

Council Meeting (continued)

That the roadway in the Sour Springs Grove be turned over to the property owners concerned.

That they officially close the roadway in the Sour Springs Grove as a public thoroughfare and that the former motion be rescinded. Carried.

To reduce the size of the private right of way 33' and the remaining 33' be with a right of way over the land to the adjacent owners, provided they share in the maintenance of the roadway. Carried.

That this council accept the lowest tender of the Maple Engineering and Construction Co. Ltd., Rexdale, Ontario, for the construction of Bridge No. 11 on the road No. 266 between lot 6, concession 6, Township of Tuscarora, cost of \$64,239.00. Carried.

That this council accept the recommendation of the Roads Committee to pass the normal by-law made under the Highway Improvement for expenditures to be made in 1969; \$70,000 for construction; \$61,000 for maintenance - \$131,000 total. Carried.

That council grant consent to Bell Telephone Co. to lay cable in order to provide additional service on the Six Nations Indian Reserve according to the plans of construction attached to letter of Bell Telephone Co., dated December 19, 1968, in which it states that the buried wire across roads shall be placed at a minimum dept of 36" otherwise 24" road crossings are to be bored. Carried.

That this council approve that the full-time employees of the Lady Willingdon Nursing Home be given the option of joining the Six Nations Council Employees Pension Plan, Group Life Plan and Weekly Income Plan with North American Life Assurance Co. at Miss Marion Moses' discretion. The full premium would be paid by council and reimbursed 50% each by the Nursing Home and the employees.

That the council pay the premiums in the amount of \$40.00 each for bonding Miss M. Moses and Mrs. Belva Monture in the amount of \$10,000.00 each.

That the official opening date of the Lady Willingdon Nursing Home be on Monday May 19, 1969. Carried.

Note

Remainder of council agenda will appear in next week's paper.

Installation of Free Phone Service Would Take 1½ Years

Free service on telephone calls from the Dunnville system on the Six Nation Reserve to subscribers on the Bell system would take at least 18 months to implement, a spokesman for Dunnville Community Telephone Company said today.

The spokesman was referring to a recent decision by Six Nations council to inform the Dunnville company that it would have 30 days to inform the council on a plan for free service or remove their system from Indian lands.

Several residents of the reserve on the Dunnville line are paying long distance toll charges to call neighbors across the road on the Bell system.

The spokesman said the company offered the Six Nations residents one, two or four part systems last summer, but their offer was refused. He said that at present, as many as 10 parties are connected on one line.

The Dunville and Bell companies are both taking surveys on service in the Six Nations area. The spokesman said his company has not yet received the 30 days notice.

The Dunnville subscribers on the reserve now have free service to Hamilton. The spokesman said that at the end of the year or early in 1970, the company will implement free service on the Dunnville system to Cayuga and Hagersville.

Many thanks to readers for the encouraging letters we receive from subscribers. It is impossible to answer them all but assure you each and every one is deeply appreciated. Here are just parts of two letters received -

...."I find the paper most informative and interesting - especially Miss Jamieson's lessons in Mohawk. I have always regretted that I did not have the opportunity to learn our tongue as a young person. I think you deserve a word of praise for your efforts to revive this most important aspect of our heritage and traditions. It would be a great accomplishment indeed if our people could become bilingual again. Perhaps such a goal will never be realized, but your contributions toward this end are not un-noticed."....

Sincerely (name withheld)

.... " I look forward to my issues every week as it keeps me up on what is happening on the Reserve, since I have no way of getting over there any more to visit friends and relatives of mine.

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