

Rural Milton needs better cellular service for emergencies: Kingsbury

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band wagon," he said.
He also emphasized the need for better cellular service in the rural area, pointing to several incidents he knows of where emergency services were needed but couldn't be reached because of poor cell phone connections.

"In my mind there are some real tangible, positive reasons to have better cell coverage in the area," he said.

Residents like Corbett and Hirst have been busy trying to spread the word about the tower proposal through two information meetings they held last week in Brookville.

While Bell held its own information meeting last month on the subject, the

men say the session wasn't well publicized. Ward 3 Councillor Cindy Lunau shared their concerns at a recent Town committee meeting.

Robert Tedesco of Bell Mobility Real Estate Services previously told the Champion that 195 letters were sent out to notify those in the area of the meeting, but it wasn't advertised in the paper because the Town didn't request that kind of notification.

Town council will soon have to decide if it wants to enter into a lease agreement with Bell to allow the tower in Brookville.

Director of Planning and Development Mel Iovio said a staff report on the issue is tentatively sched-

uled to go before council on July 16.

If council rejects the deal, then Bell will have to look elsewhere for the tower.

Pasquini said that Bell's process always includes looking at alternate locations and opportunities.

"We want to find the best solution for everyone," he said.

Corbett said the residents want to keep working as a team with Bell and the Town on the issue.

The federal government is the authority that ultimately issues licences for telecommunication towers.

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Residents urged to limit their outdoor water use

Conservation key during dry spell: Region

The Region is asking residents to cut back on outdoor water use to alleviate pressure on Halton's reservoirs.

Although weather conditions can vary and rain has fallen, unseasonably dry weather this spring combined with heavy water use has prompted the Region to request that citizens minimize things like lawn watering, car washing and driveway washing. Flowers and vegetable gardens should be watered by hand and only as needed.

"The hot and dry weather in June has caused a spike in outdoor water use," said Regional Chair Gary Carr. "We want to ensure that the Region's reservoirs have enough water to provide for essential household uses and fire protection, so we're asking residents to help out by reducing

their outdoor water use."

The Region's planning and public works staff is monitoring Halton's reservoir levels closely. If the hot, dry weather persists it may become necessary to issue a complete watering ban.

Halton has an odd-even day watering bylaw in effect that advises even-numbered houses should water only on even calendar days and odd-numbered houses should water on odd calendar days.

However, since lawns only need one inch of water once a week to stay healthy, it's not necessary to water on every odd or even day.

For water conservation ideas and advice visit the Region's website at www.halton.ca/waterconservation.

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