

Harry Boylen Elected President Pleasantville Ratepayers Assoc.

Harry Boylen, of Starlight Cres., was elected president of Pleasantville Ratepayers' Association at the regular meeting held last Monday night. Harry Sayers was re-elected vice-president, with Mrs. G. Phillips being named secretary and W. F. Kipper being re-elected treasurer.

Directors are Don Burnette, W. Wilson, Stanley Parr, J. Osborne, J. Hewton, R. Querengesser, G. Phillips, J. Winton, C. Cameron, W. Leat and J. Babcock.

Considerable discussion was devoted to the matter of roads and ditching. It was reported that the bonding company had, or would, be in contact with the subdivider in an endeavor to get the work completed immediately. It appears that the contract for putting the finishing top on the pavement in the south subdivision has been let but that town authorities felt the ditches should be cleaned and fixed up before

this paving is done. It appears that in several places the ditches will have to be paved because of the heavy flow of water causing erosion.

Inadequate culverts were also a matter of discussion and it appeared that while small culverts may have been approved by the engineer, these were proving unsatisfactory and some would have to be replaced. It appeared difficult to decide if the town or the subdivider should do this work.

A motion was passed calling on the new executive to communicate with council immediately re the roads and ditches and this communication will be followed up by a delegation to council at the first possible meeting. A special general meeting of the association will be called as soon as additional and definite information is obtained.

At Joint Meeting

Markham & Vaughan Councils Agree To Dissolution Of School Area No. 1

In a special meeting held Tuesday evening in the Vaughan Township Council Chambers between the Councils of Markham and Vaughan a momentous decision affecting 1946 public school children in School Area No. 1 Markham and Vaughan was reached with the unanimous decision on the part of both councils to agree to dissolve the area in 1958. Separate resolutions are to be drawn up by each council and will be exchanged for discussion. These resolutions are then to be presented to the newly elected councils of 1958 with the recommendation that a by-law be passed and given third reading before the first of July 1958, assenting to the dissolution. These by-laws will then be forwarded by the Public School Inspector for the area, Maynard Hallman, to the Minister of Education.

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REGISTRATION
 Thursday, October 3, 7.30-9.00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium — Any course may be cancelled if registration is not sufficient.

FEES
 Courses 1-9
 Resident of High School District \$10.00. Non-Resident \$15.00. \$5.00 refunded if 80% of classes attended.

Course 10
 Special fees, no refund. All fees payable at the time of registration.

NOTE
 The High School district consists of Vaughan Township, Woodbridge, Richmond Hill, and that part of Markham Township west of Don Mills Road between the townline on the north and Steele's Avenue on the south.

DATES
 Fall Term — 10 weeks. Open Tuesday, October 8, close Thursday, December 12. Winter Term — 10 weeks. Re-open January 7, close March 13.

TIME
 Each Tuesday and Thursday, 7.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.

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Mr. Hallman emphasized the fact the Minister of Education would prefer that an amicable agreement had been reached between the two councils before he considered the dissolution. The Inspector also stated the Minister of Education had advised him his concern is that assent or dissent "the will of the people be carried out." The decision of the Minister is final and there can be no appeal of this decision.

In the by-laws passed by both councils must be included the form of administration they intended to have for their part of the dissolved area. Mr. Hallman said the division of assets would be by a referee, probably the public school inspector, and not by a board of arbitration as in the dissolving of a union school section, the mechanics are thus different.

"When the referee makes a decision does he present it first to the school board, the council or the provincial government?" asked Deputy-Reeve R. Kirk of Vaughan.

Mr. Hallman answered, "The referee has wide powers in creating a new area as recently done in Markham for example. I had a public hearing and then a meeting with the various Boards of Trustees who came to an agreement. And then on the basis of that agreement I submitted a report to the Minister of Education. I then return to the municipality with the Minister's approval and it then becomes mandatory. I feel in this case the referee would seek advice from the councils and would try to get as much unanimity as possible," Mr. Hallman concluded.

Mr. Hallman further commented that a marriage of sections is usually happier than a divorce. He stated Markham would have equity in the six schools located in the township of Vaughan (there are two area schools on the Markham side), and that Vaughan township would have to issue debentures to satisfy the equity. In mentioning new units of administration that would have to come into effect in the two townships, Mr. Hallman said he would be reluctant to advise the councils to dissolve if the three man type of school board, in existence before the area was set up, would result. Mr. Hallman said he considered this a substandard form of education as a large administration unit with enough assessment and children was needed in order to provide special classes. He also mentioned that he considered the junior and senior form of school administration excellent and that the implementation of this depended on concentration of population as did kindergartens.

The inspector wondered if the thinking of the councils led to the formation of boards of education. He stated if so a consulting committee appointed by the County of York would be necessary as a board of education had to administer both elementary and secondary education. Such a committee would consist of representatives from the Department of Education, appointees by the township councils, and the public school inspector.

New School Area
 "I can't see Markham or Vaughan wanting a board of education," stated Mr. Kirk. "And there is no thought of a three man board of trustees. My idea is to take our part of the area and add to it."

Reeve John Perry of Vaughan asked, "As a referee would you want to know our immediate plans?"

"My job would be largely the distribution of assets," said Mr. Hallman. "However, there must be an administrative unit agreed upon in your bylaw."

Reeve W. L. Clark of Markham expressed the opinion Markham was not ready to set up a board of education but its part would continue as a separate area. Councillor Mrs. K. James of Markham commented, "We certainly don't want any three member board of trustees."

Mr. Hallman said, "I hope education can be improved by further school areas. They are in my opinion the most efficient units of administration. Fifty per cent of school administration in Ontario now is done by school areas."

Mrs. James, in referring to Mr. Hallman's remarks about a county consulting committee, stated, "I wouldn't want to go to the county again and say we did not get enough as we had to in the dissolving of the Richmond Hill Union School Section this year by a board of arbitration."

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different, it is not for a board of arbitration," Mr. Hallman assured Mrs. James.

The date for the dissolution, if it were to be passed by both councils and the Minister of Education by the first of July, 1958, would be December 31, 1958.

After the discussion had started earlier following the reading of the report of the education committee, published last week in "The Liberal", and accepted by the Markham Council, Mrs. James remarked, "We do not want the settlement to be a burden to Vaughan. We want to insure an agreement that does not leave empty classrooms."

Reeve Perry wondered if the referee might decide on a procedure that in the eyes of some people in one township was not good.

"We have to consider how it will affect the mill rate in either township," said Mr. Kirk.

"I don't think we can make a decision on economic basis alone but on what will happen in the next few years," was Reeve

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Open House Barth's Cleaners To Be Held On This Friday And Saturday

The cutting of the silk ribbon by Mayor William Neal, at 6.30 p.m., Friday, September 27th, will officially open Barth's Cleaners and Shirt Service, located at 198 Yonge Street, North, Richmond Hill. "Open House", Friday evening and all day Saturday, affords visitors the opportunity of a personally conducted tour of the plant. The plant proper, has over 2,000 square feet of floor space at ground level with a similar area in the basement, which ultimately will be set up for a complete refrigerated garment storage service. The machinery and equipment installed, represents the most modern and efficient available in Canada and the United States, which will be demonstrated to visitors during the "Open House".

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With this wealth of knowledge and experience, Mr. Barth sold his interest in the Dalex Company, setting up his own modern plant in Richmond Hill.

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Plan 1st Annual Pioneer Festival To Be Held Saturday, October 5

The first annual Pioneer Festival to be held under the sponsorship of the Metropolitan Toronto & Region Conservation Authority will take place Saturday, October 5, on the grounds of the Dalziel Conservation Area in suburban North York Township.

The conservation area is located just east of No. 400 Highway, and one mile south of No. 7 Highway.

The festival will be officially opened at 2 p.m. by the Deputy Minister of Planning and Development, T. A. C. Tyrrell. A gala program is being arranged by the MTRCA to illustrate the life of the average 10th century farmer and his family in the area.

The Pennsylvania German Society of York County will take part in the festival with members re-creating the work of pioneer farm men and women by demonstrating the use of produce in the fine art of making sausage, apple butter, sauerkraut and other foods from original recipes.

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