

WARD 6 RACE '85

Tyndall running again after 13-year absence

By NANCY HOSKIN
After being out of the political wars for more than a decade, Norm Tyndall has decided to take another shot at Markham Council.

Mr. Tyndall, who is challenging incumbent Elson Miles for the Ward 6 seat in the upcoming election, was the councillor in the area in 1971 and 1972. He said that gave him practical experience as a councillor and a realization of how municipal government operates.

But why a comeback attempt after such a long absence? "Several people asked me to run again from different areas in the ward," said Mr. Tyndall. "There was public concern in placing another name on the ballot. I thought I was ready to jump back into the ring."

"I was defeated in 1972 on a four-way ballot," Mr. Tyndall continued. "The best person is always bound to lose when the votes are split up between so many contestants."

Due to health reasons, Mr. Tyndall said he was unable to run in the last several elections. But now, fully recovered and semi-retired, he has put his time and energy into the Ward 6 race. He adds that he'll continue to devote himself to the task at hand.

"I don't believe the position of councillor is political. A councillor is a benefit to the people he serves," he said. "It is a position where people can come for advice and direction. The elected official should stand as a source of information. If elected, I would like to broaden the communication between the position and constituents."

Asked why he hadn't erected any election signs in the area, Mr. Tyndall replied, "That the signs are polluting the roads in Markham and are an eyesore."

Instead, Tyndall gathered a group of friends to distribute his campaign literature. Mr. Tyndall bases his campaign on several convictions, one being the present greenbelt near 16th Ave. should remain undisturbed and that areas south of 16th Ave. should be built upon until there is complete density.

"There is still room for a lot of houses. Everything south of 16th is completely serviced with adequate facilities, sewer, lighting and roads," said Mr. Tyndall. Mr. Tyndall also thought that there are several environmental issues plaguing his ward.

"Victoria Square, for example, had extreme problems with the

source of underground water. Council seemed to ignore the pleas of the residents for help to correct the situation. The problem finally received attention with the help of Regional Councillor Bud Bonner," he said.

Mr. Tyndall said he has only one campaign promise to make. He vowed that if elected the communication lines between his constituents and himself would always be open.



NORM TYNDALL
Tries again

Miles seeking a fifth term

By NANCY HOSKIN
After nine years on Markham Council, Ward 6 incumbent Elson Miles is standing on his record.

Running in an area where he has lived his entire life, Mr. Miles has been either chairman or vice-chairman of the planning committee and finance committee, two of the more important committees of Council during his passed few terms.

With four terms behind him, two by acclamation, Mr. Miles is running again in hopes of continuing with his projects and causes. Now semi-retired, he works nearly a full-time schedule on Council business making sure he attends meetings on all the committees. He's also very proud of what Council has accomplished.

During the nine years I have served on Council, municipal taxes haven't been raised. The Town hasn't borrowed any money either. We have upgraded many facilities and have added staff," he said.

While in office Mr. Miles was primarily responsible for the

addition of new ball lights and ball screen in Victoria Square, as well as the upgrading of their community center.

One of the problems Mr. Miles foresees in the Ward 6 is the vastness of the ward that was re-created for the upcoming election. He said meeting all the constituents in Ward 6 was an impossibility.

"Ward 6 encompasses 1/4 of the Town of Markham," said Mr. Miles. "The ward is huge in area, but not in population. It takes the appearance of a horseshoe shape around Markham. There are approximately 6,000 residents making it a challenge to meet everyone you serve."

As for issues in the campaign, Mr. Miles didn't think there were many pressing ones.

"I don't feel there are any disturbing issues in the Town of Markham. It is run very well. We're the second richest municipality in Canada, we must be doing something right."

Despite his council duties, Mr. Miles has also remained active as the chairman of the

Markham Museum Board.

"We've done a lot in the acquisition of buildings and artifacts. For several years we have worked on obtaining a collection of antique horse drawn vehicles, which has just been completed," Mr. Miles beamed.



ELSON MILES
Seeks re-election

Leadership with Vision

Elect RON DANCEY Mayor

WARD 3



FRED COX
Acclaimed

- I make only one campaign promise: to listen. With the help of you and your neighbors, I know we can make a difference to the community we share together.
- I want to bring Markham together, as Mayor of all the people. I want to preserve the individuality of our component communities while at the same time unifying us as a town.
- That's why I'm asking for your support. Help elect me as your Mayor on November 12, and return Markham to its position of leadership.

