

Service farm purchase still shrouded in secrecy

Following the regular meeting of the Halton Region Conservation Authority Thursday evening, a closed meeting was held by the six-man executive.

Throughout the regular meeting, questions pertaining to the Authority's proposal to buy the A. R. Service property bordering Kelso Conservation Area, were met by Chairman Ralph Sherwood with the statement that he would discuss it only in the closed meeting.

When Authority member Alan Masson of Oakville demanded to know why the air of secrecy was being maintained, he was told that he would find that out in the after-meeting sessions as well.

It was learned that a small piece of property was purchased on behalf of the Authority from C. E. Hall to facilitate work on the Indian Creek project. The creek adapts an irregular course near the Hall-Snow line fence, on Bell School Line, Burlington.

A letter was received from W. Bateman, business manager of the Oakville Board of Parks, complaining of the "deplorable condition of the lower reaches and harbor areas of the 16-Mile Creek." He suggested control of the maintenance of the area should be changed. Authority members agreed to invite the Oakville Parks Board to the next regular HRC meeting.

Correspondence from the Ontario Municipal Board informed the Authority that November 3 has been set as the date for hearings concerning expropriation of lands in the Town of Oakville.

Another letter from the OMB formally dismissed the appeal of Waterdown in connection with the apportionment of the Authority's budget and the Hil-

ton Falls Dam project share. Field Officer Dave Murray reported Dr. Harry Harley, Halton's M.P. had told him that plans for the Oakville flood control program had been approved by the Minister of Energy and Resources, J. R. Simmonett, and are now in the hands of the provincial cabinet.

The minister also approved a grant of \$562.50 for the neces-

\$55,300 sewer estimate to serve 29 lot area

An estimate of \$55,300 to install sewers in the section of Ontario St. and Forest Grove not presently serviced, was submitted to Milton Council Monday by R. V. Anderson and Associates, town engineers.

Councillor B. Best, chairman of the sewers and sanitation committee, pointed out that installation under the Local Improvement Act would place the town's share at \$22,800 and the house owners' share at \$32,500.

Annual cost to a homeowner would be 80 cents a foot frontage per year plus \$15 annually for the lateral connection. He notes a 100 foot lot would cost \$80 for the sewer annually plus \$15 for the lateral, over the 20 year life of the debt. Paid in cash the cost would be \$1,030 on a 100 foot lot.

It was noted the lateral would be deep enough to pick up cellar drains and would connect through an extension on Parkway Dr. to a pump house presently in the sanitary land fill area. Approximately 29 lots

would be served by the project. Councillor C. Johnson expressed surprise at the size of the town's share of the cost. He noted that in other subdivisions the total cost of sewer installation had been borne by the developer and was thus charged against the property.

Councillor Best explained under the Local Improvement Act the town must bear the cost of the line beyond the property frontage. About 1,000 feet of sewer was required to complete the connection at the pump house on town land.

Members agreed to check with the town solicitor to determine if any other method of assessment, other than the Local Improvement Act, could be employed on the project before asking the residents affected if they wished to proceed on the plan. It would require a majority of assessment and property owners in favor of the plan before it could be implemented under Local Improvement legislation.

locally and avoid a lot of trouble, the police suggest. If you are approached by strangers offering inexpensive work, check them out before signing any contracts. The work may be "cheap" too.

Police said several local homes have been approached by out-of-town representatives who offer fast service at cut rates. They usually try to call on elderly residents who sometimes end up with a cheap job and a higher bill than expected.

Shop for your home repairs

Police warn

Watch for home repairmen

Be on the lookout for fast-talking, out-of-town repairmen offering to do repairs at your home, Milton Police cautioned this week, after two questionable incidents at local homes recently.

The Red Cross says that a life jacket on a child is a wise precaution, but warns that it is not a substitute for parental supervision.

School bus, car collide

A total of \$1,000 property damage was caused early Tuesday morning when an Oakville Board of Education school bus driven by Bruce Brittain was struck in the rear by a car driven by Deumer Boyke of R.R. 2 Campbellville.

The bus stopped to pick up passengers when the mishap occurred at 8:05 a.m., on Highway 25 south of Milton.

Damage to each vehicle was \$500, and no injuries were reported.

Reprint list at convention

Typesetters missed a line of copy in last week's news story on the United Senior Citizens of Ontario, Inc. annual convention in Ottawa, and the result appeared in the paper in a confusing manner.

The story should have said, "The two Milton delegates were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Harbottle. Eight visitors from Milton were Mr. and Mrs. Bob Laking, Mr. and Mrs. Theron McDonough, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton May, Mrs. Daisy McLean and Mrs. Emily Taylor."

Still swimming in pool at Kelso

The swimming pool at Kelso Conservation Area will remain open to swimmers on weekends until the end of September, Halton Region Conservation Authority officials announced this week . . . if the weather holds out.

Authority fieldman Dave Murray said lifeguards would be on duty Saturdays and Sundays until the end of September, weather permitting. No lifeguards will be provided at the lake swimming area.



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Water level drops in pool as leak evades detection

A leak in the Milton Community Swimming Pool is still being studied, Works Superintendent Bruce McKerr told members of the Milton Parks Board during a regular meeting last week.

Mr. McKerr noted the water level in the pool had dropped about 16 inches since the equipment and water supply had been shut off. This places the water well below the skimmers which at first were thought to be the cause of the trouble. The water level will continue to be watched to determine if it reaches a particular level or drains completely before remedial action can be taken.

The Board authorized the town workmen to remove the pumps at the pool for overhauling during the winter months with subsequent discussion with the Recreation Committee, who operate the pool and have cared for it. A remedy to the leak

problem will be discussed between the committees when some solution is found.

A bid for the construction of an eight foot asphalt walk through Victoria Park was received from Milton Paving Co. The eight foot walk was estimated at \$1,850 and members noted only \$750 of Board funds had been earmarked for this project. The importance of this work was emphasized when it was noted grassing and other landscaping would be damaged in the spring as the present dirt walk becomes mud and pedestrians cross on grassed areas to avoid the mud, thus widening the path.

Members agreed to take the problem to Milton Council to determine if additional funds could be available to complete this project and "pave" the way for further park improvements in the spring.

The Board agreed to the re-

moval of four dead elm trees in Victoria Park and the removal of the nearly 20 stumps on the property.

The Senior Citizens expressed their appreciation for the construction of the shuffle board court in Victoria Park and arrangements were made to supply the wax to the group for finishing of the surface, as well as for landscaping.

It was reported the Milton Venturers Scout group was trimming brush along the Rotary Park stream bank and removing dead trees. Arrangements were made with the works superintendent to remove the debris to a central point for burning. Members praised the initiative of the group for performing this project.

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