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Bargain hunters have been visiting the Stouffville Country Market since it opened 64 years ago. This could be the final summer for the Tenth Line institution, which is in the final year of its lease. See more photos from the market on page 11 and yorkregion.com

Smith defends 'smart-ass' remark

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Put away the soap, Stouffville, there are no mouths to be washed here, says the man responsible for uttering "the phrase".

Councillor Maurice Smith has defended his use of words during a town council meeting May 17.

In a statement written on May 29, Smith

explained his position regarding the incident where he was accused of swearing at Mayor Justin Altmann during a brief altercation.

Smith explains that on two separate occasions during the May 17 meeting, his request to speak on matters was ignored by Altmann.

"I then spoke to the mayor indicating he had once again ignored my desire to speak," Smith explains. "With this the mayor said, 'you

have to be listening and on time.'"

"After his comment I responded with, 'don't be a smart-ass – I wanted to speak to the matter.'"

The word smart-ass had been unconfirmed, as the webcast of the council meeting did not clearly record the conversation between Smith

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