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Only One Candidate Favors Two Year Term Proposal

If the opinion of municipal candidates contesting next Saturday's election is any indication of public opinion, the two year term proposal will be defeated by an overwhelming majority.

At the public meeting Monday evening sponsored by the Central Ratepayers' Association eighteen candidates were asked a direct question as to their stand on the two year term, and only one, Mr. Tom Broadhurst, stood in support of the proposal.

The question to the candidates was asked by former deputy reeve Don G. Plaxton, who said the two year term proposal was an important issue in the election and he would be interested to know how the candidates felt about it. Instead of asking the question individually to eighteen candidates he asked if all in favor of a two year term would indicate their support by standing.

Mr. Broadhurst, the only one to indicate support for the two year term was the writer of the letter to council suggesting the vote. In his address to the ratepayers Reeve F. R. Perkins took a very definite stand in favor of annual elections and the one year term. "I'm definitely in favor of the one year term," said Mr. Perkins.

The ratepayers meeting was attended by about 150 ratepayers. All candidates were present and gave interesting and informative speeches and all were accorded a good hearing. The question periods indicated ratepayers' interest in many phases of municipal and school administration. Harry W. R. Sayers ably filled the role of Chairman.

Councillor James Haggart outlined ten planks of his platform which included a change in consulting engineers, and in the question period took exception to Reeve Perkins' explanation for the delay in the second part of the Probe Report. Reading from a copy of the letter quoted by Reeve Perkins, Mr. Haggart pointed out that the Works Commissioner said the recommendation for delay until negotiations with J. A. Bailey are complete was made after consultation with Proctor & Redfern. Mr. Haggart questioned that the engineering firm under investigation should have any say in whether or not the probe report should be delayed.

In the matter of the request for government legislation to control charges for second mortgages Mr. Haggart said his motion in this respect was seconded by Reeve Perkins and had the full approval of the whole council.

Reeve F. R. Perkins said that last year he stated he was for consolidation and against further annexation and for that reason in February voted against annexation of the area north of the town. "I thought industry should come first and that the annexation was premature. That was a recorded vote," he said. Mr. Perkins was in favor of the ward system for election of councillors and against the two year term proposal. He reviewed his activities as chairman of the off-street parking committee.

Councillor Bradstock appealed for support for candidates with a positive approach to town problems. "Let's have no more negative thinking," he said. "We're still behind in planning, our by-law enforcement is inadequate, our parks are inadequate and our commercial and industrial assessment is still too low," said Mr. Bradstock.

Mr. Broadhurst confirmed his figures re cost of Markham Road given at a previous meeting. Authoritative figures from the town

office were that Richmond Hill's share of the cost will be \$250,000. He said Richmond Hill makes a substantial tax payment to the County and few knew what happens to the money. He thought there should be more concern for County affairs and more direction to County representatives by council.

John MacDiarmid said he was a serious candidate for office and had followed local affairs closely since coming to Richmond Hill. "The administration hasn't been too bad," he said. "I think we have a good industrial commissioner and council should listen to him".

Harold J. Mills was critical of council for a lack of interest in industry — industry now here or coming. He felt the tax line must be held and a careful curb must be kept on all expenditures. He said he was a volunteer fireman himself and thought the present brigade quite adequate. He was opposed to a full-time paid brigade at the present time.

Bruce E. Murray deplored the unfavorable publicity to the town as a result of council action in asking for legislation to control second mortgages. As a result of the publicity people were having difficulty selling their homes, he said. If the town is to subsidize a bus service, there should be a vote of the people, he contended.

Ken Smith emphasized the importance of industrial development. Industry is our only hope, he said, in outlining his plan for attracting manufacturers here. He reported on an interview with Simpsons and Eatons regarding voting on Saturday. These firms gave assurance employees would be given time off to cast their


votes. Mrs. Southwell said ratepayers should be concerned that their municipal business should not be entrusted to inexperienced hands. There will be several new members on the 1960 council and she suggested her six years experience as a school trustee should be of value to the taxpayer. She believed in industrial development but felt in the past we had gone the wrong way in trying to secure industry. We should have serviced land to offer them.

Howard Whillans outlined his platform and emphasized the importance of attracting industry to help share our tax burden. In the investment business he said he had contacts which he hoped would prove of assistance in attracting new industry to Richmond Hill.

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Estimated Cost, Beverley Acres Drainage, Sept. 1957	\$248,000*
Estimated Increase In Construction Costs from Sept. 1957 to date (minimum)	\$38,000
Cost of pumps and Manpower, Emergency Work on Crosby Ave. to date	\$13,000*
Cost of Sewer Repairs, Crosby & Felix Avenues	\$74,000*
Total	\$373,000
Interest on First Two Items 20 Year Debenture (Based on 6% at par)	\$190,000*
Total	\$563,000

* Obtained from Town Treasurer
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A Modern Fairy Tale
Do you remember . . . the fairy tales we used to enjoy as youngsters . . . where the characters were the King and the Queen, and the little prince or princess, who was really the leading figure in the drama?
Well, a family in Richmond Hill have been living the life of a fairy tale people recently and we hope they will continue to do so for a long time to come. Their names? Mr. and Mrs. Roy Swanson and their seven-year-old daughter, Leanna.
Earlier this year Leanna won a competition . . . a week's holiday in Disneyland for her parents and herself. Travelling by jet; staying in one of the finest hotels; \$200 spending money, all were included in her prize. Leanna also received a \$1,000 bonus prize — and through this gift she made the fairy tale 'just perfect' for the whole family — by turning the cheque over to her daddy to help him buy a business of his own . . . thereby acting like any good little fairy tale princess should, or would.
Mr. Swanson now has a fleet of four cartage trucks and employs several men, after purchasing the Rumble Transport — and the three Swansons enjoyed a wonderful and unforgettable "trip of a lifetime" to Disneyland, which Mrs. Swanson tells about in the following report:
"Last Monday evening my family and I landed at Malton airport, thus drawing the curtain on one of the most thrilling experiences of our lives.
Disneyland is often called the "Magic Kingdom" because it combines fantasy and history, adventure and learning. Main Street, U.S.A. greets you with its fantastic shops so typical of the 1890-1910 era. Even the people walking the streets and in the shops are in costume. Quaint little bonnets and long billowy skirts, a real "marshall", and the colourful uniforms of the Disneyland band all help to make this section truly authentic.
At the foot of Main Street lies the most wonderful thrill of all, for Walt Disney's Fantasyland, Tomorrowland, Adventureland and Frontierland open upon you.
In Fantasyland we journeyed with Snow White through the dark forests to the home of the Seven Dwarfs; we went through the Rabbit Hole to the nonsensical world of Alice in Wonderland, and raced with Mr. Toad on his wild auto ride through Old London Town. We sailed through the mouth of a giant whale in a Dutch canal boat to view the homes of the Three Little Pigs, Pinocchio's Village and Cinderella's Dream Castle.
In Tomorrowland, we rode "right up front" in the nose of America's first monorail. Through the portholes of an authentic submarine we saw the Lost Continent of Atlantis, the Mermaid Lagoon, a giant sea serpent and thrilled to the beauty of this world Under the Sea. Leanna and her father were much braver than I when they boarded a high speed bobsled and sailed down the snow covered slopes of the giant Matterhorn. Father was most interested in Monsanto's House of the Future. Constructed and equipped entirely of plastics, this unique home cost more than a million dollars.
In Adventureland, we sailed far into the jungles of Asia and Africa, aboard an explorer's boat. Our guide fired his pistol many times into the mouth of an attacking hippo not six feet away from our boat. The jungle shores were filled with lions, tigers, headhunters, water buffalo and alligators — all part of the thrills and excitement of this true-to-life safari.
Finally, in Frontierland, Leanna experienced her greatest thrill, when she was allowed to steer the huge Mississippi river boat down the "Rivers of America" past Tom Sawyer Island. She did such an excellent job that she was

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