

Council reviews old by-law

Snowy sidewalks a sticky problem

Co-operation of residents may have to be the keynote in a ticklish problem Milton Police, Milton Council and the pedestrians of Milton are facing again this winter.

The problem is snow removal from sidewalks. No-one appears to have the answer.

Police and members of council have received several complaints from citizens about sidewalks not being shovelled after heavy snows. Some people, especially elderly people, are having trouble getting around because some homeowners are too lazy to get rid of the snow.

A hardship "It's a sticky problem for us",

said Police Chief Ray Andress. "We don't want to have to force people to clean their walks — it would be a hardship for some of our elderly residents". Some aren't physically able to do the work themselves, and many can't afford to pay someone to do the job.

While most of the complaints concern the residential areas, there have also been gripes about sidewalks on Main St. and in shopping areas not being cleaned of snow.

Milton has an archaic by-law on its books — passed in 1878 — which forces landowners not only to clean off their walks but also keep roofs free of snow and ice.

The by-law says sidewalks must be cleaned by 10 a.m. or within two hours after the end of a snowfall. It has never been repealed but it has not been enforced in recent years.

Hesitant to force

Council took a look at the problem Monday and asked property and administration committees to review the by-law with the thought of some new legislation in mind. Council has power under the municipal act to force landowners to clear their walks of snow but members seemed hesitant about implementing such rules.

One councillor noted most of the walks are on town property so it would be hard to force people to clean them. Another said those not on town property are on private lands and the town couldn't legally touch them.

The town has insufficient equipment and manpower to go around town and clean all the sidewalks, councillors agreed.

So there the problem rests. Until council comes up with some new legislation — if it decides to do so — the solution to removing snow from sidewalks in Milton remains a matter of individual co-operation.

Former deputy

Mac Sprowl named new county sheriff

Mac Sprowl, deputy sheriff since 1964, is now the sheriff of Halton county, replacing Andy Frank. Mr. Frank retired December 31.

The announcement of Mr. Sprowl's appointment, which had been expected, was made officially in the Ontario Gazette. The position became effective January 1, 1971.

Mr. Frank became sheriff in October, 1968, and Mr. Sprowl was appointed deputy-sheriff March 17, 1964.

Deputy expected

A new deputy will be appointed later, Mr. Sprowl says. There are four office employees in the sheriff's office in the county

former Sprowl family farm, with his wife Joyce, daughters Dianne and Marie.

He was born at R. R. 4, Acton, in 1927, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sprowl who now live in Acton. He has a brother Calvin who lives in Guelph.

He attended Bannockburn public school and then Acton district high school. In 1954 he studied for a year in Great Britain on a Nuffield scholarship.

Active in organizations He was very active in the Junior Farmers and served on

the provincial executive. He was on the board of governors of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture.

He attends Knox church in Acton, is a member of the board of managers and has been an elder for 13 years.

He's a past president of Acton Rotary club and was the president of Acton Agricultural Society in 1953.

For five years, from 1959 to 1964, he was a trustee on the Esqueving township school area board.

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Wood, Priestner seeking to head Halton board

At least two men will seek election as chairman of Halton County Board of Education at the inaugural meeting this Thursday, Jan. 7 at the Oakville board of offices. Current Chairman Doug Wood of Oakville will seek re-election and 1970 vice-chairman Bill Priestner will also run in the contest.

Former Chairman Fred Armitage has objected to a separate school representative holding the chairman's office. Priestner is one of two separate school representatives on the Halton board.

Mr. Armitage, in a letter circulated to press and trustees said by law, the separate school representatives are allowed to vote only on matters of secondary school interest but no monetary matters.

Female voice

He argued that the chairman should be one who could offer guidance in all matters. For the first time since the county board came into being, women will have a voice on the 1971 board.

Mrs. Judy Alexandra and Mrs. Irene Goobie will represent Oakville wards. Other new members on the board are Vern Connell and Noel Cooper of Burlington and Len Crosier of Oakville.

John Noble of Milton, Bill Lawson of Esqueving, Ernie Bodnar from Georgetown and Tom Watson representing Acton and Nassagaweya will represent their respective districts for another two year term.

Return to office

Returning to office in

Burlington are Fred Bidwell, Fred Armitage, George Pelletier, Harold Thorpe, John Ronson and G. W. Johnson.

Returning for another term from Oakville are Doug Wood, Dick Goodin and L. D. Palmer. Representing the separate school board on the county board are members Bill Priestner and Hugh Clohecy, both of Burlington.

Inaugural meeting

The inaugural meeting is slated for Thursday evening. His Honor Judge J. R. Black will conduct the declaration of oath of allegiance and oath of office for new members and following that Director of Education Jim Singleton will conduct the election of the chairman.

The meeting is slated for 7.30 and is open to the public.



administration building at Milton, with 14 court constables working out of the office.

Mr. Sprowl will now be in the office more in his new position. As deputy, he was often out serving writs of summonses.

He notes the increasing volume of work with each year as he takes over from his predecessor.

Change robes

As sheriff, he will change his court robes by adding sets of bars down both sides of the coat. Both the sheriff and deputy appear in court with ceremonial robes and the sword which symbolizes their office.

The duties of the sheriff include administering civil law. The department serves writs and documents concerning matters to be dealt with in county and supreme courts.

The sheriff is also responsible for persons charged with indictable offenses once they reach the courtroom door, and for juries during murder trials.

Mr. Sprowl is a well-known and popular member of his community. He lives on the outskirts of Acton, on part of the

Three charges

New Year's eve was fairly quiet in the North Halton district patrolled by Milton OPP. Over the holiday three charges of impaired driving were laid and only one accident was reported during the night of revelry.

Township forced to borrow to pay year-end accounts

Nassagaweya Council approved without opposition, an application to the Ontario Municipal Board for permission to exceed the limit on borrowing against receivables. The action was taken at a special year-end meeting at 9 a.m. Monday of last week.

The clerk-treasurer denied the meeting was a closed meeting although no press representatives were notified it was being held.

The township was notified on Dec. 31 the application had been approved by the O.M.B.

The Municipal statutes permit borrowing to 70 per cent of the township's receivables. To pay accounts this year it was necessary to exceed this ceiling to the extent of about \$8,000 the treasurer reported.

The amount of the borrowing would depend on the taxes paid by the year end. Treasurer Campbell Thompson reported more than 80 per cent of the township taxes had been paid this year but no amount was included in the budget for reserve capital as councillors sought to maintain as low a mill rate as possible. The absence of the reserve required payment of a high percentage of taxes by the year-end to keep the township within the 70 per cent borrowing limit.

Low debut

Treasurer Thompson emphasized the township was in a good financial position otherwise with only a \$6,000 debenture debt outstanding which would be paid off in 1971.

The township's payment to the Board of Education was not one of the outstanding accounts, as reported in another newspaper.

1970 building permits top million dollars

A total of \$1,035,232 worth of building permits were issued in Milton during 1970 by building superintendent Ray Olan. This year's most progressive, booming month proved to be August with a total of \$210,000 worth issued, including a \$144,000 building permit to Alliance Building Corporation for an industrial plaza on Base Line Rd. just east of Highway 25.

Three Milton residents beat the summer heat of 1970 and added a swimming pool to their back yards. Four garages were also added to houses in town.

Below 1969

But with all the new garages, portable classrooms and business renovations, the 1970 total was \$1,964,021 short of last year's \$2,999,253 issue. June was the big month last year when the proposed apartment building on Bronte St. raised the monthly total to \$1,337,000.

Looking back through the

1960's the total value of building permits became a teeter-totter affair, values rising and decending. Totals through the years were: 1960-\$386,285, 1961-\$446,850, 1962-\$560,320, 1963-\$890,075, 1964-\$698,340, 1965-\$632,500, 1966-\$965,613, 1967-\$442,730 and 1968-\$709,295. Again this year the grand total has dropped considerably.

Milton baby first in Oak

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robertson of R.R. 5 Milton are proud parents of this year's five found, seven and a half ounce baby New Year, born at 12:35 a.m. in Oakville-Trafalgar Memorial Hospital.

The young lad is the Robertson's second child. They have a daughter Christine, 4, at home.



MARRIED 59 YEARS on Dec. 30, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richardson of Lowville were honored at a family dinner party at St. George's Anglican Church Wednesday evening of last week. The well known couple farmed for 40 years near Lowville and retired 19 years ago.—(Staff Photo)

Fete Lowville couple mark 59th anniversary

A well-known couple in the Lowville district, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Richardson were honored by their family on their 59th wedding anniversary Wednesday evening of last week. The family held a dinner and social evening in their honor at St. George's Anglican Church, Lowville, and presented the couple with a set of China and flatware.

The Richardsons operated a dairy and general farm north of Lowville for 40 years after their marriage and retired 19 years ago to the home they still occupy at the north end of the village. They were married at her home on the Trafalgar Town Line on Dec. 30, 1911.

Church reporter

Both are active in St. George's church and she has been the church news correspondent for

Film on child molesting includes talk by panel

At their executive meeting on Monday the J. M. Denyes Home and School Association finalized plans to present a film "Child Molesting" to be followed by a panel discussion giving the medical and police point of view. The purpose of this film is to educate, not to frighten, it was reported.

The program is designed for parents to know all about "bad people" and the necessity to impress upon their child that the friends and relatives who are welcomed in their homes are all "good people", although statistics show that this is not invariably true.

This film emphasizes the importance of being alert for "bad people." It urges parents to alert the child to the possibility of

trouble, without making the child unduly distrustful.

The panel, following the film, will include Dr. J. H. Chamberlain, Halton M.O.H.; Police Chief Ray Andress; Principal of J. M. Denyes School, Wes Clow; and moderator Mrs. Audrey Lyle, president of J. M. Denyes Home and School Association.

In preparation for the film, sought by the group for some months, it was agreed it should be made available to the whole community rather than limited to the one association. Because of this the presentation will be in the Martin Street School auditorium on Monday evening, Jan. 18.

Program convener Bill Mullin and his committee are making arrangements.

Total \$773,000

Issue 61 permits in year

Sixty-one building permits including 26 residential, 11 additions, three commercial, seven agricultural, 10 garages and four miscellaneous were issued in Nassagaweya Township during 1970. Building superintendent Syd Savage reports the total value of construction for the year as

\$773,000, a decrease of \$267,000 from last year's total value of \$1,040,000.

June was the booming month of 1970 with a total of 13 permits issued including eight residential, two agricultural and three others; bringing the total value of the month to \$125,095.

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