

Some councillors now doubt wisdom in giving up Ninth Line

Milton's councillors are having second thoughts about transferring control of Ninth Line entirely to Mississauga.

As matters stand, Ninth Line is a boundary line between Milton and Mississauga, as well as Halton and Peel regions. However, Mississauga is in the process of staging a massive housing development and wants control of the road to force the developers to pay for reconstruction of the road.

However, several Milton councillors, led by Ward Two councillors Brian Penman and Rick Day, question the wisdom of transferring the boundary line westward freeing Ninth Line to Mississauga.

A resolution had already been passed Monday by a sleepy Milton Council until Mr. Penman jarred his cohorts awake and had the matter re-opened.

Mr. Penman said he was concerned with the ramifications of having huge housing development (660 homes) on one side of Ninth Line, and agriculture on the other side. He said drainage was his prime concern although other matters were of interest.

Mr. Day said the impact of drainage changes and their effects on agriculture west of Ninth Line should be considered before the Town surrenders whatever control it has over the road.

The original plan calls for the road to be part of Mississauga but for the land on the west side of the road to remain part of Milton.

The matter has arisen as far back as 1980. The Town of Milton is not interested in paying for reconstruction of a road, explained Mr. Penman, which essentially will only benefit Mississauga.

Milton was asked to comment to a change in Mississauga's Official Plan which would do four things. They are:

- Widen Ninth Line from Highway 5 to Highway 401 on the Mississauga side of the road.
- Allow Mississauga to determine the size of the road.
- Keep maintenance of the road on a 50/50 basis with Milton and Oakville, and Mississauga, and
- Commence negotiations to shift the boundary to permit the whole of

Ninth Line to be placed in Mississauga.

Councillors decided against giving the organizers of Jamaica Night a break on the rental of John Tonelli Sports Centre.

Proceeds from the event are slated to go toward equipment for the addition at Milton District Hospital.

Larry Arbic, the Town's (new) director of leisure services, explained council decreed two years ago that after a grant of \$60,000, no other grants in any other form should be made to the hospital. It is believed the intention was to avoid a rash of requests made by the numerous clubs and agencies holding fund-raising events for the hospital.

Mr. Arbic is the "new" director of leisure services for the Town. That came as a surprise to some councillors who had thought, rightly, he had done the job for the past year.

However, when the bylaw was made changing the name of the parks and recreation department to leisure services, it failed to include Mr. Arbic's name as the director. Since all directors must be appointed through a bylaw, the department had no official director.

The matter arose when Mr. Arbic, in his duty of applying for government assistance to some of his programs, was asked to send along a copy of the bylaw showing him to be the director. And there wasn't one.

Bronte Road between Mill Street and Steeles Avenue will be closed at night from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. for the next week. This is to facilitate sewer work in the Steeles Ave. and Bronte Rd area.

From 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Steeles Avenue will be reduced to one lane with a flagman and a traffic signal helping co-ordinate traffic.

Although that section of Bronte Road will be closed, local access will be allowed.

A large group of residents attended the council chambers to register their protest of a group home on Main Street just west of Bronte Street. However, their pleas fell on ears

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which have little effect on the final decision to allow it to operate there.

The Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) will conduct a hearing, to be heard by John Duncanson, a development control officer, next Tuesday at 10 a.m. in the council chambers.

The group home falls into an area governed by the NEC. Although the group home is in the Town of Milton, it has no control over the zoning in the area and can only comment to the NEC.

The NEC is responding to a request from Community Resource Services of Halton to change the use of the land from single-family to a group home. The Halton agency has put in an offer to purchase, conditional of a development permit being awarded.

The intention of the Halton agency is for the group home to serve delinquent boys.

The Town will spend \$159,485 to reconstruct Market Drive.

That was the size of the contract - almost twice which was originally anticipated in the 1986 budget - awarded to King Paving.

Increased industrial activity in the form of Magna International, Northern Telecom, Kinney Shoes, and the Swiss Chalet-Harvey's-Pizza Delight complex changed the original plan from three lanes to four.

The project is expected to begin later this month and completed by early November.

What do Darbyville, Haltonville, Guelph Junction, Christie, Boyne, Omagh, Drumquinn and Agerton have in common?

They are all former hamlets which once existed within the Town of Milton. Also, their names will be forwarded to the Ontario Geographic Names Board for continued listing in its gazette.

In addition to the above names, the

townships of Nelson, Trafalgar, Esqueving and Nassagaweya, and the hamlets of Brookville, Moffat, Campbellville and Milton Heights will be registered.

The Canadian shuffleboard championships will be held in Milton at the legion hall and council kicked in \$250 to help it along.

Competitors from six provinces are expected to participate. It'll mark the first time in 17 years for the national championship to be held in Ontario.

All handicapped get home break

The Halton Housing Authority (HHA) is moving to integrate psychiatrically handicapped persons into its elderly, family and subsidized housing accommodation.

Authority manager Mary Garbes says the HHA expects about 50 applications for residence under the program which is being instituted throughout the province.

Since these applications will be treated equally with others, most people will end up on the HHA's waiting list.

"They are placed on the same priority listing," she said. However, she said she doesn't think they will have to wait long.

Successful applicants must be able to take care of themselves. That includes cooking, cleaning, and performing ordinary household duties.

"They must be able to live independently," she said.

It is hoped people who can function independently will be brought to the program.

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Police recommend . . . civilian citation

Milton couple return bag of jewels

A Campbellville-area couple is being recommended for a civilian commendation for returning a valise of jewels to its owner.

Ken and Elizabeth Moulds walked into a Toronto police station last week with a briefcase containing more than \$20,000 worth of rare gems

belonging to Duane Robertson, a self-employed rare-gem salesman.

He had spent last Wednesday morning scouring Toronto for his briefcase which he mislaid. As he was describing the briefcase to police, the Moulds, walked in with the case.

They said they found the case in a

telephone booth. When the Moulds saw what was inside, they went to police so it could be returned.

Mr. Robertson, gratefully relieved, gave Mrs. Moulds a ruby pendant in gratitude. Metro Toronto Police are also recommending the Moulds for a citizen commendation.

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