

Events that shaped the year 1975

Mayor reports on past year

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progress in negotiations for the Dulverton subdivision and they are now awaiting draft approval from the Ministry of Housing.

"We have reached a tentative agreement regarding services and until this subdivision is firm, development in the village is virtually frozen because of sewage plant restraints."

Dulverton will pay for the new water storage plant, rechannelization of Duffin's Creek and the extension to the sewage treatment plant."

Mr. Ratcliff commended the Bylaw Committee for their work during the year, and he especially mentioned the new parks bylaw which "gives the municipality and the Community Centre Boards more

control over abuses of the parks."

Another change over the year was that the Whitelock Conservation Club assumed jurisdiction over the flood control area north of town, to be maintained for passive recreation. He said he is hopeful a stoplight will be installed at the 9th line north and Main St., during the coming year.

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"Next year's budget will certainly have to be contained and every effort will be made to hold the present mill rate," he commented.

The mayor expressed thanks to all those people who served on the various boards for the "valuable part they played in the community."

The Centennial and Historical Committees have been very active and they will be working hard through 1976 to make preparations for centennial year which begins January 1, 1977.

Satisfaction was expressed by Mr. Ratcliff at the road work done during the past year and

around the town, he said.

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