

## MPP critical of Tiny deputy-reeve critical of him

Tiny Township received a letter last week from Markham MPP Donald Cousens. But his correspondence had little to do with business at Queen's Park; he was writing as president of the Nottawaga Creek Ratepayers' Association.

He used official government letterhead to file his complaints to council.

That angered Deputy Reeve Peter Brasher: "I am disappointed that an MPP should use provincial government letterhead to represent a beach association," he said.

The deputy reeve suggested that this was

something done "at the taxpayer's expense."

Cousens had a number of complaints:

He objects to a parking lot which is proposed for the bottom of Concession 12 and demands an opportunity to publicly say so at some official meeting. If the township proceeds with its plans to build to the parking lot, Cousens warns that his group will "take our objections to the Ontario Municipal Board."

The MPP wants to carefully study "any changes to the official plan" between Concessions 12 and 13.

He would "appreciate

receiving a copy of the most up-to-date official plan of the township."

Cousens suggests that some people with property in the Nottawaga area might be paying too much for garbage pick up.

He wants to know how the township determined the costs for each cottager and year-round resident.

"Was any consideration given to having the costs for cottagers reduced over that of year-round residents? An explanation of the rationale of this decision would be much appreciated," Cousens says.



### Fabrics galore

Doris Bumstead is the owner of The Sewing Den, which just opened at the Village Square Mall. It will

offer fabrics, patterns and, in the fall, sewing classes. It is Bumstead's first business.

## "I couldn't sell my skills - so I upgraded them."



Betty Screpnek, Training Co-ordinator, specializes in helping women find jobs.

Gloria Phair's small business was hurt dramatically by changes in the oil industry. With three children at home, she needed another job.

For months on end she knocked on doors. Finally, she looked to her Canada Employment Centre for help.

Gloria was thrilled to find a Canadian Jobs Strategy program designed specifically to meet the needs of women like her - to help her upgrade her skills and make her more marketable.

Betty Screpnek, Gloria's counsellor, set her up in an intense training program with classroom training in life skills and office management. Then she was placed with an Edmonton engineering firm, The Blero Group of Companies, for on-site training.

Twelve weeks later, she was due to return for more classroom training. But didn't.

Instead, Gloria stayed on at the company as

Personnel Manager.

At Canada Employment Centres, we don't claim to be miracle workers - but we'll do everything we can to help people who want to help themselves. We have the skilled people, the programs, and the will to help people like Gloria Phair.

"I had no idea they could help me so much!" - Gloria Phair.



### Our programs are working!

- We have a group of in-depth programs called the Canadian Jobs Strategy. It helps people who have lost their jobs, and people whose jobs are threatened by change. It also helps women, young people and others who have difficulty finding work.
- We help businesses hire, train new workers, and upgrade the skills of current workers. From entry level to managerial positions.
- Last year, in more than 650 locations, we helped more than 5 million Canadians.
- More than 400,000 Canadians participate in our employment and training programs each year.
- Three months later, 88% of these people say they benefitted.

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