

Council Funds for underpass

The Ontario Government is prepared to help fund the underpass at Ontario St. and the CPR mainline and says it will back the town if it wants to move faster on the grade separation than originally planned.

Ontario Minister of Transportation and Communication Jim Snow has informed Mayor Gord Krantz the province will "guarantee" \$500,000 of the \$1.45 million project during fiscal year 1981-1982. The balance would be committed during 1982-1983.

"It is possible that our contribution will be greater in this fiscal year, but this will not be known until March 1982," Mr. Snow said.

But the Minister said if the council "wishes to build this project faster than our financing can handle, they may have to make arrangements to carry forward bills into the 1982-83 fiscal year.

"Nevertheless, this commitment will allow you to make your plans early."

Mr. Snow said his staff would help prepare the necessary town bylaws if required.

Trailer approved for horse farm

A Milton horse farm owner has been given permission to put a mobile home on her property so employees can live and work on the farm.

Mrs. Donna Anderson, owner of 50 acres of land at Bell School Lane and Britannia Rd. said the erection of an "attractive" mobile home would help her keep two good employees.

"As you know, barn work entails very irregular hours, especially the care and feeding of livestock.

"It is exceedingly difficult to find competent help who are willing or able to come back and forth from their homes two or even three times a day in order to run the farm efficiently.

"A second dwelling on the property would solve the problem," she said.

Milton Planner Bob Zsadyani said "there appears to be more than sufficient room to safely locate a temporary trailer" on the site.

Minister backs pit objection

Hopes of a Milton man to reclaim an "eyesore quarry" have been officially dashed by Ontario Housing Minister Claud Bennett.

Mr. Bennett has informed Milton councillors he agrees a development permit to Claude Warren, owner of the Fifth Wheel Stop, should not have been granted.

The approval by the Niagara Escarpment Commission would have allowed Mr. Warren to build a home near the site of an abandoned quarry. In addition, Mr. Warren had plans to re-landscape the area and dam up the quarry hole to produce an eight million gallon pond.

But the approval was opposed by Halton Region because it would have allowed a house in an agricultural area but not for an agricultural use, as set out in the Halton Official Plan.

Halton Region sent a letter to Mr. Bennett complaining of the approval and the "questionable" actions of a Jan. 2 hearing in which testimony was heard, despite a move by the region and Mr. Warren for an adjournment.

Site F support

Milton's newest residents' association has joined the most vocal residents' association in opposition to the Halton plan to designate 246 acres of land a regional garbage dump.

Formed only a few weeks ago, Derek J. Doolan, President of the Bronte Meadows Residents' Association said his group will support "David Katz and the Tremaine-Britannia Residents' Association, as well as Milton Council, in their opposition to Site F as a proposed landfill site."



Resident remembered

In memory of the late Charles Hayes, former Halton Centennial Manor resident and his late wife Phyllis Cumberland Hayes, two oil paintings, a portable radio, stereo and a large plant were donated to the Manor by son Derek and daughter Dale Swinton. Resident John Davidson admires the paintings which once hung in the Hayes family's home.

Calls PM liar

Jelinek kicked out of the Commons

Halton MP Otto Jelinek was kicked out of the House of Commons Monday night after he called Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau a liar and refused to withdraw the charge.

Jelinek then told the Commons his conscience wouldn't allow him to "retract" the statement, despite urgings to withdraw his comments from Tory colleagues and the NDP.

He walked from the Commons without an argument after he was requested to leave by Deputy Speaker Lloyd Francis.

Common rules say one MP can't call another a liar. The rules call for the offending MP to either withdraw the accusation or else be named by the speaker and asked to leave. The MP can then return at any time and Jelinek was expected back in the House the next day.

Outside the Commons he said when he rose to speak he hadn't planned to call Trudeau a liar, but his remark was "spontaneous."

During the constitutional debate, while discussing how he and his family had emigrated from Czechoslovakia so they could have rights and freedoms, Jelinek referred to Trudeau's recent comment that he had been "less than candid" with the public about the contents of talks between himself and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

The Prime Minister had lied about those discussions, Jelinek told the House.

He said if he had written his speech in advance he might have chosen another word than liar. But added "the facts bear me to be correct."

Jelinek said he feels he

was stating the truth when he called Trudeau a liar and his conscience wouldn't allow him to withdraw the charge: "I couldn't withdraw because I knew I was right."

He added, "a leader in any other country would have been impeached for telling the lie that he has."

He said there have been several inconsistencies in statements made by Trudeau on the constitutional debate.

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Orders budget halved

Work has been ordered by Halton councillors for staff to halve budget requests before they come to various committees for discussion and approval.

As first presented, the Halton Regional levy would mean a 31 per cent increase over the \$34 million 1980 budget, or a 1981 estimate of \$41.4 million.

Such a budget would have meant a 33.5 per cent tax increase to Milton and no less than a 68 per cent jump for Acton and Georgetown residents.

Even though there are probably some extra funds coming from the

provincial government in the form of equalization factors, these are not expected to have a major impact on the regional levy.

When the budget estimates for 1981 were first announced there was dismay on the part of all council members. Burlington Mayor Roly Bird has already sent a letter to Ontario Intergovernmental Affairs Minister Tom Wells demanding that some form of assistance be offered.

In the meantime Regional councillors have ordered staff members to go over 1981 capital and

operating budget requests and reduce them "to produce a mill rate impact no greater than approximately 15 per cent in Burlington, Oakville, and Milton areas."

In addition, boards, commission agencies, and other special purpose bodies receiving regional funding have been told requests for grants must be no greater than the inflation rate.

The Health and Social Services Committee this week will be reviewing requests from such agencies and the rate of inflation figure, or about 12 per cent, will hit hard.

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No raise

There may not be a salary increase this year for regional councillors. Chief Administrative Officer Dennis Perlin told council last week he is not expecting there will be an increase and this has been dialed into the operating budget estimates. However councillors themselves can reject or approve an increase.

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