

# Search goes on to find a new alternative waste disposal site

Two members of the Midland Penetang Tiny Landfill Site Committee met with officials of the Ministry of the Environment in Toronto on Tuesday to report on their progress in the search for an alternate waste disposal site.

Deputy-reeve John Lackie of Tiny Township and Midland town engineer Percy Ehler met with Joe Burnham of the offices of the Ministry in Toronto and Niel Embree from Barrie.

The ministry had expressed concern before the new year over the future of waste disposal in the area when the M.P.T. contract with the operator of the Perkinsfield landfill site expires in September.

The members of the M.P.T. committee reported on their search for a new site. According to John Lackie a number of possible locations are being considered. The Ministry of the Environment provides a 50 percent subsidy for costs involved in the search. Most of the expenses incurred in the search are fees paid to consulting engineers and hydrologists.

**Impressed**  
Lackie reports he was "kind of impressed" with the scope of interest shown by representatives of the ministry, who discussed projections for future volume of waste, service levels for garbage collection as well as the sight search.

According to Lackie "It's damn hard to find an alternate site." The water table in Tiny township has been described as "screwball" by the deputy-reeve who says there are very few sites within the municipality that would meet Ministry standards under environmental assessment studies.

The M.P.T. committee has been dissatisfied with the operation of the Perkinsfield landfill site, and "wants to get back to operating our own site", Lackie explains. This would ensure proper day to day operation and long-term availability of a site for the member municipalities.

The Perkinsfield site is presently zoned for landfill on only 20 of the 100 acres available. It is estimated that the site will be filled within two years if the additional acreage is not granted a change in zoning to allow dumping. Deputy-reeve Lackie says "Tiny is reluctant to go to an O.M.B. hearing without an environmental assessment study proving the rest of the site is suitable."

**Owner**  
Site owner Eric Pauze has refused to have an assessment done until a re-zoning is granted—

hence the stalemate. The M.P.T. contract with Pauze is not an exclusive one. As long as he is licensed by the Ministry as a landfill site operator, he can

accept waste from other sources. "We feel so helpless, having no say in how the site is operated," Lackie says. He also expresses concern over the type of

waste accepted at the Perkinsfield site, noting that there has never been an environmental assessment done and that monitoring of volumes

and type of materials involved is not effective. A central county waste disposal site is a definite possibility for the future, Lackie

predicts. The Simcoe County Committee on Health, Environment and Education was instructed to begin a search for such a site at the last meeting of

County council. "Garbage is a funny thing", Lackie concluded in an interview Wednesday, "Everybody makes it, but nobody wants it."

## Tax Tips

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It is important that you attach to page 3 all necessary official receipts.

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Without these schedules and receipts, your return is incomplete and Revenue Canada will have difficulty processing your return.

But you can help Taxation process your return efficiently by remembering to do the following. First, if you are paid a salary by the

person you work for, you should receive a T4 slip.

It tells you how much money you earned last year, what deductions were taken from your pay, and how much income tax was deducted. Revenue Canada needs a copy of that T4 slip to verify the income you are reporting from your job and to substantiate certain deductions you may be claiming.

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If you are self-employed, Revenue Canada needs statements of income and expense.

Check also that your name, address and Social Insurance Number as shown on the return are accurate. Any incorrect information on the return should be changed.

Enter other information requested, such as birth date and marital status, in the Identification Area.

The next thing to check is your arithmetic. Double check that you have put the correct amounts on the proper lines of the return.

Often when taxpayers transfer figures from the working copy to the final copy of the return, they make errors.

Once you have completed your return, remember to sign it! Include your telephone number and the date on which you are filing your return.

And don't forget, April 30 is the deadline for filing your 1980 income tax return.



**Photograph's donated**

Budd Watson donated five of his photographs of wildflowers this week to Huronia District Hospital to hang in its intensive care unit. He is very familiar with the intensive care unit,

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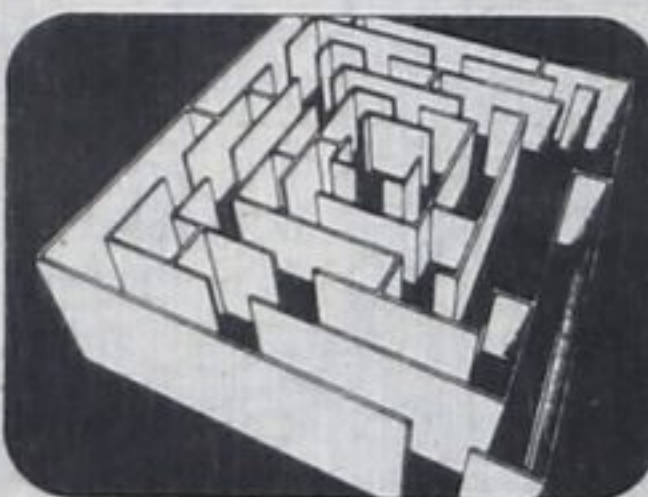
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