

Reject additional acres for new industrial park

A proposal to add 72 acres to the Milton-Highway 401 Industrial Park has been rejected by Halton's planning and public works committee.

Despite the support of town council, regional councillors voted last week to advise the provincial Minister of

Housing not to approve amendment Nine to the town's official plan.

That amendment would have added about 72 acres to the 1,400 already included in the industrial park, which is expected to draw as many as 15,000 jobs to the town.

Owned by the Oshawa Group, the land is located in the north-east part of the park with frontage along Highway 25.

Speaking to committee members, Oshawa Group lawyer Brian Armstrong argued this parcel was not so

much an addition to the park as it was an "adjustment."

"This is simply an adjustment...to official plan amendment number seven," he said, adding that it would increase the total amount of land to be

developed by only five per cent.

"We're not talking about a major step here, we're talking about an adjustment," Mr. Armstrong added.

He said the parcel was not included in the land originally designated industrial for the park, because negotiations between the town and the owners took longer than for other parcels.

Mack Truck plans layoff

Layoffs have been announced for several employees of the Mack Truck plant located in Oakville.

John Bucknell, president of Local 2281 of the International Association of Machinists said in a recent interview that the company has

announced plans to cut its total production in two stages.

Mr. Bucknell said the plant currently produced 12 trucks a day.

That total will be reduced to 10 daily by Sept. 28. A further reduction to eight a day

has been scheduled for Nov. 2.

"The company tells us that this is mainly because of interest rates," Mr. Bucknell said. "That certainly affects our industry when you're talking about \$50,000 to \$60,000 for a truck."

Mr. Bucknell explained that his union traded the SUB fund for a dental plan "because with this few employees, we couldn't build up enough equity in the fund to make it worthwhile."

While admitting that there was little the union could do to help the situation, Mr. Bucknell said government action is needed.

"In the present situation there isn't a lot we can do but the government should have some sort of policy for people who have been laid off," he said.

"These guys have been hit pretty hard. They're in for a few months and then out again. It's very hard to maintain any sort of lifestyle like that," he added.

HRCA search bill is \$30,000

The final bill for a search of a culvert in Kelso Lake is expected to total over \$33,000, according to Halton Region Conservation Authority officials.

As many as one dozen Authority employees including carpenters, heavy equipment operators and an engineer, were on hand during the 10-day intensive police hunt for an alleged murder victim.

"It was a good piece of engineering," said Constable Jack Owens, the first Metro Toronto police officer to crawl through the culvert.

The Authority plans to wait another two weeks to remove the stone dike.

Unlike workers at the Ford plant across the highway, the truck plant workers do not have a supplementary fund to augment unemployment insurance benefits.

Parents Without Partners centres a lot of its activities around the children. One such event will take place Saturday, Sept. 12 when a tri, to Centre Island is planned.

For more information regarding this organization, call Ann Steadman at 878-5420.

Parents' group expects charter

It has been one year since Bev MacNeil decided Milton needed its own Chapter of Parents Without Partners, and her idea caught on.

President of the organization for the past year, she has recently moved and it is likely her position will be taken over by vice-president Wayne Thompson, according to treasurer Ann Steadman.

Mrs. Steadman said there are 27 members now, which means the Milton chapter will be chartered at the monthly meeting Sept. 30 at Holy Rosary Hall. New

members are welcome, with registration fee set at \$15 a year.

Thursday, Sept. 10, adult members will be getting together for a discussion and coffee night at 551 Commercial St., Unit 108 and prospective members are welcome.

A road and large dike surrounding the mouth of the culvert were constructed to facilitate the draining of the 300-foot culvert running beneath Highway 401.

Authority crews maintained around-the-clock attendance to keep pace with leaks through the stone dike.

The major problems encountered by work crews included water leaks and the heavy build-up of silt, sand and gravel in the culvert, said Bob Edmondson of the Conservation Authority.

Between 150 and 200 tons of gravel were eventually pumped out, as police sifted for the remains of the alleged

Sunday, Sept. 13

Run, jog, walk for Terry

Dreams never die and in the case of Terry Fox, an entire nation will be asked each year to continue his dream by running, jogging or walking on Sunday, Sept. 13, a day named after him.

Local organizers are hoping to raise at least an amount equal to the \$27,000 donated to cancer research last year in two separate runs. Across Canada, 10 kilometer routes will be planned and sponsor sheets made available.

"It won't be a race, mainly going the distance and getting sponsors. It is a fun thing so you can run or walk," said organizer and local Cancer Society member Colin Best.

Letters have been sent to all area schools complete with sponsor sheets which will be available to students and the public. Town Hall will also have sponsor sheets in supply.

The run begins at 2 p.m. at Milton District High School track. The first portion of the route goes around the track, then onto Williams Ave. to Heslop Rd. to Bell St. to Main St. then to James St. to Mill St. onto Martin St. and along Woodward Ave. to Thompson Rd. to Childs Dr. to Cox Blvd. The final portion will lead to Laurier Ave. then back along Commercial St. to the high school.

Halton Regional Police will provide a lead car and rest stops will be established at St. Peter's and Sam Sherratt Schools.

"It was designed so most of the route will have shade," said Mr. Best.

Milton radio club members will be situated along the route to give assistance where needed. Orange juice is being supplied by McDonald's Restaurant in Milton.

Mr. Best said he has heard from both Milton Minor Baseball Association and Milton Springs Gymnastics Club who will be participating in the run.

Last year about 300 people took part in runs for cancer research funding and Mr. Best is hoping for more participants this year.

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