

Incineration on back burner for NSWMA

The option of incineration as a method of garbage disposal has been put on the back burner by the North Simcoe Waste Management Association (NSWMA).

According to NSWMA Chairman Lionel Dion, at a meeting of the Association's Site Selection Committee, it was recommended to remove incineration as a means of waste management for the association's five municipalities.

In an interview last week Dion said the association will direct their consultants to abandon any further studies on incineration because it is not feasible for the area at the present time.

"We will direct all our attention to site 41 (the Wayne Johnson farm in the south end of Tiny Township)," said the Chairman, "in order to complete all the necessary work for an Environmental Assessment (EA)."

Presently the association is between six and eight weeks away from being prepared to send a proposal on site 41 to the Ministry of the Environment and a number of other government agencies for their consideration prior to an EA hearing, according to Dion. Areas such as compensation for landowners and transportation must be looked at before the proposal is completed.

Dion said the association is looking at early spring

for an EA hearing which would decide the fate of site 41 as the replacement for the Pauze landfill site that is slated to be closed by the Ontario government on Oct. 31, 1987.

Although the association is not currently looking at the possibility of incineration, the group is not ruling incineration out totally, according to Dion. "Incineration is a complicated technological thing but it could be a reality in the future. We are not saying it will never happen."

The chairman estimated

it would cost the association anywhere between \$7 and \$10 million to build an incinerator and another \$1 million a year to operate an incinerator.

"These figures are out of reach for most municipalities," said Dion. "I could see the association setting up a fund for incineration site in the future, but landfill will always be part of waste management."

Dion explained the association has already funded three separate investigations into the

possibility of Huronia District Hospital, Penetanguishene Mental Health Centre and Mitsubishi using the energy from waste (EFW) from incineration.

"We had studies completed and the only energy user that came close to using the amount of energy that would be produced was Mitsubishi," said Dion.

Although Mitsubishi could use the energy, Dion noted a number of possible problems arising in the area.

The chairman explained the cost of guaranteeing the company if there was some sort of break down in the machinery would be astronomical.

The amounts of waste burned would have to remain at a certain level in order to produce the required EFW which could pose a problem to the association.

"When the cottage season is over, the association would have to transport waste into the area to keep up the steam requirements," said Dion.

Libel trial lasts five weeks

The five person jury in the libel trial of William Ogilvie and the Midland Free Press, was charged by Mr. Justice John James Fitzpatrick last Friday. The trial took five weeks to reach that point. More than two dozen witnesses testified.

Ogilvie, a former deputy-reeve in Midland and an individual described by his lawyer as being obsessed with local politics, is on trial because of an editorial he wrote. He submitted it as an advertisement to the newspaper's advertising manager and it was published with the notice added. Advertisement.

That personal, as opposed to regular Free Press in-house, editorial, was published, marked as an advertisement, in the Midland Free Press on May 4, 1983.

The senior partners of the Midland law firm of Teskey, Heacock, Ferguson and Main - Gord Teskey, Ross Heacock and Rod Ferguson - were the complainants.

The lawyers said that Ogilvie's writing, published by the Free Press, hurt their reputation and that a statement made by Ogilvie about Heacock was untrue.

Peter Mudry, Ogilvie's lawyer, in his closing argument to the jury, suggested that if Ogilvie is a crackpot, no damage was done to the

lawyers. But if Ogilvie is not a crackpot, then the libel action was a move by the lawyers to silence Ogilvie, Mudry said.

In May of 1983, Midland had not dropped its attempt to annex Tiny Township's highway commercial strip. The Midland Chamber of Commerce wrote a letter to Midland council supporting annexation. Ross Heacock was the Chamber of Commerce president. His law firm represented, and continues to represent, Tiny Township. Ogilvie, in his editorial, to which he gave the title of Betrayal Of Tiny Township, charged that Heacock's declaration of a conflict of interest at the time of the decision by the Chamber to support annexation, was "an alibi" and "a phoney excuse".

Dalrymple resigns

A member of the Midland Committee of Adjustment gave a lack of independence as one of the reasons for his decision to resign.

In his letter of resignation John Dalrymple gave his health as the other reason.

"My health has been, and will continue to be, such that I am not able to attend regularly. In addition, I have lost a bit of interest lately as I felt there was a bit of duplication of

Heacock should have defended his client: that he did not was a betrayal of the client-solicitor relationship, Ogilvie wrote.

Both the lawyers and the newspaper were represented by first class legal firms.

The Free Press, one of the many newspapers in Canada and the United States owned by Canadian Newspapers Company Ltd., was defended by the Toronto law firm of Tory, Tory, Deslauriers and Binnington.

Teskey, Heacock, and Ferguson were represented by the Toronto law firm of Goodman and Goodman.

Ogilvie's lawyer was Peter Mudry of Midland. Mudry was Midland Mayor Al Roach's lawyer in Roach's assault case.

effort with the Planning Board."

The resignation was accepted by the Town council at its most recent meeting. The council also addressed the issue of duplication of effort. The council agreed that the Committee of Adjustment need not submit its work to the Committee of Council to Hold Public Hearings on Planning Matters.

Dalrymple was an original member of the Committee of Adjustment.



Peace Day marchers

Represented in the Peace Day parade held last Sunday afternoon were First and Fourth Midland Guides, First Midland Pathfinders, First and Second Midland

Brownies, First Victoria Harbour Guides, First Port McNicoll Guides and First Port McNicoll Brownies, and First Penetanguishene Guides and Brownies.

Rabies vaccinations available Nov. 17

The 350 registered dog owners living in Midland might want to make sure that they take their dog to the rabies clinic on Nov. 17.

Proof of vaccination against rabies will be one of the two requirements for obtaining a 1987 municipal dog licence. The surrender of \$10 will be the other requirement.

The rabies clinic will be held in the board room of Centennial Arena, between 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. A rabies shot will cost \$3.

Parks and Arena Superintendent Jim McLaren says that four volunteers will be needed to complete forms.

Cats, as well as dogs, will be vaccinated.

Domestic pets should be

vaccinated annually, says George Williams of the Simcoe County Health Unit.

A Midland resident found next year with a dog but without a licence for his dog, will face a \$10 fine on the first offence, a \$25 fine on the second offence, and a court appearance after a third offence.

A revised animal control bylaw might be ready for the inspection of the town council at its next regular meeting, on Nov. 10.

Clerk Fred Flood is searching legislation to find whether the town can require an animal other than a dog to be vaccinated. Licencing of dogs comes under the Dog Licencing Act. Municipalities cannot require a cat owner to buy a licence.

The Municipal Act permits municipalities to limit the number of certain animals, including cats as well as dogs. The revised Midland animal control

Opposition to Bill 38

Penetanguishene Town Council decided to jump on the bandwagon to stop the province's bill which would cut \$100 million a year from recreation programs.

A request to support the Parks and Recreation Federation of Ontario came from the Arena Parks and Recreation Board which has already sent its letter to the premier. Other municipalities in Ontario have been writing letters as well.

bylaw will place a limit of two dogs and two cats per household.

Clerk Flood says that the vaccination requirement will be enforced.

Simcoe County's recreation committee has already sent a letter of objection and received a reply from the Premier, the Finance Minister and the Minister of Sport and Fitness. According to Penetanguishene Reeve Art Stewart, who's also the chairman of the county's recreation committee, the politicians haven't given him a straight answer.

The bill was slated for third reading in mid-October.



Quota shatters silence

Margaret Douglas, service chairperson from the Quota Club of Huronia, presents Betty Robitaille of the Simcoe County Health Unit with an audiometer. This machine is used for hearing testing including pre-school screening. Although the machine is small in size, it carries a

\$1,200 price tag. This is the second audiometer donated by Quota to the Health Unit in the past twelve years. The Quota Club of Huronia is part of an international executive women's club. Their main area of service is with the hearing and speech impaired.