

Charles Creasey, local artist, passes

STOUFFVILLE — One of the area's best known artists passed away last week of cancer at Scarborough Centenary Hospital.

Charles Creasey, 53, who was famous for his renditions of local beauty spots and historical buildings succumbed following several months of illness.

Many of his sketches have appeared in the pages of The Tribune, and some of his drawings will be reproduced in the forthcoming Centennial Sketchbook.

Mr. Creasey was a commercial artist and had worked at various studios, as well as the Sears art department. However, he had many other interests as well. Mr. Creasey was a member of the Scarborough Ham Radio Club and also worked out at the 50 mile swim club. Thirty laps of the pool at lunchtime were part of his regular routine.

A veteran of the second world war, Mr. Creasey fought and was wounded in Burma. He received his art training in England.

He is mourned by his wife Phillis, sons Lawrence, Robin and Martin, and his daughter Wendy. He is also survived by a brother, Harold, and two sisters, Christine and Mildred.



It was very chilly last Saturday when the contents of the Ringwood general store were auctioned off, but this gentleman seems to have found a cozy spot to snooze; nonetheless, hottest items going at the sale were boxes of groceries, but everything from moose antlers to old-fashioned scales were put on the block.

By Thicketwood

Request to develop

STOUFFVILLE — The Thicketwood developers would like to add an area of about 20 acres to accommodate around 300 people, to land they are developing in concession 9, part of lot 34.

Henry Bernick, speaking before planning board, said the proposal should be considered for inclusion in the new official plan.

another developer, in appearing before the board that evening, had argued that their development should be considered because it was large. "This," said Mr. Bernick, referring to the new Thicketwood proposal, "should be taken into consideration because it is small."

He said the 20-acre parcel would serve to square off the line of development.

Wants area in O.P.

STOUFFVILLE — Development of the area north of Elm Road and west of concession 9 should be given a place in the official plan, a representative of Alliance Developments Bernard Cooper, told planning board last week.

"Is it good planning to leave an area dead-ended and undeveloped?" referring to land in part of lot 2, concession 8.

He questioned whether so much of the allotted development for the village of Stouffville should go to the Dulverton company.

The Dulverton developers are in the process of having a subdivision approved for the northern fringe of Stouffville between the 9th and 10th lines, which will accommodate about 2,000 new residents.

Planning board chairman Eldred King said that the decisions on development had not been based "on personalities, but economics and the best use of land."

Another argument for developing the area north of Elm Road set forth by Mr. Cooper is that it would permit the building of another public school, so that children would not have to cross Main Street on their way to school.

Courts built

GOODWOOD — Two double tennis courts, lighting and washroom facilities will all be built here through a Wintario grant, it was learned recently.

A total of \$6,500 has been allotted to the Goodwood Community Association for the construction.

In the winter months, the new facility is to be used as an ice rink.

Region of York appeals decision

STOUFFVILLE — The Region of York is appealing a land division committee decision that would permit a severance on lots 4 and 5, south of the CN tracks on the east side of Hwy. 47.

The owners, Charles and Anna Wickens, had requested a parcel of 1.4 acres be severed from the total lot area of 24.94 acres.

The communication to planning committee from acting regional planning commissioner Don Knight said the decision is being appealed on the grounds "that the parcel to be created by severance would be contrary to the Official Plan for the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville which requires a minimum area of two acres for residential development."

Also, the appeal would be launched because "the remaining land would be contrary to the Minister's zoning order which requires a minimum area of 25 acres for the construction of a building."

Markham race

MARKHAM — An interesting election campaign is shaping up in Markham's Ward 5.

Walter Grieve, the current office-holder, will be opposed by Joan Lynen, current President of the Markham Ratepayers' Association.

Mrs. Lynen said she would press for more controlled development in Town rather than "wild residential sprawl" she suggested, too, that a Ward representative should feel obligated "to put forth the views of the people he or she represents."

Removal of industrial designation disputed

STOUFFVILLE — A change in zoning of land owned by Revenue Properties Limited could result in an Ontario Municipal Board hearing unless the town and the company can come to an agreement.

The land in question, located on the east side of Highway 47 north of Main Street, is now zoned industrial in bylaw 72-7.

The interim plan would change the area in lots 1 and 2, concession 10, to a rural designation.

Gordon Brush, who appeared before planning board last week for Revenue Properties Limited, said that if the company cannot come to some agreement with the town, they would go to the OMB in order to "continue with the zoning they presently enjoy."

"Our client is quite willing to sit down to see if an adequate solution can be had," said Mr. Brush.

"The land," said Mayor Gordon Ratcliff, "has been zoned industrial for some years, but there's been no activity."

Mr. Brush replied that the company has not taken "bully tactics" and

has waited for sewer facilities to go into that area before pushing for development. "There have been viable proposals for locating industry there. Now they feel the area's growing and wish to see development take place now."

He said Revenue Properties has "tried to go along with council in not pushing for immediate development."

Mr. Ratcliff wondered if the company had given any consideration to "development" which would not hook into municipal services.

According to Mr. Brush, the "actual type of development" could be one of the items discussed with council by the company.

Planning board chairman Eldred King told Mr. Brush that "we are looking at a five-year plan, and we have tried to be realistic."

The plan, he pointed out, encourages industrial development instead of the west of town. "We have sufficient designated, as I'm sure you know," said Mr. King.

Mr. Brush said that

while he knew that the flow of traffic on Hwy. 47 was one consideration in designating the land in question, a possible bypass, which would alleviate the problem, hadn't been considered in the plan.

The current zoning, he said, "does give a commitment to eventually service the land." Mr. Brush added that the timing of putting industry in the area had been enhanced by the proposed location of the Dulverton subdivision to the immediate west of it.

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Wants Vandorf limit raised

VANDORF — Lawrence Hennessey appeared before planning board last week to ask that the population limit of Vandorf be raised from the level of 350 set in the interim official plan to 500.

He also wished to have his development, on lots 17 and 18, concession 3, west side of Don Mills Road, extended northward to the boundary between lots 18 and 19.

The interim plan specifies that 25 acres of land on the northern fringe of the Hennessey property remain undeveloped.

Speaking for Mr. Hennessey, Roger Beaman said, "we have seen the other two hamlets in Whitchurch-Stouffville grow, and the potential's been there in Vandorf. It's the responsibility of the people there to accept what is inevitable."

Mr. Beaman also asked for help with regard to a strip on the west part of Hennessey land set aside as a noise buffer based on the location of Highway 404.

"That issue, in the view of Ward 1 Councillor Art Starr would best be dealt with at the subdivision agreement level."

Regarding the 25 acre parcel in the north part of the property, planning board chairman Eldred King said, "I can see no difference between the 25

acres there and anywhere else in the municipality. One reason for not allowing housing there, he added, was to further discourage the joining up of Wesley Corners with that in Vandorf.

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Loss of 50 acres brings objections

STOUFFVILLE — Representatives for the Femson property, south of the Canadian Tire store, in Stouffville, objected last week to cutting out 50.7 acres of land from their proposed residential property in the interim official plan.

Milton Hess, representing Femson, told planning board that by leaving out the south-east square in the plan "you would prevent us and you from planning in a sound manner."

The Femson property has a total of 118 acres, on which a mixture of residential, industrial and some commercial development is proposed.

A total population increase of 2,700 is suggested.

Mr. Hess argued that the Femson land should be considered as a unit in the plan.

The board was told that by excluding the block of land, difficulties would arise in providing services for the industrial lots to the west.

Engineer Thor Elkund, who also appeared before the board, said that with a particular kind of engineering, the sewage treatment plant in Stouffville could be expanded from its current capacity of 9,000 persons to 15,000.

Stouffville Lion draw

STOUFFVILLE winners, included the following: Robert Leger, Lawrence Stanley, York County Board of Education staff, Rick Spang, Margaret Hall, Jeff Smith, Fegg Lynde, Dot ASchell, Irene Muirhead, Flo Stacey, Marvin Clark, Harvey Pipher, Tommy Fair, Harold Wright and Keith Malcolm.

Other draw winners were as follows: George Boynton, \$100; Bill Barry, \$50 and Wally Lee, \$50. Twenty-five dollar

Ken McCaffey won a special "Share the Wealth" draw and collected \$63.50.

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