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Hire Eight New Teachers High School Bd. To Request Approval Of A 1,000 Pupil School At Thornhill

The Trustees of the Richmond Hill District High School held their regular monthly meeting last Monday evening in the Library of the High School and the main topic of discussion was the proposed new school at Thornhill. Trustee Harry Charles, chairman of the property committee, reported that negotiations for the 13-acre site on Dudley Ave. in Thornhill were continuing with the three property-owners concerned.

Principal A. S. Elson reported that there will be between 182-190 pupils entering the high school in the fall from the Thornhill and Richmond Hill areas alone. This, in addition to the present overcrowding which necessitates a staggered system, will place an almost unbearable load on the present school facilities.

"There will be an additional potential of attendance to consider from the already approved subdivisions in the area," commented Trustee H. Collard.

Trustee V. P. McMullen said, "These figures will serve as evidence to be used in our letter requesting approval for the new school to be sent to the Department of Education." He continued, "What size school do the members feel we need, perhaps 600?"

"It would fill up as soon as it was ready," commented Mr. Elson and added, "I think that a school to accommodate 1000 would be more logical."

Mr. Kinnee added, "This could easily become a 7-year plan allowing two years for the completion of the school."

A resolution was then moved by Trustee R. Blake and seconded by Trustee Campbell Smith that the Property Committee make a re-

quest to the Department of Education requesting approval of a 1000 pupil school.

Personnel
 The personnel committee reported that eight new teachers had been hired to take care of the additional requirements of the staggered system beginning next year. Three of these teachers are replacements and the other five are new staff. Matters pertaining to the requirements and salaries were not discussed at this meeting as they had been previously dealt with at a closed meeting.

The secretary, Mrs. McAllister read a letter from the Department of Education advising the Board that although it was still necessary to have department approval on the majority of capital expenditures, it is now possible to purchase equipment and supplies up to a value of \$3,000-\$3,500 without approval.

Budget
 The Finance Committee reports that the Budget is almost complete and only a few figures remain to be secured before it is forwarded to the municipalities concerned. Mr. Kinnee added that any members of the Board would be willing to explain the formation and proposed expenditures of the budget if any municipality requested it.

Mr. Elson reported that the Night Classes will be completed this week. The Classes for New Canadians will continue for some time.

New Member
 Mr. Campbell Smith of Langstaff attended his first meeting with the School Board. Mr. Smith is appointed by the School Area 1 (Markham and Vaughan) Board and replaces Mrs. R. Keith.

At Whitchurch Township Council meeting, March 14, Deputy-Reeve Timbers, chairman of the finance committee, speaking on requests from various organizations in the Township for donations stated "the finance committee is bringing in a recommendation that donations be limited to \$300.00, this amount to be distributed in answer to all requests that come to council."

The following grants were approved at this meeting — Aurora Horse Show, Markham Fair, North York Plowmen, \$50.00 each; Canadian National Institute for the Blind and the Salvation Army, \$25. each; Stouffville Lions Club and Aurora Lions Club \$10.00 for the Crippled Children's Fund; Oak Ridges Lions \$10 for their Boy Scout work.

King Beamish waited on council and discussed with members the work done on township roads in the past year. Councillor McCarron remarked "roads at Lake Wilcox are 100% better this year than they were last year."

Mr. Carmen, owner of Ray's Taxi appeared before council asking for a taxi license to operate in the township. Council promised its consideration.

A letter received from Charles Vining, complaining of the disturbance caused by a dog kennel owned by Mrs. L. Hamilton, was read. Mr. Mulholland will investigate.

A cattle claim for \$100.00 was paid to Wm. McDonald of Vanderford. On Thursday afternoon, March 12, three dogs ran Mr. McDonald's cows around a field causing one cow to fall and break a leg. Constable Mulholland had to shoot the cow on Saturday morning.

Letters have been sent to 20 or more owners of cottages at Musselman's Lake, who have rented their cottages for year-round occupation, pointing out that council will strictly enforce the Land Use by-law passed last year, prohibiting such action. The school population at Musselman's Lake has increased by 35 children since 1952. A letter was received from W.

Board S.S. No.1 Receive Tentative Approval For 5 - Room Addition

J. Deyette, roadmaster for the Canadian National Railway, answering Clerk Crawford's letter of March 5 about the obstruction of the railway crossing on the Lake Wilcox sideroad between the 2nd and 3rd concession, by trees belonging to Ed. Leary who refuses to cut them down. The letter was referred to township solicitor Lucas for his advice. These trees and the bank obstruct the view of cars approaching the crossing. The mail man was killed there some months ago.

A letter received from F. T. Courtney, secretary of the Board of Directors of York County Hospital, thanked Council for its assistance during 1952.

Upper Holland Valley Conservation Authority Levy for 1953 will be \$1,420. Whitchurch township's portion of this is \$250.66. Council approved this levy and a cheque will be sent for the amount.

Dan Acheson, lot 30, Concession 6, had his assessment reduced in the amount of \$400., the house having been completely destroyed by fire.

Cash relief for month of February was \$449.71.

General accounts passed amounted to \$1,468.61.

Replying to a letter from Whitchurch Planning Board asking for information about regulations governing drive-in theatres, H. C. Rose chief engineer of Toronto and York Roads Commission stated "the Provincial Department of Motion picture censorship and theatre inspection branch has complete control of licensing and construction of this type of theatre and we suggest that your board contact them."

A letter from Mrs. S. Troyer, secretary of U.S.S. 1 stated that the Board has received tentative approval from the Department of Education for proposed increase in pupil accommodation in the amount of \$101,000 in order that plans may be prepared for a five-room addition, the said plans to be sent to the Department for approval. Council will discuss this project at a meeting on Tuesday night.

W. M. Cockburn, Agricultural Representative, and York County weed inspector Marritt were present and discussed with council the control of Buckthorn in the township. Mr. Marritt said that in a recent trip around the Lake Wilcox district he found an estimated 35 acres of buckthorn. Seed from this plant will blow for miles and is responsible for the grain rust in the farmer's fields.

Where township councils are interested the Crop Improvement Association and York County Council are prepared to assist in the eradication of this brush. Reeve McLaughlin said Whitchurch Township Council will do all it can to assist this year. Mr. Marritt stated that a five year program of cutting and spraying would clean up the township. "Stem rust has disappeared since barberry was cleaned up. No barberry can be sold," said Mr. Cockburn.

At a meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Harvey on Wednesday, March 11, of the King Community Association. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss a property of two acres on Patton Street that is for sale, and which would be available for the site of a community Hall.

The organizations that will be responsible for raising the required funds include the Legion, the King Memorial Library, the Scouts, the Wrestling Club. Their representatives, Mrs. Gordon Wells, Mrs. A. E. Jarvis, Robert McLeod, Geo. Harvey, Mrs. Ivan Specht, chairman, Donald Findlay, secretary, and Matthew Bell, treasurer, were present.

Laskay Institute Euchre Winners

Mrs. Lewis Marwood and Archie McDonald were the winners of the first prizes at the euchre held in Laskay Hall on March 12, when the W.L. of Laskay held another fortnightly euchre party. The second prizes were won by Mrs. Jesse Richards and W. Fuller, and the consolation awards went to Mrs. Harold Millard and Walter Monkman.

There were ten lucky number prizes. The Laskay Institute had a successful series of card parties this winter with 10 or 11 tables being the average attendance. On March 26 there will be a euchre and dance in the Laskay Hall.

Former Member

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 the remainder".
 Mr. LeMasurier: "Was any building permit ever issued?" Mr. Norton: "The building only measures 8'x10' and thus no permit is required." Mr. Lennie: "The question is whether it is legally possible to operate a taxi stand on a side street." Mr. Dobson, in expressing the feeling of the delegation stated that they had no desire to have a taxi stand set up in a residential area.

Mr. LeMasurier then asked if the building conformed with the Township's building by-laws. Mr. Norton: "They haven't broken any of our by-laws." Councillor W. Clark suggested that the best way to deal with the matter was to confer with the operator when he came to apply for a taxi licence. Clerk Hoover reported that he had recent inquiries regarding the issuance of taxi licenses.

Mr. Clark: "I feel any taxi licence should be held up until we get further information."

Along this same line, members on recommendation of the Planning Board passed a resolution instructing the Building Inspector not to issue any more permits covering commercial or industrial construction until such permits have been approved by the Planning Board.

Doncaster Group
 A large delegation from Glen Cameron Avenue in Doncaster under the joint chairmanship of Messrs. A. Bursill and W. Myers, waited on Council to object strongly to the muddy, impassable condition of their streets. As Glen Cameron is only a 33' road, it has therefore never been taken over by the Township.

Reeve Timbers stated that if the additional 33' necessary to make it a standard 66' road were dedicated by the Gamble Farm, a petition could be signed by the residents concerned and the Township would take the road over. In an endeavour to speed up proceedings, a resolution moved and seconded by Deputy-Reeve LeMasurier and Councillor Lennie was passed asking Mr. Gamble to dedicate the necessary 33' to the Township.

Joint Meeting
 Markham Township Council and the Unionville Village trustees are scheduled to hold a joint meeting next Monday evening at which time several matters concerning the Unionville Fire Brigade will be discussed.

Swill Feeding Pigs
 The township gave two readings to its new by-law designed to halt the swill-feeding of pigs within the township. Once the by-law has received the approval of Council, it must be referred to the Municipal Board. The Municipal Board will then hold a public hearing at which time anyone objecting to the by-law will have an opportunity to register his complaints.

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New Legislation
 The Board heard a letter from the Urban and Rural School Trustees Association regarding the recent action taken by the Provincial Government in refusing grants on such things as shop and Home Economics rooms, gymnasias and auditoria.

Trustee Charles observed, "Haven't the Area Schools got more reason to have for shops and economics rooms? After all that is the purpose of a District School and the Department got us into this idea."

"I feel very strongly on this subject," said Chairman Morley Kinnee. "Students in cities have the privilege of attending vocational schools yet a country student is deprived of this."

Trustee Campbell Smith suggested, "Why not build a vocational school?"

"That requires a larger assessment than we have at our disposal," replied Mr. Kinnee.

The Board gratefully acknowledged the receipt of a cheque in payment for the large dedication plaque in the lobby of the school from Trustee Mrs. P. C. Hill. Mrs. Hill has taken a vital interest in the formation of the District High School and her letter expressed her great pleasure in being able to give this plaque of dedication.

The Property Committee reported that it had received a price of \$315 to have a five foot link fence erected from the south-west corner of the building to the Wright St. line. Mr. Kinnee commented that the public was forcing the board to take this action to protect the landscaping.

The committee was instructed to further investigate prices and have the job completed.

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