

Victoria Wood development found generally acceptable

Planning Board members found the 273-acre development proposed by Victoria Wood for the area on the south east side of the town generally acceptable as they reviewed the town planner's comments regarding the project last week.

Municipal Planning Consultants had reviewed the proposal and commented on various aspects. Concern was expressed about the provision for

the water courses in the area and Victoria Wood Engineer McCriston suggested the topography was feasible for their plans. He pointed out there would be no open water courses in the area, with all flows being picked up and piped to the Ontario St. creek. He predicted the pipe size at the outfall would be about 84 inches.

It was pointed out the drainage arrangements would have to be

discussed with the Halton Region Conservation Authority as well.

Hold townhouses?

Members discussed whether the 2.3 acre area projected for townhouses in the south west corner might be left for a commercial area, perhaps suitable for later development in conjunction with individually held pieces of property at the corner of Ontario and Derry Rd.

The provision of parks, playgrounds and community playing fields totalling 26 acres was reviewed when the town planner noted the Official Plan projection for a community park had not been met in the plan. The Board agreed to give more consideration to this point but Victoria Wood developers noted that if the official plan ideal of 10 acres of park were allowed for every 1,000 people, the town would ultimately have 280 acres of parks in a town totalling 2,900 acres. 'That's a pretty stiff requirement', they suggested.

Extend canopies

In other business the board decided to recommend that balconies on apartment buildings should be allowed to project five feet rather than the current three feet, into the yard set backs. Canopies over the main entrance, the board recommended, should be allowed to project 10 feet.

Members also agreed to inspect a development site in Brampton where the new 'zero lot line' concept had been used in an Ontario Housing Corporation development. Under this concept the homes are sited and built before the actual lot lines are established. The homes are also located on considerably smaller lots but prices are kept lower, from about \$15,900. The lots are leased for five years when it is then possible to buy them.

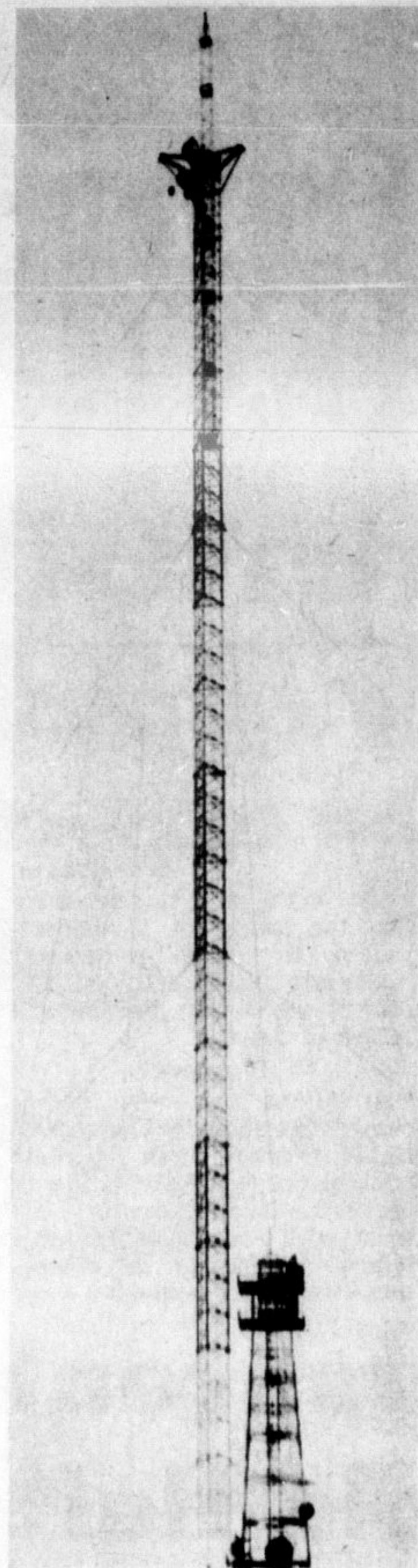
Ask 100 units

The rezoning of the Bruce St. School property acquired by the Ontario Housing Corporation, to permit senior citizen housing was recommended by the Planning Board. The Board recommended provision be made for 100 units of at least 460 square feet each and with parking for one car for every four units.

Mayor B. Best told the board, the OHC would probably consider two phases for the development with 50 units in each phase. He suggested that whatever was erected would have provision for tying together. The site at the south west corner of Bruce St. and Pearl St. which the town also bought in connection with the Bruce St. School, was being considered for a library site, the Mayor reported.

Reviewing the use of 45 foot road widths in a Kitchener development, members agreed to seek more information from the town planner before considering any such change of policy for developments in Milton.

In the Kitchener project the developer in his subdivision agreement agreed to build the homes within a fixed price range.



A SECOND Canadian Broadcasting Corporation tower was erected on the Appleby Line in north Burlington last week. The tower is considerably higher than the first one that stands there.

Burlington defers new land plans

A revised land use plan for the rural north Burlington area will be deferred to a special meeting in the new year, Burlington Council decided last week.

The controversial plan was to have been discussed at a development committee meeting last week but it was left over until the new year at the request of committee chairman Councillor Les Preston. No definite date has been set.

—A recent Champion classified ad made it possible for an Orangeville woman to recover a lost purse and \$22. Lost in Milton, it was turned over to Milton police.

Silver tray, chalices presented to warden

Halton's 1972 Warden, Reeve Jim Swanborough of Burlington was presented with a silver tray and seven silver chalices — one from each municipality in the county — during the annual Warden's Dinner at Burlington Monday evening.

Mayor George Harrington presented the silver tray on behalf of the town of Burlington, and Acton Mayor Les Duby presented the seven silver goblets inscribed with the names of the county towns and townships.

Georgetown Reeve Rick Morrow presented County Council's gift, a silver medallion which is a replica of the one hanging from the Warden's chain of office, bearing the county crest. Warden Swanborough has an extensive collection of such medallions.

Gavel, flowers

Other presentations included a gavel, the traditional symbol of office which was presented to the retiring warden by Councillor Les Preston of Burlington, and a bouquet of flowers presented to

Mrs. Swanborough on behalf of the county council.

On a lighter note, Esquing Councillor Dick Howitt presented the warden with a caricature picture by Dorothy Stone, a well known Georgetown artist. Acton Councillors had jokingly wondered if other clothes besides a black tie were necessary or not, when they received the Warden's invitation to the county's first "black tie" warden's dinner.

With tie only

When Miss Stone read a story on their comments in The Acton Free Press, she drew a caricature depicting the warden, dressed for his big night, naked with the exception of a black tie. A clipping of the story from The Free Press accompanied the picture.

The dinner was held at the Burlington Golf and Country Club and featured a roast beef dinner. A social evening followed. County Judge Alan B. Sprague expressed the appreciation of the 180 guests in attendance. David Coons, Deputy Reeve of Burlington was encee.

Scouts face rough future without parents' support

If the Scout and Cub organization in Milton is going to flourish in the future, parents are going to have to show more interest in the projects than they have in the past, a representative of the local association Jim Strain said this week.

Strain said there were 230 boys involved in Cubs and Scouts in town but the association was able to interest only 24 leaders. Because of that the groups are operating at a ratio of 10 boys to one adult where the preferred ratio is six to one.

Parents lack interest

Reflecting on a recent paper drive, Strain noted all of the boys were asked to see if their parents could help out. Not one volunteered. "If we get a few people to help on these things it only takes an hour or an hour and a half to cover the town. But if we don't, the few who do help are at it half a day."

According to Strain there were a number of jobs for men and women that only take a few minutes here and there, and only the occasional meeting. He explains some of the work might be in driving a truck for an hour once a month or making a few phone calls.

Moneymaker

The next paper drive is slated

for Dec. 16, a Saturday morning. If subsequent drives are as successful as the first one, Strain sees the project as a worthwhile moneymaker for the group.

Currently a group of 16 Venturers have no leader. It is imperative for the future of that group that one be found. Strain points out that in many cases people shy away because they don't feel qualified, while in fact most of the qualifications for a leader can be gained as they go along.

Two ladies are involved in accident

Two lady drivers were involved in a two-car accident at Bell and John Sts. on Tuesday, Nov. 21, report Milton Police.

Involved in the mishap were Shirley MacTavish of 118 Anne Blvd. and Jean McIlwain of Islington. Police say there was no damage to the MacTavish car, but the McIlwain vehicle received about \$225 damage.

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