

Unable to organize

Candidates for the Conservative nomination in Muskoka-Georgian Bay speak of "instant Liberals" who don't have "grass roots" support, unable to organize an efficient nomination meeting. "I might be saying the same things if I were in their position," Ken Black says.

Black is the Liberal standard bearer in the coming provincial election.

The PC candidates' disparaging comments about the Liberals reflect the locally entrenched party's recognition that the trend to supporting the Liberal Party is strong, and that a Liberal victory is possible, Black said.

The Liberal government is popular; it has been doing a good job for 22 months; David Peterson is a popular premier; and the Liberals are highly rated in opinion polls, Black said.

Some of the new Liberals could be called "instant" Liberals, Black said. Most of the card carrying Liberals in Muskoka-

Georgian Bay are new Liberals. The membership mushroomed to close to 1,100 for the Liberal nomination meeting. "A lot of people have joined the Liberal Party. That's a fact." And they are working for the party, he said.

"You can't tell me that that doesn't represent significant growth and support from the grass roots."

The vote on election day will be the Conservatives' answer, Black said.

Responding to the Conservatives saying that nearly half of the Liberals at the nomination meeting didn't vote for Black, Black said that fact reflected the situation that the Liberals had to make a choice between strong candidates on the final ballot. "It's a good indication of our association's strength that we produced candidates who did attract support, and that their supporters did attend the nomination meeting."

A Liberal hasn't been elected in Muskoka in 42 years. Black didn't know how long the Georgian Bay part of the new riding has been voting Conservative. "That fact in itself (Conservative dominance) tells you we have a lot of work to do."

Black's hope is that the positive feeling and enthusiasm among Liberals working on the campaign will make up for the lack of all of the experience he would like to have on the Liberal team.

"We are just a bunch of poor boys from across the tracks who will try to put together a campaign." He added, "I'm speaking with my tongue in my cheek."

Speaking seriously, Black said, "I don't mind coming from the underdog position."



Election preparation

Liberal candidate in Muskoka-Georgian Bay Ken Black, seated to the right of Rod Ferguson, met with Liberals in Midland last week, to prepare the groundwork for a provincial election. Among the other

Liberals attending the meeting were, standing from left, Jim McGregor, Howard Markham, Theresa Cote, David Moore, Rolf Schmid, Marg Leduc, and Rosemary Collison.

Dump search costs money

The search for a replacement for the Pauze dump in Perkinsfield is costing the municipalities the North Simcoe Waste Management Association (NSWMA) more money than originally anticipated.

At last Tuesday evening's session of the NSWMA, officials approved taking over \$84,000 out of their property reserve fund to cover the operation deficit for 1986.

According to the association's Administration and Finance Chairman Nancy Keefe, the additional expenditure is a result of complications in preparing for an Environmental Assessment (EA).

In 1986, \$100,000 was budgeted by the member municipalities for the search for a landfill site and the preparation of a

proposal for an environmental assessment, but the cost incurred was over \$180,000.

Keefe said this was a result of additional demands placed on the consultants to undertake extra tests and to produce additional reports.

The Administration and Finance Committee Chairman told NSWMA officials the other reason behind the association going over their allotted budget was that fact that not all the levies that were expected to be paid were received by the association.

Keefe said the money which will be transferred should be recovered in the reserve fund when the levies for 1987 are collected from the municipalities.

Public meeting details plan

This evening the Midland waterfront development committee's revised, final version of its suggested plan of development for the town's waterfront, will be explained to the public.

Committee chairman Bruce Wilcox thinks people who didn't attend an earlier public meeting should attend to get a first hand explanation.

The plan if accepted by the town council means taking the handcuffs off development on the waterfront, he said. The plan gives the town a sense of direction. In the long haul the town will be better off economically if the waterfront is altered as recommended by the committee, Wilcox said.

The \$260 million estimated cost of doing everything recommended

in the plan means nothing, he said. The committee's concern is that the plan and the committee's recommendations be adopted by the town council. "The real work begins then: going out and making it work," finding the needed investors.

Acceptance by the town council of the plan does not commit the municipality to spend money, he said.

Wilcox used Canada Steamship Lines plan to spend \$80 million to develop its Collingwood waterfront property over a stretch of seven or eight years as proof that the plan for Midland is feasible.

This evening is the final time the plan will be explained to the public before the plan and attendant recommendations are delivered to the council.

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