

First paving of Church St. is expected later in fall

The contractor for Penetanguishene's Church Street sewer installation project says if the weather co-operates construction crews should be able to have pavement installed along the street by the end of October.

Don Sherk Construction of Penetanguishene has the \$800,000 contract to install sewers along the street between Don Street and the entrance to the Mental Health Centre. The upper portion of Broad Street

and Cambridge Street are also included in the project.

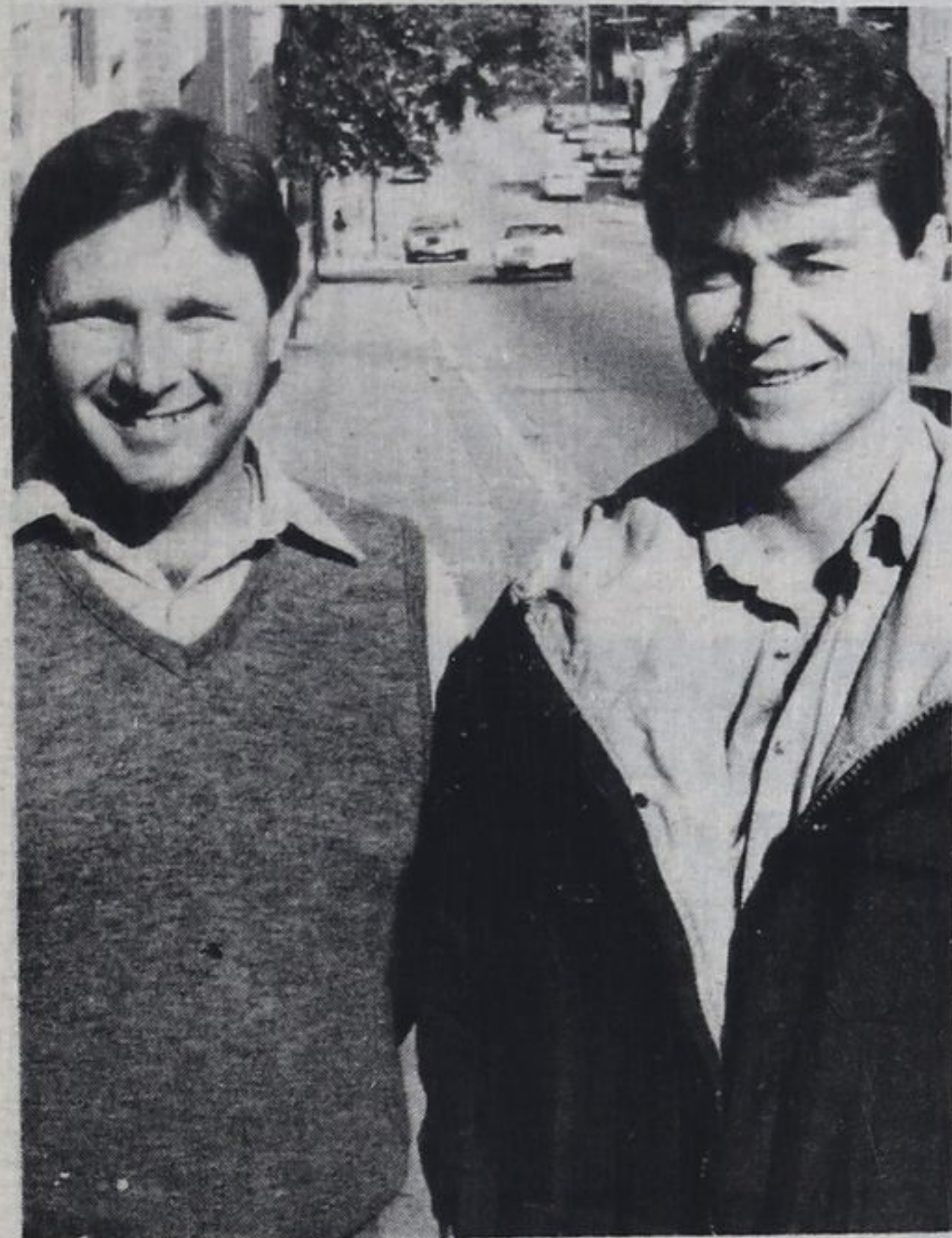
Don Sherk said Friday that the first two-inch thick layer of pavement will go in in the fall and a final one-inch thick layer will go in next spring. Final grading of lawns fronting on the streets will also be completed in spring, he said. The contractor told the town the project would take about 44 weeks from the

starting date. Work began about three weeks ago.

Construction crews began the project by digging up the old poured concrete roadbed. The original roadbed was poured, it is believed, sometime during the 1920s. It was poured by hand and, with the exception of a few areas where the road was patched, the surface withstood the elements for the better

part of 60 years.

Sherk said crews digging up the original roadbed had no problems digging it up from near Don Street to Broad Street but that the short stretch between Broad Street and the Mental Health Centre presented more difficulty. He said it appears the last stretch was either more strongly reinforced or poured thicker than the rest of the street, making it much more difficult to scoop up.



CAS starts bilingual service

Children's Aid Society social worker Dan Downey (left) and Bob Grenier, hired by the Midland area CAS office to help introduce bilingual child welfare services to the area, are seen in this photo taken last week. The two hope French-speaking residents of the area will feel they have full access to CAS services now that bilingual service is offered.

John O'Hara, Sr. enters Penetang race

John O'Hara, Sr. is the third Penetanguishene resident to throw his hat in the ring for election to Penetanguishene town council. He announced his candidacy for a council seat yesterday.

O'Hara said yesterday his interest in politics began 65 years ago when he was 10 years old. He has never run for political office before but he is no stranger to the Penetanguishene council chamber. O'Hara attends all council meetings, and, he said, often attends committee of council meetings.

Asked about his keen interest in municipal politics, O'Hara said he likes to know what is going on around town "for the good of the town." "You can't live or work in a better place," he added.

O'Hara said he highly respects all present members of town council but said he thinks it is time to see some new blood on council, and new ideas coming from it. He also said he would mount a vigorous election campaign.

O'Hara said he will make the rounds door-to-door and will handle his own campaign himself.

O'Hara has lived in Penetanguishene on a permanent basis for the last 12 years, since his retirement as a work superintendent for the Borough of North York. He has owned property in the community for 30 years.

O'Hara noted that an important contribution he can make to the town is based on many years of experience in supervising municipal projects. He said he is familiar with administration, tendering, watermain and sewer construction and other contracting work. "I've decided to give the taxpayers the benefit of my 40 years of municipal experience," he said. His son, John Jr., served on town council during the current three-year term before resigning to become chairman of the Huronia Airport Commission.

Municipal elections are held across Ontario Nov. 12.

Recycling depot in Penetang readied for Oct. 1 opening

The team behind North Simcoe's recycling program is hoping Environment Minister Jim Bradley can attend the grand opening of the North Simcoe Waste Management Association's new 2,400 square foot recycling depot on Robert Street East in Penetanguishene.

The opening is scheduled for the first week of October, which is appropriate since the

recycling program gets started Oct. 1, and Sept. 30-Oct. 5 happens to be Recycling Week across Ontario.

Motorists driving by the depot may have noticed that there is a new sign on the board advertising businesses in the Penetang Industrial Court

building. It was put in place last week by the association. On the weekend the Barrie disposal firm that won the contract to haul recycled wastes started to get the space in the court organized for the start of business.

McLelland Disposal of Barrie is setting up

bailers, bins and shredders in the building to recycle glass, cans and bottles that will be hauled to the site for compacting after they are picked up at roadside curbs in the six municipalities in the Association.

Association chairman Lionel Dion said Friday that recycled paper is destined for the Ontario Paper Company in Thorold, the glass will go to a Kitchener firm and compacted cans are destined for sale to Stelco and Dofasco. If and when the use of aluminum in tin cans is

permitted in Ontario, provisions will be made to find a buyer of recycled aluminum, he said.

Dion said that Penetanguishene town councillors will be approached to see if they are willing to erect signs at the entrances to town proclaiming, "This municipality recycles." The signs will likely be appearing in communities across North Simcoe.

Recycling manager is Port McNicoll clerk Ted Walker. His assistant is Port resident Gail Redditt.

Fox Street plant said to be on schedule

Construction of Penetanguishene's new sewage treatment plant on Fox Street is on schedule and the contractor building the facility says he is confident it will be operational around Christmas.

Don Sherk Construction of Penetanguishene has the \$1.2 million contract. The municipality's second sewage plant, the Fox Street facility will service the town's north end. "It is our intention that it will be on-line by Christmas," Don Sherk said Friday.

He noted that it is more difficult to determine when the plant will be ready than it would be had the firm been doing all the work. There are approximately 15 firms doing subcontracting work in the project and there are some 25 separate suppliers of construction materials.

The new plant, between the north end of the Tannery Cove subdivision and Inn at Baymoorings on the town's waterfront, will be a one-storey building. The exterior will be finished in tongue and groove cedar and the lands surrounding it are to be landscaped, Sherk noted. Most of the work is being done by area firms, he noted.



Volunteer with CDA

Fran Moreau is a volunteer with the Midland-Penetanguishene branch of the Canadian Diabetes Association. She works at Penetanguishene General Hospital and is active in a program there which encourages diabetics to follow simple steps to successfully cope with diabetes.

Tiny would 'rue the day' Dion says

North Simcoe Waste Management Association chairman Lionel Dion isn't impressed by rumours of a pull-out from the Association by Tiny Township.

If the township pulls out of the township "they rue the day they did it," Dion said Friday.

"They can't afford their own landfill site and they won't be able to afford to truck garbage out," he commented. The association feels the

township council has been "very foolish" in the way they have manoeuvred with the association, he added.

In a council motion passed last Wednesday, councillors in Tiny said a review of the township's association membership should be undertaken with a view to terminating its membership if the association insists on concentrating on landfill as a means of disposing garbage.

Penetang native wants to test water in Toronto market

by PETER SPOHN

A Toronto physician born and raised in Penetanguishene wants to bottle Penetang tap water in a Robert Street West home for up to 18 months and test its marketability in the Toronto area.

Penetanguishene boasts Canada's purest drinking water, and in a letter sent by Dr. P.A. Charlebois to the municipality's Planning Advisory Committee, the Scarborough General Hospital anaesthetist says if there is a demand for bottled water in the Toronto market, it could mean another industry for Penetanguishene.

Dr. Charlebois proposes to bottle tap water by hand in a white building used for storage at 46 Robert St. West. The building is beside the doctor's old family home and is in his family's name.

In the letter he states everything would be done by hand by no more than three or four people at a time. Use of machinery would not be required and there would be no unusual noise or sounds from the house, Dr.

Charlebois states. The temporary operation would include bottling the water in one litre containers for sale in Toronto, and storage in the building. A medium size truck using a back lane would probably be used for transporting.

The municipality's chief planner Paul Hodgins said yesterday the request is being handled cautiously by Planning because it is the first request for a temporary revision of existing zoning regulations received by Planning. He explained that under the province's new Planning Act, the town can more easily pass a temporary uses bylaw covering a set period of time of up to three years. Hodgins said he talked about the proposal with Water & Light Commission chairman Ernie Lalonde and that the commission has no major problems with it.

Dr. Charlebois was scheduled to attend last night's Planning meeting to discuss the proposal. A recommendation is due from Planning and it will eventually be sent to town council for a final decision.