

## Traffic study

Town officials in Penetanguishene have authorized the spending of between \$20,000 and \$30,000 for the completion of a comprehensive traffic study.

According to Administrator Yvon Gagne, the town is now preparing the terms of reference to be used by the consultants, when the examination of the town's avenues begins in the new year.

If everything goes as planned, Gagne said, the town will prepare for proposal calls from consulting firms in the very early part of 1987.

Although the administrator said it will take until the fall to complete, examination of the traffic arteries near the town's many schools would be undertaken immediately.

"We are going to expediate on the matter of schools" said Gagne. "The town wants an interim report on this situation, so corrections of these areas can be made as soon as possible."

Gagne added it is important for the study to be underway by the summer and continue until the fall so that the consultants can accumulate complete statistical information of the traffic in the town's busy tourist season.

## Warden elections

The 1986 Warden of Simcoe County Ed McDermott will hand over the reigns today at a special inaugural session of the Simcoe County Council at the Administrations Centre in Midhurst.

This afternoon the 44 representatives from the 34 municipalities in the county will face the difficult task of voting amongst themselves on the successor to Warden McDermott, who has held the seat since last December.

Going into today's session three members of county council had declared their candidacy for the Warden's position. Stayner Reeve Eldon Bell, Wasaga Beach Reeve Douglas Brander and Vespra Reeve Harry Adams have been campaigning for the position for some time.

Following this morning's voting, the 145th inauguration of the Simcoe County Council will be held at 1 p.m.



Man in Motion

## New FLEC support Marchand

Tomorrow evening, the Simcoe County Board of Education (SCBE) will decide whether to withdraw its appeal of a Supreme Court of Ontario order to provide equal opportunity for French-speaking high school students at Ecole Secondaire Le Caron.

At its first meeting last Thursday, the French Language Education Council (FLEC) ordered the SCBE to rescind the appeal they

launched against a Supreme Court of Ontario decision. The order, handed down earlier this summer, favours a local parents group led by Lafontaine resident Jacques Marchand.

Richard Boswell, the director of education, said he will advise the board of the development at tomorrow night's meeting.

"The litigation is a matter for the whole board as a corporate body to decide," he said,

rather than a matter for a part of the board.

However, Boswell said the FLEC members are within their rights and jurisdiction to ask him to withdraw the appeal.

According to FLEC member Basil Dorion, students at Ecole Secondaire Le Caron in Penetanguishene are suffering because of a lack of shop and family studies resources.

"Our aim is to have proper facilities for the 1987-1988 school year," he said. The council will begin drawing up plans for the addition needed to house the classrooms, he said.

The SCBE appealed the court's decision in September, by asking for the clarification of their rights under section 23 of the Canadian Charter of Rights.

In the statement made by Mr. Justice Sirois in July, the provincial high court stated the rights for equal opportunities and facilities for French-speaking students. The court ordered the province and the SCBE to provide adequate resources for shop and family studies courses at the Penetanguishene French high school.

## NSWMA prepare for summer hearing

Member of the North Simcoe Waste Management Association (NSWMA) are looking at July for an Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Environmental Assessment (EA) Hearing on their proposed location of a replacement for the Pauze landfill site.

MOE officials have scheduled the Perkinsfield dump to be closed on October 31 of next year, but the association will not have an engineered site ready for at least another year and a half.

According to NSWMA Secretary Yvon Gagne, if everything runs on schedule the association will have the draft proposal of an assessment on the Wayne Johnson farm (site 41) on Concession 2 of Tiny Township prepared by early February.

Final submission to the MOE should be completed by March. Following the hearing, MOE officials will make the final decision on the location of a new landfill site, to take over after the Pauze dump is closed.

The five remaining municipalities of the NSWMA have allocated \$100,000 to cover the cost of a hearing which, Gagne said, is expected to last three weeks.



## Here comes the judge

Judge L.T. Montgomery of Orillia welcomed Penetanguishene's newest Justice of the Peace, Gil Robillard. The former mayor of the

town joins Cam Parker as a Justice of the Peace.

## Tiny rebuts consultant's comments

Tiny Township council want their consultant to retract statements, about the Wayne Johnson farm being a suitable location for a new landfill site, made at the last public meeting of the Tiny Township Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) held at The Place in Balm Beach on Nov. 22.

In an interview last week EAC Chairman Art Dyer said that Michael Pratt's statements made at the public session of the EAC were "misleading" and in no way did the municipality's officials support his suggestion that the Wayne Johnston farm is a suitable site for a garbage dump.

According to Dyer, another meeting has been set for Dec. 13 at The Place in Balm Beach to continue the discussions on making a final selection for a location of a new dump to service Tiny Township that were started at the Nov. 22 meeting.

At the fourth public meeting, which Tiny officials hoped would have resulted in a selection being made on a location, to be put

before a Ministry of the Environment's (MOE) Environmental Assessment Hearing, Pratt told those on hand that taking into consideration the criteria set out by residents from questionnaires sent out by the municipality, there were only two possible sites for a dump, the Wayne Johnson farm (the North Simcoe Waste Management Association's (NSWMA) site 41) and the 80 acres of land adjacent to the Pauze landfill site in Perkinsfield.

Dyer said Pratt's comment was "an absolutely misguided statement that wasn't meant to be made at all."

"Council has taken a definite stand on using Site 41," said Dyer. "Our stand always has been no, and it always will be. We can't oppose a site one minute and then make a statement in favour of it."

Tiny Township officials have been working single-handedly in an attempt to find a replacement dump for the Pauze landfill site,

that is slated to be closed on Oct. 31, 1987, since they withdrew from the NSWMA in July when the association refused to abandon their proposal to locate the new dump on the agricultural land.

In an earlier interview Dyer said the other members of his council, who were elected in the 1985 municipal elections, campaigned on the one platform that they would not support a dump in the south end of the township, and council would not change their position on the matter.

The chairman said he hoped that at the next meeting, scheduled for Dec. 13 at The Place at 10 a.m., will result in some concrete decisions being made by the public when the township's lawyers and consultants are both on hand to answer any questions.

"The meeting will be a continuation of the last meeting," said Dyer. "We are going to continue to let the people of the township reach their own conclusion on a dump site."