



Call me Chief

Georgian Bay Native Friendship Centre director Roger Jackson gave Midland's mayor a present during his appearance before the council last week. Mayor Al

Roach jokingly advised a reporter to call him Chief Roach in future. The Town council granted Jackson's request to declare Aug.

24-29 Native Awareness Days in Midland. Aug. 29 will be official opening day of the Native Friendship Centre.

Harsh words on sidewalks at meeting

An argument during the July 27 council meeting about the way Midland's public works department budget is spent, led to the mayor ordering the chairman of public works to take his seat. The chairman's response after he sat was, "Who the hell do you think you are?"

During the July 27 council meeting, Mayor Al Roach was upset that more than \$100,000 was being spent on equipment, and "not \$5 on sidewalk repairs."

Money for equipment was kept in the public works budget this year. However, the money for sidewalks was cut in an effort to keep the 1987 Town budget increase to a set limit, Councillor Fred Pilon responded.

The council determines how money is spent, the mayor said, "and we can't find even \$5 for sidewalk repairs. Something is out of kilter." Members of council are being 'snowed.' Counc. Pilon suggested to the mayor his job as the representative of all Midlanders is to argue for sidewalks. As chairman of public works, his job is to argue for public works.

"I have the floor," the mayor said, "I didn't interrupt you." Mayor Roach accused the councillor of "belittling" the position of mayor.

"Who the hell do you think you are?," Councillor Pilon replied, quietly, as he took his seat. "You are the mayor." He said he was not trying to belittle or argue with the mayor. Money for sidewalks was removed from the 1987 budget because "some

members" of council wanted an increase of a maximum four or five per cent. "I have only one vote," the mayor said.

All members of the council are responsible for the structure of the budget, Councillor Buzz Brown said.

The mayor and Councillor Carolyn White asked why a \$13,000 vacuum leaf loader was being purchased, when the Town owns a machine costing more than \$100,000 which can be adapted for the work. The mayor asked why an extra \$4,000 is being spent so that a new pickup truck to be driven around town will have a diesel engine. "Where are our priorities?"

The public works committee is considering improving sidewalks on Dominion Avenue between Lindsay Street and George Street, and on Elizabeth Street between William Street and Olive Street.

After the meeting Pilon invited a reporter standing nearby to sit in the "hot seat" - his chair.

Four cats, six dogs picked up

The Huronia Animal Control van was in Midland frequently during June. Ninety-nine complaints and investigations were recorded. Four cats were picked up by request; six dogs were picked up. Eight animals were redeemed or returned; five dogs and cats were destroyed.

HDH passed by in giveaway

Hospitals in Barrie and Orillia are receiving \$60 million and \$30 million respectively, Minister of

Health Murray Elston announced last week. Huronia District Hospital hasn't received notice of a

grant. The capital fundraising campaign under way at HDH is for the purpose of buying trauma centre equipment, expanding the emergency department, thcoming from the provincial government.

More than \$1.3 million of the minimum \$2 million goal has been raised. The HDH board has committed an additional \$500,000 from its reserve fund.

Royal Victoria Hospital,

Barrie, is receiving \$60 million to pay most of the cost of a new acute care hospital building, and of and opening a vacant wing. The hospital board decided to raise the money since money was not for renovation and expansion of the existing hospital, for chronic care patients. The community will raise another \$30 million.

Soldiers' Memorial Hospital, Orillia, is receiving \$30 million for renovation and expansion. That

community will raise another \$15 million.

Both projects had the the support of the Simcoe County District Health Council. The health council so far has not recommended funding for HDH.

Waters are still OK for area's swimmers

No news is good news when it comes to testing for pollution in Little Lake, as well as other area swimming spots.

Simcoe County Health Inspector Don Morrow says recent tests done on water from Little Lake and the Tiny beaches areas have come up okay.

Despite blistering heat-waves which caused peo-

ple to flock to the beaches, Morrow says the readings "have been coming up pretty good."

Tests on Little Lake are done weekly, and at the Tiny Township beaches on a less frequent basis.

Little Lake has been closed to swimmers in the past because of pollution, resulting from storm water runoff.

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