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Environment, policing on agendas

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dust and traffic during construction, stressed Ward 6 candidate Ron Snider. Issues linked to the construction, especially in Ward 6 in south Stouffville, will have to be managed properly, he said.

With such growth comes the need for commercial development in the town's east end, Mr. Snider added.

The 3,200 voters in Ward 6 (south Stouffville) need to realize the character of the town depends on the involvement of its residents, Ward 6 candidate Jim Hobbs said. Offering himself as a "full-time" councillor, he said, "We need to work together."

SPEED HUMPS PROPOSED

Tanis Hargrave, pitch-hitting for her brother, Rob Hargrave, who was out of province, said the Ward 6 candidate hopes to introduce traffic calming devices, including speed humps.

Ward 6 should play "a leadership role" in how development issues are resolved, candidate Owen Craig said. "We need to work together in partnership with our community interests and with developers to ensure smart growth patterns are enhanced and adhered to," he said.

Growth was also on Ward 5 (northeast Stouffville) candidate Brenda Lobraico's agenda. "We need controlled growth with an emphasis on protecting our green spaces from future development and maintaining a

unique small town character. We need to prevent urban sprawl and adhere to smart growth patterns," she said.

With such a variety of new faces expected to be on the next council, Ward 5 incumbent Harry Bowes said his "experience and expertise" are necessary. He said he supports switching afternoon council meetings to evenings.

In his quest to capture Ward 5, retired police officer John Relph said "growth is inevitable." He added, "Some tough decisions are going to have to be made."

Mr. Relph suggested his experience on the force puts him in good standing as a negotiator.

"Any developer that comes to this town should be investigated," he said. "I will refuse to carry a 'passed' stamp."

Ward 4 (northwest Stouffville) candidate Susanne Hilton wants the town to establish a restorative justice program to help reduce crime, including vandalism.

"It's a program that has been successfully applied in many parts of the world," she said.

"It brings victims, perpetrators and other stakeholders together in a controlled setting to discuss the crime and its aftermath and to get offenders to take steps to repair the harm they've caused,"

Jim Priebe, another Ward 4 candidate, is pushing for more of an open-door approach to council.

Stressing the importance of listening to the people, he promised to set up regular "town hall" meetings, establish a website and

publish a newsletter for his constituents.

Touching on the importance of managing growth, he suggested before proceeding with large scale development, council needs to tackle such problems as garbage disposal and traffic congestion.

During the past six years, Ward 4 candidate Fred Robbins says he has been a regular at council meetings. He reminded the audience he's also done a great deal of volunteering for the betterment of the community.

Mr. Robbins, a member of the local historical society, said he's worried that Whitchurch-Stouffville has "lost the rural thinking that we are connected to the land."

'MUST BE PROTECTED'

Ward 2 (Musselman's Lake and Ballantrae) lies wholly within the Oak Ridges Moraine, Ward 2 candidate Mark Carroll stressed. "The environmental significance of Ward 2, with its wetlands, kettle lakes, forests and rivers, must be protected and enhanced," said the incumbent. "Over the past six years, I have introduced a number of policies that will protect our communities as well as our environment."

Tax dollars must "represent the services" for residents, said Phil Bannon, the other candidate in Ward 2. The soon-to-retire police staff sergeant promised to be a "full-time" councillor if elected. He called for "enhanced police presence."

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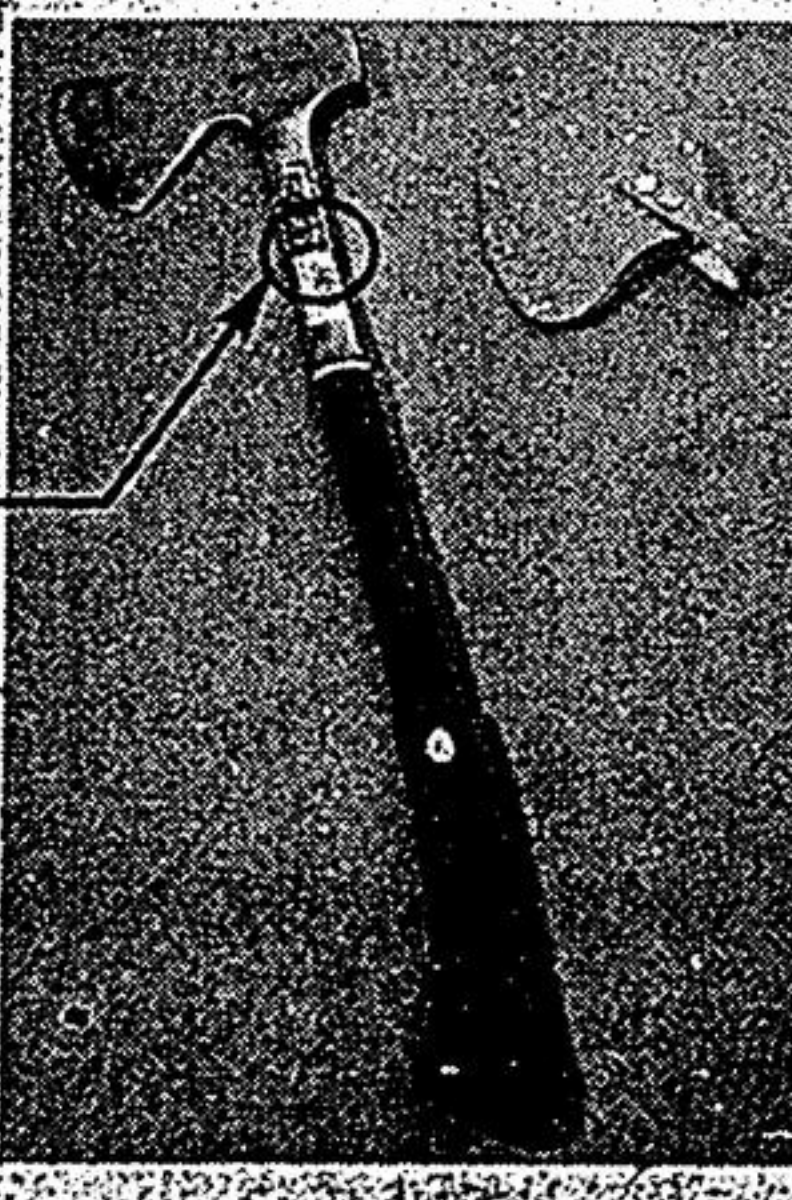
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