

KING CITY, OAK RIDGES LAKE WILCOX

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Illusive McKeough Meets Twp. Council Is 'Out Of Town' To County Delegation

Vaughan Township Council last week unwittingly thwarted Warden Gordon Cook's plan to meet with Municipal Affairs Minister Darcy McKeough.

Reporting to county council on February 20, Mr. Cook said he and a delegation from council had planned to meet with Mr. McKeough and with Health Minister Thomas Wells to discuss Ontario County's request for admission to the York-Oshawa District Health Unit, but when they arrived at Queen's Park they were told Mr. McKeough was out of town.

"We met with Mr. Wells, however, and our delegation asked that there be no changes in the health unit before regional government comes in, then we would like the health unit to go back to the York County region."

The warden and commissioners want to set up a meeting with Mr. McKeough immediately, he said, to discuss regional government. He suggested the county should set up a special committee to study the effects of equalized assessment and the shift to market-value assessment on the property owners of the county.

Deputy-reeve Albert Rutherford of Vaughan Township informed the warden that Mr. McKeough was not out of town on February 19, that he was meeting in Toronto with members of Vaughan Township Council.

Questioned by the press after the meeting, Vaughan Township Reeve Garnet Williams said his council had met with Mr. McKeough to discuss a proposal approved by the council at a meeting

on February 16 favoring formation of a regional government in the southern section of York County.

Vaughan envisages a region bounded on the south by Steeles Avenue and on the north by the height of land at Oak Ridges.

Personally, said Mr. Williams, he does not favor the proposal.

"There is no way I would go for a division of York County," he said. "York County should be a region with Steeles Avenue as the southern boundary."

Metro, he said, would like to annex the southern portions of Vaughan and Markham Townships, cutting the townships in half and taking the built-up residential and industrial land.

"We would never approve of that," said Mr. Williams.

Vaughan, he declared, has as much to offer Metro as Metro has to offer to Vaughan. Vaughan needs water for future development which Metro could provide.

On the other hand, Metro has a serious garbage disposal problem, and there are mined-out gravel pits in Vaughan that could serve as sanitary land-fill sites for Metro for the next five years.

So far, he said, all Metro has been prepared to offer in exchange for the dump sites is some servicing in the Woodbridge area.

The delegation got no answers or commitments from the Minister, said Mr. Williams, "But he knows what we are thinking."

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Neighborhood Notes

Oak Ridges Lions Club will hold a St. Patrick's Dance in the Lions Hall. Details will be given next week.

The senior citizens will meet March 12. So far, due to below zero weather the turnout to these meetings has not been large and it has not been possible to elect an executive. With spring coming the group should grow in numbers and activities will be going full swing.

Members of Teen-Power helped take out shelves and cupboards at the community hall and have scrubbed it until it shines. Saturday night after a hard, sooty day, they gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dick Evans and held a dance and leftovers party. They have welcomed two more to their group.

Saturday February 23 Oak Ridges Home and School Association held a talk and discussion on the effects of taking drugs.

Beginning September 1 Edward Burtell will become principal of Oak Ridges Public School. Present Principal Harold Dick will accept an appointment near his Burlington home.

Get well wishes are extended to Mrs. D. Shand who had to have several stitches in a cut on her arm suffered in an accident with a license plate Sunday — and to Elizabeth Elliott who underwent surgery at York County Hospital.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Sweeney on the birth of a 6 lb. 4 oz. boy, Sean Patrick, a brother for Ricky and Debby.

Congratulations on their 27th wedding anniversary to Mr. and Mrs. William Good and a happy birthday to Ernie Ensor. Church News

Friday February 22 Boy Scouts, Cubs, Guides and Brownies of 1st Jefferson, along with Guides and Brownies of 1st Lake Wilcox, held their annual Thinking Day Church Parade at St. John's Anglican Church.

With the congregation overflowing into the aisles Rev. Earl Gerber blessed the new colors of 1st Jefferson. A youth program of prayers and sermon, "The New Way To God", was presented.

Next Friday evening at 8 pm in the basement of the parish hall there will be a "Film Frolic" featuring four films. Saturday afternoon at 2 pm,

Geraldine Skelhorn Top CWL Orator

Geraldine Skelhorn, of Our Lady of the Annunciation Separate School, Oak Ridges, was winner of the St. Mary Immaculate CWL's public speaking contest held February 8 in St. Mary Immaculate Parish Hall. The annual event was convened by Mrs. John Beck.

Runner-up was Brendan Woods of St. Mary Immaculate School, Richmond Hill and other contestants were Terry Klouke, Edith Simitz, Michael Montague, Martha Wilson, Kathy Holton, Tim Danbrook, Ray Taylor, Diane Reynolds and Danny Doris.

Winner Geraldine Skelhorn competed in the CWL York County Regional Public Speaker contest held March 1 at Holy Name School in King Township.

King Township Official Plan Still Secret

Preliminary copies of the King Township Official Plan were presented to planning board members on the evening of February 17.

There was a bit of a verbal hassle over what to do next. Some members wanted to take their copies home for study before taking any action or making the plan public.

Board member Alf Le Masurier said he would show his copy to anyone who wanted to see it, and turned his copy over to a reporter at the meeting. This in spite of a majority vote against making copies available to the public until board members had an opportunity to review and revise the proposed Official Plan.

"I just don't like to have secret documents," said Mr. Le Masurier.

"I take objection to this being called a secret document," said board member Vern Plant. His motion to keep the Official Plan copies confidential passed four to three on a recorded vote.

Voting against releasing the proposed Official Plan to the public were Vince Duggan, Deputy-reeve Ken MacTaggart, Mr. Plant, and board chairman Robert Silcox. In

favor were Mr. Le Masurier, Reeve Gordon Cook and Harold Taylor.

But this didn't stop Mr. Le Masurier from handing his copy to the press.

Before this vote there was a discussion of whether or not to decide how to deal with the proposed Official Plan. Some members wanted to read it first, others wanted to adopt the procedure recommended by consultant Town Planner Bill Ferguson of Municipal Planning Consultants Ltd.

On a motion by Mr. Le Masurier, seconded by Mr. Taylor, the majority decided to adopt the recommended procedure. Mr. Le Masurier said it most important to get the draft Official Plan on record so it could be taken into account when decisions are made about the township. Voting in favor were Mr. Le Masurier, Reeve Cook, Mr. Taylor and Chairman Silcox.

Against were Mr. Duggan, Deputy-reeve MacTaggart and Mr. Plant.

The procedure adopted first provides for the planning board to study the proposed Official Plan and make final revisions. Then public meetings will be held to out-

line the plan to the public, and to receive the suggestions of citizens. The next step would be to recommend the Official Plan to township council for adoption. It was suggested copies of the Official Plan should be placed in township libraries.

Displayed at the planning board meeting were several large maps of the township indicating soil capability, septic tank suitability, 1969 land use, the official plan of future land use, a transportation plan, and development plan.

Planner Ferguson said the Official Plan was aimed to cover a five-year period until a regional plan could be done. It provided for 14,000 square foot minimum lots and septic tanks in designated areas. It would not stop development, but would regulate it at something like the existing rate.

There were to be no sewage treatment plants above the King Creek and Nashville Reservoirs, because of possible pollution to the Humber River. All residential development and industry would have to be served by septic tanks under the

School Science Fair At King City SS Today

A school science fair was held at King City Secondary School February 26. The following students had outstanding exhibits:

Elizabeth Huszka and Pat Bailey on chromatography, Soren Nielsen on respiration and Tim Henshaw on nutrition.

Other winners were: Ellen Laing, Leo Burns, Bob Dawson, Chris Castill, Basil McGee, Frank-John Schilder, Sue Dillcock and Carson Payne.

These exhibitors will compete tonight (March 5) against other students in the county March 13 at Bayview Secondary School, Bayview Avenue, Richmond Hill and the public is again invited to attend between 4 and 9 pm.

of secondary schools in Aurora, King City and Stouffville and Keith Carson, head of science at KCSS is chairman of the area fair.

KCSS will host this event and the public is welcome to attend between 3:30 and 6 pm. The fair will be held in the science rooms which are at the southeast corner of the school.

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Traffic Summons Consultant

Zoltan's Luck Eventually Ran \$100 Down

"These persons bringing this charge against me, they are all Queenists," Hungarian freedom fighter and plague of Ontario's traffic courts, Zoltan Szoboszloi, 55, told Richmond Hill Provincial Court February 26.

But it was a week when Zoltan's usual good luck seemed to have deserted him. Fresh from conviction the day before in Toronto for chasing a suspected person from his premises, the self-styled traffic ticket consultant was convicted for pushing a policeman in the court hallway and fined \$100.

In Toronto February 25 Zoltan was fined \$200 for assaulting a man who knocked on his door. He said he had "nothing on but the radio" and was making a cup of tea around 3 am February 3 when he heard a knock and thought the police had come back to harass him. He said one pulled a gun on him last November.

When Zoltan opened the door, the visitor turned out to be a man looking for a girl, and had mistakenly knocked on the door. The man, Philip Thibeault, 29, said he apologized, turned to leave, and slipped on the floor. Then he was struck on the head with a wooden shoe and ended up in hospital with seven stitches.

Zoltan explained: "I put my shoe up and down. He put his head under my shoe. I had no intention of hurting him. I was nude. . . I was only defending my property."

Zoltan was in his usual court form again here, however, with nearly all of Richmond Hill's officers of law and order hailed into court on subpoenas. Everyone from Provincial Judge Russell Pearce on down faced their moment in the witness box to be questioned by the accused. Zoltan argued natural justice was renegeed, cited the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and questioned the validity of a charge made in the name of the Queen.

Subpoenaed were Judge Pearce, Assistant Crown Attorney James Crossland, Chief of Police Robert Robbins, Deputy Police Chief Joseph Rainey, Justice of the Peace and Deputy Town Clerk Mack Clement and Police Sergeant Ted McBrien.

Provincial Judge Claire Morrison of Newmarket was in Richmond Hill to preside. The charge arose out of a July 8 case before Judge Pearce when a mistrial was declared. Zoltan was in court as agent representing Ronald Freeman who was later acquitted in a new trial when represented by a member of the Ontario bar.

July 8 Zoltan was ordered out of the court by Judge Pearce after an incident during the subsequent recess the accused Freeman was taken in to the Crown Attorney's office. Zoltan objected to this action by Crown Attorney Crossland.

Agent Zoltan tried to pull his client out of the Crown Attorney's office, but was ordered out and the door was closed, the court was told.

A security policeman, Gerald Moth, got between Zoltan and the office door. Zoltan was charged with assaulting the police officer while the officer was carrying out his duty.

Constable Moth told the court on a previous day of the trial that he was pushed a short distance back against the door jam, and was the target of some bad language from Zoltan. Constable Moth, who has since moved to Western Canada, escorted Zoltan down the stairs to the street.

In the heat of the trial Zoltan appeared to inadvertently forget to call Judge Pearce to the witness box, but all the other officials answered his questions under oath.

Zoltan denied pushing the officer and excused his language as having been learned in a car assembly plant when he first came to Canada. He argued that the Crown Attorney was in taking an accused man to his office when the accused's agent had been ordered out of the court. He said this was contrary to the etiquette and law of justice, and suggested Mr. Crossland was acting out of ignorance and inexperience.

Crown Attorney Kingsley Wijesinha asked Judge Morrison to rule on whether it was proper for Crown officers to do what Mr. Crossland had done, since it was frequently useful to talk with an accused to aid the court.

Judge Morrison skirted this question, even though Mr. Wijesinha repeated his request. The judge's only reference to this was to state in his judgement that Mr. Crossland had taken the accused to his office while carrying out his duties as Crown Attorney.

In the witness box Mr. Crossland said he was talking to the accused in order to arrange a mutually agreeable new trial date and to make sure the accused knew Zoltan was not a member of the bar.

He told the court the accused Freeman thought Zoltan was a lawyer entitled to practise in the court.

Zoltan countered that he was in the court July 8 openly requesting to represent the accused as agent, something to which he was entitled as long as the case was a summary conviction matter.

Mr. Crossland said he took the accused to his office because "it is my function to assist the court, not to obstruct it,

Court News

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as some persons are known to do" (obviously meaning Zoltan).

"If I had the power to disqualify you, I would have you disqualified," Mr. Crossland said when Zoltan asked Mr. Crossland if he had disqualified Zoltan in the court on July 8.

"You burst in through the door and said I had no right to talk to your client. You were told to leave my office, which is not open at anytime to the likes of you. You left and I closed the door," testified Mr. Crossland.

Zoltan's line of questioning seemed to be an attempt to determine if the Crown Attor-

neys and the police were working together to separate him from the accused. Freeman "Did the sergeant and deputy chief go into your office? Did you have the intention to put me in the jail some way or other?" Zoltan asked Mr. Crossland. Mr. Crossland only replied that it would be usual for any of these police officers to be in his office.

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