

## Police association says more officers are needed in York

York Regional Police is at least 50 officers short, charges union leader Paul Baily.

The force has been operating under a hiring freeze since June 1990 while the population of York Region jumped 18 per cent in the last three years, Baily said.

In 1994, the force will be taking over patrol of some roads now overseen by Ontario Provincial Police, such as Hwy 7 and Hwy 11.

"I'm not saying officers are going to die, but we're concerned with the potential danger when we inherit these roads," Baily said.

He cited OPP statistics that show 1,253 reportable accidents occurred on Hwy 7 and 573 on Hwy 11 in 1992. These are crashes that regional police will be responding to next year, and the OPP suggested the force will need a minimum of 14 more cruisers and 30 officers.

Baily said for every 768 people there is one police officer, a drop of nine per cent since 1990 when the ratio was one officer for every 702 citizens.

"Our guys can only do so much. We need more manpower," said Baily, adding the current complement of 680 officers will not subsidize any hiring through a drop in pay.

"York Region is not broke by any stretch of the imagination."

The first draft of the 1993 regional budget of \$117 million was presented last week with \$59 million set aside for the Police Services Board. This is a 4.1 per cent increase over last year.

"We all appreciate what the police and fire services do, but there's not a bottomless pit (of money in the budget)," said regional councillor Gord Landon.

## Snow removal a problem

The snowiest winter for nine years is so far as much a removal problem as a budget problem, said the town's public works director Paul Whitehouse.

"In other years we've had less snow but more freezing rain and black ice, so bad conditions are still out there one way and another." And that means crews are always busy salting and sanding.

"This year the removal component is the difference. We have to get it removed from Main Street, which means coming in at odd hours when there is no traffic or parked cars to haul it away."

While the town dumps the excess white stuff in the works yard following big storms, "in December we ran out of room and used the parking area across from Latham Hall for stockpiling," said Whitehouse.

Patrols are out seven days a week during the winter, "depending on conditions. We are a bedroom community so we try and get out early in the morning prior to people going to work."

This year, the popularity of the town's snow clearance program for seniors and physically disabled residents has proved very popular, said Whitehouse.



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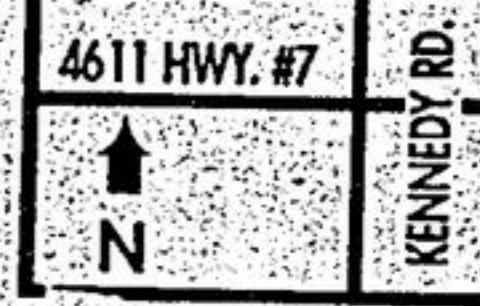


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