Only handful of citizens at Midland Point zoning meeting

by Dave McCausland Midland Point in Tay Township and not everyone is happy with the draft bylaw. But by the small attendance at the public Point area. But there were earing held on Tuesday, rebruary 4, one might conclude that few really cared.

Only about thirty people turned out to voice their opinions of the proposals contained in the draft by-

law. A large proportion of Zoning is coming to those were solicitors and other representatives of developers who are building or planning subdivisions on various parts of the Midland only a handful of private citizens at the meeting.

The discussion was quiet and centered on only a few issues which came up several times. The meeting, which began about 8 p.m. was over by 9:45 p.m.

The draft by-law drawn up by the township planning board divides the Midland Point area into 16 zones ranging from agricultural to institutional and industrial. The majority of the zones are varieties of residential area with five zones of different residential densities labelled respectively R1 to R5. These areas vary by frontage, lot area required, and the minimum floor area

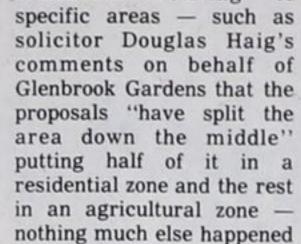
houses that can be con-

structed on those lots. In comments relating to addition to these five areas of residential zoning there are zones designated as rural residential, residential mobile home, and two zones of seasonal residential, each of different density.

In the R1 to R5 zones the minimum floor area of a one storey house ranges from 1,800 square feet in an R1 zone to 1,050 in an R4 and 1,150 in an R5. These minimum floor areas came under fire a number of times at the hearing both from developers and private citizens. A spokesman for GAL Investments said that an area they were in the process of developing had been zoned industrial under the draft by-law. The homes they were planning to build were "for ordinary people" and he argued that the spot their company was working on was ideal for this because of its easy serviceability. Rather than zoning it industrial, he said the area was more suitable for smaller homes such as those in the R4 classification and therefore available to families in the \$12,000 per year earning range. GAL Investments' concern

about the minimum space requirements was echoed several times by private citizens who voiced their views on how the size of the house they had to build was going to make it too expensive for them to continue their plans to build. The planning board agreed to take these expressions of opinion into account in preparing their submission to council.

Apart from several other



at the meeting. There were individual comments about the nature of seasonal residential zoning and the fact that the draft by-law distinguishes two types of agricultural zone. But there was no real discussion of either point John Faulkner director of the Tiny Tay Peninsula Planning Board, said that he had expected more reaction to the by-law than there was. Some of the areas which he had expected would generate discussion such as the proposals relating to seasonal residential zoning did not cause any real discussion.

February 21 is the deadline for written submissions to the Tay Planning Board before the submission goes to the Township Council. If the council approves and passes the by-law, it will then go to the Ontario Municipal Board, which will advertise calling for any objections to the proposal. If there are then they will order

another public hearing. Faulkner pointed out that the public then has two opportunities to make its views known on the proposed bylaw, the first was on February 4. He described the process of approving a zoning by-law such as this one a very "accountable process" with its op-

portunities for public input into the decision making process. Unlike the formulation of other types of laws it has room for the public to participate. But by the turnout on February 4 it is evident that not too many feel strongly enough about it to come out on a Tuesday evening

HOW MUCH MONEY DO YOU NEED?

\$2,000 to \$25,000

Pay off all your debts in one clean sweep and have only one small monthly payment.

I'LL LEND YOU MONEY TO ...

- Pay off a mortgage
- Combine 2 or more mortgages into 1 e Pay taxes and insurance
- Consolidate overdue bills
- e Improve property · Pay off a loan company or bank
- Purchase car, boat or cottage • Or for any worthwhile purpose

CALL ME PERSONALLY DUANE PATFIELD

429-3615

Great Northern Credit Corp.

Box 143, Collingwood, Ontario

Town of Penetanguishene



Important Message

to the

Elderly Citizen

The Council of the Town of Penetanguishene has arranged to hire a person to assist the elderly residents of the Town with their Income Tax Returns.

This person will be at the Municipal Office from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. daily as of February 17th, 1975.

So that you will not have to wait, please phone 549-7453 and make an appointment.

> Y.A. Gagne, A.M.C.T., Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Penetanguishene.

Lawyer suggests malfunctioning breathalizer but argument brushed aside in court

suggestion that a breathalyzer machine used He chose to accept the police by the area detachment of the Ontario Provincial Police may be malfunctioning was turned aside in provincial court in Renetanguishene last Thursday.

In defending a 54-year-old client against a charge of impaired driving lawyer Martin Prost raised the possibility that if specified maintenance schedule checks on the breathalyzer were not maintained by the area OPP, then the machine's readings may not be accurate.

Prost insisted he was not questioning the qualifications of the machine's operator, only whether or not the machine was operating properly if checks on the breathalyzer were not carried out.

A booklet on the OPP breathalyzer states that a check list must be filled out once a month or at other fixed regular intervals for future reference if required in a court case.

The list contains six steps which are to be followed every month in checking the machine.

During testimony given in court the machine's operator, Constable Ivan Price, agreed a check on the machine should be done but said "I have never done it personally."

In summing up his case Prost told the court that either the breathalyzer reading of his client, Ross Hawke of Midland, was wrong, or Hawke was lying. The breathalyzer showed Hawke had a reading of 240 milligrams on September 28 when an Ontario Provincial Police Officer stopped his car on Highway 12 near the Hole-in-the-wall underpass and charged Hawke with impaired driving.

Prost claimed that for a reading of 240 milligrams his client would have had to consume roughly 11 bottles of beer. The court heard testimony from Hawke and his wife that he had three bottles of beer on the night of September 27 and three more the following morning.

It was also revealed that Hawke was taking prescribed pills to treat a nervous condition and that alcohol should not have been consumed before driving while Hawke was taking the pills. Hawke admitted his doctor told him this but he did not know if it was before or after the accident.

Provincial Judge Len

A Midland lawyer's Montgomery said the case all came down to credibility. officer's evidence and reject

Waiting for sunbathers

As a result Hawke was declared guilty and fined \$300. His driver's licence was

suspended for six months. In an interview on Monday, staff-sergeant Len Doolittle admitted that the OPP does not follow the instructions in the department and carries out breathalyzer booklet checks each time the because it is an American breathalyzer is used

Photo by Harvey Markle

book. But he added that instead of checking the breathalyzer once a month the area OPP works under the regulations of its



Valentine Values: ...for Everyone in the Family

VALENTINE

(175 cut-outs)

CUT-OUT

Smiles 'N

\$2.57

Chuckles Turtles

New Dark or Milk

Chocolate 14 oz. Box

Books

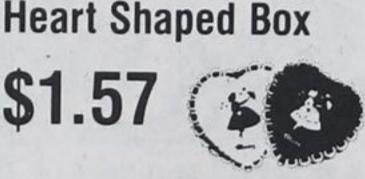
Moirs CHOCOLATES

12 oz. Foil & Flower Heart Shaped Box



\$3.97

6 oz. Foil Printed



'Curl & Go' Curling Iron by REVEL



Fan-Ette 'One Size' Panty Hose 3 pairs/



... SEE OUR WIDE SELECTION OF CARDS AND ATTRACTIVE GIFT WRAP.

LIMITED QUANTITY ON ALL ITEMS FROM FEB. 12th TO 14th 1975.



PICTON 244 MAIN STREET GALT 25 MAIN STREET COBOURG 41 KING STREET W. WHITBY 121 BROCK STREET S.

MIDLAND 238 KING STREET NAPANEE **18 DUNDAS STREET** PORT HOPE 64 WALTON STREET

BRAMPTON

18 MAIN STREET N.

GRAND OPENING

Friday Feb 14 and Saturday Feb 15 At TEDLIGHT'S TV

Win a 12 in B & W RCA portable and many, many more prizes during our Gala Opening

Coffee will be served



count on) for only

Special

Here's a brand-new 1975 RCA portable that has all the famous XL-100 features. But because it's not part of RCA's regular line, we're able to offer it to you at this special "limited edition" price that you'll find hard to beat, feature for feature, no matter how much you shop around! Check for yourself:

☐ 100% solid-state construction for cooler running, longer life than old-fashioned tubes.

Super AccuColor black matrix picture tube for a brightness, a crispness never before possible with conventional phosphor-dot

SALES & SERVICE

Plug-in, plug-out interchangeable discrete modules for quick in-home servicing.

AccuMatic 4 for one-button regulation of color, contrast, brightness and tint - the way vou like it.

Automatic fine tuning (AFT) to lock in the best picture - every time. Powerful 31,000-volt chassis

5" oval duocone speaker for hi-fi sound Smart styling in charcoal brown & silver sage

TED LIGHT'S

100% solid state.

77 Main St. Penetang 549-7978

Wednesday, February 12, 1975, Page 7