Touchy decision on road

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ject to approval of Milton's full council.

In addition, the committee insisted that if the OMB allows the severance, they attach a condition demanding almost \$69,000 for local road improvements. Mayor Gord Krantz said he wants to protect the interests of Milton taxpayers and will not support a plan which has taxpayers paying for what essentially is a local improvement.

"I'm hesitant to burden the present property tax base with this," he said. "I hope people in the area would go with a local of Mr. Penman's approach and the protecimprovement."

The Local Improvement Act allows a community to front the costs of major infrastructure works as long as those benefiting return the money within an agreed upon time frame.

The debate in this case centres around a severance appeal. Having had their application for severance turned down Donald and Wilhelmina Wilson appealed to the OMB. The OMB asked Milton what its intentions are regarding the road.

Currently the Town's official plan says the area should not be developed, and any rural development should be supported only if lots are at least 2.5 acres in size. It is on this basis the Town turned down the request for severance.

The Wilson's lot is only two acres in cial plan. size now and they are proposing a split. If the severance is approved it would be a basis for other local property owners to get severances. Town officials say there could be five more additional lots in the area based on the 2.5 acre size minimum. According to a survey only four of the area's current eight residents want to see the road upgraded.

Councillor Brian Penman led the push it.

for the wait-and-see approach. Councillor John Challinor wanted to secure some money for the road improvement now and the rest when building permits on newly severed lots are issued.

"Why taint the decision? Why not enter into the discussions regarding road upgrades after the OMB decision?" Mr. Penman asked. "By asking for money up front aren't we saying we'll allow the severance?"

Mr. Challinor said he supported the spirit tion of the taxpayer, however he felt \$69,000 was a lot of money to be required so far in advance of any actual sale of the property or construction.

The \$69,000 payment is based on a one sixth share, the number of potential severances, of the estimated cost of bringing the road up to municipal standards.

The Wilsons, through their solicitor, suggested \$20,000 was a more realistic figure, especially given that the fund will have several years to accrue interest. They also pointed out that since the Wilson's have initiated the process they have had other

Town planner Mel Iovio made it clear that Town staff cannot approve any severances in the area based on the current offi-

Mr. Penman pointed out that the situation evolved from policies of the municipality in control of the area prior to 1973, when local government was reorganized and it became part of Milton.

In those days private roads were encouraged for rural style development, with the municipality bringing them up to standard when growth in the community demanded

Doc should alleviate GP shortage

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After undergoing medical training in Toronto, Dr. Bacon said he sought out a location to begin his

With a shortage of family physicians and the hospital in need of an anesthetist, Milton appeared to be the answer.

"The town needed both so it sort of fit," he said.

The 29-year-old native of the small town of Kingsville, near Windsor, is married to wife Nancy, who gave birth to the couple's first child in early September.

Dr. Bacon said he and his wife are suited for a small-town atmosphere and both enjoy the great outdoors - of which Milton has a lot to offer.

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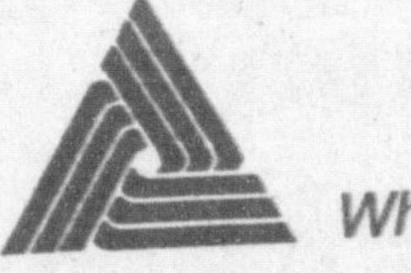
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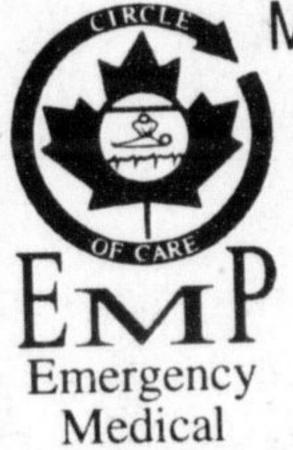
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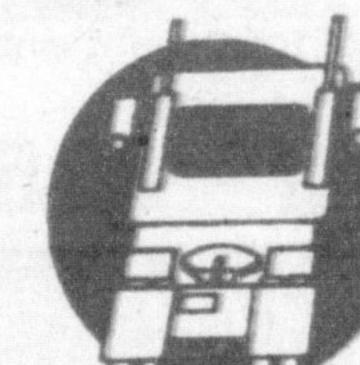


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