

TWO FOR REEVE, AND FIVE SEEK SEAT IN COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL CONTEST IN RICHMOND HILL.

REEVE

Jacob Lunau, proposed by Geo. Reaman and Thos. H. Trench.

John A. Greene proposed by G. H. Duncan and John H. Dunlop.

FOR COUNCILLORS

Walter G. Baldock proposed by Thos. H. Trench and Norman Batty.

Albert Chapman proposed by Thos. H. Trench and C. N. Cooper.

James McLean, proposed by John H. Dunlop and Thos. H. Trench.

Gordon H. Sloan proposed by A. G. Savage and A. R. Metcalfe.

J. Roy Herrington proposed by W. H. Murphy and H. J. Mills.

PUBLIC SCHOOL TRUSTEES

C. Herbert Sanderson, proposed by Arthur Elson and H. B. Williams.

Anne A. Perry proposed by R. C. Langstaff and G. H. Duncan.

W. Ashford Wright, proposed by Geo. Gee and A. R. Metcalfe.

Joseph Atkinson, proposed by G. H. Duncan and James McLean.

The above candidates for the municipal council for Richmond Hill have qualified and will seek election on Monday next. At the nomination meeting on Monday night they stated their case to the electors who on polling day must pronounce the verdict. All are good men, property owners in the village and deeply interested in its welfare. All would if elected we are sure endeavor to the very best of their ability to further the interests of the people. But one reeve and four councillors are to be elected and it is for the voters to choose who will be honored. Five have been called for council but only four will be chosen two are seeking the reeveship and only one can be elected. It is hoped that a large vote will be polled so that the election may properly represent the voice of the people—not the voice of only a few. Let's make it a record vote this year.

Four were nominated for three vacancies of the Board of Education but Mrs. Perry who has been a very valuable member of the board withdrew and an election was avoided.

The nomination was fairly well attended and all candidates were given a very good hearing and not once was there an interruption or word from the audience. A. J. Hume the genial clerk of the village was elected chairman on motion of ex-reeve Thos. Trench and ex-reeve Wm. Pugsley. He gave a very interesting and exhaustive review of the municipal affairs pointing far out the large amount of money raised by taxation which was really uncontrollable expenditure as far as the council was concerned. It was to meet debentures for improvements approved and asked for by the people at the polls.

Councillor Baldock member of the 1926 council who is seeking re-election was the first speaker. He dealt particularly with the department which

has been in his charge and he pointed out that under his management the arena last year had been successful. The weather was favorable, the crowds very good and the music all that could be desired. This all contributed to a successful year. "I endeavored to apply every-day business principles to the department," said Mr. Baldock, "and I found that that receipts were not as large as the year before but in proportion to the expenditure they were larger. The hockey tournament the previous year had been the means of boosting the revenue while last year it was held late in the season and although successful not nearly so large as the previous year. A drinking fountain and other improvements had been made at the rink which he felt were needed and he was sure they were appreciated by the people. This year he would apply very much the same principles if elected but would endeavor to improve on last years record. Mr. Baldock took a definite stand on the road question and stated that he was not in favor of putting gravel on Centre Street and Richmond Streets until the road was scarified or prepared in some way to hold the gravel. He had enjoyed the work in council and appealed for re-election on his record. James McLean thanked his nominators and said that although out of municipal affairs for one year he was back again this year and if honored by election he would work in the best interests of the village. He felt that something should be done about the village water. The waterworks were an asset to the village but the water was not good at certain seasons and something should be done. He was in favor of putting broken stone on claimed the council should look other streets gravel would be alright if the road was properly prepared. Last year gravel was just dumped on Church Street. The preparation of the road bed was very important he ahead to the day when the village could acquire proper quarters for all municipal offices. He would not suggest it for this year but the council should work with that objective. He appealed for the support of the electors of the office of councillor and wished all the compliments of the season.

Councillor G. H. Sloan was given a good reception when in a short concise speech he appealed for re-election. "When I was elected last year," said Mr. Sloan, "I resolved that I would do my best without fear or favor and I have endeavored to do so at all times." As chairman of the waterworks department he pointed out that at the commencement of the year there was a handsome balance of \$13,75 in that department. He had not made many changes because he maintained that any improvements made should be paid out of ordinary revenue as he was not in favor of issuing any more debentures for the

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waterworks department. The water was good for the great part of the year and just how it could be improved at certain seasons was a matter for study. He was sure he was not going to spend any money on any schemes until he was sure they would be a benefit. "If you think I did good work last year and if you think I can do better next year I appeal for your vote," said Councillor Sloan.

Albert Chapman who is one of the new men appealing for election stated that if the people saw fit to elect him he would do his utmost in the interests of the village. He had had three years experience in township council work so that municipal procedure would not be entirely new to him. In the matter of roads he believed in getting a hundred per cent for money expended that had not always been the case in Richmond Hill. He had seen the grader running up and down the road when it was frozen as hard as the floor. He did not consider that good business. Mr. Chapman thanked his nominators wished all the compliments of the season.

Councillor J. R. Herrington stated that he was glad to have the same nominators as last year. He was satisfied that the 1926 council had endeavored at all times to do the very best for the village with the money at their disposal. The debenture debt was a serious problem and it was no small matter to deal with. Mr. Herrington thanked all those who supported him last year and asked all who thought that his record during the year merited continued confidence to give him their support on Monday next for the office of councillor.

George Reaman who nominated Reeve Lunau spoke on the behalf of candidate who was unavoidably absent. At the outset Mr. Reaman read a letter from Mr. Lunau expressing his regret at being absent from the meeting and asking the people for their support for the reeveship for 1927. Mr. Reaman stated that he thought Mr. Lunau should be given another term as he felt that good work had been done during the year. In county council work a man in one year hardly got onto the run of things. I believe, said Mr. Reaman that when we have a good man we should keep him just the same as we kept Mr. Pugsley for several years.

J. A. Greene who has served in the council for nine years and is now seeking election as reeve stated that during his term in council he had always given of his best ability in the interests of the ratepayers. It was always his aim that the interests of Richmond Hill should be protected. He had acted for the past three years as chairman of the electric light committee and he referred to the recent reductions in rates as a result of representations made to the Hydro. He was sure that the rates which would come into effect on January 1 would meet with the favor of all. Mr. Greene also referred to the \$634 which was in the treasury when the Hydro took it over and which had now been transferred back to the village where it rightfully belonged. Mr. Greene also referred to several improvements made at the rink while he was on the committee at the first of the year. In this respect he said he felt it was the duty of every member of the council to do all he could to improve things regardless of what department it was in. He considered it waste of money to put gravel on Centre and Richmond Streets as at present. He thought that stone properly rolled would make the best road for those streets. He favored co-operation in the council in all matters. He favored all councillors being consulted and their decision adhered. Such had not been the case this year. The council had let contracts for 400 yards of gravel at \$1.99 and \$2.00 per yard and after the meeting further gravel was contracted for at \$2.10 per yard. He believed all cards should be on the table all the time and if elected reeve for 1927 he would promise that all matters would be dealt with in a co-operative manner by all members. The village would have improved transportation facilities during the coming year and it was the duty of the council to make representation to get more favorable rates. The present fares were too high and he was confident that if proper authorities were properly approached that a change would be made. We must endeavor to attract more people to Richmond Hill and the only way to do that was to advertise it every way he could as he was a firm believer in advertising. He had noticed a lack of road signs pointing to Richmond Hill; these could be secured at a very nominal cost. He was in favor of co-operation all along the line; among the council and with the ratepayers. As to the benefit of this policy he mentioned the saving brought about by the board of education in the installation of a sanitary system this year. The original estimate for a suggested plan was \$6,000 but the board and council got together on the matter and the result is that the board installed a satisfactory system for less than \$2000. He paid tribute to the efficient handling of the matter by the board of education. Mr. Greene promised that if elected reeve for 1927 he would do all in his power to put Richmond Hill where it belongs.

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Richmond Hill, Dec. 23, 1926. A. J. HUME, Clerk.

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