

Editor's Mail

Pickering councillor vows to fight Whitevale dump

Dear Editor,

I'm frustrated and I'm really angry!

Three years ago Bob Rae stood in a field in Pickering and said "Elect me and there won't be a dump in this field." He didn't lie, the Durham site Mr. Rae, the NDP and their Interim Waste Authority picked is less than two miles from that field. My anger and the anger expressed by many Pickering residents today isn't a "not in my backyard" reaction. Why? Our backyard is full! We have had the Brock North, South, West and Bear Road landfill sites. We have done our part. Simply on the basis of common decency and fairness. Pickering should not be the site for more garbage. Landfills are archaic and obsolete as a means of dealing with garbage near built residential areas. We are not simply saying 'Get the dump out of Pickering and move it somewhere else in Durham.' We are saying 'Open your eyes and look at alternatives to landfill.'

Is the rail haul to Kirkland Lake viable? We don't know! The IWA didn't look at it!

Can recycling and composting cut down on the need for landfill? We don't know! The IWA didn't look at it! What about exporting? Some landfills in the U.S. actually want our garbage and at cheaper rates than in our own landfills. Is private sector involvement a viable option? Again, we don't know! They didn't look at it!

The flawed IWA process did not look at options or fairness in its site selection. But rest assured that I am going to be looking at many options and fighting for fairness in the coming months and years. I have spoken to Gary Herrema, the Regional Chairman, Wayne Arthurs, the Mayor of Pickering, and Enrico Pistrutto, the local councillor from my ward, and have strong commitment from each of them to keep this dump out of Pickering.

It is not fair planning and it does not make sense. The residents of Pickering will not tolerate it, the Town and the Region will not toler-

ate it, and collectively we will use every last legal avenue to stop the dump being put here.

This site is supposed to open in 1997. We know that Bob Rae, Ruth Grier, and Bud Wildman won't be in office then, but we cannot allow them to leave another dump in Pickering as their legacy.

This will be an expensive fight, but the cost to our town, our children, and our way of life, if we don't fight will be horrendous. The costs cannot be borne entirely through the tax system.

I urge every resident and community association to get involved vocally and financially in their

fight. We will be having a fundraising rally soon and PACT will be helping out in our efforts. Any ideas or help will be welcomed. Call the town at 683-2760 or PACT at 837-0117.

The residents of the town can count on my support in this fight!

Rick Johnson
Regional Councillor, Ward 3
Town of Pickering

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7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Principal
Mr. Alan Dickson

Vice Principal
Mr. Jay Hooper



TOWN OF
WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE

PUBLIC NOTICE

APPOINTMENT TO THE WHITCHURCH-STOUFFVILLE MUSEUM BOARD

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville's Clerk's Department is now accepting applications from members of the public who wish to be considered for appointment to the following local board:

Whitchurch-Stouffville Museum Board (No Remuneration)

One person to be appointed for a term expiring November 30th, 1994.

Terms of reference for the appointment and application forms may be obtained from Clerk's Department between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday.

Application forms should be delivered in person or by mail by 4:30 p.m., Monday, November 29th, 1993. No applications, whether received by mail or hand delivered, can be accepted after the deadline.

For further information, please contact Michele Skinner or Yvonne Hurst at (905) 640-1900 or (905) 895-2423.

Personal Information is collected under the legal authority of the Municipal Act, R.S.O., 1990, c. M45 and will be used to determine eligibility for appointment.

Michele Skinner,
Acting Clerk

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