

Consider Proposed Town Police Salary Agreement

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An agreement regarding salary schedules and working conditions for the Richmond Hill Police Force, already approved by the police association, was presented to town council Monday evening by the police committee's chairman Councillor Thomas Murphy.

The agreement was discussed by the council, clause by clause, and passed with one amendment, so that it will have to be considered once again by the police association before a budget estimate can be brought in by the police committee.

Other clauses were disputed, but no changes were made. Many of these disputed items had been included in the 1962 agreement, which had never been signed, and had proved workable. The agreement under discussion is just for one year, Chairman Murphy reported that the police committee had offered the police association a three-year agreement, which they had refused. Deputy-reeve Stanley Tinker pointed out that the three-year offer had contained more benefits than the one-year agreement approved by the association.

The salary schedule included in the agreement provided the following rates with the 1962 salary in brackets: Staff Sergeant \$5,600 (\$5,200), Patrol Sergeant \$5,200 (\$5,050), 1st Class Constable \$5,000 (\$4,850), 2nd Class Constable \$4,400 (\$4,250), 3rd Class Constable \$4,100 (\$3,950), Probationary Constable \$3,800 (\$3,650), Cadet \$2,900 (\$2,850) and Probationary Cadet \$2,750 (\$2,700).

An amendment proposed by Councillor White and Reeve Perkins that the salary of the staff sergeant be \$5,500 resulted in a 3-3 tie vote. In casting the deciding vote the mayor voted in favour of the amendment that the salary be \$5,500, which must now be considered by the police association. Councillor Walter Scudds pointed out during the discussion that "other municipalities are eyeing our force" and the suggested salary of \$5,600 had been proposed to provide a wider gap between categories.

The next clause provides an allowance of 50c a day for those policemen required to wear civilian clothing in carrying out their duties. This is under the control of the chief of police.

The work week of the police force is set under normal working conditions as 40 hours, consisting of five eight hour days, with up to one hour lunch time at the discretion of the chief constable.

A suggestion of the police committee which had proved acceptable to the police association provides \$450 a man in lieu of overtime and court appearances. Councillor Walter Scudds, member of the police committee, pointed out that this arrangement would save the town money, as the average payment last year was \$459, with the highest amount for overtime and court appearances reaching \$750. Prospects for 1963 are that the hours of overtime and court appearances would be greater. Councillor Thomas Murphy, chairman of the committee, emphasized the fact that this arrangement was acceptable to the police association.

Provision is made that witness fees obtained from other sources will be turned into the town treasury by the police.

Policemen will receive the same statutory holidays as the office staff, with the time off to be used in the week in which the holiday falls.



Only One Injured In Two Car Crash

Only one person was injured when two cars crashed about 3.30 Sunday afternoon near the Orange Home on Yonge Street North. Mrs. Harold Edwards of 9 Madelaine Road, Willowdale received treatment for cuts and bruises at Branson Hospital, and was allowed to return home. Her husband Harold Edwards was the driver of the Ford sedan in which she was riding. Albert Reiter of 159 Glenholme Ave., Toronto, owns the badly damaged Pontiac sedan shown above which was the other car involved in the collision.

(Photo by Ray Stringer)

Builder Protests Imposts Proposed Apartment Bld.

A delegation of Mr. B. Freedman and Mr. Bert Grant Jr. waited on Richmond Hill Council Monday night to protest an impost recommended by Richmond Hill Planning Board on a block of land on Trayborn

E. M. Miller New Roads Member

Mr. E. M. Miller, corporation consultant with the Chartered Trust Co. has been appointed to the Toronto and York Roads Commission to replace Norman Long, who recently resigned.

Other members of the board are J. A. Leslie of Toronto, Chairman; Fred A. Lundy, Newmarket, vice-chairman; R. E. Bales, Willowdale, commissioner; and W. J. Taylor of Richmond Hill, commissioner.

Mr. Miller's appointment as commissioner brings the five-man board up to strength.

Drive on which Mr. Freedman wishes to erect an apartment block of 80 suites. The recommended impost is \$40 per unit.

Mr. Bert Grant Jr. representing the developers of the land, read a letter from Mr. John Griffin in which the latter took exception to the proposed impost. Mr. Griffin pointed out that his company had paid the \$500 per house lot required and had helped the town in its efforts to achieve a balanced assessment by procuring industry.

proval of this apartment and make unjust levies would tend to discourage prospective industrialists.

Planning Director Howard Deeks explained the planning board's stand on the matter, saying, "It is only just that the owners of single family residences should not be expected to subsidize sewers for multiple residences, since every house or semi-detached house has paid a lot fee."

William Hallman, representing Mr. Freedman, the applicant for a permit for an apartment building, took exception to Mr. Deek's interpretation of the subdivision agreement. He maintained that such imposts could be imposed when it was a question of re-zoning, but the case under consideration pertained to an area which has been pre-planned and rezoned. He said that the block of land on the registered plan had been zoned for apartments. Councillor Alex Campbell (Continued On Page 7)

3.29 MILL INCREASE HIGH SCHOOL BUDGET

"The Department of Education has told us we need more strength within our system -- superior people at the top to help younger teachers and coach them," stated Robert P. Ross, chairman of York Central District High School Board, in presenting the board's 1963 budget to Richmond Hill Town Council. He continued that the increase in budget is a direct reflection of this and other departmental recommendations, which include the installation of a language laboratory in one high school this year.

To attract and keep teachers of better than average quality, the board has increased the salary schedule in categories 1, (basic minimum) and 2 by only \$100, but in category 3 the increase will be \$300 and \$400 in category 4. The latter two categories are for maximum certification.

Chairman Ross maintained, "If we are going to maintain a good educational system, which is our prime responsibility as a board, we have to start now. Perhaps by 1968-9 we will have one." He forecasts a student population of almost 6,000 by 1970 with an increase of 450 in September of this year. Present enrolment in the four schools operated by the board is 2,925.

Gross cost per pupil last year was \$3.63 which is somewhat lower than the provincial average and considerably lower than the cost in Metro Toronto, with which the board has to contend in its efforts to attract good teachers. Mr. Lewis Clement another Richmond Hill representative on the board pointed out.

Answering a question by Councillor Al White if principal (Continued On Page 3)

Nomination Day Monday, March 25

Official nomination day for York North candidates in the approaching federal election is March 25. Nominations will be accepted by Returning Officer Warren Baile in the town hall in Newmarket from noon until 2 p.m. that day. Each candidate nominated is required to make a deposit of \$200.00 which he forfeits if unsuccessful in polling half of the number of votes of the winning candidate.

Five candidates are expected to seek election to the federal house in the April 8 voting. They are John Addison, Liberal, sitting member in the last parliament; Charles Hooper, Progressive Conservative; Richard Blue, Independent Progressive Conservative; Stanley Hall, New Democratic Party; and John R. O'Brien, Social Credit.

Clerk Authorized Apply For Town Road Subsidy

Clerk Russell Lynett requested authorization by Town Council to apply for the provincial subsidy on roads for 1962. A resolution by Deputy-reeve Tinker, seconded by Reeve Floyd Perkins provided the necessary authorization at this week's council meeting.

Clerk Lynett reported that the Department of Highways had approved a proposed expenditure on roads in Richmond Hill in 1962 of \$225,144. Actual expenditure had been \$213,321.

Vacations Set For Town Staff

Richmond Hill town office employees who are beginning their sixth year of employment will enjoy an annual holiday of three weeks in the future. Employees beginning their 22nd year of employment will be granted four weeks annual holiday in the future.

The report of the personnel committee of council containing this recommendation was approved by Richmond Hill Town Council Monday evening, after a proposed amendment by Councillors Walter Scudds and Alan White that the three week vacation period begin after ten years of service was lost.

Councillor Alex Campbell pointed out in speaking for the recommendation, that the office staff is not paid for overtime work, and Reeve Perkins reported that their representatives had assured the personnel committee that they would not ask for additional staff because of the increase in vacation allowance.

Mayor William Neal commented, "We have just purchased a bookkeeping machine so that we wouldn't have to get more staff."

He also reported that the new contractor for the removal of garbage had purchased new equipment and can handle the collection more rapidly. The by-law governing garbage collection requires that garbage be placed at the curb by 8 a.m. on the proper date, and the contractor asked that this provision be implemented.

The clerk was authorized to place advertisements to this effect by a motion proposed by Councillor Alan White and seconded by Councillor Alex Campbell.

MARKHAM: St. Andrew's United Church won first prize in church choir class in competitions held last week in Toronto.

SCARBORO: Scarboro executive committee has shelved plans for a proposed 15-storey apartment building on Lawrence Avenue East.



Crown Thornhill Prom Queen

Mrs. A. S. Elson, wife of the principal of Thornhill Secondary School crowns Prom Queen Angela Mickleborough, 19, at last Friday's annual Prom Ball. A grade 13 student, the lovely Queen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mickleborough, 41 Thornbank Road. (Photo by Barbour)

Six Days Left For Car Plates

William Neal, issuer of licences in Richmond Hill, reports that sale of licences for passenger cars and drivers' permits has picked up considerably in the past week, but with the large number of licences still to be issued locally by the March 13 deadline, only six days away, line-ups are inevitable.

Mr. Neal points out that the new licence plates for commercial vehicles are now on sale. The new commercial licensing system allows owners to buy plates for a full year, or for any quarter of a year. The commercial licensing year will run from April 1 this year to March 31, 1964.

Vaughan Twp. Provides Services For Hospital

Richmond Hill Town Council has been advised by Vaughan Township Council that the latter body has acquired the land required for the extension of Trench Street, Richmond Hill to the Maple Sideroad.

The township has also consented to provide the water-mains in the township to serve the hospital and their consulting engineer is proceeding to specify the work to be tendered.

The Township of Vaughan also acknowledges that it will

assume 25% of the cost of the sewers and appurtenances required for the hospital at a cost not to exceed \$60,000 before grants that may be received under the winter works programme.

Clerk Russell Lynett was instructed to have the necessary agreement drawn up.

Councillor Alan White remarked that Vaughan Township Council had been most cooperative in their efforts in this respect.



Triple Trio Wins First Place At Kiwanis Festival

The Triple Trio from Walter Scott Public School won first place in their class in the recent Kiwanis Music Festival in Toronto. The girls who are from grades 7 and 8 secured a total of 85 marks. Their director is Mr. John Peace.

The members of the Trio are (left to right) Kathryn Hammond, alto, Jane Blackwell, alto, Brenda Haddock, second soprano, Christina Munsey, alto, Susan Getz, soprano, Debbie Dunklee, soprano, Gail Thomson, soprano and Rhodelle Byron, soprano. (Photo by Lagerquist)

Many Exhibits At Fair

A pioneer venture for York County, will be the science fair to be held in the county council chambers at Newmarket on April 6 from one to four p.m. The fair will be open to the public and it is hoped that a large number of parents and others interested in education will attend.

Three exhibits from each inspectorate will be on view in each of two classes - class projects from grades 7 and 8 which must tie in with the science curriculum for these grades, and individual entries which may deal with any scientific subject.

With entries expected from the six public school

inspectorates and the separate school inspectorate in York County, there can be 21 exhibits in each class.

The fair, sponsored by the education committee of county council has as objectives getting teachers interested in the science course with an opportunity to see what other classrooms are doing, interesting children in the study of science, and giving parents a chance to see what is being accomplished.

Principal M. McRoberts of Powell Road School, reports great enthusiasm in Vaughan Township Schools where area finals are scheduled for March 21 in Kleinburg

School. The top three exhibits in each class will be chosen at a teachers' meeting on March 21, and plans are underway to place them on exhibit for the public, on a date to be announced later.

No prizes will be awarded at the township level, but each school participating on the county level will receive science equipment for the group exhibits and a book for individual exhibits. It is hoped that certificates of participation will be available for each school that takes part.

About 60 entries in each section are expected from the schools in York Inspectorate

rate 3. Township finals will be judged March 28 at Bayview Glens Public School, and the exhibits will be on view for the public on March 28 from 4-10 p.m. and March 29 from 4-6 p.m. The three top exhibits in each group will go on to the county competition. All teachers in the inspectorate will meet April 1 to evaluate the science fair. Mr. Karl Kinsinger, principal of the Bayview Glens school is in charge of arrangements.

To reach this new school, which lies north of Steeles, drive east about 500 yards along Balloncliffe Road to Limcombe Drive, in Bayview Glens Subdivision.