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However, in late December,



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## 1969-70 Vaughan Council Assumes Reins Of Office

Guiding Vaughan's destinies for 1969-70 will be the above members of the township council who were officially installed in office in an impressive ceremony held January 6. Back row (left to right) Councillors David Fraser, Dalton McArthur, John Gilbert, Lou Wainwright and Clerk Ted Jackman. Front row (same order) Deputy-reeve Albert Rutherford, Reeve Garnet Williams and Councillor Gordon Risk.

### Acclaim Reeve Stewart Rumble, Mkhm 109th Warden County Of York For 1969

became the warden of York County Tuesday after- said. noon during an impressive ceremony at the county offices in Newmarket. He won the honor by acclamation.

Stouffville Reeve Ken Laushway, declined the nomination for the position.

Mr. Rumble, who was nominated by Reeve Stewart Burnett of Whitchurch Township succeeds Reeve Garfield Wright of East Gwillimbury.

Mr. Rumble told the county council that it is faced with a year of change, but added that councils in the past had "laid an excellent foundation."

He continued, "when the province says it's time for a change, we are ready."

Mr. Rumble added, "I hope we can keep York County a good place to live and work."

In his final speech as warden, cember will likely make re- quired amount. Mr. Wright said his term was gional government a reality, To serve on the committee job."

"the most memorable year of my life. Nothing can replace it, nor can criticism destroy it." and a meeting is scheduled with the minister this Friday.

are Deputy-reeve Gladys Rolling, East Gwillimbury; Reeve be withdrawn, and said, "I am ken Laushway, Stouffville; supporting Reeve Rumble." should be withdrawn, and said.

the Minister of Municipal Af- made in this council are funda- ship; Reeve Sam Nasello, Sut-

who administered the oath to Richmond Hill. the new warden, said, "this an historic occasion.'

Seven members were also ap- were very kind to me." pointed to the striking comdropping the number to the re- ed, "there is one candidate who ,

Township Council Monday, he sound reasons why certain areas work during the next two years brought greetings from Stouff- may find it beneficial to amalin all of these fields." ville, and told council that he gamate."

Markham Township Deputy- various departments of the area of planning.

### Offer \$1,000 Reward Hit & Run Death

A \$1,000 reward has been offered by the province for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the driver involved in the hit and run death of a Thornhill man, January 1.

The body of Arthur Abbey, 47, was found at 2.30 am on Highway 11, two miles south of Richmond Hill by an OPP Officer from the Oak Ridges Detachment.

Police believe he was killed while walking south on the highway.

Police are looking for a white car with damage to the right front fender or, possibly, the left front fen-

Any information should be reported to the nearest

# Parks And Recreation Amalgamated Jan. 1

At the request of the parks board and recreation committee amalgam- the target date and passed ation of the two bodies will be carried out immediately, Richmond Hill Council unanimously. It was also recommended that the two comdecided Monday evening. The amalgamated board will be composed of 11 mittees hold joint meetings ocmembers - eight citizens and three representatives of council. casionally during the year, to

The move has been under consideration for several months and in early become familiar with each November council decided to amalgamate the two seven-member appointed other's problems. committees on January 1, 1970. council was informed by the

One of the parks board's Lack of communication led to Mr. Ruttle recommended the two bodies that they favored duties is to provide facilities for misunderstandings between the two boards be combined into immediate amalgamation. recreation. The recreation two town committees.

committee has allocated the RUTTLE COMMITTEE Later the recreation com- Monday night council named facilities to groups requesting More than a year ago Mayor mittee agreed with his recom- 11 members to the new parks their use and has supervised Thomas Broadhurst appointed mendation but the parks board and recreation board - eight and encouraged the recreation William Ruttle, who had served voiced objections on the citizens and three council memprograms of groups working on both boards, to head a com- grounds of additional expense bers. with children and adults. In mittee composed of Chairman in hiring a full time recreation Appointees with experience the past it also ran summer Shaun Beggs of the parks board director and a qualified man to on one or other of the two Commissioner of the OPP. playgrounds and winter recrea- and Chairman Angus Philip of look after the parks. tion programs but has been the recreation committee, to in- MANSBRIDGE'S MOTION Leisure Lane; Harold Jones, phasing out its involvement in vestigate the feasibility of am- Then in November, Council- Richmond Street; Russell Tilt, these by turning them over to algamation. The report pre- lor Ivan Mansbridge introduced Bridgeford Street; Angus Philsented to council in April by a motion that the amalgamation ip, Sussex Avenue; Andy Chat-

take place on January 1 this eauvert, Zelda Crescent and Markham Twp. Needs Good Industrial Assessment of the should be a wait- the should be a w mittee time to assess the impact ton, Axminster Drive and Pat Says Reeve Rumble At Inauguration Ceremonies of the change and to enable Deciantis, Church Street South.

ficially took office Monday in a in the essential services to ob- a resident of the Town of Markbrief inauguration ceremony tain lower cost and efficiency, ham. held at the township offices in and we must keep constant vigible. The wives of the councillors Town Appointments Coming Year were also introduced to the Two new councillors, Eldred tural facilities are provided as audience. King, Ward 3, and James Jon-development takes place," he Following the swearing-in Council appointments to other Deputy-reeve Floyd Perkins

In his inaugural speech, efficiency can we provide better guests at the Victoria Square To planning board for a appointed to the Metro Con-Reeve Stewart Rumble told the services for the residents of Community Hall. audience that the area of muni- Markham Township at a reason-

cipal jurisdiction "seems to be able cost," he concluded. in a restless state." He said Reeve Stewart Rumble of Markham Township mic health of this county," he Whitchurch Township; Reeve some are forecasting the town-Ted Norris, Georgina Township ship will become part of Metro, the audience that it was with County Judge Clare Morrison, and Reeve Donald Plaxton, while others predict Markham anxiety that he looked forward will become part of regional to his first year on council.

He is a former public school government. Mayor Alma Walker, of the Mr. Rumble pointed out that trustee. might be the last inaugural of Town of Markham, who by vircounty council in its present too of that office is not a memform. Today (Tuesday) may be tue of that office is not a mem-welfare are now controlled on conscientiously, apply myself ber of county council this year a larger basis, than township energetically and uphold the

interests of the taxpayers of told members that she had been jurisdiction. Mrs. Jean Rumble, wife of on county council for 13 years. He said the municipality must Ward 3 to the best advantage the new warden, was presented with flowers and welcomed as "If I were to write a book," sessment values in order to profirst lady of the county. She said, "it would, unlike Judy vide work for area residents. Representing the heavily

LaMarsh's, not be very sensa- The reeve stated that the populated Ward I, Allan Sumtional. All the members here township police department, lo-ner said that as the population cated in the same building as increases, greater demands are Ken Laushway said it was the council chambers, had made for services.

mittee. Nine persons had been an honor to be nominated for grown to 23 men and is operat- "During the past election, the nominated, but two declined, the warden's position, but add-"This council should look many of the ratepayers' meet-I believe would do a wonderful and take action to provide larg- the quantity of water, iob."

er police accommodation," he either tasted bad, smelled bad or looked bad, and there wasn't ing, East Gwillimbury; Reeve be withdrawn, and said, "I am Mr. Rumble said council enough of it," he said. Ken Laushway, Stouffville; supporting Reeve Rumble." should continue to co-operate "We must improve and en-

fairs Darcy McKeough, in De- mental to the social and econo- ton; Reeve Stewart Burnett, many days for Mr. Laushway to "While we are not anxious to tion, street lighting areas, sanimake the statement. At the in-augural meeting of Markham he said, "there are probably this nature. We will certainly

> James Jongeneel said in his said it was important that the campaign, particularly in the

Mr. Rumble, said, "Markham Mr. Roman set out a guide- tive industrial commission for

cil would have to come to grips "If this can be achieved, I with the problem of improved hope to carry out and imple- public transportation to and

ment the following; an extens- from Toronto. for residents of those areas; to devotional was given by Rev.

by the provincial government that area (Pickering Township, offset Pickering's orientation county council made the only strengthen our financial posi- Also bringing greetings to the tion; to attempt to achieve a new council were Reeve Ken

ceremonies, a dinner was held boards and committees made and Dr. Douglas Pimlott of

"Only by progress through for council members and Monday night were:

### Markham Twp. Council Raises Own Salaries

Markham Township Council at its inaugural meeting Monday authorized raises in pay for its members, but according to officials, they are still being paid less than councillors in neighboring municipalities.

The reeve's salary went up \$2,500 this year to \$7,000 per annum. In 1968 the reeve was paid \$4,500. He will also receive expense money.

The deputy-reeve will earn \$3,500 this year, while councillors will receive \$2,-500. The new salaries became effective January 1,

Council gave the bylaw third reading and passed it unanimously Monday.

Clerk Harry Crisp outlined the history of salaries for council members. In 1960, the reeve received \$3,000 per annum, while councillors earned \$18 per meeting. The reeve's salary was increased \$500 in 1963, while the councillors' paycheck remained the same. In 1965, the reeve earned \$4,000 a year, while councillors received a \$2 per meeting wage boost

meeting. Councillor James Jongeneel said, "other municipalities are raising salaries and ours (Markham Township) are still relative-

bringing their pay to \$20 a

Reeve Stewart Rumble said, "we won't have any trouble substantiating our salary. If we work hard, we'll earn our money.

#### ition painlessly - the result Councillors Lois Hancey, John The 1969-70 edition of Mark-more comprehensive agreement Laushway of Stouffville and was that the motion was amend-MacDiarmid and Ivan Mansham Township Council of- with neighboring municipalities Township Solicitor Paul Mingay, ed to set January 1, 1970, as bridge.

Centre Street West were re-

three year term, Ivan Toutloff, servation Authority. Crosby Avenue and Ken Brown, Norman Stephenson of Hunt manager of the local branch of Avenue, Andy Chateauvert of the Guaranty Trust. Other Zelda Crescent and Leslie members of planning board are Smith of Crosby Avenue were Harry Sayers of Starlight Cres- named fenceviewers. Mr. cent, Donald Barnett of Kerry- Smith is the new appointee. brook Drive; Howard Whillans Fred Boyaird of the town's

John MacDiarmid. David Higgins of Harding Deputy-reeve Perkins and Boulevard was re-appointed to Councillor William Lazenby the committee of adjustment will represent council on the for a three year term. Tom arena board. Graham of Mill Pond Court was Councillor Lazenby will rep-

appointed for the same term, resent the mayor on the York replacing Harry Charles who Central Hospital Board and

council's representative.

Cam Smith, manager of the Tomlin of Harding Boulevard local branch of the Bank of will be Richmond Hill's repre-Nova Scotia has been appointed sentatives on the Central Ontario to the public library board for Regional Development Council. a three year term and Coun- The mayor is an ex officio cillor Lois Hancey was named member of all town commit-

of Bridgeport Street, and Coun-cillors Ivan Mansbridge and the weed inspector.

Councillor Hancey and Ken



ADMINISTRATOR GARY CHATFIELD

## Administrator Leaves York Central Hospital March 1st

Gary J. Chatfield, who has been administrator of York Central Hospital since February 1, 1963, is leaving the hospital March 1 to become president of Medex Nursing Homes Ltd., with head offices in Toronto. Mr. Chatfield will continue to reside in Richmond Hill where he is a director of the proposed Richmond Hill Day Nursery and of the York Central St. John Ambulance Association.

Mr. Chatfield was the first member of the staff of the local hospital being appointed as consultant in 1961, months before negotiations had been completed for the site, plans finalized and the first sod turned. He gave invaluable advice and guidance from that time until the hospital was built, staffed and in operation. Since then he has worked to maintain and improve the high quality of hospital care made available to the residents of this area by

A native of Winnipeg, Mr. Chatfield holds a Bachelor of Science of Pharmacy from the University of Manitoba and a diploma in hospital administration from the University of Toronto. An administrative residency in Humber Memorial Hospital at Weston and a research project for the Ontario Hospital Association dealing with factors influencing operating costs in hospitals preceded his York Central appointment.

# Regional Government By Late 1969 would support Mr. Rumble in his bid to become the 1969 war- den. \* \* \* \* \* Deputy-reeve Anthony Roman, meant what he said during his campaign, particularly in the

By RON WALLACE

County Social and Family

The brand new York

The new county welfare

Today, all general wel-

fare assistance, supplement-

ary aid, homemakers' serv-

ices and other related wel-

fare services are adminis-

tered on a county basis,

rather than by the individual

Throughout the county, of-

ficials of assorted municipal-

ities and townships are ex-

pressing mixed reactions to

the new setup, and to the

new man running it.

municipalities.

McKeough Forecasts

Proposals for the Peel-Halton ropolitan Toronto. on both areas are already com- Pickering Village and Ajax) toward Toronto. plete and the municipalities involved have countered with

Regional government, in some cases, can be achieved in a few months. Mr. McKapurth New County Welfare Department Operating Despite Criticism a few months, Mr. McKeough stated. "More often I would expect the whole procedure. starting from scratch, to take something like two years."

Introducing the regional gov- Services Unit is officially in ernment plan in the legislature operation, but the dust is a few weeks ago, the minister still settling. reported that he had already held several meetings on redepartment started January gional government with representatives from this area.

It is indicated that the new regional government setups will be two-tier, with the upper tier (or regional government) handling services such as capital borrowing, public health, planning, police, welfare, water and sewerage facilities and assessment. The lower tier or local municipal government would continue to deal with road maintenance and garbage collection and similar services.

Mr. McKeough has set a mini- Markham Township still mum population of 150,000 to isn't sure if it wants to give 200,000 for effective regional up operation of its own government, with the individual welfare. municipalities having a popula- At a meeting held late in tion of from 8,000 to 10,000. December, council passed a

The minister also said his de- motion stating "that the partment will try various meth- 1968 council recommend to ods with regard to the key the 1969 council that they inquestion of representation on vestigate whether it would the new governing bodies. "The be advantageous to the first principle we want to see township to administer its Social and Family Services. ald isn't too interested in followed - and followed more own welfare."

north of Metro will be made - is the traditional principle borough of Metro.

ing to officials of Ontario Coun-plans further meetings with 80,000.

January 23. Studies conducted in the three municipalities in area would help somewhat to of North Gwillimbury said the tial assessment in order to Unionville.

cated Monday. He was speak- vealing that his department which has a population of tion of this man.

22 and for the Niagara region the population of about 42,000 influence of Oshawa over this January 23 Studies conducted in the Control of Studies conducted in the Control of

A specific proposal for re-conscientiously than has some-would make it difficult if not reeve Anthony Roman, who township work as a unit and not "I'd like to check into the gional government for the area times been the case in the past impossible, for it to become a had seconded the nomination for as individual departments. possibility of setting up an acduced into the Ontario Legis- of representation by popula- The same population would Township is one of the most line which he plans to follow this township," he said. in 1970, Minister of Municipal Although claiming, "Our nation of the Oshawa-Whitby the county. I had no reserva-Affairs Darcy McKeough indi- minds are not closed," and re- region by the city of Oshawa tions in seconding the nomina-

ty at a luncheon of the Oshawa Pickering Township officials, Mr. McKeough also stated Stewart Burnett, Mr. Rum- ive program of road and safety "As I've said before, the ex-Rotary Club. Regional govern- Mr. McKeough's speech on that "Pickering provides a suf- ble's nominator, told the audi- improvement; a more compre- tension of the Don Valley Parkments are also planned east and Monday blunted Pickering's ficient area between the bound- ence that "he (Mr. Rumble) will hensive program of water and way is essential," he stated. hopes of becoming part of Met- ary of Metro and the Oshawa- make an efficient and capable sanitary services to lower rates Prior to the speeches, a short centred area for extensive resi- warden."

Now that the new welfare

department is a reality,

Markham Township will

have to apply for permission

to administer its own. Dep-

uty-reeve Anthony Roman

suggested council do this,

however, Reeve Stewart

Rumble considered such an

"The proposal certainly

should be looked at," he

said, "there may be some ad-

vantages to a county admin-

Meanwhile, in Newmarket,

Mayor Drew Doak wrapped

up the final council meeting

of 1968 by telling members

he was disturbed and asked

if they were satisfied that

Last September county

council, after a heated de-

bate, decided to hire Bilton

MacDonald of East Gwillim-

bury Township as head of

the new welfare department.

proved in December by

John Yaremko, Minister of

His appointment was ap-

action too hasty.

istration."

possible decision.

ing that Mr. MacDonald had two years' experience in welfare work with East Gwillimbury Township and had a certificate from a two year course in welfare administration at Ryerson Polytechnical School, said he was dis-

turbed. "I understand there were applicants who had university degrees and many years of experience," said the mayor, "yet county council overruled the findings of their own committee to hire

The committee, which included two representatives of the provincial Department of Welfare, placed Mr. Mac-Donald third in their selecthey had hired the right tions. Twenty-one applica- or twice a day, but are only tions were received for the required to appear there once

The committee had selected Earl M. McDowell, an ordained minister presently employed by the Metro Welfare Department as their first choice.

Meanwhile, Mr. MacDon-Mayor Doak, after learn- all the haggling right now.

Opening the Newmarket offices, organizing a staff of six field workers, and generally pioneering a new project keeps the man busy enough without having to worry about anything else.

He told "The Liberal" that he and his staff were "terribly busy", and pointed out that while the new department is about two weeks old. it will take another six to get into a regular working routine. The six field workers have

already been assigned their territory in the sprawling county, and all carry on duties from their homes. They may report to the Newmarket office by phone once a week for a staff meeting. Handling the Richmond

Hill district is Al White, a former councillor and welfare officer. In addition to Richmond Hill, he also covers Markham Township, Stouffville and the town of

Markham. Merlyn Widdifield, who church Township, has that area on his new beat in addition to the Town of

Vaughan Township, Woodbridge and King Township fall under the jurisdiction of Dick Verrips, while Mrs. Doris Harper covers Newmarket and the Township of East Gwillimbury. The Township of North

Gwillimbury, Sutton and

Georgina Township are hand-

led by Hugh McLeod of Keswick. Mr. McLeod, under the former system, was head of welfare in North Gwillimbury. Taking care of home for the aged and nursing home applications as well as indig-

out the entire county is Norm Lewis. Two office workers, Mrs. May White and Mrs. Jean Smith, both of Aurora, complete the new staff.

ent hospitalization through-

The new department absorbs some 14 general welfare departments that were operating prior to January 1.

Mr. MacDonald said the located at 66 Bayview Avhandled welfare for Whit- new service will offer fea- enue.

first time. He said that under the old setup not all the departments supplied all the services.

Mr. MacDonald explained that the new unit tried to absorb as many of the old welfare officers who wanted to remain in that career. He said some officers preferred to change positions, and a new man had to be brought in to cover that particular

One such person was Ross Kerwin, former welfare, officer of Vaughan Township. In December he was appointed engineering assistant and purchasing agent for the The emphasis in the unit,

according to the new department, will be on rehabilitation of welfare recipients. Field representatives will spend the largest portion of their time working with families and individuals within the framework of their respective homes and family

settings. The Newmarket office is