

Major hurdle

Recommend 36 lot subdivision

A 36 lot, eight acre subdivision proposed for the area of Ridge Drive and Highside Drive extended north, crossed a major hurdle Monday. Milton Councillors, answering a questionnaire from the Department of Municipal Affairs, agreed to recommend the plan.

Earlier, Planning Board members had reviewed the proposal and answered a number of the questions on the two page questionnaire.

Council dealt with whether they would prefer land for parks or a cash payment in lieu of this. It was calculated the park area, in relation to the total area of the plan, would be less than half an acre. Members agreed to discuss this with the subdivider at the time of completing a subdivider's agreement.

The streets, council felt were in the proper location and members declared "yes" in answer to the question "Does your Council recommend this plan?"

New well in offing drop delay on dam

Milton Council withdrew its long-held insistence that the Hilton Falls Dam project be proceeded with before the Scotch Block Dam, when it passed resolutions Monday night.

The change of attitude was openly acknowledged as necessary to clear the way for the town to obtain permission to construct a new 2,000,000 gallon well at Kelso. The town presently has a 1,000,000 gallon well there.

Delays in land acquisition for the Hilton Falls project have not made it possible for the Authority to proceed. Milton considers the project essential because it augments the stream flow in the Sixteen, into which the town's treatment plant discharges.

Mayor B. Best acknowledged the Authority could just not proceed more quickly than it was on the Hilton Falls project and suggested the town withdraw its insistence on it preceding the Scotch Block Dam project where land acquisitions seemed to be proceeding more rapidly.

Councillor C. Fay, acknowledging he had earlier

maintained Hilton Falls must be proceeded with first, reviewed the problems the Authority was having and reported on discussions with the town's authority representative. Dr. C. A. Martin had suggested the town accept the Authority's requirements for the resolutions as a condition for granting a new site for a second well.

Councillor C. Smillie remained firm and in a recorded vote he called for, he was the only one to maintain his insistence that the Hilton Falls project have priority over the Scotch Block Dam.

The resolutions approved:

- * agreed with the Conservation Authority proceeding on the purchase of Crawford Lake and its financing over a six year period.

- * agreed to the Authority proceeding on Hilton Falls and the extra levy that would be required.

- * agreed to rescind all previous resolutions and now go in favor of proceeding on the Scotch Block dam with payment of the extra levy if required.

The council also agreed to have the works staff construct a stone drain from one of the town's test wells below the Dam at Kelso and plant trees around the pump house at Kelso, in the fall of 1969.

-A dryer at the home of G. Wigglesworth, Mill St., caught fire on Friday afternoon. There was little damage. It was the Milton Fire Brigade's only fire call of the past week.



NOTE THE HAPPY FACES? It's plain to see the Milton Recreation Committee's outdoor pool in Rotary Park is open for another busy season. Saturday afternoon's opening saw a crowd of about 260 trade clothes for bathing attire and a cooling romp in the pool's clear

water. Most of them were youngsters but a few adults were on hand to christen the popular pool's 1969 season. The pool remains open for the summer and lessons will begin the first week in July.—(Staff Photo)

Toretta firm

Protest town apartment delay

Any delay in the issuing of a building permit for an 83 unit apartment building on Ontario St. was protested by representatives of Toretta Corporation to Milton Council Monday.

V. Hinde of G. V. Kleinfeldt and Associates, consultants to Toretta, told council his clients had met all the existing by-laws of the town and all the terms of the Committee of Adjustment decisions. An application had been formally applied for, the capital levy had been paid, the necessary deeds for a strip of land for road widening and for a new 66 foot road had been deposited with the town.

Last week Council instructed the building inspector not to issue a building permit to the firm

without further direction from council.

Mayor B. Best expressed the council's concern with the drainage in the area and that proposed for Toretta held lands north of that proposed for Toretta-held lands north of the proposed apartment site.

Mr. Hinde explained engineering drawings had been deposited with the town outlining the proposal for the water course on the apartment house site. He suggested it would not be possible to develop a plan for the area north of that until it was known what kind of development would be permitted.

A 66 foot road, required by the town for possible future development and F. Joyce for access to his land, was the subject

of considerable discussion as members wondered if it would be in the proper location for future development.

Mr. Hinde proposed his client construct the road to the standard of the present land and post a bond to guarantee its future development to town street standards when the location is positively determined.

The consultant also agreed his client was willing to construct a sidewalk along the street frontage but proposed a bond be posted to cover the future development since the sidewalk constructed now would go from nowhere to nowhere. When a plan and grades were established for a sidewalk on the whole street the funds would be available for that portion.

Asked to delay development of the site by Councillor C. Smillie, the consultant asked if council would guarantee that present zoning would remain on the site. It was indicated council could not give this assurance.

"Toretta has a legal right to build on the property", Mr. Hinde declared. He noted the town's engineers had assured council there was capacity in the existing sewer system to handle the proposed apartment house.

It was agreed to wait one week to allow checking the town engineer's study on the drainage ditch for the area which has been under study for two months.

Mr. Hinde was also asked to look into the drainage pattern for his client's total holdings.

Okay plans for resource centre

Sketch plans and a proposed budget were approved for the addition of a Resource Centre at the Martin St. Senior Public School Thursday by the Board of Education.

The resource centre will be located between the two present wings of the school which incorporate the industrial arts and home economics sections.

Estimated total cost of the project is \$66,000 with construction estimated at \$40,000 and alterations to the existing building at \$6,500. Additional equipment is allowed for a \$10,000 and a \$5,000 amount is included for site development which will provide

for construction of a new hard top parking area south of the present auditorium.

Architect fees are estimated at \$3,500. The addition is estimated at \$20 a square foot for the 2,000 foot addition.

Approval of sketch plans was also given on an addition to Centennial Public School in Georgetown estimated at \$170,000; a new public school in the Moore Park subdivision in Georgetown estimated at \$643,000; and addition to Ryerson Public School, Burlington, estimated at \$200,000; and a new public school on Prospect St. in Burlington estimated at \$598,000.

Wants mayors county council

The first step in a move to have the mayors of municipalities members of the county council in addition to the reeves and deputies was advanced at county council Tuesday.

A notice of motion calling for a private member's bill in the provincial legislature was referred to a committee for discussion with the county solicitor.

Proposer of the move, Deputy-Reeve W. Gillies suggested it was time action in this direction was initiated. He proposed mayors appointed

would be given an extra vote if a municipality's present voting power could not be divided. The Oakville deputy-reeve emphasized it would not give more votes to Burlington and Oakville. Urban municipalities with only two votes would be given a third to allow the mayor a voice.

It was noted Peel County has mayors as members of the county council. Members agreed to refer the notice of motion to a committee for discussion with the solicitor and report back at the next meeting.

Approve water for annexed lands

A mile and a half of new water main will be added to the Milton system to serve areas of the town recently annexed.

Council Monday passed a by-law providing for a water main on the Base Line Rd. from Ontario St., east to the town limit;

- * on the Third Line, north of the Base Line to Highway 401; and
- * on Ontario St., from the old town limit south to Derry Rd.

The \$119,640 project will be carried out on a local improvement basis with property owners on both sides of the road

served being charged for the new service.

The property owners' share will be \$74,230 while the town's share will be \$45,409.

The program calls for 4,450 feet of 12 inch main on the Base Line Rd., costing a total of \$69,150. The town share will be \$28,071 and the owners' share will be a total of \$41,079 a foot frontage spread over the 20 year period, or 51 cents a foot annually.

The Ontario St. installation is estimated at \$21,630 with the town paying \$4,743. The frontage charge there will be \$4.33 a foot.

On the Third Line the value of the work is estimated at \$28,860 with the town share at \$12,594.40 and the owners' share \$4.60 a foot or 50 cents annually.

Engineering tests earlier supported a plan to defer the installation of a 12 inch main between Martin Street and Ontario Street for this year, since there would still be adequate pressure to serve the extended lines.

That's a lotta nuts!

The 17th annual Rotary Club Peanut Day chalked up another successful event as the club sold \$685 worth of peanuts on a one-night blitz of the town Tuesday of last week.

About 35 Rotarians and helpers combed the town, district by district, to distribute the peanuts and peanut butter. Chairman of the project was Bob Reed.

Charges regional committee inactive

Calls for the county committee on regional government to become more active were sounded at Halton County Council Tuesday.

Milton Deputy-Reeve Ron Harris expressed concern about the committee's progress, noting it was several months since Halton had decided to seek the county as a single unit rather than merged with Peel. He pointed out Nassagaweya and Milton has submitted briefs outlining their views and wondered what could be done to encourage other municipalities to do the same.

Reeve G. Gallagher reported the Minister of Municipal Affairs announced a financial study of the financial implications of the proposed Halton-Peel merger. The study was to be completed in eight weeks.

"I'm concerned the committee isn't doing too much," Deputy-Reeve W. Gillies said. He suggested if the county was really serious about wanting Halton as a unit, they should be preparing their case. He proposed meetings between staff members of the local municipalities to provide

cost figures on a local basis. "The minister's study will suit the minister but not necessarily the municipalities," he concluded.

No action was taken on the discussion but it was proposed members of the committee would be discussing the situation.

Assessment? the premier doesn't know

A letter from Premier John Roberts, acknowledging Milton's earlier question on whether the assessment function will be taken over by the new regional governments or by a department of the government, didn't shed any light on the situation.

"I will be glad to write you in greater detail after discussing this whole situation with the Minister concerned", the Premier wrote.

"He doesn't know either", Councillor Syd Childs mused.

Start reading water meters

Starting next Monday, June 23, the Milton Hydro Commission will be taking over the reading of both water and hydro meters in town. First billing for the new water metering system will be on August 1 and the second will be on September 1.

The next billings will be every two months, Commission manager O. L. Hadley reported.

Crack down on hooligans in area conservation parks

Lands owned by the Halton Region Conservation Authority, particularly the recreation centres at Rattlesnake Point and Kelso are being badly abused, Authority field manager Dave Murray reported to the HRCRA executive meeting Thursday evening.

At a full Authority meeting June 4, it had been noted a motorcycle gang had disturbed a pack of Cub Scouts in the Rattlesnake Area. The cycle-men roared their machines all around the escarpment until nearly dawn. The problem had resulted in the Authority asking Burlington Police Force for co-operation in keeping the parks safe and peaceful for licensed

campers. In the past month, seven charges for illegal use of liquor have been laid at Rattlesnake by Burlington Police.

Again last weekend, a group of Girl Guides camping in Kelso Conservation area were harassed by motorcyclists.

A small car overturned on a hill Thursday, leaving a scene with "blood and the smell of beer all over," and an Authority employee's car was struck this week.

The unruliness of people, mostly young people, became so hectic Thursday officials at Kelso emptied the park of people at 4 p.m. and closed up for the day.

This came as a result of a mass "hell-raising" which included cars

roaring up and down the ski hills, broken liquor and beer bottles all over, ruined signs, and picnic tables bobbing about in the lake.

Picnic tables at Rattlesnake have a gorier death... they're tossed over the precipice to crash onto the rocks below; and someone even felt obliged to hack a hole in the cement at Rattlesnake to make a barbecue pit.

An additional Barnes guard has been hired to patrol the parks during the night; and both Ontario Provincial Police and Burlington Police have agreed to stage a major crack-down on offenders in the parks.



At a regular meeting of Milton Council Monday, members:

- * Were advised by the county no progress was being made on regional government as the province was completing a financial study of the area involved, which would take eight weeks.

- * Received thanks from John Horner, Head of the Geography Department of Milton District High School for the town's co-operation in the study on shopping habits conducted by the geography students. Council expressed its thanks for the work and for the useful information obtained. Complete results were announced in The Champion last week.

- * Agreed to appeal a Committee of Adjustment decision on a land separation. The decision required of Edwin Bailey a seven foot strip of land for future road widening. The Council understood a 10 foot strip was required along the road even though one conveyance had apparently been allowed previously with only seven feet being deeded to the town.

- * Criticized the delay from the time Committee of Adjustment

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PROUD AND HAPPY WINNERS of a brand new, completely equipped bicycle at Saturday's Optimist Club bike rodeo were Jo-Anne Scisizzi, 11, of 389 Broadway St. and 11-year-old Barry Crooks of 317 Queen St. Rodeo judge H. P. "Johnny" Johnson presented the bikes at the conclusion of the regular tests and a double run-off that was needed to break a series of ties. About 60 children participated in the rodeo that capped the town's annual bike licencing week. Optimists helped Milton Police by inspecting and licencing 458 bikes. More pictures and story elsewhere in this week's Champion.—(Staff Photo)