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## We've got the dump -- for now

By ROB KELLY

In the end, if this can be called the end, it was no contest. In clear-cut opinions expressed again and again throughout a 210-page document released Friday, hearing officers said it irrevocably, finally, Milton must take Halton's garbage.

Barring successful appeals, the 12-year landfill war between Milton and Burlington is over. The Burlington site was not even recommended as a distant alternative.

The only routes of appeal remaining for Milton are to the Ontario cabinet and the courts.

If that fails, a 246-acre 5-million tonne landfill site will be carved out of the flat agricultural plain west of Highway 25.

It's span will be such that it backs onto First Line (Bronte Rd.) to the west. It will be north of Lower Base Line, south of Britannia Rd., and is expected to be home to Halton's garbage for 20 years, beginning in 1992.

A cabinet appeal must be launched within 28 days. It is probably the quicker course, no matter what the outcome. Such an appeal can be based on general disagreement with the hearing board findings.

A court appeal, which could be lengthy, must be based on errors in legal procedure in the hearing and report, not on the impact of local landfill. A preliminary hearing will determine if there are grounds for a legal challenge.

Milton councillor Bill Johnson, who also sits on regional council, advocated attacking the decision on both fronts. From the legal perspective, the hearings were compromised last year, he said, when one of the three hearing officers quit. But the battle went on anyway. "It's been a real mish mash," Mr. Johnson said.

The councillor proposed first taking a chance with the cabinet, then going the judicial route. "I'm going to say fight. You know me. Never say die. We lost a battle here. There are more battles to be fought."

Milton councillors met in-camera to discuss their position Monday night but it was too early to determine a course of action. Mayor Gord Krantz is scheduled to meet with the town's landfill lawyers and consultants during the week. Council is expected to consider the matter in-camera again next Monday, when a decision on a course of action is expected.

Mr. Johnson downplayed the expertise brought to the 18-month hearing by Harry Lancaster, a lawyer, and his fellow board officer, Jim Kingham. "We've got a chemist

### Councillors considering an appeal

By ROB KELLY

The shock of being saddled with Halton's 20-year landfill site hadn't yet left Milton councillors but Monday night they were already discussing strategy for their last stand against the dump; appealing the decision.

During an in-camera meeting following general committee, town administrator Roy Main gave a brief synopsis on developments and informed councillors that staff and

mayor Gord Krantz will meet with Milton's consultants and lawyers this week.

Although any town battle plans are in the earliest stages, it is clear councillors are not about to merely accept the consolidated hearing board decision following a dozen years of

often bitter wrangling with Burlington and Halton region over landfill.

Asked what he thought of the decision, Mr. Krantz said, "they made the wrong one. I'm certainly not about to roll over."

Speaking of the prevailing sentiment prior to the announcement, that Burlington would get the landfill, Mr. Krantz added, "there were two surprised municipalities on Friday."

Halton region, while supporting both sites, had narrowly preferred Burlington. Mr. Krantz indicated he felt testimony of regional experts had almost been discounted. "The region had 12 or 14 consultants. I would think the biggest majority of them knew what they were talking about."

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### Heads up Harold!

Halton Centennial Mayor resident Harold Getty got into the tropical festivities at the Mayor's Sunny South Party Thursday afternoon. Dancers with the Eddy Marnock Entertainment Group helped to bring the flavour of Jamaica to the more than 120 residents and Milton Plaza participants who attended the bash. There was reggae and calypso music, some of the residents even tried their hand at the Limbo. Milton Rotary Club co-sponsored the event.

Photo by LISA TALLYN

## Youths stage mini-riot at mall

By LISA TALLYN

Approximately 150 youths converged at Milton Mall's food court at noon Tuesday and staged what a mall security guard is calling a "mini riot."

The security guard on duty, Heather, who did not want her last name published, says she was struck in the head by one of the unruly teens. She was not seriously injured.

Police are investigating the assault.

Police say the bulk of the youths at the mall were E.C. Drury students. Both hearing and hearing impaired teens were there.

"It was about 11:45 or 12:50 (a.m.) when I knew something was up," said Heather who has been a guard at the Mall for the past two years. "There were kids coming in every door."

She says the trouble began when one teen picked up the french fries he was eating and tossed them across the food court.

"I escorted him and his three friends out the door. Then I noticed a mob of kids around the wine store."

She made her way back to the store to find two male youths involved in a punching match.

"One kid was punching the other in the back of the head." She intervened only to be struck in the head by a male youth watching the action.

She called for police assistance.

Before police arrived Heather says the youths continued to make a lot of noise, some were jumping on the tables.

"Eight of them got on one side of a potted tree and began rocking it. I thought we were going to lose it."

Speaking with some youths after the incident Heather learned that they had decided to meet at the mall for a fight between two males from the school.

"I have never seen anything like this in the two years that I worked here." Currently Heather is the only guard working the mall. She has plans to hire additional help for the summer.

In the past Heather has chosen not to carry a night stick, but Tuesday's incident has changed her mind.

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