## High tax is an injustice

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similar property in Terrace Bay paying only \$2,600.00 (a yearround business) the town we are attached to. If we belonged to Terrace Bay, our School Tax plus Municipal Tax would amount to \$3,399.00, a little more than half what we are paying now. This resulted in a Petition signed by about 200 tax-payers which was presented to you.

This situation exists throughout the entire Unorganized Area of the School District. For nearly three years we have been fighting this injustice, never been told until with your letter, your intention of equalizing taxes in the area. Are you planning to equalize all taxes of the Municipalities to the level of the Unorganized Areas?

We know the discrepancies between the two areas exist because we are paying the higher taxes for years and they are enshrined in the permanent high Tax-Base. The Unorganized Areas received an increases of 124%, the Municipalities 25% or they even decreased. We must come to the conclusion, the Arbitration Meetings by the Town-Clerks were used to increase tax-revenues from the new three mines to pay for the expansion of services required by Marathon and Manitouwadge.

The unfortunate people of the School District sharing the

Unorganized Area with the Mines were forced to pay the same high increases intended for the Mines.

Seeing the situation from this perspective, we are confident you will find a solution to our legitimate complaint. The main concem of all property owners in the Unorganized Area is the high Tax-Base established over the recent years.

We had no representation, still don't have any in these proceedings and if you cannot address this unfair situation we have to conclude that there is no Justice!

Yours Truly Charles Kneipp Box 877, Jackfish Lake Terrace Bay, Ont.

# Schreiber

By Dave Chmara

Sergeant Templar of the Schreiber OPP detachment began the March 14 council meeting by giving a summary report for the month of February.

A total of 44 calls were answered including the following (all of which have been cleared): 2 assaults, 1 possession of stolen property, 1 disturbance, 4 mischief, 4 liquor violations, and 8 other provincial statutes.

As well, 59 charges were laid under the Highway Traffic Act - 2 persons were charged with Impaired Driving and three 12 hour suspensions were issued.

Council discussed what they called a minor problem with people holding events at the Recreation Centre. Apparently some individuals holding special occasion liquor permits are not adhering to all the rules which apply to these permits. Council determined that in the future, all the rules will be spelled out in black and white and fully explained to those holding special

occasion permits.

The budget is gradually coming together. The Roads Committee has completed its budget, the Recreation Committee is working on its budget and the Fire Departments budget is done except for one item.

Council is applying to the Ministry of Transportation for a subsidy in the amount of just over \$74,000 for 1989 road maintenance and upgrading.

Councillor Lorraine Huard said she is continuing to receive complaints from citizens about dogs running loose.

While discussing the topic, Bylay Officer Keith Scott mentioned council should consider looking for a place where a holding pen for dogs that are picked up can be held. He said it should be away from residents as much as possible so barking won't disturb people. Scott added the pen should have shelter from the elements for the dogs and an area where a dog can be quarantined in the case of an individual

being bitten by a dog.

Currently, Schreiber can use the Terrace Bay pound, but Scott felt this was impractical in all cases as a dog may only need to be held for a limited amount of time. "We have to have something because it's no good the way it is," said Scott. He mentioned Schreiber has 227 dogs the highest per capita on the North Shore.

People are in violation if dog tags have not been renewed. The deadline for renewal was February

Finally, council adopted a policy which states that any person or delegate wishing to make a presentation to council must give at least 48 hours notice as to the content of the presentation. This is so council can "do its homework" and be prepared to give informed answers and decisions regarding such presentation.

Another reason for this decision is that many presentations made to council should be made to committees before they go to council.

### Terrace Bay

By Dave Chmara

Terrace Bay Council has decided to enter into the Ministry of Housing's Low Rise Rehabilitation Program. The clerk-treasurer, deputy clerk-treasurer and township engineer will be responsible for the administration of the program.

Following a letter from Allyson Withers concerning skating rink lighting, council decided to install spotlights as recommended by township engineer Doug Baker.

Reeve Ziegler and one councillor will attend a Low Level Radioactive Waste Management Siting Task Force Information Meeting on March 30 in Thunder Bay. Expenses will be covered by the Task Force.

The Ministry of Transportation has told council it will be proceeding with the necessary legislation required to permit the erection of signs prohibiting parking on Highway 17. Parking will no longer be permitted from 100 m east of Radisson to 100 m west of Lakeview.

Service

10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Appointments for weekends

Lillian Belliveau

432 Ft. Garry Rd.

825-3504

The ministry will also be conducting a speed study in 1990 to determine if the speed limit through town should be altered.

The Terrace Bay township signs will also be moved to the area where the speed limit changes on the outskirts of town.

Council is requesting a supplementary subsidy from the Ministry of Transportation to support the estimated expenditures of \$107,500 for the paving of the Beach Road from the Aguasabon Golf Club to Lake Superior. Councillor Bill Houston said, "it is the most used road in town and the road is packed with people all summer long."

A by-law was passed to officially name Rolly Moquin as Deputy Fire Chief. Dave Fulton commented that without the by-law, the deputy fire chief doesn't have the legal authority to do anything. No term was assigned for the position and the term will be "at the discretion of council."

A leaking fire hydrant caused water damage to the basement of

Mr. Capy and a claim may be submitted to the Township after the insurance coverage is clarified.

Council approved Heather Vandergraaf's attendance at the Ontario Block Parent Conference which is being held from May 3 to 5 and will cover expenses in excess of \$300.

Councillor Houston expressed some concern with the condition of the sidewalk at the public library. He felt it has not been kept adequately clear of snow.

Considering the town's fire truck was sent away almost one year ago for retrofitting, and Council is unsure as to its current state of repair or exact location, a motion was passed allowing Councillor Houston to travel to Southern Ontario and/or Quebec to investigate the status of the truck. Expenses will be paid for by the municipality.

The Township offices will be closed from 5:00 p.m. March 23 until 8:00 a.m., Tuesday, March 28 for the Easter Holiday.

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This week, because of Good Friday, deadline for submissions to The Terrace Bay/Schreiber News is WEDNESDAY MARCH 22 - 5:00 p.m.

Thank you



Ontario Insurance Board

Commission de Automobile l'assuranceautomobile de l'Ontario

IN THE MATTER OF the Ontario Automobile Insurance Board Act, 1988, S.O. 1988, c.18.

AND IN THE MATTER OF a reference made by the Lieutentant Governor in Council pursuant to section 28 of the said Act.

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

THE ONTARIO AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE BOARD (the 'Board"), at the request of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, will hold a Hearing pursuant to section 28 of the Ontario Automobile Insurance Board Act, 1988, S.O. 1988, c.18.

Purpose of the Hearing

The Lieutenant Governor in Council has ordered the Board to conduct public hearings to examine the threshold no fault system of privately delivered automobile insurance (with two specified thresholds), and the choice no fault system of privately delivered automobile insurance. The Order in Council dated March 2, 1989 (the "Reference"), containing the details of the systems under consideration, is available upon request.

The Lieutenant Governor in Council has specifically ordered

the Board to report on the following:

An estimation of the average prices that would be charged for automobile insurance policies within the referred systems, based on the mandatory classification system, the determinations of fact and rates established by the Ontario Automobile Insurance Board under its decision of February 13, 1989;

2. The feasibility of extending the systems to public and commercial vehicles:

3. The cost impact, if any, of the implementation of an alternative dispute resolution involving mediation and, if necessary, binding arbitration, for the settlement of no-fault compensation;

4. The administrative barriers that exist in relation to the systems that could result in significant additional costs either in implementation or in the continuing operation of the systems;

5. Whether there would be greater stability in the average prices charged for automobile insurance policies after implementation of the systems; and

6. An estimation of the level of recovery to injured persons that would be achieved under the systems.

The Board is to commence public hearings and report back to the Lieutenant Governor in Council as soon as is practicable.

The Hearing

THE HEARING will be held under File No. R-89-1 and will commence on Wednesday, April 12, 1989 at 9 o'clock a.m. in the Board's Hearing Room, 2nd Floor, 5 Park Home Avenue, North York.

A PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE will be held on Tuesday, March 21, 1989 at 2:30 p.m. in the Board's Hearing Room to deal with preliminary matters, including, but not limited to the following:

written evidence to be pre-filed

the interrogatory process

the hearing process

• issues

The Board has engaged a consultant to assist the Board. The consultant will price the two systems of privately delivered automobile insurance as set out in the Reference. This evidence will be pre-filed on or before Monday, April 3, 1989.

A SECOND PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE will be held on Friday, April 7, 1989 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board's Hearing Room to settle the issues and to deal with any other procedural matters.

IF YOU WISH TO PARTICIPATE AS A PARTY IN THE HEAR-ING, you (or your lawyer or agent) must file with the Board a written notice of your intention to participate as a party on or before Tuesday, March 21, 1989. A person who files such a notice intends to participate fully in the hearing.

INSTEAD OF PARTICIPATING AS A PARTY IN THE HEAR-ING, you may comment on any of the issues as a LIMITED IN-TERVENOR by filing a letter of comment with the Board. A letter of comment should clearly state your views, set out the grounds and the factual basis for your position, and indicate whether you intend to make an oral presentation to the Board. Letters of comment must be filed at the Board's office on or before Thursday, April 20, 1989,

ALL DOCUMENTS FILED IN THIS PROCEEDING are available for viewing at the Board's office during office hours Mon-

day to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

PROCEDURAL ORDERS as to how the matter will proceed may be issued from time to time. Copies of any procedural orders will be sent to all parties.

IF YOU DO NOT BECOME A PARTY TO THE HEARING OR INDICATE THAT YOU WISH TO MAKE AN ORAL PRESENTA-TION TO THE BOARD, THE BOARD MAY PROCEED IN YOUR ABSENCE AND YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY FUR-THER NOTICE OF THESE PROCEEDINGS.

DATED AT NORTH YORK this 9th day of March, 1989.



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