

Some in favor, some not

Chamber debates parking meter proposal

Members of Milton Chamber of Commerce sat down last week to discuss parking meters and the town's proposal to install some type of meters in the downtown core area. There were 35 members present for the luncheon meeting at the Caravan Restaurant.

Al Lockhart of J. J. MacKay of Canada Ltd., suppliers of parking meters, explained the philosophy behind parking meters. "They are there for one purpose only—to help the merchants—that is their only justification," he said. But a collateral benefit is the fact they generate revenue, which municipalities use to develop more off-street parking spaces.

Milton's streets are congested, he said, and it was unusual the town has not had parking meters earlier. He said meters would keep the "all day parkers" off the main streets and open up those spaces for legitimate shoppers.

One meter costs about \$110 and most meters return about \$100 to \$120 per year in parking fees, Mr. Lockhart

continued. He estimated the town could use 200 meters which could provide a revenue of \$20,000 per year. With repayment spread over three years, that would give the town \$13,000 per year to spend on off-street parking.

He showed a set of slides explaining the Duncan Golden Circle Plan of Validated Free Parking, in which shoppers receive a token when they put their time in the meter. Participating merchants would refund the 10 cents on a purchase. Mr. Lockhart

Campaign lags

\$300 to go . . .

Milton's Easter Seal Campaign is almost at a standstill, though a few much needed donations are still arriving. The total collected to date is \$1,788, just \$50 below last year's figure at this time, says John Semple, treasurer of the campaign.

This year's objective is \$2,050.

explained this was one alternative to regular parking meters and through this plan the merchants would be bearing the cost of off-street parking.

Police Chief Ray Andress admitted parking was a problem in Milton—especially big trucks which must park on the Main Street because many stores don't have back door delivery areas. The town presently has numbered parking spaces in the core area which help police officers to enforce the two hour parking limit, but he suggested "the only way to control parking is through some sort of a metering system."

One Chamber director Norman Cohen suggested any parkers who overstay their limit and get a fine will never come back again, and that was his chief objection to meters. Mr. Lockhart replied a good promotion before the meters take effect, coupled with consistent enforcement were necessary. He suggested it was a "myth" that people would drive out of town to shop rather than spend 10 cents an hour on meters.

Marvin Grove, another director, said meters are "an expensive collecting device". The town already has free parking, at no cost, and meters would just annoy the customers. As an alternative he felt a capable man could keep the cars moving by strictly enforcing the time limit posted on signs—meters are too easy to "feed all day". If the town needs meters to provide money for off-street parking, this was an expensive way to tax the merchants, he added.

Mike Ledwith said the police are doing a good job of patrolling the parking spaces now and meters would only be beneficial in raising money for off-street lots. He noted several recent schemes proposed by the town's Parking Authority have been rejected by the merchants and this would be one way the merchants could share the cost—but he warned meters would be "antagonistic" without more back street parking lots.

Director Don Smith said it would take forever to raise enough money for an off-street parking program with the revenue from meters. He also felt the suggested token plan would be inequitable as some stores would have to cash more tokens than others. Mr. Ledwith added that if a food store discounted a \$2 purchase by 10 cents, "he might as well go out of business."

Ben Crisci wanted to know if a one hour limit was necessary. He felt some shoppers need more than an hour to eat a meal in a restaurant or buy some clothing. He didn't feel meters would bring more business but off-street lots would.

E. B. Clements said he favored parking meters but did not recommend the tokens for a start. He felt all the town's existing parking lots should also be metered.

As the discussion ended Chamber secretary Bob McCuaig thanked Mr. Lockhart for his presentation and suggested Milton does have a serious problem with parking. He said it would cost some merchants \$700 more in taxes to buy a \$100,000 off-street parking program.

Parking Authority chairman C. B. Knight asked for a consensus of opinion and of the 16 who put up their hands, two-thirds favored further study of a meter program and one-third indicated they were definitely against meters.



IT'S FUNNY SOMEHOW, BUT SUDDENLY ALL OUR TROUBLES SEEM TO BE SO SMALL.—(Cartoon by Wilf Griffiths)

Bronte St. apartment doesn't meet town rules

A proposal to erect a three storey, 10-unit apartment building at the rear of his 110 Bronte St. home didn't get too far when the application from Ivan Armstrong came before Milton Council on Monday.

Building inspector Ray Olan reported the proposal had insufficient lot frontage and side yards, the front parking spaces would be too close to the street,

the rear parking was too close to the lot line, the zoning would have to be changed from R3 to R6 and a planting strip would be required. It was understood Mr. Armstrong wants to erect the building behind his home and join it to the house with a canopy.

He was to be notified through the inspector that the project did not conform to the zoning by-law's requirements.

Cable relocation costs town \$3,400

Relocation of Bell Canada cables on the Main St. Bridge will cost the town \$3,400 in the Main St. reconstruction project, Milton Council learned last week.

In accepting the increase in cost over the \$1,000 engineering estimate, Councillor Charles Fay noted he was not in favor but had no other alternative to getting the job done.

Councillor C. Johnson observed the engineering estimate of \$1,000 had not been too realistic.

Councillor Art Melanson noted the engineers blamed Bell for not providing adequate information. He noted they claimed to have repeatedly sought detailed information on which to base their estimate.

Kilbride

Cater to banquet

By Mrs. William Watson

United Church women of Kilbride met last Thursday evening in the Sunday school room with Mrs. Elma Bullard presiding.

The ladies will cater to the Good Neighbor eucharist club banquet Saturday, May 2 at the community centre and on May 9, the group will sell coffee, sandwiches, donuts and pie at Bruce Coverdale's auction sale. Miss Neta Burns gave a reading entitled The Road that Counts. Mrs. Fred Abbott gave a reading on the Canadian Indian from the study book. The entertainment for the evening was supplied by Miss Gail Heatherington who played the guitar and sang two numbers.

Mrs. R. Zwicker gave the devotional. She talked about Faith in God's Word—the Bible. Rev. C. R. Wragg closed the meeting with prayer.

Mrs. Wragg moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Zwicker and the program and lunch committee. The Ladies Auxiliary of the First Kilbride Cubs and Scouts met Monday evening April 13 in the Sunday school room with nine present.

Mrs. Virginia Eckersley presided and announced that the annual dessert, bridge and eucharist will be held Wednesday, April 22 at 1:30 at St. Raphael's Church, Burlington; tickets are \$1.25 per person.

The cubaree at Camp Manitou will be held Saturday, June 6 at 12 o'clock. Each boy in the Kilbride pack will be asked to bring 25c to the meeting before the cubaree to help cover the cost of food for their supper.

Following the meeting Mrs. Frank Hicks demonstrated how to ice and decorate petit fours, which the ladies thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Eckersley presented Mrs. Hicks with a small token of appreciation.

The old worn glove will make their annual appearance once again this year in the very near future. It's that time again, a time when the boys follow suit

of the professionals down south and take to the ball diamonds.

All boys desiring to participate in the minor ball program this summer are asked to register Saturday, April 25 at the Community Centre at 1 p.m.

Collision, hit-run reported by police

At 5:05 p.m. Tuesday April 14 Milton Police investigated a two car collision on Base Line Rd. near Ontario St. A car driven by Robert Switzer, R. R. 3 Campbellville, collided with a vehicle driven by Rudolph Vic, R. R. 4 Milton. Damages to both cars totalled \$225.

A minor hit and run was also reported on Sunday.

Several more grass fires apartment, home on fire

Milton Fire Department answered several fire alarms this week, the majority of them grass fires.

The properties of D. Eaton, Campbellville; E. Elsley, R. R. 2 Milton; S. Alimpong, Esqueping Township and Mrs. M. Currie, Nassagaweya Township were all aflame from grass burning. The fires ignited as a result of burning rubbish.

At 4:57 Wednesday afternoon the brigade was called to a blaze at the El Primo Apts., Ontario St. The apartment of Mrs. K. Judkin was on fire as a result of grease overheating and catching fire. Chief A. E. Clement reports a fair amount of damage done to the cupboards and smoke damage to the walls and furniture.

On Thursday a dwelling fire was reported at the home of Charles Menefy, 279 Bell St. Extensive damage was reported.

Golfers have been getting in their first games of the new season during the past week.

as flames ripped a hole through the main floor to the basement. The cause of the blaze is still undetermined.

Artesian well in Milton Hts.?

Esqueping Council may have a solution to the water problem in Milton Heights.

At Monday night's regular meeting, Reeve George Currie indicated he had heard rumors about an artesian well pouring water out in Milton Heights.

"All we have to do now is pipe the water down", Reeve Currie commented.

Councillor Ken Marshall's comment? "If we had water over there, we could fill both sides of Highway 25 with industry up to Five Sideroad".

Clerk-treasurer Delmar French is to contact a representative of the Ontario Water Resources Commission to attend a meeting of council.

New by-law nearly final

Finalization of the town's new Zoning By-law crept another step forward as Council last week approved general amendments clarifying points raised during the three day Ontario Municipal Board hearing. Members were still uncertain when final approval of the by-laws would be obtained.

Confusion on permitted apartment building use on Ontario St. north of the present apartment buildings was referred to the Planning board for clarification. Solicitor D. A. McConachie noted the planner seemed against high rise while some members of council were against walk-up buildings.

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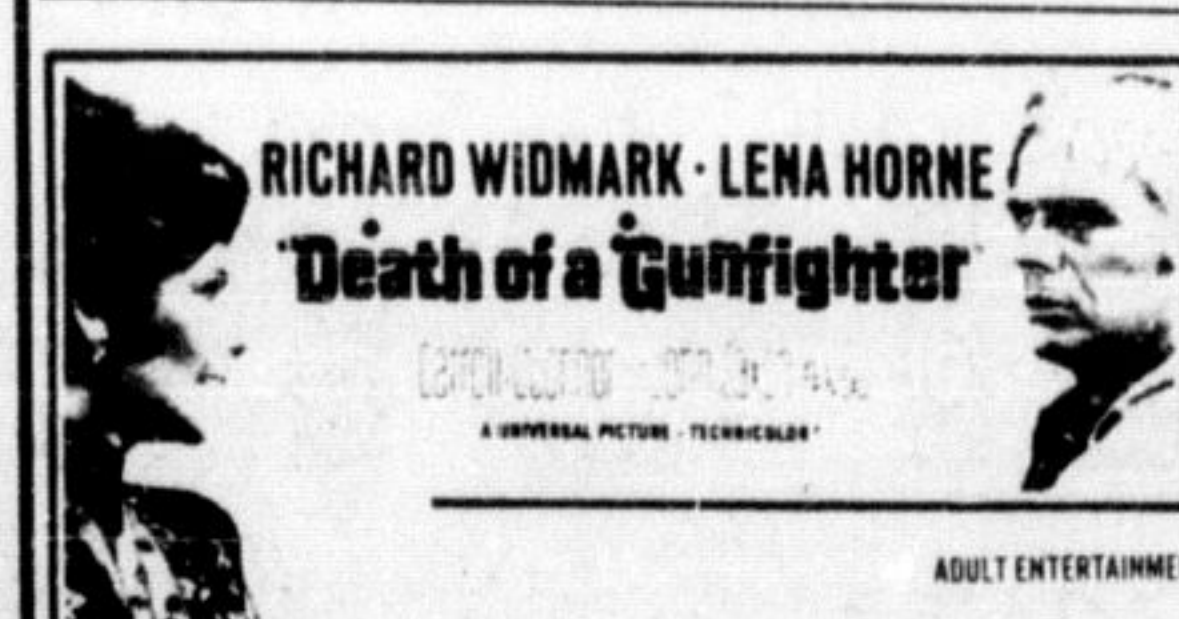
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