Tax revolt? one township councillor believes

Township of St.
Vincent in the Meaford area of Ontario has come up with a controversial resolution, which by the way members of Midland council refused to endorse Monday night.

The township is requesting all Canadians to stop paying sales tax and

merchants to refrain from collecting these same taxes.

According to the township: "provincial sales tax at three per cent was introduced into Ontario, ostensibly to help pay the cost of our medicare program.

"It was increased to five per cent and is now seven per cent - the biggest single contributing factor to inflation, in my opinion.

"We have gone the full cycle and are now being asked to pay privately for future medical and hospital charges. Do we hear cries of outrage from the Opposition? What Opposition?

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(page 4) from the Department of Revenue states: From time to time, the vendors are faced with a customer who refuses to pay tax. Because the purchaser is always liable for the tax until it is collected, under these circumstances the Branch will undertake collection directly from the

customer, proviced the vendor notifies it within twenty days of receiving the refusal. The vendor should obtain the refusal in writing and submit all details.

"In this country, citizens do not have to identify themselves. We are not yet a police state. Our governments, both federal

Liberal and provincial Conservative, have proven beyond a shadow of a doubt, that they are totally incapable of wisely spending the revenue pried from the taxpayer in a countinually increasing volume; and further, because I believe that taxation is theft, I urge all Canadians who would like to halt inflation to stop paying Provincial Sales Tax across the counter.

"I further urge all

merchants to refrain from collecting taxes.

"We have here, all the ingredients for a Boston Tea Party, Canadian style. We can teach our government and all politicians, both incumbent and aspiring, a lesson they will never forget. Call it "The Tax Revolt" or the Paint Pot Rebellion" as you will, but I urge all concerned Canadians to JOIN IT."

— Eric Biggins, St. Vincent Township

Information night set for Le Caron

Le Caron High School in Penetanguishene will host an information night tomorrow beginning at 7 p.m. for Grade 8 pupils and their parents.

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