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Tug with story to tell...

You have until Monday to view the tug Trent and a barge at the Establishments in Penetanguishene. The marine display has been designed to tell the story of the earliest days of the

Trent-Severn Waterway. Earlier this month it docked at the Big Chute to give visitors and cottagers of the area a chance to learn more about the waterway's historic background.

Short meet for Tiny Twp. council

brief agenda helps law-makers tidy up back-log of accounts

by Adrienne Graham Gardner

Tiny Township council met on Wednesday night for a short session to deal with a brief agenda.

The following accounts were approved: General Accounts \$26,418, Roads Department \$27,627, Fire Department \$259.

Tiny has contributed \$100 in an annual donation to the Waverley Monument Committee.

A donation of \$25 was also made to the Centre Simcoe Plowmen's Association in response to a request.

Tiny council voted to support a recent resolution by Wasaga Beach Council condemning the dumping of radioactive waste at Canadian Forces Base Borden.

Consulting engineer Ron Robinson was unable to attend Wednesday night's meeting, and those items dealing with engineering and water works were held over pending his report to council.

Ross Hastings was appointed by bylaw to serve as a representative of Tiny Planning Board on the Parks and Recreation Board as the eleventh member.

The next meeting of Tiny council is scheduled for the second Wednesday in September, and is expected to be a day-long session.

Sees no harm

Three-year term to local officials?

by

Adrienne Graham Gardner

Claude Bennett, minister of intergovernmental affairs, addressed this week's convention on Ontario municipalities in Toronto as the keynote speaker.

In his address, Bennett called for the institution of a three-year term for municipal politicians.

According to Tiny Township's Reeve Morris Darby, the resolution on the controversial three-year term received a great deal of discussion before finally being approved by delegates at the AMO convention.

Bennett had made it clear in his speech that he was prepared to introduce the three-year term with legislation this fall unless there was an objection from the new municipal organization.

Reeve Darby observed that the larger urban municipalities seemed to be urging the longer term because of the high cost of campaigning in those areas.

The new three-year term would not affect local government in Tiny "too

much", Reeve Darby predicted, since, "those persons who are sincere about issues and their commitment will not be deterred."

The increasing time commitment required for municipal politicians is restricting involvement of some people already, Reeve Darby noted.

Penetanguishene's Mayor Ron Bellisle reported that the general consensus at the AMO conference seemed to be in favour of the three-year-term.

Bellisle said that the Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs would definitely be introducing legislation bringing in the longer municipal term to begin with the next election scheduled for November, 1982.

"I see no harm in it," Bellisle said. "The longer terms may lead to some complacency, but on the other hand it will also give time to get something accomplished."

Mayor Bellisle observed that most municipal politicians serve more than one term anyway, and that very few leave politics after serving only two years.

Citizen briefly

It was quite quiet in town

It has been a quiet week for Penetanguishene firefighters reports Fire Chief Ted Light.

They'll be counting on you, and you, and...

Don't forget the next Red Cross Blood Donors' Clinic is to be held in Midland on Wednesday, Sept. 9.

It will be staged at Midland Legion from 1:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The goal is 325 pints of blood. Please count on being there to give "the gift of life."

Mediation is ahead

Tuesday, Sept. 8 is the date bargaining teams from the town of Midland and its Ontario Public Service Employees Union sit down before a mediator in Orillia.

Trevor Stevenson who acted as a conciliator when both sides met earlier this year will chair the 11 a.m. meeting at the Highwayman Inn.

It was he who filed a "no board report" with the Ministry of Labour after both sides failed to agree to terms in a new two-year contract.

It will be back to business as usual

Next full-scale meeting of Simcoe County Council has been scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 8 starting at 10 a.m.

As usual the session will be held in the council chambers of the county administration building at Midhurst.

Chamber of Commerce golf tourney Sept. 21

Midland Chamber of Commerce Annual Golf Tournament will go Sept. 21 at Midland Golf and Country Club with the traditional dinner being held at 6 p.m. for all golfers and non-golfers wishing to attend.

The tournament and dinner is open to all members, their guests and invitees.

Tee-off time for the tournament is between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

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Fire destroys barn

Old Fort Road (Tay Twp.) Fire Department firefighters were unable to save this Con. 5 barn in the township from being totally destroyed by fire yesterday. They received the call for assistance

shortly after 8 a.m. and didn't return to the fire hall until well after 2 p.m. Cause of the fire has yet to be determined. The structure was vacant at the time.