Proposed bylaw requires people to keep their yards clear of debris

Local residents with messy yards could soon be ordered by the Town to clean up their act.

At its meeting Monday night, Milton council authorized staff to bring forward a bylaw to provide for the maintenance of land in a clean and clear condition.

The bylaw would contain provisions for property maintenance, composting, standing water and derelict motor vehicles.

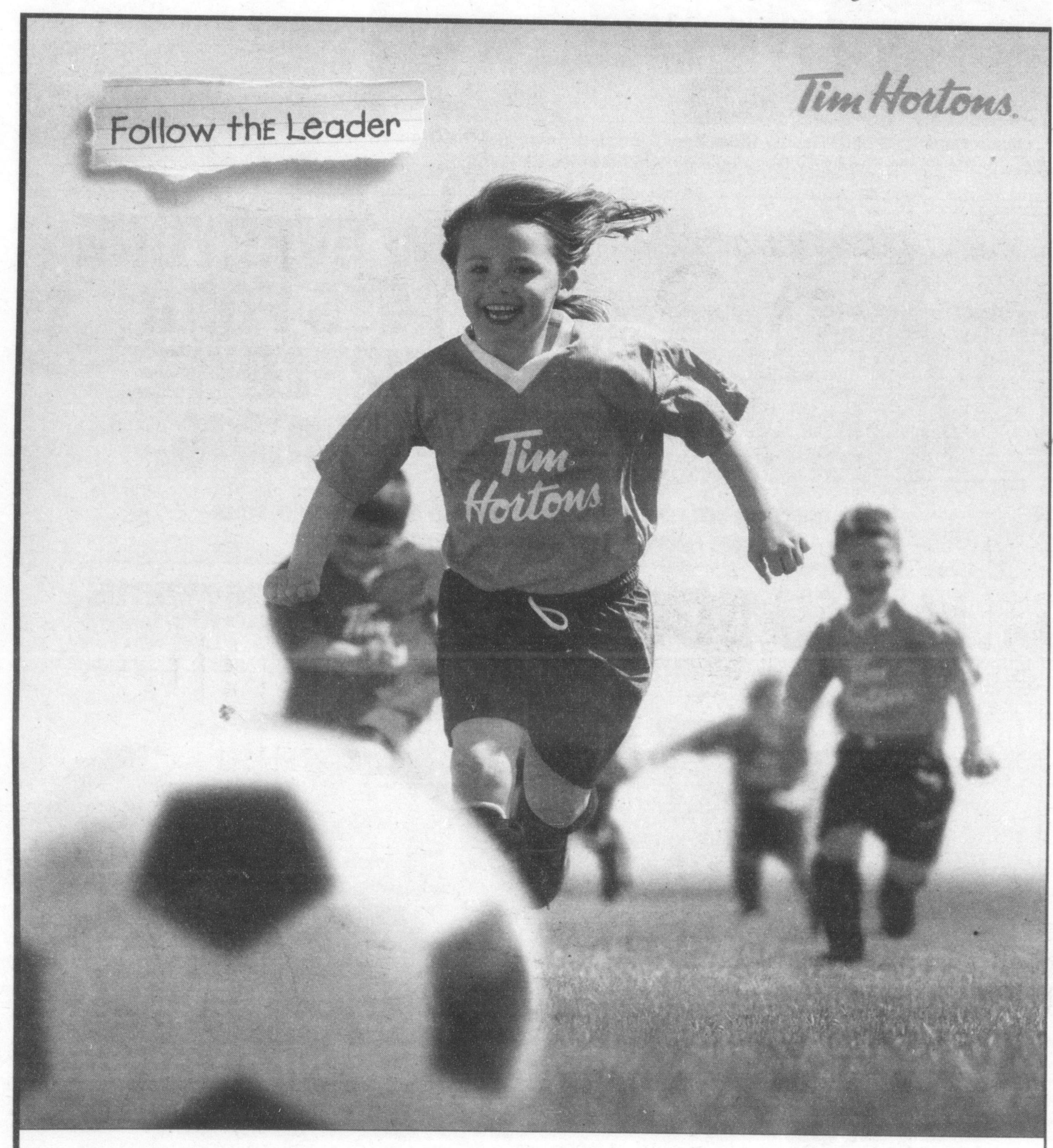
"This bylaw will allow the Town's enforcement officers to deal with serious health issues such as West Nile (standing

water), composter placement, odour and rodent control in a timely fashion and increase public safety," Town Clerk Troy McHarg reported to council. "The bylaw provides for the immediate remedy of violations if a hazard to the public is observed."

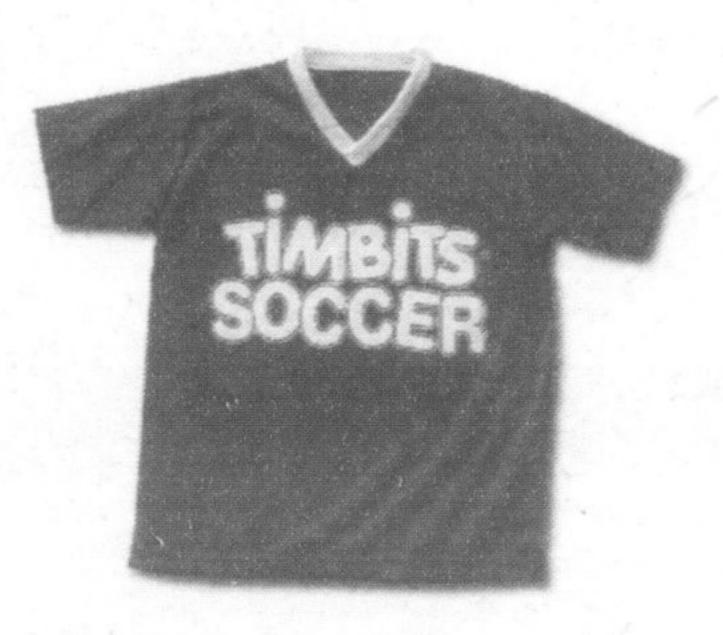
Some of the provisions in the draft bylaw include that property owners shall:

- trim or cut weeds or turf grass, whether dead or alive, that is more than 30 cm tall
- only be permitted to compost behind the house
- not use their property to park or store motor vehicles that aren't fit for the road due to damage or poor repair
- keep their land free and clear of garbage, refuse and domestic or industrial waste of any kind

The bylaw — which would work in conjunction with the Town's existing bylaw that prescribes standards for the maintenance and occupancy of properties — will go before council for consideration at its August 8 meeting.



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Student earns bachelor in U.S.

Milton resident Nicholas A. Puglisevich recently received a bachelor of business administration (BBA) from Northwood University.

Mr. Puglisevich, the son of Alfred and Mary Puglisevich of Milton, completed the university's four-year program at the Midland, Michigan campus.

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