and explains the town's population has grown from 6,000 when they last had a Warden, to a total of 52,000 today.

Mr. Hinton was nominated for the post last year, and withdrew, but announced his intention to run this year. He feels it is Ac-

ton's turn and "Acton's representative has a right and duty to stand."

In Third Year The Acton Reeve is entering his third year as a councillor and County councillor. He was deputy-reeve in 1961, was out of municipal politics in 1962, and returned last year and this year as Reeve of Acton. He has served on most of the county council committees, as well as the Credit Valley Conservation Authority, Acton fair board, the Acton Chamber of Commerce and Y.M.C.A.

Mr. Merry feels he warrants the position this year, as last year he was nominated and withdrew because he felt it was Burlington's turn at the Wardenship. However he was the only member of council who voted for Burlington's candidate, Reeve Irving Ryckman, at last year's election of the Warden, and Reeve C. A. Martin of Milton won it. Now he feels Burlington has lost its turn and it is time

for Oakville to have a Warden. He was surprised to learn Reeve Gallagher was in the race.

Active in Councils He has spent nine years on Oakville council, seven as deputy-reeve, and this is his first year as Reeve. He is also active on the Oakville library board, museum board, board of hospital governors, Children's Aid Society, and is chairman of Halton Museum Board. He has served the Humane Society 25 years, the past 12 as president, and is active in church work in Oakville.

Next Tuesday's election will be conducted with all three candidates seated at the council table, it is expected. In former years candidates left while the voting was held. It is an elimination vote, with the low man on the first ballot to be eliminated and the entire council to choose the winner from the two remaining. The vote will be an open one since secret balloting is not permitted.

Inaugural Tuesday

'64 Council Rolls Up Sleeves

Milton's 1964 Council officially began its work on Tuesday evening after the final, brief meeting of the 1963 Council passed the minutes of its final meeting and approved its final accounts.

Three new members were sworn in by Clerk E. J. Costigan, as well as six former members who are continuing. Joining council for their first meeting were Brian Best, Charles Fay and Gerry Addison. Returning were Mayor S. G. Childs, Reeve C. A. Martin, Deputy Reeve A. Ledwith, and Councillors Norm Pearce, Charles Johnston, and Charles Menefy.

Following the swearing in, Dr. T. M. Duxton of Grace Anglican with the confidence of the citi-

Church explained the council members had been given a job. "We all look forward to a very successful year for you" he said. He asked members to pause and dedicate themselves to the service of God and their fellow men. Prayers of dedication concluded the brief service.

Mayor Childs extended the thanks of Council to Dr. Duxton for his participation in the inaugural, and proceeded to welcome the new members as well as those returning to council.

Before the 1963 council adjourned, retiring councillors Purdy and Wilson expressed their thanks to Mayor Childs, and other members for their help during the time they were both on council.

Sunshine Seeks County Aid

Explore Pre-School, Adult Education

If the 1964 Halton County Council accepts the recommendation of the 1963 council to underwrite the operational costs of retarded children's schools in the County, the North Halton Retarded Children's Association expects to delve into the field of pre-school and adult retardation this year. The decision was finalized at the inaugural meeting of the

Association in the Sunshine school, Hornby, on Monday evening.

"If we could get some relief for the operation costs", corresponding secretary Mrs. Margaret Treahy said, "we'll start to look into the adult and pre-school problem right away. Now, however, we are just managing to keep the doors of the Sunshine

Nancy Robertson Celebrates 99th

Boxing Day, December 26 was a happy day for Mrs. Nancy Robertson of Kibride, as she celebrated her 99th birthday surrounded by her family and friends.

About 55 dropped in to extend best wishes, or stayed for the day and a family dinner, to help the beloved lady celebrate this important occasion.

Mrs. Robertson has lived in her present home in the village since 1914. She has 46 descend-



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ents. There were nine children, six of whom are still living, as well as 25 grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, and 11 great-great-grandchildren. Her children are Mrs. Mary Simpson of Campbellville, Jack Robertson of Moffatt, George Robertson of Hamilton, Mrs. Isobel Brady of Detroit, Mrs. Stella Roberts of Hamilton, and Dave living at home. Three children, Jane, Clifford and Stewart are deceased.

—Students returned to school Monday following the Christmas holidays. Holy Rosary students had the day off as it was the Feast of the Epiphany, a day of holy obligation.



A SOLEMN SERVICE OF INDUCTION was held Monday at Grace Anglican Church, when the Rev. Dr. Thomas M. Duxton was inducted as Rector. The Lord Bishop of Niagara, Walter Bagnall, was present to conduct the ceremony, and two former rectors of Grace were also participants. Bishop Bagnall above wel-

comes Dr. Duxton, at right, as the two former rectors look on. At left is the Archdeacon of Trafalgar, the Ven. S. A. Kirk of Guelph, and beside him is Canon C. G. Eakins of Niagara Falls, Bishop's Chaplain.

Saturday Blaze

Father Saves Daughter

A Mill St. man received severe burns to his hands Saturday night, as he rescued his daughter from a burning house on Mill St.

Tom Mills, 17 Mill St., is still off work today suffering hand burns. His daughter, Helen Finn, who lives across the road at 14 Mill St., escaped without injury but firefighters later said "she was very lucky to have escaped at all."

Husband at Work Mrs. Finn's husband Don was working and she was in bed when she woke up to find the

bedroom on fire. "I couldn't see a thing," she recalled later for The Champion, but she tried to find the doorway and escape.

About the same time her parents were going to bed in their house across the street, when they saw flames in the Finn home. Mr. Mills rushed over and helped his daughter find her way out, burning his hands in the process. Mrs. Finn's pyjamas caught fire but she was not burned.

Six Year Old Not Home Fortunately, the Finn's daughter Debra, aged six, was spend-

ing the night with her grandparents and was not in her home when the fire broke out.

Mrs. Finn reported all the furniture was either burned or damaged, and the only article in the house that escaped the fire was a Christmas tree. Firefighters said the bedroom and its contents were completely destroyed and there was damage throughout the rest of the small house.

The Finns were just in the process of purchasing the home. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Need is Urgent For Cub Leader

It was learned today that the Third Milton Cub Pack meetings might have to be suspended by the end of the month unless a new Cubmaster is found to take over the pack.

This report comes soon after their having received their new charter. Assistant Cubmaster Harvey Brush because of other commitments is unable to take over the vacancy left by Fred Hayward who was recently married and who moved to Oakville. Mr. Brush said he would like to continue as an Assistant Cubmaster provided someone will act as Aqula.

Roger Young, Chairman of the Group Committee believes there must be several people in the Milton area who would enjoy giving leadership to these young boys. He said also that leaders are required in the Scout Troop as well.

Return Trustees To School Board

Holy Rosary Separate School Board incumbents R. W. Clarke, A. N. Kelly and J. M. Bradley were re-elected for a two year term, when a small percentage of eligible voters turned out on Thursday to the annual election. Gaston Telemans was an unsuccessful candidate.

Returning officer Mrs. R. W. Clarke was unable to provide complete figures on the votes the candidates received, but reported that 61 electors cast votes during the day.