

# Optimist Centre eyed to be medical facility

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*The Champion*

Bringing new doctors to town will require — among other things — the establishment of attractive work facilities.

With that said, Milton took a small but significant step towards eliminating its physician shortage at Monday night's administration and planning committee meeting.

While received for information only, and still subject to scrutiny by Town officials and neighbouring residents, an application to revamp the existing Optimist Centre met with favourable feedback from those in attendance.


If accepted, a bid by Miltonian Paul Boisvin would see the Commercial Street property — which lies adjacent to residential and institutional lands — transformed into a medical centre.

And that's good news for a community with a severe lack of health care professionals.

"This is a very positive step forward. It would offer opportunities for established physicians, but it wouldn't surprise me to see two or three or four new doctors take advantage of this in a short time," said Ward 3 Councillor Cindy Lunau, who sits on the hospital advisory committee. "It would be nice to see this prime property  
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