

# ST. Vandorf builder fails in attempt to have town refund \$10,000 bylaw fine

A Vandorf area home builder was unsuccessful Tuesday in convincing local politicians to be lenient to his crime.

Graham Smyth, president of Mobile Rentals, which builds prefabricated homes, urged officials to refund a \$10,000 fine it charged him April, 1991 because he didn't meet bylaw standards on his business property. "We're all struggling through a recession, our type of company more than most, and this

\$10,000 has hurt us badly," Smyth said.

He was advised by the town's building inspector in February, 1991 that his work site, which consisted of two prefab homes, failed to comply with proper water and safety standards, had no proper exits and no sanitary facilities. Smyth, however, said he had temporary washroom facilities on the site and that the department was showing "animosity" toward his company.

He complained the town's building department acted harshly when it cashed the letter of credit 27 days after telling him to leave his property. He told council that building staff "didn't offer any help" and was inflexible. "I don't understand why they couldn't wait a little longer. What they were asking for was impossible to achieve," Smyth said.

But building director Bob Bennett said Smyth made it perfectly clear to his staff that he had no intentions of

meeting any of the bylaw requirements. Bennett, who said he spoke to Smyth on several occasions himself, also said there were several letters written to Smyth, and the department advised him well in advance before drawing the letter of credit.

While Smyth admits he is "certainly guilty of contravention," he said the "penalty is in excess of the crime." He said the department was using him as an "example" to show its authority.

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