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Sanders pushes for pool

STOUFFVILLE — It was Jim Sanders on one side, the rest of Council on the other.

The rift widened Monday with the indoor pool vs. new (or improved) municipal offices the main wedge.

Sanders claimed the pool should hold equal priority in future capital expenditure planning. Others favored improved staff accommodation.

Councillor Sanders wanted \$350,000 removed from the reserve fund set aside for a new administrative facility and applied to the pool. (Phase II of the Rec. Complex).

"We have two major items in front of the public," Sanders stated. "They are the administration office and the second phase of the Rec. Centre. Instead of putting \$700,000 in one lump sum for the administration office, it would be more appropriate to transfer \$350,000 to Phase II of the Rec. Complex."

He claimed by dealing with one project only, the public was being denied an opportunity to discuss it.

Some members holding opposing views were irritated.

"You're flogging a dead horse," countered Councillor Ron Robb. "You've brought this up four or five times and never yet received a second."

Mayor Fran Sainsbury said nothing had been finalized. "We've made no plans to leave, (the present administration offices), to buy land or do anything. We're only asking our people to investigate it. Public meetings will follow," she stated.

The heated debate was finally cut off by Councillor Wilf Morley who claimed further discussion on the Sanders' motion was out of order.



Proud of his father's accomplishment is four-year-old Jonathon Sandham. Jonathon and his mother Darlene attended a ceremony Friday at Mospark Armories, where Lieut. Col. John Sandham was made Commanding Officer of the 48th Highlanders of Canada. Mr. Sandham is a Grade 8 teacher on the staff of Stouffville Orchard Park Public School. — Jim Thomas

Orchard Park teacher Heads Highlanders

STOUFFVILLE — John Sandham, Grade 8 teacher on the staff of Orchard Park School has brought honor to himself and to the Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Mr. Sandham, a lieutenant colonel with the 48th Highlanders of Canada, was installed as Commanding Officer of this highly esteemed regiment at a ceremony held Friday at Mospark Armories, Toronto.

The Change of Command was largely attended including several from Orchard Park School. Vic Goldman of Stouffville, a regimental sergeant major, was also in attendance.

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Mr. Sandham is a native of St. Catharines. He joined the 48th Highlanders in 1966, following a tradition established by his father and grandfather.

Lieut. Col. Sandham is a graduate of Rindley College and Ryerson Polytechnical Institute. He has attended degree courses at both Toronto and York Universities.

Mr. Sandham has been associated with the Ontario Board of Education for 18 years, coming to Orchard Park School in September 1987. John and Darlene have one son, Jonathon, Windsor, Ont.

Although presently living in Ancaster, Mr. and Mrs. Sandham have purchased a home on Ironwood Crescent, Stouffville, and will be moving there next month.

Carried the cup

STOUFFVILLE — Keith Acton carried the Stanley Cup.

The scene, Thursday, viewed on national television, had Stouffville's hockey addicts sitting on the edge of their seats.

It's a rags to riches story that saw Keith ascend from a cellar-dwelling club to a Stanley Cup champion. More importantly, he contributed to the Edmonton Oilers' success by scoring two game-winning goals.

The fast-skating centre had been used sparingly in previous playoff encounters. But when Coach Glen Sather called, Keith answered. His line posed a scoring threat every time out. They also performed well defensively.

The Stanley Cup victory puts an additional \$25,000 in each Edmonton player's pocket. Keith, in an unprecedented gesture, contributed his stipend for appearing on the Dave Hodge May 18 post-game show, to the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association.

Keith, wife Susan and family are expected home this weekend.

Mum's the word

Whose hats in the ring? Will Mayor Fran Sainsbury step out?

Will Councillor Wilf Morley step out?

Will they run against each other?

Right now, neither's saying although 'official' announcements are expected shortly.

"Talk to me July 14, my birthday," replied Mayor Sainsbury, "if you can't find me, I'm out knocking on doors."

Councillor Morley wasn't available for comment when The Tribune called Saturday. Rumor has it he'll go for the Town's top post but a close contact says he hasn't made up his mind.

The election date is Monday, Nov. 14.

To allow members of Council time off, no meetings are scheduled from July 13 to Aug. 22.

Town taxes

Increase-\$20

Municipal taxes on the average Whitchurch-Stouffville property, (\$20,000 assessment), will increase by about \$20 in 1988, it was revealed at a budget meeting of Council Monday.

This does not include additional payments for education or regional purposes.

The Town held its portion of the tax hike to 5.5 per cent.

Mayor Fran Sainsbury said Council was able to hold down the increase because of new development, both industrial and residential. Road improvements will have top spending priority, she explained.

Sidewalks, street-lighting and town boulevards will also be improved, she said.

Other projects include — resurfacing of the Ballantrae tennis courts; installation of an elevator at the Rec. Complex and interior improvements at the Vandorf Museum.

The Town will embark on an intense recycling program in an effort to reduce costs of garbage collection, Mayor Sainsbury said. Municipal expenditures in 1988 will total \$10,628,728. Out of every tax dollar collected, the Town will receive only 24.06 cents with 62.68 cents going to education and 13.26 cents to York Region.

Concert

What could be the final CD's choir concert is likely to be an emotional event.

The location is Christ Church (Anglican), 250 St. John St. Stouffville on Monday June 6 at 8 p.m.

The program will mark the farewell of school choir leader Jim Rehill after many years of faithful service. It could be a fitting farewell of the choir's last conductor is found.

Hope not, Mr. Rehill said. "I'll be here for a long time."

In addition to choir selections, students Robin Duke and Laurie Pagan will be reading the CD's song.

The public is invited.

Town pioneers indexed in book

STOUFFVILLE — Ruth Burkholder, chairperson of the Whitchurch-Stouffville Historical Society, has written a book.

It's entitled 'Index to Whitchurch-Township Residents as shown in Directories and Census 1837-1891'.

The 170 pages contain the names of all heads of households recorded by census-takers during this time frame. With this information, detailed facts can be obtained at the Library.

So far, 100 books have been

printed. They sell for \$15 apiece. Ruth began her project in November 1986 and completed it in May 1988.

"When I started, I had no idea the amount of work involved," Ruth said in looking back. The index is now registered with the National Library in Ottawa.

Twenty copies were pre-sold. "The rest are stored under our waterbed," Ruth revealed. "I sure hope it doesn't spring a leak."

Save historic sites Town group requests

STOUFFVILLE — Should legislation be implemented to preserve historically significant buildings and properties in Whitchurch-Stouffville?

Some members of the Town's

Historical Society believe it should and will likely ask Council to act on their behalf.

The organization, commonly referred to as LACAC (Local Architectural Conservation Advisory Committee), can be set up by the municipality. Its purpose is to advise the public and Council on matters related to the preservation of structures deemed historic.

Society chairperson Ruth Burkholder informed a meeting, May 25, that Whitchurch-Stouffville is the only town or township in York Region without such a committee.

Mrs. Burkholder explained that through provincial funding, owners of historic buildings are assisted financially in having them refurbished.

"Our residents haven't had access to these provincial funds," she said.

Members wondered how the Town is planning to implement its historic preservation policies as outlined in Section 93 of the Official Plan if a LACAC committee does not exist. It was suggested

this question be asked of those candidates seeking office in the 1988 municipal election.

Singles organize

STOUFFVILLE — A support group for single parents, people going through separations, widows and widowers, will meet for a first time, Tues., June 14.

The location is the upstairs lounge at St. James Presbyterian Church, 101 Main Street East, Stouffville. Meeting time is 8 p.m.

"We want to focus attention on the support aspect in the initial stages," says Gayle Atkinson, one of the organization's founders.

"There are many people hurting out there or experiencing difficulties coping as single parents," claims Gayle.

Gayle hopes the group will eventually expand to serve other functions as well, including social.

"First, we must establish ourselves and let people know we're primarily a support group," she stresses.

All interested persons are invited. For additional information call Bruce Stapley at 640-8919.

Tough line

STOUFFVILLE — Town Council has asked members of staff to take a long, hard look at subdivision progress before recommending reductions in letters of credit.

Councillor Margot Marshall introduced the topic at a meeting May 24.

Mrs. Marshall recommended the letter of credit posted by Arch Construction Company not be reduced "until all outstanding matters are cleaned up."

The development in question is located in Ward 1.

Councillor Wayne Emmerson suggested the same policy apply elsewhere in Town.

Discounts

A discount plan for Seniors is being re-introduced in Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Initiated by Home Support Services, it's being done in cooperation with the Chamber of Commerce and the B.I.A.

The target date for inception is the end of June.

All cards will be honored by participating merchants; Ginny Burrows of Home Support told The Tribune.

The Chamber of Commerce has approximately 162 members and the B.I.A. has 79.

Some belong to both, Mrs. Burrows said, and several, including banks and trust companies cannot take part.

Discounts will vary according to the wishes of the individual merchant, Mrs. Burrows explained.

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