

Twp. of Uxbridge

Candidates say-we'll control gravel pits

By KEITH BOLENDER
 UXBRIDGE — With few exceptions, Uxbridge council candidates all agreed with each other on ways to deal with the township's gravel industry.

The candidates were speaking at a ratepayers association meeting in Uxbridge, Monday night, a gathering called specifically to hear

various opinions on the problem.

The general consensus was that control of the industry should remain at the local level through township bylaws and that these should be upheld in the courts, if necessary.

Most candidates also agreed that an Aggregate Advisory Committee be formed in Uxbridge, although the make-up and

powers of the committee were questioned.

The meeting, attended by approximately 200 residents, saw mayoralty incumbent Gord Davie speak first.

Mr. Davie commented that "our township is directly affected and we have to have the final say on gravel control. However, that control won't be gained by opening any more pits or trying to ram them through. What we need is proper planning and provincial backing."

Gary Herrera, the second candidate for mayor, questioned how long the township could fight a local aggregate bylaw in the courts.

"Sure we should fight a bylaw in the courts to get it upheld, but there's a time limit, we have limited funds. We've gone that route before and it has cost us quite a bit."

Mr. Herrera further felt that there was nothing wrong in entering into a specific agreement

with gravel operators, such as the John B. Regan proposal, because "each one has to be looked at individually. If it's a good deal, why not?"

The lone regional councillor candidate at the meeting, Maustyn McKnight, commented that if the township has strong controlling legislation that sets down standards for all gravel operators, "specific agreements should not be necessary, and that legislation should rest with the township to ensure we get the best possible deal."

Mr. McKnight supported the idea of an Advisory Committee, and suggested it include residents in each ward, and be "independent of council."

Only Ward 4 candidate Sandy Ewen, questioned the idea of local control. "We should be involved locally, but the control and enforcement should be

passed to the Region. They have the staff and finances for the job."

John Paxton, acclaimed in Ward 1, Goodwood, argues specifically on the Regan Proposal, saying that "Regan has offered us 6 1/2 cents per ton levy. Someone said we were being raped by the gravel industry, but if we accept Regan's levy to pay us off, then we wouldn't be raped, but prostituting ourselves."

Later, the meeting was opened for questions from the audience.

Ron Beard of Goodwood asked what the candidates felt about the fact that John Regan was suing resident Eric Mundingier \$1 million for slander.

Ron Hunter, Ward 4 candidate called it "an unfortunate situation". "If elected and I have to deal with Mr. Regan, I may almost be prejudiced in dealing with him because he is suing a ratepayer."



This beautifully crafted padlock, made by Roy Flewell (left) of Stouffville, RR 2, will hang in the home of Stewart and Barbara Wideman at Ringwood. Mr. Wideman (right) is a collector of locks. He plans to use the 'parent' model on which to attach his smaller ones. —Keith Bolender.

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Giant padlock unique project

RINGWOOD — What better way to display a padlock collection than on a huge padlock?

That's what Stewart Widman of Ringwood wanted; and now he has it, with a little help from a master craftsman.

Stewart has close to 100 padlocks, some dating back 100 years. He wanted something on which to display them. So he contacted local woodworker, Roy Flewell.

"I had an idea about what I wanted. I knew Roy was the man to do it," he stated. His desire was to have a large wooden padlock made in the likeness of a smaller one already in his possession; one that he could hang the others on.

When he put forward the suggestion, Roy had his doubts. "I'd never done anything like it before," he said. However, he put his hands on some old pine wood taken from a house built in 1840, and started to work.

The "master" lock is approximately three feet long by two feet wide, complete with a brass keyhole. It took him about a week to shape it, glue it and rub it down.

Roy Flewell's masterpiece is no fluke. He operates a refinishing shop near the corner of the Vandorf Road and Hwy. 48.

Stewart's still not quite sure which locks will hold this "position of importance". There's room for about eighteen. In addition, he has about 500 keys.

Collecting padlocks is just a hobby, he says. "When I see a different one, I pick it up."

As for duplicating the 'parent' padlock, Roy says "one is enough". "I enjoyed doing it," he said, "but I'm just too busy to do any more."

That makes Stewart's possession all the more special. There'll never be another quite like it.

New Pickering museum

Begin construction

GREENWOOD — Work has started at the site of the new Pickering Museum in Greenwood. The grounds are being levelled in preparation for the erection of historic buildings.

We are pleased to report that Margaret Butler, Barbara Pegg, Elsie Heaton and Roy Hill are home from hospital. Ed Pascoe was expected home on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Pegg enjoyed dinner, Sunday, with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Pegg and family, Oshawa.

Ken Brooks, Kenn McTaggart and Lloyd Morden are deer-hunting this week at Whitestone Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgie Pegg travelled to Garden Hill near Port Hope, Saturday, hoping to see a rare barnacle goose, reported in the area. These birds are known to nest in Greenland and Northern Ireland. They are smaller than the Canada goose with an all-white face. Their origin goes back to the middle ages when Europeans had no knowledge of the Continent where the bird breeds. They were of the opinion that they hatched from barnacles, hence the name.

The Pickering Naturalist Club meets on the first Thursday of each month at the Rouge Hills Library.

Twenty potential 4-H members attended a gathering in the Christian Education Building, Saturday. Young people, both boys and girls, 12 years and over, are eligible to join.

Whitby and James of Clarendon. There are three grandchildren.

Interment was made in Oshawa Union Cemetery.

Farm resident in Uxbridge

Rev. Jack Irwin conducted the service, Oct. 31 at the Armstrong Funeral Home, Oshawa, for John Cecil Tindall following his passing at Bestview Lodge, Oct. 27.

Cecil Tindall was born in Gooderham, Haliburton County, Oct. 18, 1894, the son of James and Emma Tindall. For a time, the family farmed on the second and third concessions of Uxbridge Township.

A carpenter in his early days, he later became an employee of General Motors, retiring in 1963. He was a member of Kingsview United Church, Oshawa.

Surviving, besides his wife, the former Verna Crowell, is one daughter, Evelyn (Mrs. Frank Grant) of Mississauga; one son, Lloyd of Manilla; two brothers, Reuben of

Elaine Carruthers Her door always open

STOUFFVILLE — Rev. Lorne Smith conducted service for Frances Elaine Carruthers, Nov. 3, from the chapel of Low and Low Funeral Home in Uxbridge. Mrs. Carruthers passed away at Scarborough Centenary Hospital, Nov. 1. She was 49.

Born in Clarendon, January 16, 1929, the daughter of Jack and Margaret (Mrs. Hoyle Carruthers) Fraser, she spent her childhood in that community.

When Elaine Fraser married Erwin Carruthers, Feb. 4, 1954, they moved to Quaker Hill. They returned to Clarendon later, first to a farm on the Sixth Concession, and then to a home in town on Centre Street. Two months ago, they took up residence in the Testa Villa Apartments on Albert Street South, Stouffville.

Helping in the kitchen for the Stouffville Legion's activities, and serving as a Girl Guide leader, Elaine donated her time to the community. She enjoyed trips with her husband's Senior Citizens' group in Clarendon.

However, the greater part of her time was devoted to children. Not only did she raise her own four daughters and babysit her grandchildren, but she raised six foster children. Much of her time was spent cooking, sewing, and preserving.

Mrs. Carruthers kept the doors of her home open to everyone. If someone needed a place to stay, he or she was always welcomed into her house.

Surviving Mrs. Carruthers is her husband, Erwin; daughters, Barbara (Mrs. Larry Brown); Heather (Mrs. Ken Redshaw); Lynn at home, and Lorrie (Mrs. Jim Stiner); a brother, Bill Fraser; two sisters, Mrs. Audrey Hill and Mrs. Enid Spears; five grandchildren, and her foster children. She is predeceased by two brothers, Murray and "Tub" Fraser.

The pall bearers were Charlie Redshaw, Ron Hedges, Grant Norton, George Middleton, Gordon Lynn, and Fred Moore. Interment was in Uxbridge Cemetery.

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Ratepayer sued

Plan campaign to cover costs

UXBRIDGE TWP. — A group of Uxbridge ratepayers has started a fund-raising campaign to help defray legal costs incurred by Goodwood area resident, Eric Mundingier.

Mr. Mundingier is being sued for one million dollars by the John P. Regan Co., a gravel pit firm. He was issued with the writ Oct. 18.

The suit stems from a council meeting back in September at which the ratepayer allegedly said he hoped "rumors of payoffs to councillors were not true". Council had been debating the rezoning of 400 acres of land between concessions 6 and 7, owned by Mr. Regan.

"Eric Mundingier's just a little guy, up against a big company. He's certainly going to need some help," stated Brad Johnson, President of the Uxbridge Twp. Ratepayers Association. He said the support for Mr. Mundingier is just one more step in a campaign by citizens of Uxbridge to "bring some sanity to the aggregate industry".

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