

Walpole Awards Reicheld Bridge Tender

Walpole Township council Friday awarded the construction of the Reicheld Bridge to Facca Construction of R.R. 3 Maidstone at a cost of \$49,130. The firm was the lowest of three tenders opened at council.

The awarding of the tender is subject to approval by the Department of Transportation and Communication.

Other tender prices were for \$52,815 and \$87,055.

The Reicheld bridge is to be built at Lot 10 and 11 between Conc. 5 and 6 of Walpole.

Council also agreed to accept from Bell Canada the estimated cost of \$185 as the township's share for work involved at the construction site for moving Bell lines.

After the new bridge is finished, underground service cables are expected to be placed.

Council received a map from the Union Gas Company detailing lines it expects to phase out in the township because of uneconomic conditions.

Walpole has passed on a petition from several natural gas users in the township

to County Council, which has set up a meeting with the department of energy resources to discuss the matter.

Walpole Reeve Gordon Miller said the township would not be losing much assessment from the removal of the gas lines, but noted the removal "is going to hurt a lot of people."

Reeve Miller said a spokesman from the energy department is to meet with county council this month and "the matter will be dealt with there."

Council received notice from the Canadian National Railway regarding daylight corners at the various spur crossings, stating the company was withdrawing from all previous commitments, claiming they have met all requirements of the Canadian Transport Commission.

Council decided it would approach the CTC respecting the crossings to issue the necessary orders. Council noted the CTC has said all the corners had to be brought up to standards.

The CNR notice prompted Coun. Harold Nie to remark that Texaco Canada Ltd. had stated in 1971 that it would be starting construction soon in order to be in production by 1972. "We granted them the go ahead on this understanding," (Texaco has yet to begin construction at the site of the former Harewood Acres racetrack.) "As a result we are losing assessment," Coun. Nie said.

Clerk David Wilson Sr., said that in any

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Minutes Show Cayuga Reeve Declared Interest

CAYUGA (Staff - A search of the minutes of Cayuga Council Tuesday substantiated a denial last week by Cayuga Reeve Edward 'Ted' Powell that he failed to declare a conflict of interest last year.

Former clerk of the village Albert J. Kee had stated in an interview with The Record, which appeared last week, that a member of council, whom he did not identify but later stated was Mr. Powell, had only declared himself once during debate on a bylaw to have land rezoned along an area where sewers are to be installed.

Mr. Kee said Mr. Powell had an interest in the land south of Joseph St. where sewer lines are to be extended this year.

At a public meeting last Thursday to discuss the proposed

official plan for the village, Mr. Powell stated the allegations were erroneous.

A search of the council minutes this week showed Mr. Powell had declared his interest at least seven times and was absent two other times when his property was being discussed.

Mr. Kee contended Mr. Powell is a member of a development group who owns the land in question south of Joseph St. that is to receive the sewer service.

The records show the land to be owned by individual homeowners, purchased originally from land owned by Martin DeVos.

Mr. Powell is a part owner, 25 per cent, in Cayuga Residential Estates Ltd., which owns land further to the west of the area in question. Another block of land in the immediate area is

owned by Todholm Contracting Co. Ltd., in which Mr. Powell has no interests.

Mr. Kee, who retired earlier this year because of a heart attack, said the extension of the sewer on Joseph St. means that householders in the village will have to pay \$13.30 every two months for services rather than \$12.60.

The charge of \$13.30 was established by bylaw on Dec. 23, 1968, according to the official minutes of the village, some time before any discussion on the Joseph St. extension.

Discussions of land zoning, a review of the minutes disclose, took place on June 14 and June 8, 1971, at which Mr. Powell was absent and on May 17, April 5, March 20, March 18, 1971 and July 8, April 20, April 6, 1970 at which time Mr. Powell declared his interest and stepped down out of the chair.

The minute book is signed in each instance by both Mr. Powell and Mr. Kee.

The reeve's denial of Mr. Kee's statements brought firm support from his three councillors at last week's public meeting. Each backed Mr. Powell's version of the events.

Mr. Powell, 31, a life-long resident of Cayuga, entered municipal politics at 22 when he was elected as a councillor. He was a councillor for three terms and was then acclaimed reeve, a position he has since held in Cayuga.

Prior to entering municipal politics he was a member of the Progressive Conservative Student Federation at McMaster University in Hamilton. He was

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Ontario Hydro is currently building its second 230 KV line from Nanticoke to Middleport. Workers have been on the project for the past three weeks. The towers are built in sections then lifted and bolted together to form the 150-foot towers. (Staff Photo).

Hagersville Sets Budget Night For Next Monday

HAGERSVILLE (Staff) Budget night will be Monday, April 17 in Hagersville and the village is facing a possible 2.19 mill increase. Preliminary work on the budget has been com-

pleted and all council has to do now is review the budget and see if any further cuts can be made.

One of the factors that may account for the increase is the levy

from the Haldimand Board of Education, which amounts to an increase of about \$13,000 over last year.

Hagersville's representative on the board, Mrs. Barbara Wase appeared before council Monday night to explain the increase.

As Mrs. Wase explained, they board has to set a break-even budget, which usually results in an over or under levy. The board's auditors audit the books each year, which accounts for one adjustment and then the board of education auditors audit the same books a year later, which may account

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Rev. Los Accepts Peterborough Post

Rev. Dick C. Los and family of Highway 3 in Jarvis recently left this community after living here for five years.

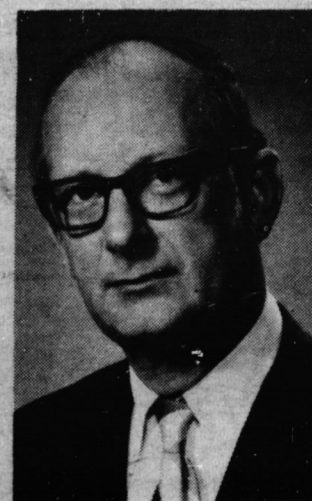
Mr. Los, Pastor of the Ebenezer Christian Reformed Church, has

accepted a call to the Cephas Christian Reformed Church of Peterborough. Prior to coming to Jarvis in 1967, Mr. Los served the congregations of Georgetown and Grimsby.

A farewell evening was held in the Jarvis Community Hall on April 6 and the farewell service was held Sunday, April 9.

The Los family have six children, one of whom was married during their stay in this community.

Rev. Peter Brouwer, of Acton, will be the new pastor of the Ebenezer church and he is expected to arrive within the next two months.



Doubles Club Sends Brief On Regionalism

The Wesley United Church Happy Doubles Club has sent a brief to Nigel Richardson, director of the Haldimand - Norfolk Study Committee asking that a two-tier system of regional government be established.

The club, meeting last week to hear Delby

Bucknall, mayor of the town of Lincoln, in Niagara Region, states in its brief that regional government would enable better land use planning and at the same time keep municipal government closer to the people.

Mr. Bucknall said