



From Your Hospital

Board of Trustees York Central Hospital Budget April 1, 1979 - March 31, 1980	
Expenses	
Salary and benefits (includes Medical Staff remuneration)	\$10,042,218.00
Medical and Surgical supplies and Drugs	690,000.00
Other Supplies and Expenses	2,343,811.00
	\$13,076,029.00
Income	
Income M.O.H.	\$11,982,029.00
Semi-Private, Private room charges and Chronic Care differential	265,000.00
Other income eg. dietary, telephones	287,500.00
Out-patient income from OHIP	342,000.00
In-patient income (non-OHIP)	200,000.00
	1,094,000.00
	\$13,076,029.00

As in other years in order to live within the restrictions of this budget, beds will be closed for example, summer vacation period. The Board of Trustees will monitor the budget carefully to ensure continued quality patient care.

NOMINEE

The Board of Trustees wishes to congratulate Gloria A. Crotin, Assistant Executive Director, YCH, who has been admitted to the American College of Hospital Administrators as a Nominee.

Admission is granted only after a rigorous examination of the candidate's credentials has insured his fulfillment of well-defined standards of academic preparation, personal character, and professional competence.

RAFFLE

\$1,207.50 was realized from the Valentine's Day Recreation Raffle Draw. There were nine prizes, all donated, and the money will be used in the Continuing Care Unit.

SERVICE CLUBS

In the past two weeks, the Foundation has once again received excellent support from several Service Clubs and Organizations.

The Foundation would like to thank the Service Clubs and Organizations for continuing to recognize the value to patient care in supporting the Hospital.

Richmond Hill Senior Citizens Club 35 presented a cheque for \$500; Thornhill Kiwanis Club presented a cheque for \$1,800 for an E.C.G. Machine; Thornhill Lions Club presented a cheque for \$3,000 for an Electronic Balance for Pharmacy and an E.C.G. Machine; King City Lions Club have committed \$10,000 in support of the Orthopaedic Program at York Central Hospital; and the Order of the Eastern Star, Richmond Hill Chapter, have provided \$685.57.

The Foundation looks forward to continued support from many other groups in the future.

AUXILIARY

New Service: A volunteer will be available to supply secretarial help for patients who have business correspondence that requires attention. A volunteer will also be available for patients who are anxious to have a letter written to a relative or friend.

The Annual Meeting of York Central Hospital Auxiliary is being held on Thursday, March 8, at 8 p.m. in the Lecture Hall of the hospital. Guest speaker will be Dr. K MacCon, Orthopedic Surgeon. The new Auxiliary Executive will be installed at this meeting.

The Allenbrae Branch of Y.C.H.A. is holding an Auction Sale on Saturday, April 21, at 1 p.m. in the Victoria Square Community Centre, 18th Ave. and Don Mills Rd. The auctioneer is Gord Orr. Proceeds for Y.C.H.A. For further information or donations call Carmen Clephan 884-8674 or Evelyn Lazenby 884-4683.

The Pleasantville Branch of Y.C.H.A. is holding their annual fashion show "Showtime Seventy-nine" Wednesday, April 25 and Thursday, April 26 at 8:30 p.m. in the Hospital cafeteria. Warwick House and Kent Clothes are providing the fashions.

Tickets are \$4 and are available from Eleanor Cutler 884-3216 or Marion Cutler 884-2177. Proceeds for Y.C.H.A.

York Central Hospital Auxiliary's Annual White Rose Dinner Dance will be held at the Prince Hotel on Saturday, May 12. The bar opens at 6:30 p.m., and dinner with wine will be served at 8 p.m. There will be dancing to the Art Hallman band at 9 p.m. Tickets are \$50 a couple and are available from Marg. Montgomery, 889-1408 or Vivian Smith, 884-2523.

THE TOWER DISPUTE

Towers to move but "we're still stuck with them"

The answers may not have been the ones Longbridge Road residents wanted to hear, but this time they did get their questions answered.

Last Thursday evening the Parkway Belt Steering Committee held an open house at Thornhill Community Centre, inviting residents of Longbridge Road and their elected representatives to discuss the results of a report about the relocation of hydro transmission lines through the area.

In September of 1978 the Premier of Ontario and the energy minister asked Ontario Hydro to re-evaluate the feasibility of placing the transmission lines underground, to investigate the possibility of locating the overhead lines farther away from the properties on Longbridge Road and to work with the Ministry of Transportation and Communications (MTC) and see if they could come up with design compromises to minimize the visual impact of the lines.

The report from Ontario Hydro in October of 1978 stated that because of the additional cost (\$200 million more) additional time (at least five years required) and reliability, it was not feasible to bury the cable.

This latest report from the Parkway Belt Steering Committee says the MTC has decided a 12-lane 407 Highway is not necessary and eight lanes will be acceptable, making it possible for them to squeeze the transportation facilities.

By changing the location of a future utility strip and squeezing the highway the government has gained enough land to push the towers 150 to 200 feet away from the Longbridge Road property lines.

The whole point of the meeting last Thursday was to get feedback on the report and to respond to concerned parties' questions.

There were 16 government representatives from four different ministries as well as Ontario Hydro to answer specific questions.

"Judging from the reaction from property owners, I feel we've been successful," said Rashad Messih, Manager of the Parkway Belt Group.

Len Dutchak, representing the MTC, said he felt people were satisfied with the redesign plan and Bob Murray of Ontario Hydro, after drawing many diagrams to answer specific technical questions, said he thought the whole point of the information centre, to answer questions, had been successful.

Garnet Williams, Mayor of Vaughan, where most of the changes in design were made, said he was pleased with the consideration given to Vaughan residents and said he thought the redesign was "a big improvement".

York Centre MLA, Alf Stong said he felt the redesign did not give the relief required.

"We're still stuck with the towers," he said.

Residents' alternatives disputed by Hydro reps

Residents and elected representatives had many alternatives to the proposed overhead transmission lines which they felt Ontario Hydro had not considered.

The Liberal has tried to get the answers to the question of why these proposals for the lines were not acceptable.

Daniel MacDougall of Riverside Drive, south of the proposed line, had three suggestions: combine Highways 7 and 407 and move the whole hydro project north; go north into the sugar bush area; move two 500 kV lines as far north as possible and bury the 230 kV lines.

MTC representative, Len Dutchak, said Highway 7 and 407 have two entirely different functions, one arterial, to give direct access to the community and the other an inter-regional high-speed freeway.

Both roads will be necessary, said Mr. Dutchak, to provide capacity for projected traffic.

Mr. Dutchak said it would not help to move into the sugar bush area because the extension of the design would move closer to the Boyle Community, leaving them exposed to noise.

The highway will already affect the sugar bush by being so close, he said, not by removing the trees but by salt contamination from the road.

Ontario Hydro spokesman, Bob Murray said because of the nature of the transmission of electricity, the arrangement of two 500 kV lines enclosed by two 230 kV lines requires less land than two 500kV lines north of two 230 kV lines — hence the suggested arrangement of towers.

But, there is a possibility, said Mr. Murray, that the 230 kV lines could be buried between the two 500 kV lines in this area at some time in the future, whenever they are needed.

Alf Stong mentioned a new concept he had heard of, with the lines only four to five feet above the ground fully protected, and mentioned the thought he would like to see this possibility

Trees would soften blow

Ontario Hydro has a landscape architect on staff whose job right now is to find a way to soften the visual impact of the proposed hydro towers at Yonge Street and the proposed Highway 407.

An added bonus, said Mr. Murchison, is the positive benefit of the trees for generations to come.

Interchange

will move

Doncrest-Rockwell Road residents will be glad to hear the redesign plans of the Parkway Belt Steering Committee have moved the interchange at Highway 407 and Bayview Avenue about 100 feet south.

Senior Projects Manager for the Ministry of Transportation and Communications, Len Dutchak, said when the ministry reduced the number of lanes on Highway 407 from 12 to eight, they were able to design a much more compact interchange and therefore "pick up about 100 feet".

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