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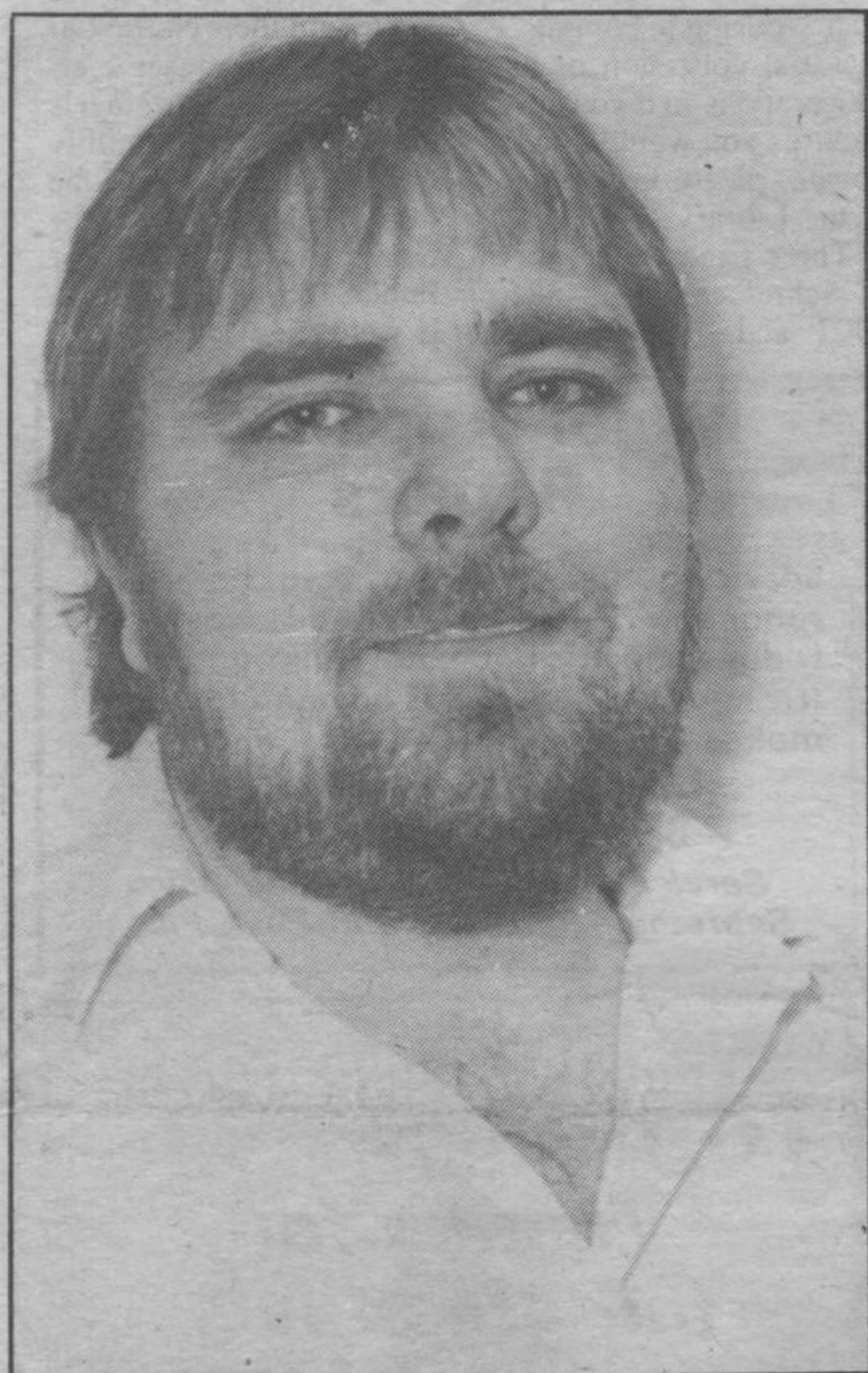
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Joubert appointed to Council



Councillor Chris Joubert

By Conrad Felber

Chris Joubert, who failed to become a Terrace Bay Councillor in the municipal elections last November by finishing fifth, became a Councillor after all last week when he was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Councillor Jim Files on March 24.

Joubert won't be officially sworn in until the April 14 meeting of Township Council, but he has already attended a number of meetings, according to Reeve Ollie Chapman.

She added that township Committee responsibilities may have to be reorganized now that Files has left, though that is something which will be determined later.

Files submitted his letter of resignation at Council's March 24 meeting. Joubert was in attendance at that session, at which Files' letter was accepted by Council with regret.

"As you are aware, I have accepted employment in Orillia ... and will be relocating there in the near

future," Files explained in the letter. "Needless to say, this decision was not taken lightly, as I was looking forward to working with you to achieve the mandate we were all given last November."

Files had been a Terrace Bay resident for almost eight years, while Joubert has lived in the township for approximately two years.

Joubert moved to Terrace Bay with his family from Southern Ontario. Judy is his wife of 10 years, and the couple has two sons. Yvon is 9 and Shane is 6. Joubert is the Maintenance Supervisor at Birchwood Terrace.

"I'm glad to be on Council," he said following one of his first meetings following the appointment, which took place on March 25. He added that he is both pleased and surprised by the turn of events.

Besides his Council work, Joubert is also involved with the Terrace Bay branch of the Loyal Order of Moose, where he is currently serving on the Executive.



Concentration on ice

Tracy Clark, 17, was just one of the many highlights of the Terrace Bay Figure Skating Club's annual Can-Skate Winter Carnival Program. She seems to be the picture of concentration as she prepares to execute a difficult combination. Tracy was the instructor for the younger skaters in the program. The Carnival was held at the Terrace Bay Arena on March 22.

Terrace Bay street light problem taken out of darkness by taxpayer

A Terrace Bay resident lambasted Council and Town Engineer Doug Baker at the March 24 Council meeting for taking six months to replace a street light on Superior Avenue in the Township. As of last week, the light still had not been installed.

George Turenko of Lakeview Drive said Council's excuses are not satisfactory, but Reeve Ollie Chapman reassured him that the fault does not entirely rest with the municipality.

"I would suggest you raise hell with Ontario Hydro," Reeve Chapman said, after Turenko explained he had attended the meeting to raise hell with Council.

"I also have to get my act together," Baker admitted. "We are now missing 10 lights in town, but that's out of 200." He added that he was not entirely sure what had happened to the light on Superior.

Turenko replied that the light was taken away by Hydro crews six months ago and that was the last he saw of it. "This has been going on since October," he complained.

"As far as I'm concerned, our engineer has a handle on it," Councillor Peter Romanuk said. "I'm not arguing, though, that it hasn't been missing," he

added, referring to the street light.

"We do the best we can," Reeve Chapman said in promising to have the matter investigated.

In other Council matters, Terrace Bay Police Chief Russ Phillips attended the meeting to inform Council that its traffic by-law should be amended to incorporate six other existing by-laws, as only one is required. Such a move would help to simplify matters for both the Police Force and township residents, he said.

"This would really just be a housecleaning," he added. Some of the by-laws in question date back to October of 1954, while others must be updated to include new streets in the municipality.

"Anything that cuts down on the number of by-laws is good," Councillor George Ramsay said.

Chief Phillips said he took the liberty of drawing up such a traffic by-law, but pointed out that his draft version still requires some additional work.

The by-laws include regulations regarding traffic speed within the township, handicapped parking areas, bicycles on sidewalks, snowmobile hours, and other traffic laws.

Reeve Chapman sug-

gested that Chief Phillips should continue to improve the draft traffic by-law with township clerk Larry Simons.

A number of appointments and nominations were also made at the meeting. Mary Cashmore was appointed to the Committee of Adjustment, effective immediately, while Conrad Felber was nominated as the township's representative from the local business community for a Lake Superior Board of Education advisory committee.

This committee, according to a letter from Board Superintendent of Education, Ian McQuarrie, will have the task of reviewing existing technical studies programs within the Board's secondary schools and to recommend to the Board possible future directions. Councillor Jim Ziegler made the nomination, which was seconded by Councillor Jim Files.

That proved to be one of the last official acts for the municipality by Files, as later on in the meeting he submitted his resignation from Council, effective at the close of the March 24 session.

"I'm sorry to go," he told Council. Files has accepted a job as Director of Technical Services at Soldier's Memorial

Hospital in Orillia starting on April 15. Until then he will continue work at McCausland Hospital in Terrace Bay.

Councillor Ramsay, after reading the resignation letter, said it was a

piece of correspondence he wished he would never have to see.

"My favourite Conservative won't be here anymore," Ziegler said. Prior to last November's municipal election, Files

ran unsuccessfully as the PC candidate in the provincial election, which was won by the NDP's Gilles Pouliot.

"You just got your feet wet a bit and now you're leaving," Councillor Peter

Romanuk said to Files after the resignation was accepted with regret by Council.

"I wish the best of success in your continuing efforts," Files said in the letter.



Victory lap

Schreiber Travel Rest Eagles captain Marc Tremblay held the Soughton Jewelers trophy in the air as he and his teammates paraded it around the Terrace Bay Arena on March 23. The Eagles had just defeated the host Legion team to win the North Shore District Pee

Wee Championships. It took an overtime period to do it too, with the final score 6-5. Schreiber now advances to the District Championships in Marathon this weekend.