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PUC Building is Still Under Discussion

Although the Stouffville Public Utilities Commission has now moved into new quarters formerly occupied by the municipal council, the matter of the proposed new Utilities Building on the lot at the corner of Blake and Main, has not entirely been abandoned.

At a meeting of the Commission on Wednesday, the matter was further discussed. Commissioner Neville had previously been authorized to secure a list of prices on materials necessary for the construction of the building on a cost plus basis, as tender prices by contract had all been higher than the Commission was prepared to pay.

The Commission has been in receipt of a communication from the Ontario Commission that if the Stouffville PUC does not intend to build, the consent of Hydro and the Municipal Board should be obtained to divert the \$25,000 raised for the purpose, to other uses.

Reeve Lehman who is a member of the Commission, said he considered the Hydro consent should be obtained if the money was to be used for some other purpose, but he could not see that any reference to the Municipal Board should be necessary.

In the communication from the Ontario Commission, Mr. Ireland, the engineer said that a few changes in the building would be possible to bring it closer to the \$25,000 figure.

Mr. Doug. Meharg of Markham who was the lowest bidder on the contract, suggested the use of galvanized eaves and piping, instead of copper. However, Commissioner Neville said this would only be transferring an amount from the capital expenditure to a repair bill in a few years.

Secretary Daniels advised the member that if the \$25,000 was not available for use, then he would require some funds to be raised to take care of other capital expenditures being incurred.

A special meeting is to be held to receive Commissioner Neville's final report on proceeding with the building on a cost plus basis.

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A contract has been let to the Betz Construction Co. of Stouffville by the Public Utilities Commission for \$14,400 for the enlargement and rebuilding of the older of the two reservoirs now serving the municipality.

The size of the reservoir when completed will be 70 x 100 feet with a depth of about nine feet. This second reservoir will have a capacity of 400,000 gallons and will be constructed of gunite and reinforced concrete. Work on the project is scheduled to commence within the next two weeks.

Since the new road into the town's reservoir property is not completed, access will be made through the Eugene Lemon farm on the 9th concession.

Hydro Down
As the longer days of summer have arrived, the monthly payment for hydro to the Ontario Hydro system, continues to decrease. The month of May dropped about \$300 to \$6,254.33. The high point in the winter was \$7,500.

Increase in Revenue
The new rates recently brought into force on domestic water are showing a considerable increase for the revenues of the

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The increase in billing in July as against January of this year was \$2,236.31.

Losers License
Mrs. James Cradwell of Scarborough has been ruled ineligible to obtain a driver's licence, after she was found guilty of operating a car without a permit, in the village of Markham on June 26th. In addition, she was fined \$20 and costs by Magistrate N. P. Kelley in Buffaloville Traffic Court on Friday morning. The owner of the car, Gordon Ralph Bilby of West Hill was fined \$25 and costs.

P.C. Wm. Gunn told the court that the couple were returning home from a party. He said that the auto was swerving all over the road. The officer stated that Mr. Bilby "was feeling a little under the weather". He said that Mrs. Cradwell's driving was "very erratic". According to the police, Mr. Bilby stated that he had often driven in that way but had never been stopped.

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Concerned Over Relief

The approval of maximum welfare payments continues to be a thorn in the side of members of Uxbridge Township Council. The matter was discussed briefly at a regular meeting on Monday night. The Welfare Officer, Mr. Isaac Catherwood stated that the Provincial Department has advised against any cut-backs on welfare relief.

Mr. Catherwood only recently returned from the annual Convention in the City of Hamilton. "I don't agree with them, whether I'm right or wrong," stated Reeve, Earl Dowswell. He pointed out that some residents, with more pride than others, were willing to work all summer to pay last winter's debts. The Reeve noted, however, that he had no complaint against the local officer. "I admire you for doing the job," he said.

"It's not what we're saying but what we're encouraging," commented councillor Charles Forsyth.

"It's a peculiar thing that the Dept. of Welfare has the right to spend all kinds of money while other Provincial departments are cutting back on expenditures," said Dep. Reeve Robt. Nesbitt. "There's something wrong somewhere," he concluded.

Pugh-Evans Clan Hold Reunion

The 25th anniversary of the Pugh-Evans re-union was held at the Metro Conservation Park, south of Greenwood on Saturday afternoon. A total of 183 members were registered by Mrs. Ken Reesor and Mrs. Howard Hill. A full sports program occupied the interest of the younger ones present while the older folk merely visited back and forth with one another. The anniversary get-together was commemorated through the sale of engraved pens.

Mrs. Morgan Pugh of Claremont was the oldest lady present. Mr. Geo. Lee of Aurora was the oldest gentleman in attendance. They were given the honour of cutting the anniversary cake. A basket of flowers was presented by Mrs. Morgan Hill in memory of those who had passed away during the past year. Two minutes silence was observed for Mr. Leslie Feasby, Mr. Edward Pugh, Mrs. Alex Brown, Mr. Edgar Bagshaw and Mrs. Edgerton Brabazon.

Mr. John Morgan, Q.C., one of the oldest Past Presidents, reviewed the history of the re-union celebration which had its start back in 1935. A word of appreciation was expressed to Miss Mabel Edwards of Stouffville for recording the Pugh-Evans family descendants. One of those present at the charter picnic was Mr. Ed. Evans of Uxbridge. The most recently married couple was Mr. and Mrs. Harold Davidson of Collingwood. A bountiful picnic supper was served under the committee convenship of Mrs. Mel Johnson.

The new officers for 1961 are as follows: President — Mr. Alvin Redshaw; Vice-President, —Mr. Lloyd Pugh; Secretary—Mrs. Alvin Redshaw. The next re-union has been scheduled for the second Saturday in July, 1961, at the Conservation Park, near Greenwood.

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Council Lets Contract For New Fire Truck

The Hickie Company of Montreal has been the successful tenderer to supply a new heavy-duty fire truck for Stouffville, and Patrick Motors were the successful bidders for the GMC chassis. Four bids were received on the fire fighting equipment with Hickie's price of \$9,640.00 being accepted.

Five bids were received on the truck chassis, two being received past the receiving deadline, and the tender of Patrick Motors at \$4,770.25 was accepted. Two of the bids for the truck chassis were close, Patrick being only about \$50 lower than the next tenderer. Total cost of the fire truck will be \$14,410.25 which brings the price quite within the estimated cost.

The largest of the present two trucks is being retained to give the town and surrounding fire area the most adequate protection it has had in years. Both trucks are equipped with pumps. The larger truck which is

presently making the out-of-town calls will remain in town at all times and the new and larger unit will take the rural calls.

Police Report
Councillor Wm. Parsons reported work satisfactory in the police department. Three dog complaints had been received, five parking tags issued and a number of calls on other miscellaneous offences.

Further consideration is to be given to the bylaw, to establish a cross-walk at Market and Main Sts. It was revealed on Thursday evening, that a clear space of thirty feet must be left on either side of such a walk and this it was thought might further tighten the parking problem. Consideration is also to be given to the fact that new pavement is soon to be laid, and the work of the numerous markings necessary for such a walk would be lost if the cross-walk were established on the present rough pavement.

Skin Diver Rescued From Shadow Lake

The refusal by a Toronto skin diver to drop a portion of his equipment almost cost him his life on Sunday afternoon in the waters of Shadow Lake. Two nearby bathers saw Donald Mercer, 18, disappear below the surface. Although unconscious when dragged ashore, he was quickly revived by oxygen treatment provided by members of the Stouffville Fire Brigade. Dr. Blair Mitchell of Stouffville was in attendance.

According to reports, the amateur skin diver was a good swimmer. He became exhausted, however, in attempting to reach shore. Dr. Mitchell told the Tribune that the youth undoubtedly would have drowned if he had not been rescued immediately. He estimated that he was under water no longer than 20 seconds.

Hayload Fire

A wagon load of cut hay burst into flames on the property of Gordon Pipher, conc. 8, 2 miles north of Markham Village on Tuesday evening. The contents was doused with water by members of the Stouffville Fire Brigade. Although the entire load was forked off the wagon, the interior of the frame conveyance was badly scorched.

It is believed that some hay had become twisted and overheated in the forage harvester before it was blown into the wagon. If the smoke had not been detected, the entire load would have been elevated into the barn.

Planning Consultant Engaged for Whitchurch

After a number of special meetings to deal with matters pertaining to the Official Plan for Whitchurch Township, council last week engaged the firm of H. A. Babcock & Co. as consultants to prepare the plan at a price of \$4,500. Eight firms submitted prices on the job with rates running as high as \$20,000.

It was believed from the prices submitted that either a number did not understand the work involved or that others had far overestimated the work.

No Racing
Council on Thursday night declined the application of William Shields Motors to operate a go-cart track at lot 11, Don Mills Rd. This matter has been discussed a number of times and council made a personal inspection of the cars involved and the site.

Dumping to Continue
The period of dumping refuse by the Collis Leather Co. of Aurora, on the Buchanan property in Whitchurch Twp. has

been extended to Sept. 30th of this year. The dumping of this obnoxious tannery waste in the township, has been debated a number of times. Council held a special meeting recently with Aurora council and the Company and it was agreed that if dumping was to continue, Aurora and the Company would have to render financial assistance. Aurora was requested to take over the expense of keeping up the road and the Company was to fence in the pools. At a second meeting a motion to discontinue the use of the property was rescinded and there will be further discussion.

Robert and David Blair returned on Saturday to their home near Vancouver. They were accompanied by their father, Mr. Bernard Blair, who had been taking a special course at Trenton for the past 7 weeks. The boys spent part of the time with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Campbell.

Phone Lines Leaving Poles

The Bell Telephone Co. is abandoning the use of a large number of poles in Stouffville, and will lay new cable underground in a number of sections of town. In many cases the present pole lines carry both telephone and hydro lines.

In a communication to the local Utilities Commission the Phone Company stated that in a number of cases where they will continue the joint use of poles, they would like to use a larger space than at present. They made a request for three alterations. A schedule of rates was submitted which would apply to all work done by either the PUC or the Telephone Co. Some cable will be buried at the top of Mill St., on Orchard Pk. and along Main St. west.

Goodwood Man Badly Injured

Russell Storry, 76, of Goodwood, is in critical condition in the York County Hospital, Newmarket after his westbound car was hit broadside by a loaded gravel truck, southbound on conc. 9, Whitchurch Twp., early Tuesday morning. The accident occurred at the Bloomington corners.

Mr. Storry was thrown out of his vehicle and pinned under the car. The truck driver, Lyle Wesley McKay of Hallburton was not injured. His vehicle carried a thirteen ton load. P.C. Lizotte of the O.P.F. at Vaudor, investigated.

\$35,000 Animal Hospital

A new \$35,000 animal hospital is under construction within the limits of Markham Village. When completed, late in October, the structure will include both the main residence and clinic for Dr. D. V. Way, Markham veterinarian. Work was begun on the building in June. It was designed by Messrs. John Shaw and Gordon Pearce. Mr. Pearce is the Contractor.

An east wing will contain the reception room and hospital. X-ray services will be available. The structure will be of brick construction with a field stone entrance. The doctor's residence will front on No. 7 Highway. At the present time, only two similar hospitals are located in the district, one at Brooklin and another at Agincourt.

Pay \$500 For Geese

Markham Township council has authorized payment of \$500 to John Wegg, Cashel, for the loss of 200 geese said to have been killed by dogs. No charge has been laid to date against any dog owner by the police. Investigation is continuing.

Wilcox Lake Ratepayers Could Not Pay for Municipal Water — Gibb

Many of the property owners at Wilcox Lake are presently in arrears of taxes and could not afford any increase which would be necessary to provide a municipal water system for the area. This was the statement of Jos. Gibb, spokesman for a large deputation, numbering 36, who attended the regular Whitchurch council meeting Thursday evening.

Mr. Gibb expressed the opinion that all attending would be glad to have the water service, but just couldn't afford to pay for it. He suggested that an increase of \$100 per year would be added to each owner if the water program were put in force. Mr. Gibb said he spoke for those opposed to the action of council in proceeding with plans to secure the water system.

"I own a house in Toronto with complete service and the taxes are less than those at the Lake with no services," said Mr. Gibb. He stated that nearly every owner on the south shore was offering his property for sale.

only throwing away several hundred dollars as they could bring in a petition with opposition names representing 66% of the ratepayers.

Reeve Richardson said that no vote had been arranged but Council only wished to secure the opinion of the taxpayer. He did not promise that a petition would be satisfactory but said that Council would take due notice.

Mrs. Dellar who also spoke, assured Council that she could obtain the signatures of more of the owners than 66%. She stated that the Board of Trade had intimated that it was favorable to the project.

Mr. Gibb expressed appreciation to council for the hearing but added that no further measures should be undertaken that would raise taxes and thought a move to decrease would be in order.

Reeve Richardson drew attention to the large debenture debt on the area for school purposes, a matter over which council had no control. Mrs. Dellar stated that the residents were not placing any blame on council for the cost of education.

Dept. Cuts Down Uxbridge Road Fund

The Dept. of Highways has suggested that the supplementary road budget of \$24,500 would be cut back by \$10,500 in the Township of Uxbridge for 1960. This would leave only \$14,000 plus the original budget of \$33,000 for a total of \$47,000 for the entire year. The matter was discussed by Council at a regular meeting on Monday night.

"If we don't get the additional funds, we're broke," said Reeve Earl Dowswell. Department officials have been asked to give the request further consideration.

"We've learned our lesson for next year, we'll have to leave the snow on the road," suggested councillor Norman Hogg.

"If it comes to that, I'm through," charged Reeve Dowswell. The Reeve admitted that there had been similar budget cut-backs all the way down the line, including highway projects.

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Ask Damage Bill As A Result Of Sewer Flooding

An account was received by Stouffville municipal council on Thursday from Mr. Jack Val-leau in the amount of \$263.44 to cover damage and clean-up necessary when the sewers backed up into his home on 9th St. south. The residence was flooded on at least three occasions because of the failure of the Victoria St. Pumping Station.

Councillor Laushway, property committee chairman, advised council that over \$300 had also been paid in insurance claims, to date.

"Whatever damage was caused I feel was our responsibility. It was no fault of the owner but a defect in our system," said councillor Parsons.

such claims, they might have quite a few.

Reeve Lehman said that everything was done on the trouble occasions that could be done.

"It still wasn't the owner's fault," said councillor Parsons. New and larger equipment for the Victoria St. Station is presently being installed.

Councillor Laushway advised that the Valleau residence was now equipped with a trap to prevent any backing up of the sewers and which he believed should have been installed in the first place.

Council agreed to a suggestion of deputy-reeve Wagg that the claim should be referred to the town's liability insurance company.

that the oiling and sanding had been completed at a cost of \$4300. He said that the men were now proceeding with weed cutting. Councillor Slack said that he had had complaints of the bad condition of a number of sidewalks. Chairman Wagg said that nothing had been done to date on sidewalk work.

An agreement has been reached with the Stouffville District High School Board to install a 12-inch sewer line to serve the school. This is double the size actually required to serve the school, and the Board is to be reimbursed the \$250 difference in the cost for the larger pipe. Council felt it advisable to have a larger line on north Edward St. because of further development likely in this area. The line will be 16 ft. deep.

Road Department
Deputy-reeve Wagg reported