

CARP means \$1,149,000 for town

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province viewed the Edwards development proposal as an integral part and major thrust for the rejuvenation of the town's core area.

It was also clear at both meetings, province was and is willing to assist the core area by making substantial funds available through CARP.

Although to date nothing has been received by the Ministry in writing the town has been assured during a series of telephone calls this week, including one conference call that involved a number of councillors, that if Midland puts up 33-1/3 per cent the province would come good for 66-2/3 per cent so as to at least fund phase one of Midland's proposed commercial revitalization program which would include purchasing the Edwards Parking lot and a walkway next door.

Tuesday afternoon Mayor Lynn, Reeve William Orr and Deputy-reeve Bev Day all declared a conflict of interest, vacated their chairs and left the council chambers after the mayor's brief presentation as to the history of CARP to date.

(Under the province's conflict of interest regulations it is stressed, that as soon as a member is aware of a conflict of interest he must disclose it. In practice, this means it should be done before any discussion or voting takes place on the matter from which the conflict arises.)

In the absence of the mayor, Alderman Richard Platt was nominated to chair the remainder of the meeting, which on several occasions became a heated affair.

Ray McLarney, representing Edwards of Midland indicated that Edwards parking lot and walkway must be sold at \$275,000 for the mall project to work. He told of two meetings with the parking authority and Mayor Lynn at which the \$275,000 price seemed agreeable if it could be funded under the CARP program.

(The property(s) were appraised at \$155,000 and \$157,000 by two local real estate firms and at \$277,500 by a Barrie company.)

It was conceded that the appraisal of David Wass Appraisal Ltd., as commissioned by Edwards, allowed for an "income approach to value" factor whereas other information received may not have included this approach.

(It has been learned that the parking authority had indicated at last week's meeting that the acquisition of the Edwards properties for municipal parking has been planned for seven years.)

While a number of politicians, Tuesday afternoon, wrestled with who would be caught holding the bag if the

deal fell through, all were in favour of the CARP program as a whole.

A 10-minute recess was called by Alderman Ian Ross so council could meet with Treasurer AJ Goodchild. That recess lasted well over an hour during

which time councillors negotiated with Edwards.

When the meeting resumed, well after the supper hour, two key motions were put forward.

Because of their importance they are being republished here

at this time:

Resolution No. I
 THAT the Town accept in principle the Offer of the Province of Ontario to fund the Midland Commercial Area Revitalization Program, Phase One, as per proposal attached hereto, Option B, 66-2/3

per cent 33-1/3 per cent.

Resolution No. II
 THAT an Offer be prepared for the Town of Midland to purchase from Clarke Edwards Part of Lots 15 and 16, W. Midland Avenue, Plan 169A 113' x 186' more or less, being all

the vendor's lands, free of encumbrance, restrictions or rights of way at a price of \$160,000.00 subject to:
 A. The Province of Ontario funding the C.A.R.P. program, Phase One, Option B. as per proposal attached hereto.

B. The completion by the Town of the purchase from Edward's Specialty Shop Limited of a walkway over Park Lot 5, E. King Street, Plan 169A 12' x 165' for a price of \$50,000.

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