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Break-ins, auto thefts on rise

By FANNIE SUNSHINE

The Champion

Crimes such as break-ins and auto thefts are on the rise in Milton, Halton Regional Police Services Board members were told at a meeting yesterday.

During a presentation to the board, Sup. Mike Kingston pointed out collision rates have dropped by 13 per cent from last year, but break-ins and auto thefts have increased.

"This is a concern for us because they're (auto thefts) usually related to gang activity. Reducing break and enters and auto thefts are two of our priorities for 2002."

The number of rural break-ins have dropped due in large part to the Nassagaweya Community Consultation Committee notifying police regarding home invasion trends, he said.

"Several of our officers volunteered to change their shifts to work around the times the crimes

seem to be committed at and we were able to make a number of arrests."

Along with reducing the crime rate, Sup. Kingston said police are also looking at safety issues surrounding the increase of traffic in town due to growth.

"Six hundred homes popped up last year. Traffic is increasing noticeably. Kids are commuting in the area of Trudeau (Drive) and Derry (Road) and we have to educate the kids about traffic in that area and the precautions they have to take."

Police are currently working in partnership with the Nassagaweya Community Consultation Committee to set up a radar message trailer to help reduce high speeds, he continued, adding the location of the machine has yet to be determined.

"No one has to monitor it. The machine will automatically pick up the rate of speed in which the vehicle is travelling."

Sup. Kingston said police used to get a high volume of calls regard-

ing loitering in the area of Laurier Avenue and Ontario Street but the problem has recently cleared up.

"The plaza is close to a number of schools and every fall (loitering) is a huge issue for us. I can say calls from business owners and loitering itself have been down by 65 per cent as a whole this year, which is quite significant. I believe from the repeated warnings (from police), the kids have been staying on school grounds."

Later this summer, police hope to launch the Train Safety Project due to the increase of commuter and pedestrian traffic, he continued.

"There's been a number of fatalities involving trains in the district and we need to work on informing the public of safety precautions that need to be taken (when near tracks)."

Overall, Sup. Kingston said he's pleased with the initiatives police have undertaken.

"We need to be reactive. Crime is up a little bit in certain areas but overall it's down."



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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

PURCHASING ANALYST

Corporate Services Department

Salary - \$45,699 to \$53,764

The Town of Milton requires an individual to fill the position of Purchasing Analyst. This position will be responsible for the procurement, administration and monitoring of the materials and services approved as part of the Town's operating budget.

Other duties include: review, develop, implement and monitor contracts for materials and services, ensuring maximum competition, life cycle costing and performance standards are considered; provide assistance/consultation and training services to user departments on new initiative; participate in the initiatives of the Halton Cooperative Purchasing Group; work in conjunction with the user departments to set up any required inventory and monitor processes; research and report on statistics and trends that affect the purchasing functions and operating budgets of the user departments; perform other duties as assigned.

The successful candidate will possess a Community College Diploma in the Material Management program, NIGP-CPBP designation or PMAC (Level 2) or equivalent experience and three years relevant experience. Applicants must be proficient in Windows based software including Word, Excel and Internet. Negotiating and analytical skills are also required.

Interested applicants should submit a resume by May 31, 2002 to: Town of Milton Department of Corporate Services, 43 Brown St., Milton, Ontario L9T 5H2. Attention: Coordinator, Human Resources. Or by fax to: (905) 878-4231.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT/ELECTION COORDINATOR

Executive Services Department

Salary - \$38,083 to \$44,804

The Town of Milton requires an individual to fill the position of Administrative Assistant/Election Coordinator. This position provides administrative assistance to the Town Clerk.

Other duties include: provide legislative services for meetings of Town Council including coordination of agenda preparation, attendance at meetings, recording of minutes and preparation of follow-up after meetings; administer the Town's Licensing Program, reviewing licensing applications, ensuring requirements are met, issuing licenses, collection of fees, review statutory lottery reporting and coordination of licensing renewal notices; prepare all required notices for circulation in regard to the passing of the Official Plan and Zoning By-law amendments; undertake duties as Deputy Division Registrar of Vital Statistics and Deputy Issuer of Marriage Licenses; provide overall records management skills; process and reconcile documents for accounts Payable, Purchasing and Cash Reconciliation for the Clerk's Office; manage the election process in accordance with the requirements of the Municipal Elections Act, other duties as assigned.

The successful candidate should have a Community College Diploma in Business Administration and previous municipal election experience is mandatory. Excellent written and oral communication skills, effective time management skills, strong organizational and customer service skills are also required. Applicants must be proficient in Windows based software including Word, and Excel. Experience in minute-taking required.

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In accordance with the Freedom of Information and Privacy legislation, applicant information is collected under the authority of the Municipal Act and will be used strictly for candidate selection.

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2002 Sidewalk Program, 02-075

Community Park Roadway, 02-156

Arena Management Services Contract, 02-175B

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June 19, 2002

Except Contract #02-175B, June 12 closing

Specifications and forms may be obtained at the Town Hall, 43 Brown Street, Milton, Ontario, Corporate Services Department, Purchasing, during normal business hours Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. There is a bid document fee of: \$27.00 (\$25.23 + \$1.76 GST) for regular bids or \$54.00 (\$50.46 + \$3.54 GST) for bids with drawings. Payment can be made with cash, cheque, Interac or Visa/Mastervard.

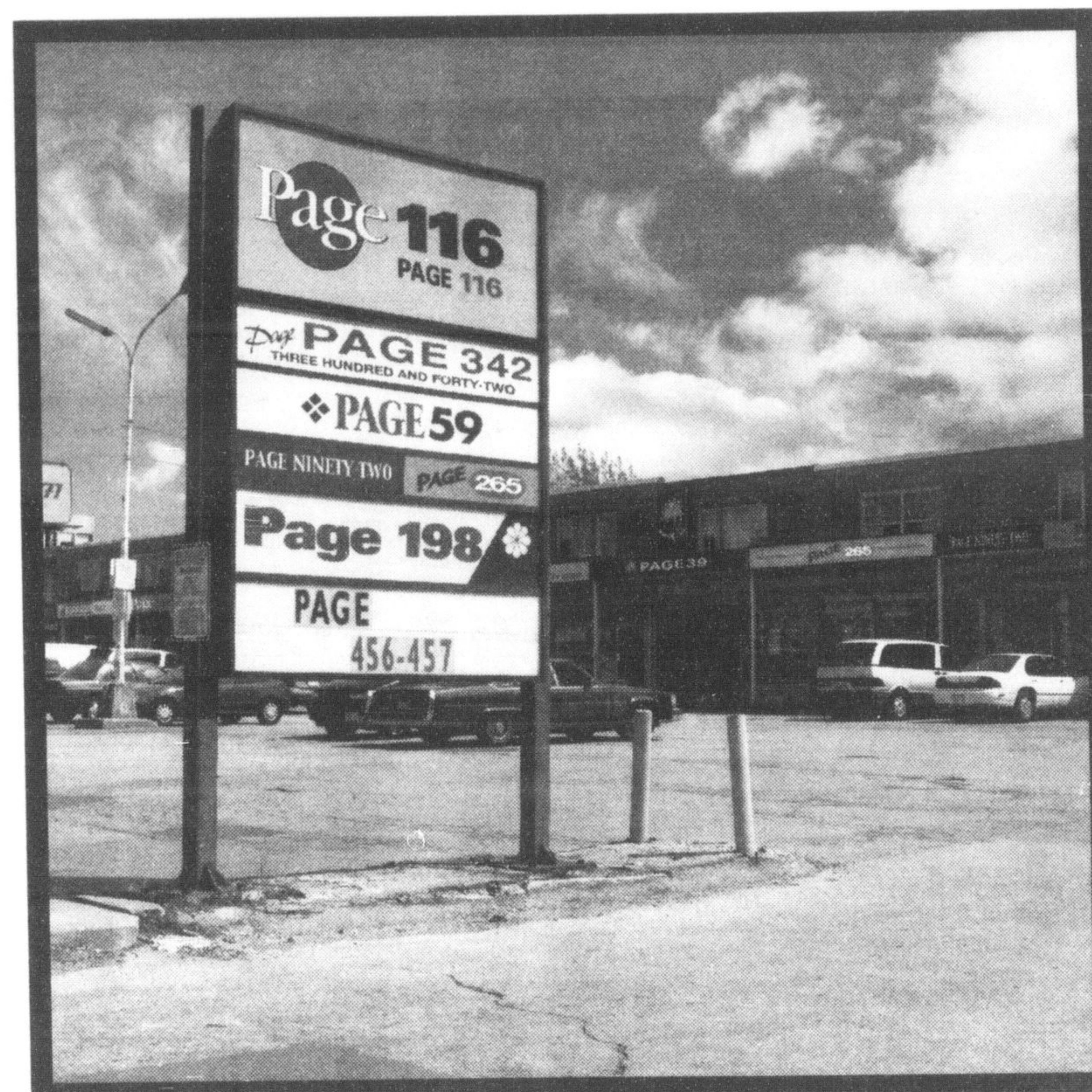
Any inquiries regarding this tender may be directed to the Purchasing Office at (905) 875-5404. If you would prefer that this bid be couriered to you please complete the Request for Bid document form on the Town's website: www.town.milton.on.ca. Plan takers and current and upcoming bids are also posted on the web site.

Correction

A headline published in Tuesday's edition of The Champion contained incorrect information.

The administrator for Allendale is Ingrid Johnston.

We apologize for the error.



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