

Woman threatens to sue Town over house sales

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Homes wasn't present.

And while the one home was sold for \$1, Reynolds told The Champion there's more of an expense than meets the eye for the buyer, who first had to purchase a home on Robert Street, demolish it, pour a foundation for the new home, etc.

As the meeting went on, Belvedere-Brittain started demanding Reynolds publicly state the answer she gave to a question asked during a private meeting May 4 between the pair and Town CAO Mario Belvedere.

"What was your answer?" she screamed, pointing her finger in Reynolds' face.

Reynolds told her she didn't record the

precise questions from that meeting, but noted she would've explained the Town's process for the homes to Belvedere-Brittain.

"This is dirty politics," Belvedere-Brittain yelled. "I won't put up with it. I will get a lawyer."

"Enough is enough," Krantz told her.

She went on to ask Reynolds who had purchased the home at the time of their May meeting.

"You didn't ask me that," Reynolds said.

"I did ask you," Belvedere-Brittain screamed. "Did you not lie to me? Did you not lie to me?"

"No ma'am," Reynolds responded.

"I am going home. This is dirty politics," Belvedere-Brittain said again.

Town Clerk Troy McHarg proceeded to explain that the Bell Street property will be put through a bid process that's open to "everybody and anybody," and staff will recommend the highest bid gets the property.

After listening to the explanation, Belvedere-Brittain turned to Reynolds and said, "I'm getting a lawyer Jennifer so get prepared."

Then she addressed the mayor, dubbing him "Mr. Kahouna" and telling him, "You'll be hearing more from me," before storming out of the meeting with her father.

Later in the meeting, Ward 4 Councillor John Challinor said he wanted to vouch for the integrity of the Town's process, its staff and Marshall.

He pointed out there was a fair bit of concern in the downtown neighbourhood to ensure the Mary Street homes are preserved.

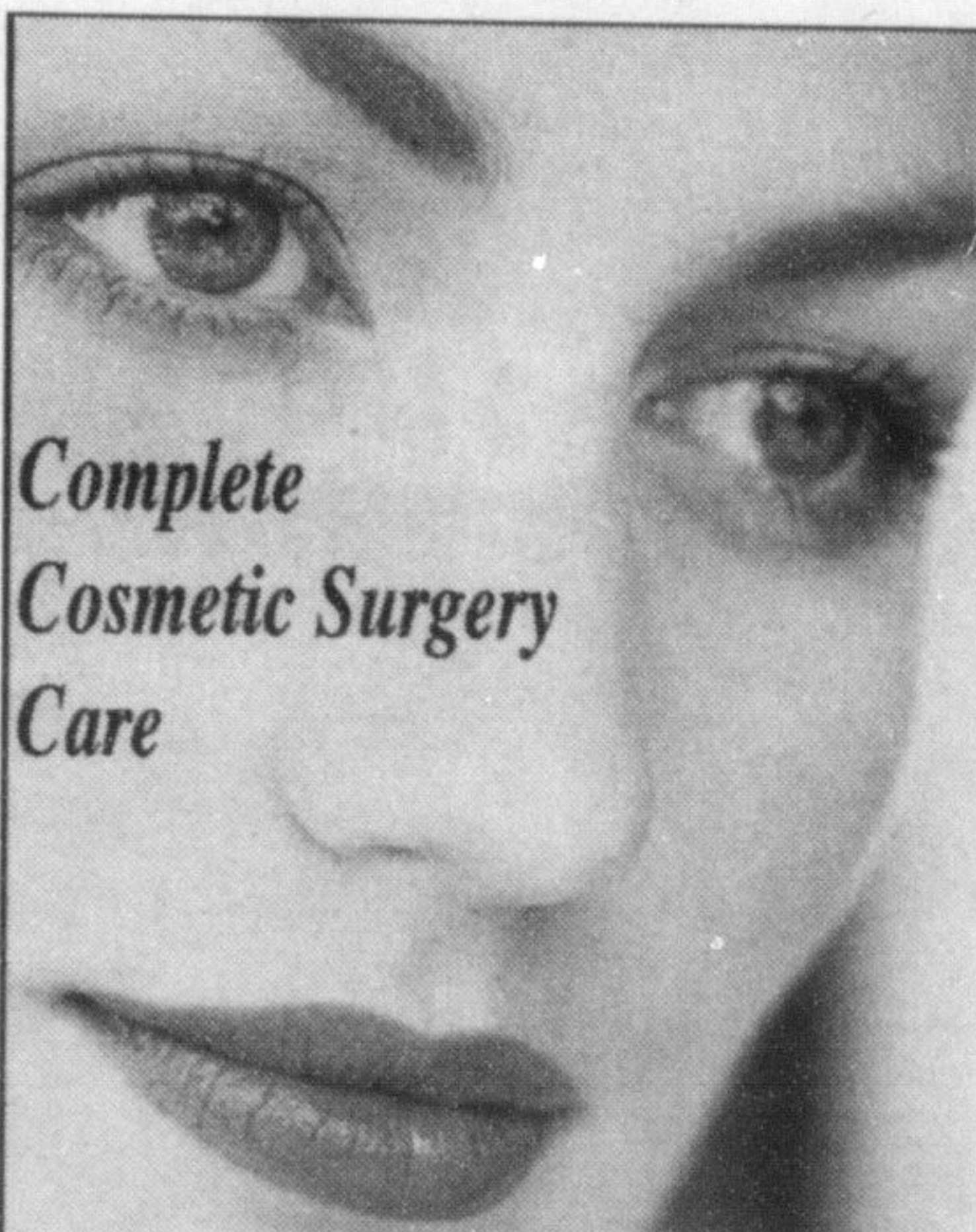
Challinor also emphasized the money the Town is spending is "an investment in the community because these properties have value to the community that extends beyond a monetary amount."

He said since Milton began to grow, many homes have been moved and sold for \$1.

Krantz noted that any wrong-doing on the Town's part would never happen under his "watchful eye."

Council approved proceeding with the process to sell the land on Bell Street.

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The funds come from the local gambling establishment as payment to the Town for hosting slots in the municipality.

So far, Milton has received more than \$41 million in non-tax gaming revenue from Mohawk. Payments are made on a quarterly basis according to the government fiscal year, which runs from April to March, and are distributed by the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation.

Slots at Mohawk opened its doors August 10, 1999 and has since attracted more than 9.4 million visitors.

Throughout Ontario, 23 communi-

ties play host to slots at racetracks and charity casinos. So far, the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation has distributed more than \$414 million in gaming revenue to these communities.

The payments make up five per cent of the gambling establishment's gross slot machine revenues for the first 450 machines and two per cent for machines over that number.

A portion of the annual gross revenue from slots at racetracks and charity casinos goes to the Province for problem gambling research, treatment and prevention programs. The amount for the 2006-07 fiscal year is estimated at \$36 million. Also, \$100 million annually goes to charities throughout Ontario, distributed through the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

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