

Fate Of Pond Considered

Election Of 1961 Village Trustees Will Be First One In Six Years

At the nomination meeting held on November 22nd, four people were nominated for the Board of Trustees for the Police Village of Thornhill. This necessitates an election, the first in six years. Election date has been set for Monday, December 4th, and voting will take place at Thornhill Public Library, Colborne Street, from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Nominations were: Frank E. Tucker, 8 Eliza St., manager; Mrs. Philip B. (Joy) Whitehead, 15 Colborne St., housewife; James H. Timmins, 7696 Yonge St., barrister and Basil P. (Bob) Roberts, 7720 Yonge St., retired.

The surprise of the evening was the nomination of Mrs. Whitehead by Mr. Frank E. Tucker, seconded by Mr. Gaither Zinkan. Mrs. Whitehead is apparently the first woman to be nominated to the board of trustees, since the incorporation of the police village in 1930. Hailing originally from England, Mrs. Whitehead has lived in the village for six years and before her marriage was a physiotherapist. She works with arthritic patients in the Willowdale Therapy Pool once a week for the Canadian Arthritic Society, works as a volunteer at the library, is the leader of a Brownie Pack and is active in the Thornhill badminton club, which she organized with Frank Tucker.

Mrs. Whitehead insisted that it was some of the men of the village who urged her to stand for election to the board and that she agreed because she is interested in the work of the village. She would be in the village during the day and if elected, would always be on hand to attend to any village business which might crop up, she said. She feels that an election will be a good thing for the village. "So many people complain about things and then do nothing about it," she stated, expressing the opinion that an election might make people aware of what goes on in the village and just how much the trustees do.

Frank Tucker was nominated by Markham Councillor Allan Sumner and has been on the board several times in the past. Mr. Tucker left the board previously through pressure of work.

(Continued from page 4) was presented by the Canadian Bible Society. A fascinating science film, "The Red River of Life," was shown on November 26th.

Guest preacher at the morning service on November 19th was Rev. E. R. Stanway, M.A., B.D., who told of the work of the Bible Society around the world.

Those little Hallowe'en spoons with the UNICEF boxes collected \$123.30 from Hallowe'en shell-outs.

For those who stay quietly at home on Sunday evenings, the Thornhill-Richmond Hill Ministerial Association is presenting a series of programs over the Richmond Hill radio station at 9 p.m.

The Thornhill Lions Club December meeting will be at the United Church on December 4th at 6:30 p.m. Guest speaker will be Miss Bertha Reynolds.

"LIBERAL" CLASSIFIEDS GET RESULTS PHONE TU. 4-1105

History Is Detailed
Mr. Sauriol read a report, outlining the history of the pond. In response to a petition from people living adjacent to the pond, Vaughan Township had asked the Don Valley Conservation Authority to take care of the pond in 1945. Subsequent to the merging of the Don Valley Conservation Authority with the Metro Toronto Conservation Authority, a scheme was submitted to the government whereby Vaughan Township would pay 50% of the cost of the pond which was to be purchased by the conservation authority. This scheme was approved and the township raised the money from the landowners surrounding the area. The agreement that the village was to be responsible for the improvement and maintenance of the pond was not a formal one but was contained in a letter. The property was purchased by the authority in 1956 and became known as the Oakbank Wildlife Area.

The pond is a refuge for a variety of birds, bitterns, grebes, marsh wrens, blue wags, herons and yellowlegs, as well as for muskrats, turtles and other wild life. It is used in the winter for skating and hockey. Mr. Sauriol pointed out that it was a distinct asset to the village because of this. The pond could be deepened, and the water weeds and algae removed, he stated, but then the pond would lose its benefit as a wild life sanctuary. Mr. Sauriol suggested that the village ask Vaughan Township for assistance in the maintenance of the pond.

No Maintenance Grant
When the question of grants to the authority was raised, Mr. Higgs pointed out that the authority did not get grants for the maintenance of any of its projects. They have three such community projects, Oakbank, Goodwood and Bolton and in each of these instances costs of maintenance are borne by the municipality. The only areas where the conservation authority pays for maintenance are those in which it charges admission.

Conservation Men Present
Following the nomination meeting, the trustees held their regular monthly meeting. Attending were two representatives from the Metropolitan Toronto and Region Conservation Authority, Messrs. Sauriol and Higgs. These gentlemen attended in response to a letter from the trustees asking that the position of the village in respect to the maintenance of the pond be clarified.

A report prepared by Mr. Roberts indicated that up to October 15th the village had spent a total of \$13,400 in wages for the men to keep the grass cut at the pond. To keep it cut once a week costs the village approximately \$21.60 per week in labour costs. The time spent clearing the pond of snow last winter cost the village \$658.00, bringing the total cost for the year to \$1,166.00. Chairman Timmins pointed out that the pond lay outside the village limits and was owned by the conservation authority. He stated that he was aware that there had originally been some arrangement about the village being responsible for the maintenance of the pond but had been unable to locate any agreement to confirm this.

enquired whether it would be feasible to make some such arrangements such as selling season tickets or day tags to the skaters, but doing it in the name of the Authority.

Mr. Sauriol thought this would be possible but suggested that it should be made clear to the children that the money was being raised to maintain the pond for them. He pointed out however that the schemes of the authority were for all the people. "If we set this up and invited all the people of Metropolitan Toronto in, your residents would complain". It was suggested that if the trustees did formulate some plan they should put it in writing and send it to the advisory board of the conservation authority for approval.

Thinks Township Should Help
Chairman Timmins expressed the opinion that in view of the number of people using the pond, they should get a grant for its maintenance from the townships of both Markham and Vaughan. Mr. Higgs stated that Deputy-revee Jesse Bryson of Vaughan Township Council had intended to come to the meeting but had been unable to do so. He expressed himself as willing to go with the members of the board of trustees if they made a strong representation to the council and stated that he thought Vaughan did have an obligation with respect to the pond. Mr. Timmins agreed to write letters to both townships on this matter.

Chairman Timmins said that a letter had been sent to the Department of Highways advising that the trustees did not wish to see the speed limit increased above 30 mph. in the village.

Sidewalk Discussed
A letter was read which had been sent by Mrs. Duder to Trustee Roberts asking for continuation of the sidewalk on the north side of Centre Street as far as Oakbank and for sidewalk on Arnold Avenue and Broad Street. Trustee Roberts pointed out that Broad Street was of the substandard width and if sidewalks were put in it would have to be restricted to one way traffic. It was pointed out that school children could quite safely use the sidewalk out to Yonge Street, and cross No. 7 Highway at the stop lights, to continue down Yonge Street to school and that this would be just as short a route as via Brook Street and Arnold Ave. Mr. Timmins asked the secretary to send Mrs. Duder a copy of their letter of October 31st, which she had apparently not received.

Noting that no satisfaction had been received from Markham Township with respect to the damage done to the sidewalk on Yonge St. when watermain were put in, Chairman Timmins undertook to conduct a personal telephone campaign to the township reeve, councillors and engineer, to get some action on this.

Mr. Timmins read a letter from a firm of chartered accountants to whom he had written asking for help in setting up a system of bookkeeping for the trustees which would assist them in making up their annual budget. The system recommended involved a type of cash book and requisition forms.

Two village ratepayers, Mr. Willard Simpson and Mr. G. Campbell Smith remained throughout the meeting in order to express to the sitting trustees their appreciation for the way in which the business of the village was being handled. Mr. Simpson said it was important for the village that at least one of the trustees should be in the village during the day to oversee the work of the village employees and be on hand when needed.

Chairman Timmins suggested that the resident trustee should be paid some small amount for his work. Mr. Simpson agreed with this and pointed out that if at some time there was no resident trustee it might prove necessary to hire someone to do this overseeing. Trustee Roberts felt that the village should be handed back to the municipalities while Mr. Smith suggested that it could be converted into an Improvement District. Mr. Timmins felt however that both these proposals would raise more problems than they solved. If the village became independent it would have to buy or rent heavy equipment, etc., and set up machinery for collecting taxes. "It would be economically un-sound," he stated.

Mr. Patrick M. Jaggart-Cowan, the third trustee, was not present at the meeting as he was out of town. He had sent word that due to pressure of his work which takes him out of town very frequently, he could not serve on the board for a further term.



VOTE TO ELECT ---
ARNOLD MORTSON
SCHOOL TRUSTEE
School Area 3 Markham Twp.
Trustee School Section 4 For 7 Years
Election Day Mon. Dec. 4th
For Sane Business Administration

PROCLAMATION TO THE MUNICIPAL ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MARKHAM

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to the Ontario Municipal Act, a meeting of the Municipal Electors of the Township of Markham will be held in the

COMMUNITY HALL, BUTTONVILLE

FRIDAY, NOV. 24, 1961

From 7 o'clock until 8 o'clock in the evening for the

NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE OFFICES OF REEVE DEPUTY-REEVE AND ONE COUNCILLOR FOR EACH OF THE WARDS ONE, TWO AND THREE

TO SERVE THE TOWNSHIP OF MARKHAM FOR THE YEAR 1962 NOMINATIONS WILL ALSO BE HELD AT THE SAME TIME, for the election of THREE members for the Board of Trustees, School Area No. 1, Markham Township; THREE members for the Board of Trustees to serve Markham Township School Area No. 2; and FIVE members for Board of Trustees, School Area No. 3, Markham Township.

If more Candidates are proposed than required to be elected the proceedings for filling said offices will be adjourned until

Monday, the 4th of December, 1961

when a Poll will be opened TEN o'clock in the morning and shall continue until EIGHT o'clock in the afternoon, and no longer, at the places hereinafter named, viz:

WARD ONE		
Polling Subdivision		Place
1	Comprising lands in Registered Plan 2446 in the First Concession	ALISSA'S BEAUTY SALON 7051 Yonge St., Highland Park
2	Lots 27 and 28, Concession 1, excepting lands in Registered Plan M-841 & 4824	RESIDENCE, E. A. WATTS 86 Glencameron Rd., Doncaster
3A	Thornhill Police Village	THORNHILL LIBRARY 10 Colborne St., Thornhill
3B	Lots 29 to 33 inclusive in Concession 1, excepting those parts within the limits of Thornhill Police Village	YORK FARMERS' MARKET 7509 Yonge St., Thornhill (south end of building)
4	Lots 34 to 39 inclusive in Concession 1	RESIDENCE, CLARENCE THOMPSON, 103 Highway No. 7, Langstaff
5	Lots 40 to the S 1/2 Lot 44, inclusive in Concession 1	ROSE GARDEN SUPPLIES 9201 Yonge St., Richvale at Stop 22A
6	Lots 51 to 60, inclusive, Concession 1	RESIDENCE, STAN LENO Elgin Mills
7	Comprising Registered Plans Numbered M-835, M-841, M-842, M-862, R-617, 4824 and Lot 26, Concession 1E	HENDERSON ST. PUBLIC SCHOOL
WARD TWO		
11	Lots 1 to 10, inclusive in Concessions 2 and 3	RESIDENCE OF JACK CURTIS 47 Greenlane (1st house west of R.R.)
12	Lots 1 to 10 inclusive in Concession 4 and Lots 1 to 9 inclusive in Concession 5	RESIDENCE, MRS. E. RODICK Lot 6, Concession 5
13	Lots 11 to 20 inclusive in Concessions 2, 3, and 4	COMMUNITY HALL Buttonville
14A	Lots 10 to 20 inclusive in Concession 5, excepting those parts within the limits of the Police Village of Unionville	VETERANS' HALL Unionville
14B	All lands lying within the limits of the Police Village of Unionville	VETERANS' HALL Unionville
15	Lots 21 to 35 inclusive in Concessions 2 and 3	COMMUNITY HALL Victoria Square
16	Lots 21 to 35 inclusive in Concessions 4 and 5	COMMUNITY HALL Victoria Square
WARD THREE		
21	Lots 1 to 7 inclusive, Concession 6; Lots 1 to 8 inclusive, Concession 7; Lots 1 to 9 inclusive, Concession 8, excepting any part within the limits of the Village of Markham	RESIDENCE, MR. & MRS. FRANK DAVIES, Lot 5, Concession 6 East (Cor. 14th Ave. & 7th)
22	Lots 8 to 15 inclusive, Concession 6, excepting that part thereof in Unionville Police Village; Lot 9, Concession 7, excepting that part within the limits of the Village of Markham	PREMISES, A. M. FLEMING (Heating Service), Lot 11, Concession 6
23	Lots 16 to 25 inclusive, Concession 6; Lots 14 to 25 inclusive, Concession 7; Lots 14 to 25 inclusive, Concession 8, excepting those parts within the limits of the Village of Markham	RESIDENCE, J. GORDON FORGIE Mount Joy
24	Lots 26 to 35 inclusive in Concessions 6, 7 and 8	RESIDENCE, WM. GROVE Dickson's Hill
25	Lots 1 to 15 inclusive, Concessions 9 and 10; and Lots 1-10 inclusive, Concession 11	RESIDENCE OF M. RYAN Lot 6, Northwest Cor. 14th Ave. & Tenth Line
26	Lots 16 to 35 inclusive, Concessions 9 and 10, excepting those parts within the limits of the Village of Stouffville	PREMISES, JAMES COWAN Mongolia

All Persons interested are hereby required to take notice and govern themselves accordingly.

Gormley, November 18, 1961

H. C. T. Crisp, Returning Officer

ELECTORS OF MARKHAM TWP.

VOTE TO ELECT

STEWART RUMBLE

COUNCILLOR WARD 2

HONEST EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION

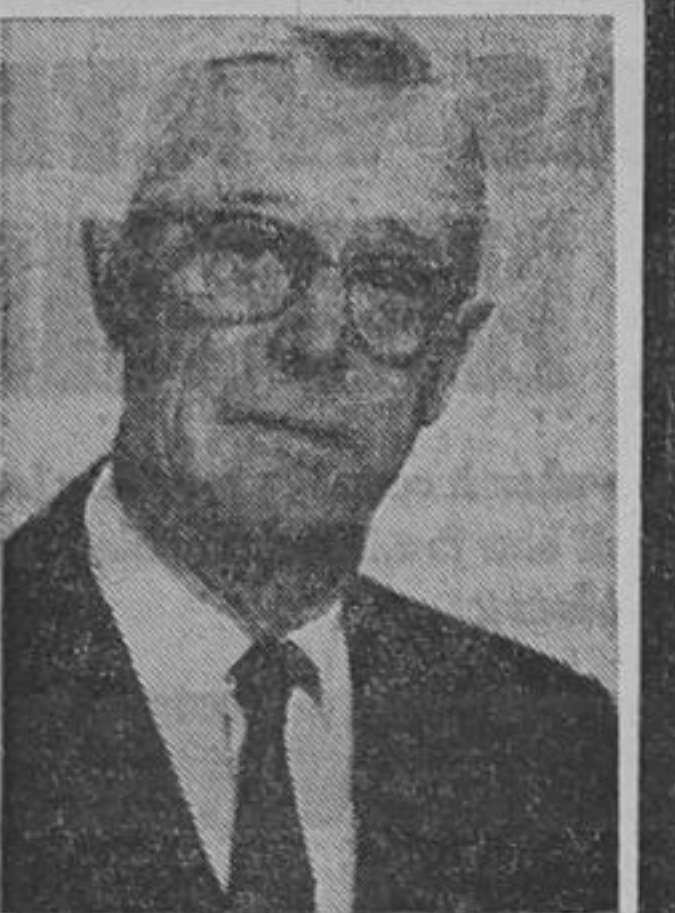
In The Best Interests Of The Electors



ELECT

WILLIAM L. CLARK

COUNCILLOR WARD 2



I Am Willing To Donate My Time And Experience For Better Government In Markham Township.

Election Day Monday December 4th

Polls Open 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

For Information or Cars on Election Day Phone Ax. 3-6109

IMAGINATIVE DISASTER

When I get half-way down the street and wonder if I turned off the electric stove or unplugged the electric iron I can get very apprehensive. In my conscious mind I know I have, but that little gremlin of doubt that exists in my imagination tells me... I haven't. Many people are worrying about the possibility of the hydrogen bomb. They talk and dream about it. They live in a world of imaginative disaster. What if the car breaks down? What if I lose my job? What if I fail at school? What if it snows? What if I get sick and die? What if I'm too early? What if I'm too late? What if I miss the bus or forget my train tickets? Nothing can convince me that everything isn't conspiring to frustrate me. Someone has said who has suffered from an apprehensive mind, "I've had many and severe troubles in my life," she said, "but most of them never happened." We are like "Henny Penny" who was always looking for the sky to fall on her, and the person who walks along a dark and lonely road imagines that there is lurking danger behind every bush and tree. Yet we know that these fears are not worthless. Experience teaches us that it is not the things we fear that come to pass but the things we do not think about. The bolt comes from the blue.

Rambling Around

By Elizabeth Kelson

CHILDREN'S AID - ONE OF THE OLDEST WELFARE AGENCIES IN THE WORLD

The Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto, is one of the oldest welfare agencies in Canada, and one of the oldest in the world. Their tradition of service dates back as far as 1875 when a committee of women of the City of Toronto met to establish an institution for the care of destitute children and unwed mothers. It was called the Infant's Home. In 1887, a Toronto Humane Society was organized as a result of a vigorous child protection campaign by Mr. John Kelso, a reporter from the Toronto Globe. It was set up to protect both children and animals. However its dual function proved impractical and in 1891, the Toronto Children's Aid Society was incorporated with Mr. Kelso as president. In 1893, the name was changed to the Children's Aid Society of Toronto. In 1951 the two child agencies amalgamated to form the Children's Aid and Infant Homes of Toronto. When the organizations' jurisdiction was extended to the Metropolitan area in January, 1957, it became known as the Children's Aid Society of Metropolitan Toronto.

JANE McLAREN ENJOYS LIBRARY WORK

Jane McLaren of R. R. 1 Todmorden, Librarian-in-charge of Thornhill Library since 1954 has really no problems at all. She enjoys her work as a librarian and the people who come to visit the library. Jane thinks that the patrons of the library are a very conscientious lot, for the books, in the majority of cases, are returned in good condition. If she has a wish, it is for more people to take advantage of their local library. She said that special requests for books not in the library, could be obtained through the Inter Library Loan, and that the Thornhill Library Board tries to procure as many of the latest books as they can afford. In general, all the books enjoy a very good circulation. Miss McLaren and her helpers at the library are thrilled because the Provincial Library Services thought enough of the Thornhill Library Board to give them a special grant of \$100. This quote is from a letter accompanying the grant. "This is a special grant to the library board which works for higher library standards through co-operation with other boards." No wonder Jane McLaren is proud! The afternoon of this interview, the books from the travelling library arrived from the Provincial Library Services. What excitement these library folk have when they unpack new books! Miss McLaren wishes to acknowledge publicly her gratitude to the Thornhill Lions Club who have increased their yearly \$100 to \$150 for the purchase of children's books. "I would like to give a special thanks to Miss Hazel Welsh of Centre Street," said Miss McLaren, "on behalf of the library, for donating the two lovely lanterns to illuminate the entrance to the Thornhill Library. Thank you very much, Miss Welsh."