

## Vaughan Defers Action Village Rd. Pact

Councillors Dalton McArthur and David Fraser fought a losing battle Tuesday night at Vaughan Township Council to have the Municipal Board's hearing on the township's application to modify the terms of existing road agreements with the Police Villages of Thornhill and Maple proceed on March 6 as planned.

Although warned by Clerk Ted Jackman that if the hearing is to proceed on March 6 it must be advertised this week, council decided to defer further consideration of the matter until its February 25 meeting. This will give them an opportunity to hold further discussions with Maple Trustees, who were represented at Tuesday night's meeting. Thornhill Trustees were not represented. The clerk also noted the application could be withdrawn at any time up to and including March 6.

Councillor Fraser warned against the tendency to defer action because of the imminence of regional government. He also pointed out to council that the hearing is scheduled so that the decision could be reflected in this year's taxes.

He stated he was very much against the report of the finance committee which recommended that the application be withdrawn. "We're 99 yards down the straightaway and there is no excuse for not going all the way. This has great implication for the whole township and it's our responsibility to ensure we do get a decision at this point."

Councillor McArthur claimed that as a Maple resident he is the only one of the seven sitting members of council to be directly affected, whose taxes are going to go up by the proposal for the township to take over village roads and levy the same road rate on all municipal ratepayers. He pointed out that in 1968 the road rate in the township (outside the police villages) was 15.3 mills and in Maple was slightly less than one mill. Thornhill's rate was about the same. The difference in revenue, had the two villages' ratepayers paid the township rate, amounted to \$41,800. With the addition of a provincial grant of the same amount, the township would have had an extra \$83,000 to spend on its roads.

"Why should my neighbor who lives in the township pay 15.3 for roads while I pay less than a mill?" asked Mr. McArthur. "Maple ratepayers pay the half mill levy by the township for street lighting, contribute towards the township's parks budget and then to an extra amount spent by village trustees on street lighting and parks. It seems they are willing to pay the township assessment for parks, street lighting, and extra village assessments in these areas, but do not want to pay the township for roads."

Maple Trustees' Chairman Fred Young felt a decision by the OMB in favor of the township would mean the demise of the Police Village

of Maple, since the trustees would have to levy a rate over and above all other township rates for village purposes, making it more expensive to live in the village than in the township.

He reported that on a budget of \$22,000 in 1968 the trustees had maintained roads, made a cash donation of \$5,000 towards the township's overall road program, improved parks and made a substantial donation to the Maple Area Recreation Board.

This year the trustees are planning to spend \$10,000 on roads in the village, continue with improving street lighting and developing parks, and increase support of the recreation board.

Councillor Gordon Risk stated he agreed with Councillor McArthur in principle but is not so sure that a fast answer on regional government is not going to be given by the province. "Under the circumstances, I am willing to gamble and defer this for one month."

"Delay at this time means we might as well forget it," warned Councillor Fraser. "Regardless of the OMB decision it will be too late to affect this year's taxes. You are gambling on \$40,000 this year."

Deputy-reeve Albert Rutherford said he thought the OMB should make the decision. "They have never had the intestinal fortitude to touch it before." The deputy-reeve chaired the meeting in

the absence of Reeve Garnet Williams.

"And now we haven't," charged Councillor McArthur. "If I see regional government is coming in 1971 I'll vote to withdraw. If it's not let's go to the OMB and see what they decide," the councillor from Maple challenged.

Councillor John Gilbert said he didn't think "the Maple Trustees are that hard boiled. I think they see the handwriting on the wall. I'll sit down with them at any time to discuss this calmly and reasonably and I'm sure we can solve our problems by mutual agreement."

By this time council was entangled in a net of motion, amendment and amendment to the amendment, which was untangled quickly on Mr. McArthur's suggestion that a show of hands on the two week deferment be taken. The decision was four to two for deferment.



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## Women's Executive Of Branch 375, Royal Canadian Legion

Recently elected to head the Women's Auxiliary of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 375, are front row, (left to right) Second Vice-President Ida Ellis, 1st Vice-President Edith Titshall, President Joan Dickson, Past President Lucy Rickard, Corresponding Secretary Elsie Burnie and Treasurer Anna Lehtonen.

Back row, (same order) Executive Member Mary Robson, Sergeant-at-Arms Audrey Apperley, Recording Secretary Adelaide Mills, Executive Members Tillie Diceman, Nancy Sutcliffe, Marie Finnerty, Rose Donnelly, Ethel Buck and Gloria Sanford.

## Vaughan Will Hold Dog Control Bylaw For Month

Vaughan Township Council has postponed for two meetings third reading of its new dog control bylaw, which provides for licensing all dogs in the township and does not provide for a kennel fee. It is hoped that by that time it will be known when proposed legislation to amend the Livestock and Poultry Protection Act will be brought before the Legislature.

At council's February 11 meeting the Canadian Kennel Club was represented by M. O. Watson, a Toronto barrister and solicitor.

Mr. Watson reviewed the situation in Whitechurch Township, where a court of appeal ruled that kennel owners were not exempt from the licensing fee for each dog by payment of a kennel fee.

The present act provides that

where a dog tax is levied, kennels registered with the Canadian Kennel Club are exempt on payment of a \$10 licence fee. Mr. Watson explained. The act also provides that a municipality can licence dogs, but does not provide a kennel exemption in this case. The proposed amendment to the act will provide such exemption at a fee of \$25.

Deputy-reeve Albert Rutherford, who was presiding in the absence of Reeve Garnet Williams, pointed out to Mr. Watson and the delegation of kennel owners who accompanied him, that dog control cost Vaughan \$12,675 in 1968, including \$933 in claims for livestock destroyed by dogs running at large.

Dog tags brought in \$6,019 and kennel licences \$270 (at \$10 each), leaving a deficit to

be picked up by the taxpayers of \$2,732.90.

Mr. Watson countered with the claim that little of this expense was caused by owners of kennels registered with the Canadian Kennel Club, who raise only purebred dogs. "Their animals are too valuable to be let run at large," he claimed. "They don't want to lose their dogs."

Reginald Sparkes of Thornhill spoke for the kennel owners in support of Mr. Watson and Philip Brown of RR 1 Woodbridge presented suggestions for other changes in the proposed bylaw.

## Education Bd. Okays \$50,546 New Offices

Renovations totalling \$50,546 will be made by York County Board of Education on the Church Street School in Aurora which will serve as its administration offices for at least two years.

The contract was awarded last week to Holtroff Construction of Keswick which submitted the low tender. Work is to be completed in 12 weeks. High tender was \$104,307.

Architects for the project will be Weir and Cripps Partners of Toronto who will be paid on a time-basis instead of a flat rate. The firm is presently working on other projects in town and travel costs wouldn't be involved. It was explained that paying on a time basis would cut the total cost to one half of what it would be on a flat rate basis.

The board also decided to purchase used furniture for the administration offices as an economic measure.

The board will occupy the two-storey school which totals 8,000 square feet of floor space. STOUFFVILLE: Stouffville's population has topped the 4,000 mark as of January 1, 1969, but by only eight people. The figures presented to York County Council by the assessment department show that teenagers are well outnumbered in the town. Figures are 0-15 years, 1,021; 16-19 years, 272; 20-59 years, 1,769; over 60 years, 552.

## Provide Two Areas

## Sounds Of Gunfire May Return To Most Of Vaughan Township

Somewhat radical changes are contained in a proposed bylaw to control discharge of firearms in Vaughan Township. The bylaw at present in force permits no firearms to be discharged anywhere in the township except with the permission of council. It came into effect in October 1967.

It does not allow a farmer to discharge a firearm on his own property, even to destroy pests such as foxes, rabbits, ground hogs, etc., unless he applies to council for permission to hold an organized hunt. The Department of Lands and Forests has also indicated that a more open policy to help cut down on the large numbers of such pests would be welcome.

The department has suggested that council pass two bylaws — one to prohibit discharge of firearms in defined areas and another to regulate discharge of guns in the remainder of the municipality.

If these bylaws are passed the department has promised assistance in policing the township to enforce all pertinent provincial statutes and to report infractions of the bylaws to the local police as well as serving as witnesses in resulting court cases.

The areas in which no discharge of firearms would be permitted are the built-up areas of the township, including:

- (a) Concession 1, lots 26 to 60 inclusive;
  - (b) Concession 2, lots 1 to 6 inclusive;
  - (c) Concession 3, lots 1 to 10 inclusive and the west half of lots 16 to 25 inclusive;
  - (d) Concession 4, lots 1 to 15 inclusive and the east half of lots 16 to 25 inclusive;
  - (e) Concession 5, lot 1;
  - (f) Concession 6, lot 1 and the west half of lot 13;
  - (g) Concession 7, lots 1 to 15 inclusive;
  - (h) Concession 8, lots 21 to 25 east of Highway 27;
  - (i) Concession 9, the east half of lot 24 and the west half of lots 24, 25 and 26 inclusive.
- All the rest of the township would be governed by another bylaw, a regulatory one, which would provide that:
- No gun or other firearm, air gun or spring gun or any class or type thereof shall be discharged except by the owner or tenant of the premises on which it is discharged or by a person who has received writ-

ten authorization of the owner. This authorization shall be carried on the person to whom it is issued while on the property.

Rifles will be limited to a lower powered 22 calibre and shotguns to 12 gauge.

Police officers will be exempt from provisions of the bylaw, which also provides for the discharge of firearms of the above calibre at a lawful shooting range or gallery, skeet club or shooting meet authorized by council.

Council's general purpose committee pointed out that the proposed bylaw will place the onus on owners or tenants of lands to decide who may or may not discharge a gun on their property.

The committee also reported that Police Chief William Shimmin has indicated he concurs with provisions of the proposed bylaws.

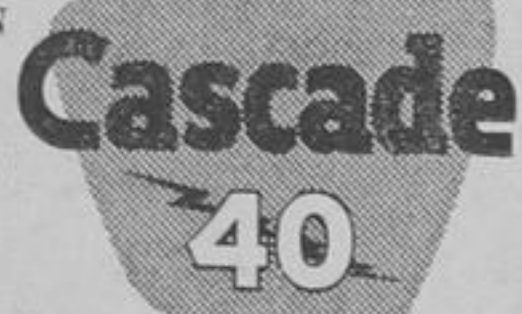
Councillor David Fraser noted that these proposals constitute rather violent changes to the existing bylaw.

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