

Practical joke alarms regional councillors

Members of Halton Regional Council were relieved to learn that a presentation that urged regional roads be named after some past and current regional councillors was nothing more than a practical joke.

Former Oakville Councillor Gord Brown told regional council last week that a committee charged with bringing in new names for some regional roads had recommended names of historical significance to the region.

He suggested naming the Guelph Line Harrington Dr. after former Burlington Mayor George Harrington, and another road was to be named the Mason-MacArthur line recognizing frequent battles former Oakville Councillor Bill Mason enjoyed with former Milton Mayor Anne MacArthur.

Other roads were to be renamed after Councillors Vern Connell, Ernie Sykes of Georgetown, Dick Howitt of Esquesing, and a number of

other councillors. Brown made his presentation without as much as a smile and some councillors were beginning to believe that the recommendations were serious. Only then did Brown acknowledge a second and more serious report existed.

The real report recommends calling Road 2, Bronte Rd. from Lakeshore Rd. right up to Five Highway; Rd. 3A Hornby Rd.; Rd. 6 Britannia Rd. from the Peel to the Wentworth boundary, and Five Sideroad the Campbellville Rd.

Other changes would see Regional Rd. 10 named Ashgrove Rd.; Regional Rd. 12 or Sideroad 25 would become Elm Tree Rd.; and 15 Sideroad through Halton Hills would become Sodom Rd.

Regional Rd. 28 would become Kelso Rd.; Regional Rd. 34 or 20 Sideroad would become Nassagaweya Rd.; Regional Rd. 37 would become Eden Mills Rd.; and Regional Rd. 43 or Number 22

Sideroad would become Esquesing Rd.

The committee, comprised of defeated or retired councillors from last year's council, has been sitting to discuss possible road names since their departure from regional politics.

In some cases the recommendations will be turned over to the area municipalities because the roads may be under regional jurisdiction in one area but local control in another.

The region decided to consider changes in the road names because of the confusion that existed over the current nomenclature.

In some instances the regional road number was applied but in other cases the names that are on the street signs were used and yet other common names were applied to certain roads. The committee hoped to ease the confusion by standardizing the road names.



WHAT A COUPLE, completed with decked out mother-in-law. The mock wedding was staged at Halton Centennial Manor to help celebrate the sending off party of Cathy Beevey. Miss Beevey was an employee with the Manor for the past two years. She will be moving to St. Thomas with her new husband after their marriage. Mrs. Winifred Nantais is the groom, Jim Murphy the bride and Andrew Nantais played the mother-in-law. (Champion photo by Peter McCusker.)

Region to tender debentures

After a prolonged debate Halton Regional Council on Friday decided to issue debentures but he acknowledged tendering could save as much as 35 cents for every \$100 sold in debentures.

In accepting the committee recommendation over the recommendation of the treasurer, councillors indicated a preference for the tendering because it allows a competitive situation and possibly better prices.

Mr. Farmer explained a lot of the savings could be lost if he didn't go to the market at the right time with debentures. He explained the financial agents would be in the best position to know when an issue should be sold because they are working in the market every day.

Other than the two councillors there are no others who have indicated intentions of returning part or all of their stipend.

An earlier motion advocating no increases for councillor salaries had been defeated. Councillors in favor of going without an increase hoped council action could set the tone for restraint in budget deliberations and union negotiating.

Treasurer Don Farmer told council there were advantages to having an agent

for use by beef producers. This is a feed additive allowing less feed to be consumed per pound of gain. It is not a growth promotant.

Mr. Campbell demonstrated the proper method of applying grubex to the animal's back. It is important to wear rubber gloves to avoid chemical reaction.

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Operations centre delayed once again

Halton Regional Council's decision not to pick up options on a 50-acre parcel of land adjacent to the Bronte Sports Complex could upset plans for a south operations centre.

The centre was deemed necessary by the Public Works Department so that the various groups that operate from scattered locations across the region could come under one roof.

At the works committee a week earlier the committee decided against buying the 50 acres but recommended the purchase of 10 acres.

The 10 acres would have accommodated the works centre but the staff recommendation to purchase the 50-acre parcel at \$10,000 per acre would have provided space for a resource recovery plant and a new sewage plant for the town of Oakville.

Regional Chairman Ric Morrow told the council, officials of the province had told him the 50-acre parcel was available but if the region wanted to take an option it would have to pay interest when it finally did acquire the land.

Milton Mayor Don Gordon wanted the region to buy enough land to accommodate a resource recovery plant as well as a service centre.

"Quit spinning your wheels on resource recovery. If you're serious about resource recovery you have land before you build the plant, and this is the day to start."

Oakville Councillor Ron Planche objected to plans to build a works yard or resource recovery plant right where the town planned open space.

Mr. Morrow suggested the

land was in the greenbelt and he said it was doubtful that the province would allow a resource recovery plant there.

Burlington Mayor Mary Munro said the region had to know what kind of a plant was required before buying land for it.

Council decided not to buy

any of the land or take out options on it. That leaves the works department without a site for a works yard.

Works Committee Chairman Jack Raftis said after the meeting that he did not anticipate trying to bring the matter up again or trying to convince council to buy the land.

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Councillor salaries

Munro increase return to silence Watson

At least two members of Halton Regional Council have informed Halton Regional Treasurer Don Farmer that they will not accept an increase of 5.4 per cent or \$486.

Burlington Councillor Ben Ciprietti made that decision public a week ago and council learned last week that Burlington Mayor Mary Munro had rejected the increase and refused to accept a stipend for sitting on the Burlington PUC.

Milton Councillor Jim Watson congratulated Ciprietti for "putting your money where your mouth is". Watson asked how many others had done the same.

Watson has continually ridiculed those councillors who have voted against councillor salary increases since 1973 when salaries were first established for regional councillors.

When Mrs. Munro explained she had rejected her increase but had done it without fanfare she said, "I hope this will satisfy you and that you will at last be silenced".

Watson assured her that would not be the case and that he'd continue to ask how many councillors have returned or rejected increases.

Marijuana possession

Halton Regional Police arrested a man on Martin St., Milton for possession of marijuana during the weekend.

According to police, an officer noticed the man rolling cigarettes inside a car and requested the man to step out. Then it was discovered the man had a small quantity of the drug.

Burned

An abandoned shed suffered fire damage, when a drinking party set light to the building, according to Halton Regional Police.

Not too much damage has been done, said police but they are continuing their investigation into the incident. The shed is located on the north side of Steeles Ave. near the Nassagaweya Town Line.

Check lights

Town staff will ask the Ministry of Transportation and Communications to check the timing of the traffic lights at the corner of Highway 25 and Derry Rd., following complaints at Monday's council meeting.

Councillor Brian Penman said the green light for traffic on Derry Rd. isn't long enough and sometimes only two cars can get through before it turns red.

Beef information meet discusses animal health

By Mark J. Leahy
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Lice, warbles and internal parasites were the topics of discussion at a Beef Information Meeting held at Lee Wilkinson's Farm, R.R. 3, Georgetown on Saturday, Nov. 5.

Dick Levick from Cyanamid introduced a film clip on animal health. Mr. Levick emphasized that beef producers should be reducing dollar losses due to slow weight gain, unthriftiness and damaged hides caused by parasites.

There are products such as Tramisol available in injectable form to control nine major types of worms.

Neil Campbell of Starbar displayed hides which had been infested with warbles. In the past year warbles have accounted for \$2 million damage to beef carcasses and hides.

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