

Plan approval frustrating

STOUFFVILLE — The spokesman for the applicants for a long-awaited zoning amendment on Concession 8, Bloomington, was told by Mayor Eldred King, at a meeting of planning board, that "things do change."

As a result, the application, whose approval would allow William and Judy Popovich, RR 2, Stouffville, to get a start on the "completion of the existing subdivision, originally restricted in size to conform to Official Plan policy restricting Bloomington, now removed," has been sent to the town planning consultant for comment.

Relating the history of the first phase of the development, spokesman Carson Woods, said the plan for the latter on the east side of the Popovich farm, was submitted to council in 1972.

"It took three years to process," said Carson, an architect and planner. That was followed by the airport land freeze. With the move to regional government, another three years went by before approval was received for half, he said.

Attached to the application was a copy of a letter sent to council, from Mr. and Mrs. Popovich, Dec. 6, 1979.

In it, they wrote that "inadequate consideration has been given to the expected growth of the total community over the next five years, (in the proposed Official

Plan) and... resultant housing will not be allowed to reflect a balanced choice in location and type."

"Various councils have been made aware of our plans to develop land in Bloomington, and one portion has been successfully developed," the letter continued. "The balance of the land, able to produce 17-18 lots has been before the Township for the last seven (7) years. This development would fall within the "Community Residential" designation."

They asked that the choice of housing types more clearly include that category. They also asked that "no Regional Official Plan...be adopted without a thoroughly-researched housing study incorporated as an appendix and on which basis the various regional municipalities housing targets can be assessed."

Mayor Eldred King told Woods that, "You can't blame previous councils. We have a new council now and things do change."

Flower Walk

PICKERING — The Pickering Naturalist Club is holding a Spring Wildflower Walk, Sat., May 28.

The meeting place is the parking lot of the Pickering Municipal Office, Hwy. 2 and Brock Road at 9:30 a.m. The Walk leader is Carol Fox.

On Monday evening, June 6, the Club is holding a Bluebird Hike starting from the home of Edie and Betty Pegg, R.R. 2, Claremont at 6:30 p.m. The Pegg home is on the south-west corner of the Westney Road and Conc. 7, Pickering, across from the Claremont Conservation Area.

Leader of the Bluebird Hike will be Ken Bowie, a Club member.

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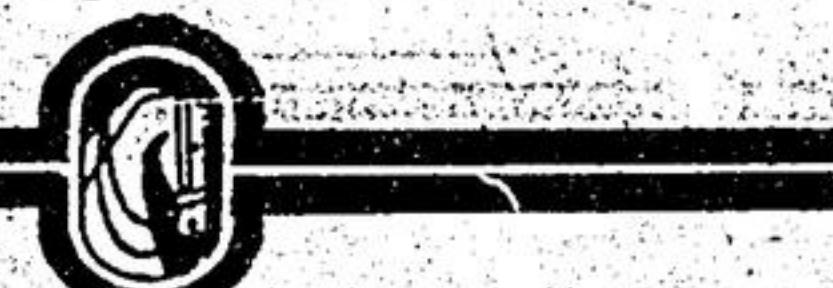
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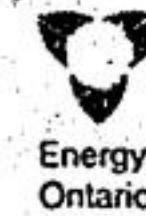
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