

BOUNDARY LINES ARE BATTLE LINES

Committee decision riles reeve

STOUFFVILLE — Boundary lines have turned to battle lines, following the release of a committee's report, setting out proposed internal areas for the new Region of York.

One of those ready to challenge the decision is reeve Ken Laushway of Stouffville. At a meeting of council, April 9, he referred to certain statements contained in the correspondence as "ridiculous".

The committee's report along with a suggested boundary map has already been submitted to Hon. Darcy McKeough, Minister of Municipal Affairs. Stouffville will

counter this with a submission of its own.

The committee's map shows Stouffville as no longer an identifiable area within the Region, but as part of Whitchurch, with boundaries extending northward to take in such communities as Mount Albert, Holland Landing, Brown Hill and Ravenhoe.

Other areas are — Markham, Vaughan, King, Richmond Hill, Aurora, Newmarket and Sutton.

Reeve Laushway noted that out of eleven sub-

missions that split up the entire County into areas, only two did not recognize Stouffville as the predominant district. One of these was from Whitchurch and the other from the Village of Sutton.

Mr. Laushway said it was particularly irritating that some members of the committee, that prepared the brief to Mr. McKeough, did not even attend the meeting when all the discussion took place. He said some points set out in the letter to McKeough were completely false. "We can only hope that the

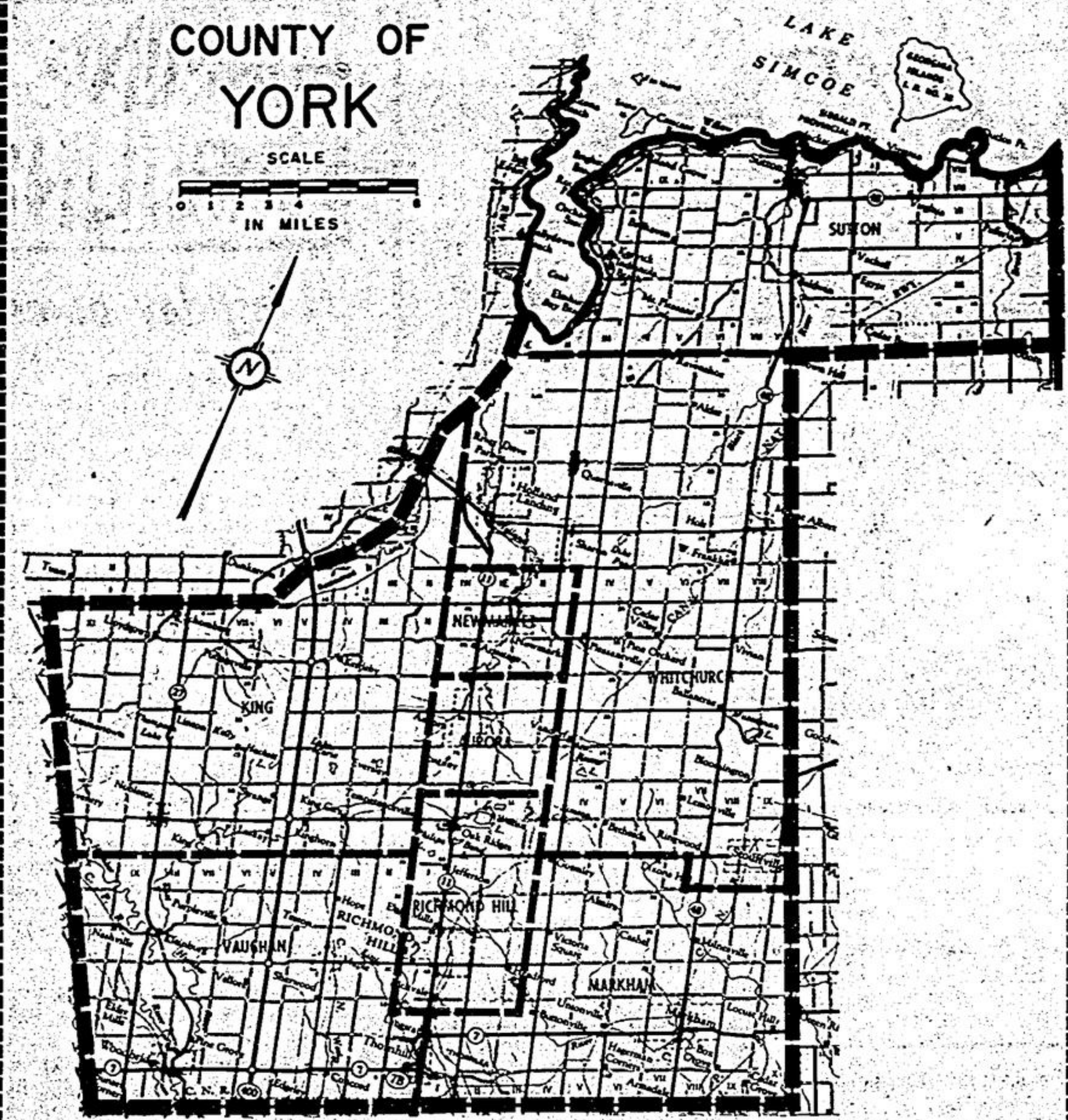
Department will show a little more sense." He argued that with village population exceeding 4,000 and with services available to accommodate as many more, the Stouffville Area should remain. He said the Village of Woodbridge had been placed in a similar position with respect to the Twp. of Vaughan.

Mr. Laushway observed that Stouffville had nothing in common with communities north of Vivian, although the 'Whitchurch Area' as proposed, ex-

tended all the way to the present boundary of Georgina and North Gwillimbury. "If we must become a part of some area, far better to be included in with Markham," he said.

The 'Markham Area' on the committee's map, extends north to the Stouffville-Gormley Road, then drops to the south, leaving Stouffville as a kind of dog-leg section of Whitchurch.

The reeve promised the entire issue would be discussed when all council members had an opportunity to study the brief in full. The next meeting is April 23.



The internal boundaries as finalized by a select County committee has established eight areas in the new Region of York. The recommendation has been forwarded to Hon. Darcy McKeough, Minister of Municipal Affairs.

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POLLUTION FEARED

Call public meeting

STOUFFVILLE — One mile north of Stouffville's water reservoirs is a liquid waste disposal site, into which is dumped thousands of gallons of industrial sewage daily, much of it trucked from Metro.

Potential dangers through runoff and soil penetration, a kind of guessing game between municipal councils and the Dept. of Energy and Resources, has now become the concern of the people.

A meeting, to air the problem and seek a solution, will be held in the auditorium of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, April 28 at eight o'clock. Robert Lewis, former Whitchurch councillor and chief organizer of the pollution probe, will serve as chairman.

He addressed a meeting of Stouffville council, April 9 and was guaranteed the support of all members.

"We'll back you 100 per cent," said reeve Ken Laushway, "and I know I speak not only for this council but everyone in town." He scoffed at a recent statement by Department representatives John Heamen who estimated that 5,000 would be forced out of work should the dump site be closed. "Which is worse," he asked, "five thousand out of work or five thousand out of water?" He said he had personally visited the Bremner property and within a period of 2 hours, watched 35,000 gallons of waste pour into the pit. "Even if the contamination risk is only one in a million, we still can't take the chance," the reeve continued. He termed the Department's water test policy as "ridiculous." "The time to stop pollution is before it starts, not after," he said, "by then, it could be too late."

Mr. Lewis said he was encouraged by the support, not only at the municipal level but from the general public. "It's been beyond all expectations," he admitted.

Mill worker dies

MARKHAM — An employee of Reesor's Marmill, Markham, died Wednesday morning in Scarborough Centenary Hospital, following surgery.

Allan Raymer, Main Street, fell about fifteen feet down a bag chute, Monday, from the building's second floor.

The exact cause of the accident is not known. Mr. Raymer was well-known and highly respected.

Plan eight homes

STOUFFVILLE — Stouffville Planning Board, meeting Thursday (tonight) will deal with an application by Orsi Construction Company, to erect eight homes on the south side of Sunset Boulevard, east of the Anglican Church.

In making the announcement, reeve Ken Laushway suggested members of council study the proposal carefully and sit in on the discussion if they so desired.

Girl badly hurt by 'dune buggy'

UNIONVILLE — Markham Twp. police are investigating the

Student killed

STOUFFVILLE — Rev. Douglas Davis will conduct the funeral, Thursday at 1:30 p.m. for Douglas Tustin, 17, a student of Don Head Secondary School, killed April 11 when struck by a car on North Road, Lake Wilcox.

Police said the auto, driven by a Thornhill man, vaulted a ditch and struck down the boy standing in front of his home. Anton Faller has been charged with criminal negligence and driving while impaired.

Douglas was well known here, living for much of the time with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Tustin, Hwy. 47, north of town. He attended Summitview Public School.

possibility that three girls and a 15 year old boy were playing a game of 'chicken' Sunday afternoon, in which one of the participants was seriously injured.

Karen Fediuk, 12, of 32 Sciberras Road in Varley Village was rushed by Vance ambulance to Scarborough Centenary Hospital after a stripped-down 1956 model Volkswagen commonly referred to as a 'dune buggy' ran over her head. Jane Jeffrey and Karen Keddy, also 12, escaped unhurt.

The driver of the unlicensed car, Bradwell Jeffrey of 28 Sciberras Road, said he did not see the girl in time to stop. The accident occurred on private property at the rear of the families' homes.

Police said while the girl suffered no fractures, her scalp was badly cut when a section of the car's frame struck her head.

Witnesses said the victim was asleep on the ground and did not hear the vehicle approaching.

'Chicken' is a game whereby young people place themselves in areas of extreme danger. The last to move is considered the winner.

Hydro rate increase

STOUFFVILLE — An adjustment in hydro retail rates will be implemented by Stouffville Public Utilities Commission in bills issued on and after June 1, 1970; chairman W.C. Sanders announced this week.

There will be a slight increase in residential and commercial rates. This is necessary, chairman Sanders explained, because of an increase in wholesale rates charged by Ontario Hydro, also due to rising local costs.

These increases, in some measure, have had to be passed on to the customer, he said.

Chairman Sanders stated that Stouffville Public Utilities Commission like all businesses has been affected by rising costs of materials, supplies and wages. However, he concluded, electric power is still the best bargain available on the market.

Waste site problem

Ex-councillor urges action

WHITCHURCH TWP. — Former Whitchurch councillor Bob Lewis is currently spearheading a campaign to control a feared pollution problem, that could result from the dumping of liquid industrial waste at a site, three miles north of Stouffville.

But everywhere he goes, he is confronted with the same question — what did you do?

Such a query was posed by reeve Stewart Burnett when Mr. Lewis appeared at a regular meeting, April 6 in Vandorf. He attended to inform the members of a public meeting in the auditorium of Stouffville Dist. Secondary School, April 28. Mr. Burnett has been asked to appear on the platform along with reeve Ken Laushway of Stouffville and several other municipal, provincial and federal government representatives.

"You sat on council last year, what action did you take?" asked reeve Burnett.

"Not very much," admitted Mr. Lewis, "but the situation is more serious now."

He suggested that seepage from the disposal site could contaminate not only private wells in the immediate area but the entire artesian water supply to the Village of Stouffville.

Mr. Lewis noted that gullage trucked to the Bremner property was on the increase, but Whitchurch had taken little

action to halt it. He said the general public were viewing the situation with alarm.

Keith Hutchinson, Stouffville, R.R. 2, estimated that within a period of two days, 50,000 gallons of liquid waste had been deposited there. One man in the audience suggested that trucks must be working on a bonus basis, so steady was the traffic to the site.

Mr. Lewis said he expected 1,000 persons to attend the meeting and that one of the invited speakers was Hon. George Kerr, Provincial Minister of Energy and Resources.

Clerk saves cash

STOUFFVILLE — A clerk at Widdfield's Drug Store in the Stouffville Plaza, has been credited with preventing the theft of the firm's cash box when she questioned a customer about a noticeable 'bulge' under his coat.

Mrs. Orval Martin, Orchard Park Boulevard told police that the man quickly placed the container back on the counter

and fled. She jotted down the car's licence number. An arrest followed several hours later in Metro.

Mrs. Martin said she was busy in the back of the store when the man entered. He enquired concerning the purchase of a watch. When asked about the concealed item, he offered no argument. The box contained about \$65.

By-law case dismissed

MARKHAM TWP. — Charges of improper land use, filed against two area firms, Stouffville Trailer Sales, operated by Albert Hudson and McDowell Real Estate, operated by Keith McDowell, were dismissed on a technicality in Aurora Court, Friday.

Both businesses are located on property in Markham Township, north of Dickson's Hill.

Donald Hindson, solicitor for Mr. Hudson said the charges had been improperly laid and lacked sufficient information.

Mr. Hudson and Mr. McDowell were accused of operating a commercial business on land zoned for residential or agricultural use. Both sites front on Hwy. 48.

A charge against Kenneth Jones, the property owner, has been adjourned on a similar technicality. Mr. Jones is also charged with allowing a building to be erected without first obtaining a township permit.

This case is scheduled to be heard May 8.

Passenger killed

Car - truck crash

BLOOMINGTON — A tragic car-truck crash on the 9th concession of Pickering, Monday, caused the death of a 60 year old Bloomington lady, Mrs. Rose Elizabeth Tyson, Stouffville, R.R. 2.

Mrs. Tyson was a passenger in a small pickup truck, driven by her husband, Harry. The second vehicle travelling east, was driven by Mrs. Barbara Ann Burnell, 28, Claremont, R.R. 1.

Mr. Tyson was admitted to York County Hospital, Newmarket, suffering from minor injuries and shock. Mrs. Burnell was also hospitalized but later released. Her son Edward, 5, was not hurt. Property damage was estimated at \$2,200.

The cause of the collision is still under investigation, police said.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Tyson is survived by three sons, Wayne and Ronald, both of Bloomington, Kenneth of Waterloo and two daughters, Mrs. Clara Flood, Huntsville and Mrs. Barbara Sutherland, of Newmarket.

Charge discrimination

WHITCHURCH TWP. — A form of discrimination is practised in the Twp. of Whitchurch according to a letter received by council from the solicitor of Gormley Sand and Gravel Company.

It is alleged that company trucks, utilizing class 'B' roads are limited to 11,000 pounds while vehicles owned by the municipality face no restriction and are carrying much larger loads.

The township will obtain a legal opinion on the complaint.

Splash down

STOUFFVILLE — While most folks are still looking for their first robin, the early-birds at Sleepy Hollow Golf Course were treated to a rare sight, Tuesday morning. Two large Canada Geese flew in for a brief stop-over on the pond next to Hwy. 47.

High speed chase

MARKHAM — A 19 year old Markham youth, charged by Stouffville police with driving while impaired, was convicted in Richmond Hill Court, Friday and fined \$150 or 15 days.

Lawrence Bernard Watters, 230 Main Street, entered a plea of guilty.

According to evidence, Constable David Hadden attempted to stop a 1964 Pontiac at the intersection of Ninth Line and Main Street in Stouffville, April 10.

A chase ensued, reaching speeds of 95 miles per hour. Assistance was requested from Markham Town and the driver was apprehended in a private laneway, after his vehicle struck a garage. A breathalyzer reading showed a count of 1.7.



Extra - Extra

Thursday, April 9 was a rather special day for Main Street tailor, Ross Davis. He was 81. The occasion failed to alter his routine of delivering papers door to door, a route he's been covering regularly for 28 years. — Jas. Thomas.