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Whistle Radio, town working on emergency program

Station would broadcast
instructions during disasters

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When major emergencies occur, it's often the small town that gets forgotten when it comes to information dissemination.

But that may one day change — in Whitchurch-Stouffville at least.

The Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville and Whistle Radio are working on a service agreement that would, in the event of a major power failure or disaster, enable the station to broadcast information on evacuation details, shelters, food and water distribution points, road closures and power restoration estimates.

A service agreement was created last week, but rejected by council because they were not comfortable with Whistle Radio's inability to broadcast to all of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

"I always feel when a service agreement is entered into between a town and an organization, every resident should be a beneficiary of that service agreement," said Councillor Ken Ferdinands. "I'm a little concerned the Whistle Radio signal is very Stouffville-centric and does not include all of Whitchurch-Stouffville.

Whistle Radio can be heard in urban Stouffville and as far north as Bloomington Road on 102.7 FM.

"We have added to our many new advancements in technology (and) a back-up generator more than capable of sustain-

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Business owner wants old firehall

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Graydon Card wants to return Card's Appliance to where it all started — downtown Stouffville, but the town isn't so sure his plan to renovate the old fire hall makes the best use of the property.

Mr. Card, along with Mancini Homes Ltd. were the only two to submit proposals for the old fire hall, despite 17 RFP packages

picked being up.

"It's currently not the jewel the (RFP review) committee thinks it is," Mr. Card said in defence of his proposal during Tuesday afternoon's council meeting. "You are selling a concrete building with four walls and a roof."

The property, at 6392 Main St., is 0.612 acres in size with a 6,820-square-foot single storey structure on it and Main Street frontage.

The property also has servicing for 24 residential units.

Mr. Card's proposal consisted of renovating the building and adapting the interior space in order to relocate Card's Appliance from its 5758 Main St. location.

The building's front exterior elevation would be renovated and incorporate large display windows and a new front entry. The

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CHASE FOR THE PUCK IS ON

Stouffville Novice Clipper Nicholas Olidis and Markham Waxer Emmanuel Beitsolakis collide on the boards during the Whitchurch-Stouffville Minor Hockey Association's A and AE tournaments. Games are being played all weekend at the Stouffville Arena and the new Clipper Arena.

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