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**Radioactive soil**

# Bellisle speaks out on problem

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**No gold there, fellas!**

Try as we might, we couldn't convince these three workmen there wasn't gold in front of this newspaper's office on Main Street in Penetanguishene. Actually, Sonny Harris, left,

Tony Trapani, centre, and Ben Mortier, right, were working for Cliffside Construction, putting in gas service to a local business, Monday, when we snapped this photo.



**A lot of carrot**

There's a lot of eating for some rabbit in Nelson Dupuis' garden at RR 3, Penetanguishene. Dupuis went out, Tuesday night, to find several carrots weighing an average of one pound each, the largest weighing one pound, one ounce. He says the secret behind the large carrots seems to be using no chemicals, just natural fertilizer.

## Council's views

Penetanguishene town council will be sending a letter of recommendation to both the federal and provincial governments on their concerns over the radioactive soil issue now facing residents of Scarborough and Base Borden.

The decision was made to send the letter last week at council's regular monthly meeting when they were asked to support a resolution from Wasaga Beach on the subject.

The resolution has been endorsed by the town of Penetanguishene and appears below:

"Whereas the Atomic Energy Board in concern with the Federal Government intends to transport radioactive wastes to Base Borden in Essa Township in the County of Simcoe;

And whereas the County of Simcoe and specifically the Town of Wasaga Beach depends on the tourist industry;

And whereas the dumping of nuclear wastes has serious implications on the tourist industry;

Now therefore be it resolved that the Town of Wasaga Beach does vigorously object to the proposed dumping of said nuclear waste;

And be it further resolved that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the area municipalities involved, the County of Simcoe, the local M.P.P.s, the local M.P.s and the Atomic Energy Board."

**Discussion**

Reeve Art Stewart commented, "I think its a worthwhile resolution to endorse."

Councillor Ray Baker had a few comments on the issue, stating, "If it's too dangerous to leave where it is, it's too dangerous to move it. If it isn't radioactive, then why move it?"

At that point, Councillor Ken Tannahill interjected, "I think if they're going to do what they plan to do with it, they're going to take every precaution."

Baker then commented that people living in this area have the opportunity to say something if they don't like it, adding that people in Base Borden live "under martial law, they have no choice."

Councillor Dion came up with a good solution which will be included in the letter of recommendation. He commented, "We as a council should recommend there are thousands of these mines up north", in reference to abandoned gold and silver mines he himself has worked on in past years.

by  
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The federal government was recently told they do not have the "statutory authority" to move the radioactive soil from Scarborough to Base Borden.

This means the responsibility has now been given to the provincial government and Premier William Davis who has said he would provide the funds necessary to truck the radioactive soil to Chalk River. There is a designated dump site at that location now.

Mayor Ron Bellisle of Penetanguishene and council members recently chose to send a letter to the federal and provincial governments on their feelings about the situation.

Following the latest developments in the dispute, Bellisle commented, "I'm wondering if it's not up to the federal government, God, it must fall under someone's jurisdiction."

**Injunctions**

He also agrees with federal Public Works Minister Paul Cosgrove in that they both feel the provincial government will even have trouble dumping soil anywhere because of the injunctions won by the townships of Essa and Tosoronto.

As Bellisle says, "No

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## CITIZEN BRIEFLY

**Bellisle plows way to close second**

Mayor Ron Bellisle of Penetanguishene finished a close second in the Mayors' Plowing Competition at the International Plowing Match, Saturday.

Bellisle was in a 23-way tie for second place actually, behind the mayor from Bradford, Z. Feniak.

**Monday afternoon alarm sounds in town**

Town firefighters were called out Monday at 2:21 p.m. to extinguish a chimney fire at 160 Main St.

Fire Chief Ted Light reported later in the day, the fire was confined to the chimney and that there was no serious damage.

**PGH blitz off to good start**

The blitz by Penetanguishene General Hospital is coming along well, having collected \$1,900 in the first night of operation.

Win Wice, blitz spokesman, said, "We're very, very pleased" and added they're doing what they can with some of the volunteers out with flu.

The target for the blitz is \$18,000 to pay for a portable X-ray machine.

**Office will be closed on Thanksgiving**

The Penetanguishene Citizen office here in town will be closed on Monday, Thanksgiving.

However we will publish newspapers next Wednesday and Friday as usual.

**Fishing rods stolen**

A total of four fishing rods with reels were taken from a boat docked at the Penetanguishene town dock, sometime between Sept. 29 and Oct. 4.

The rods were on a boat owned by Paul J. Demoulin of Lorne Street, Penetanguishene and the loss is valued at \$60.

**Centennial Commissioner could be picked Tuesday**

Penetanguishene could have a new Centennial Commissioner as soon as Tuesday night.

There will be a caucus meeting that night in the town's municipal building with all applicants for that position invited to attend for an interview.

There is an 8 p.m. start for that meeting.

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