

Ministry to study Terrace Heights

By Ken Lusk

The problem concerning the single entrance/exit to the Terrace Heights subdivision is finally "going somewhere," Terrace Bay Clerk-Treasurer Larry Simons told the *News*. A meeting between Council and the Ministry of Transportation and Communications on Dec. 10 resulted in the ministry promising to do a more in-

depth study of the problem, said Simons.

Past efforts to bring attention to the problem have not met a lot of success, he added.

MTC officials had been rejecting the idea of a secondary access route to the subdivision as far back as last April.

Several problems

The ministry conducted a traffic

study of that intersection and concluded that it meets acceptable standards as far as traffic flow is concerned.

What is happening now is that the ministry has not promised another access route, rather, the in-depth study will focus on all alternatives to the problems.

Congestion, the steep grade of Terrace Heights Drive leading to Highway 17 and the limited view of the highway to the east because of the overpass are

a few of the problems.

Late Spring

"The problem is finally getting the attention we had hoped for," said Clerk-Treasurer Simons.

The ministry will be looking at all the problems and will have some recommendations for improvements by late spring, he said.

Some ideas for improvement are a stop light, a flashing amber light, turning lanes and perhaps a grade change leading to the highway, Simons added.

"There are many different things to look at," he said. "A second entrance wouldn't solve all the problems- it would only solve one problem (congestion)."

Council briefs

By Ken Lusk

There is a possibility that a premanufactured housing plant might find a home in Terrace Bay, the *News* learned at the Dec. 29 council meeting.

Clerk-Treasurer Larry Simons told council that he had been contacted by a Mr. Jacobs about an idea to produce modular housing in pieces which would then be shipped to destinations by water.

The houses would not be sold directly to the homebuyer, rather, Jacobs intends to sell the houses in batches within government programs.

Two things that he is looking for is access to water and access to raw materials, Simons said.

Council agreed the idea is worth following up on and directed Simons to contact Jacobs and arrange a meeting.

Reeve Chapman suggested contacting someone from the Futures program to possibly create some new jobs.

Joint meeting

Council has received a detailed plan from Schreiber concerning its proposed annexation area. Council requested at the meeting that this be a matter of

discussion with the Council of Schreiber at the next joint meeting scheduled for Feb. 3.

Resolutions passed

After receiving several tenders, Council passed the resolution that all gasoline purchases for the municipal fleet in 1987 be from Island View Service.

A Landfill Site Attendant for Terrace Bay has been hired by Council and the resolution was passed that Kevin Cardiff be offered this position.

Schreiber Recreation

Below is a list of Schreiber Recreation Department courses for January and February.

Aerobics:

The next session of Aerobics is scheduled to commence Tuesday, Jan. 6. Classes will be held Tuesday and Thursday in the afternoons from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. and in the evening from 8 to 9 p.m.

Classes will be held only if there is sufficient registration. To register, or for more information, contact the recreation office at 824-2317.

Computer course:

The recreation department will be offering a basic computer course in early February.

Everyone who received their new computer for Christmas will now be able to learn new and exiting ways to enjoy it.

To register, contact the recreation office.

Little Theatre Group:

Anyone in the region who is interested in drama and is willing to assist in the development of a Little Theatre

Group should contact the recreation office.

Winter Carnival:

The Schreiber Winter Carnival will be held on Friday, Feb. 20 to Sunday, Feb. 22.

Any interested groups or individuals should contact the recreation office for details at 824-2317.

New warning device will alert animals to danger

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According to the Ministry of Natural Resources, some 200 whitetails die on Maple District roads each year.

In the Cambridge District the toll is almost 500 deer.

These accidental killings rarely are news unless they result in human fatalities or injuries.

Statistics for 1985 show that animal/vehicle collisions resulted in one death and 320 personal injuries.

There were another 2,769 "property damage only" incidents.

The average damage to a vehicle in collision with an animal was estimated to be \$1,016 a couple of years ago. Today, that would be somewhat higher.

Since deer and moose are nocturnal creatures, the majority of incidents occur at night. Most are unavoidable due to the driver's peripheral vision being diminished by darkness.

New device

Now a device is being marketed in Canada which, if used, could significantly reduce the death and destruction to animals on our highway and drastically cut the high property costs of these incidents.

Called the *Hobi Animal Warning Alert*, the device consists of two, two-inch, bullet-shaped pieces that mount easily on the front of any vehicle.

When the vehicle attains a speed of 30 mph, or more, air rushes through the cylinder creating an ultra-sonic signal between 16,000 and 20,000 Hz.

It can be heard by deer and other animals up to a quarter of a mile away. The sound is inaudible to humans and to animals riding in the vehicle.

Truckers who have installed the Hobe Alert say that moose get scared and run off the road, deer tend to stop in their tracks and bears start pawing at their ears and then run away.

Some have reported a decrease in the number of birds being hit and even in the amount of bugs splattering the grill.

The Ontario Humane Society has stated that animal deaths could be reduced by as much as 80 per cent if the device was made standard equipment on all vehicles in the province.

The Hobi Animal Warning Alert retails at \$21.95. For more information, contact: Heissig Import and Export Ltd., P.O. Box 908, Streetsville, Ontario, L5M 2C5.

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Student applicants must be available for the entire Ontario Place season commencing May 2, 1987 and closing September 7, 1987. The Ontario Place Corporation requires approximately 18 students to work at Ontario North Now.

Interview teams will be visiting major northern centres during the first week of March 1987. Application forms may be obtained in Northern Ontario at the nearest Ministry of Northern Development and Mines office or by writing:

Ontario Place Corporation
955 Lakeshore Blvd. West
Toronto, Ontario
M6K 3B9

Att: Personnel Services

Closing date for applications is January 30, 1987 to qualify for an interview.

**In order to assist successful northern candidates with travel expenses, the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines is providing a travel allowance to those students whose prime residence is in Northern Ontario and who are enrolled in an intend to return to post secondary education, and who successfully meet all Ontario Place Corporation conditions of employment.

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