

Homeowners may have to take legal action

Clarkson councillor, Lou Parsons added two more letters last Wednesday to a growing list of evidence against Boston Homes Ltd. Both letters accused the builder of failing to provide adequate ventilation in their homes specifically resulting in

some startling leakage problems. "I had a problem with humidity in the attic to the point where my light fixtures were filling with water and condensation was running between the storm door and the main door into my basement," wrote

Earl Foster of 1372 Monaghan Circle.

NORMAL

"I called Boston Homes and their Mr. Lawrence said this was to be expected."

He said deterioration of the roof on his five-year-old home was probably too far advanced to be successfully repaired.

A Barsuda Dr. resident wrote that despite a letter he sent to the company last April which resulted in an additional vent being installed in August "there has been no noticeable improvement and the attic is still extremely damp."

"The eavestroughs also overflow and carry water at all times," he added.

He claimed that moisture in his attic had leaked into a bedroom and living room and had rotted roof beams.

NO HOLES

Mr. Parsons first brought the problem to council Nov. 24 when he displayed portions of a roof to surprised councillors.

The piece of roof, taken from the home of Don Clarke, Barsuda Dr., had a metal vent attached but

no hole cut in the wood behind it.

"No holes were cut, the air couldn't get in or the

moisture out... so the roof rotted," said Mr. Parsons.

Council called for a halt

of all further building permits to the developer until the situation was investigated.

BOSTON HOMES:

Owners may be obliged to take legal recourse

Civil action is the only recourse open to dissatisfied owners of homes built by Boston Homes in Clarkson.

Victims of leaking roofs, rotting beams and attic light fixtures which fill with water will have to sue the home builder themselves if they want satisfaction, town solicitor Len Stewart told Mississauga general committee last Wednesday.

He said the town had "no liability whatsoever" in the matter.

He agreed that lack of vents and other problems first brought to the attention of council by Clarkson councillor Lou Parsons, were "practically hidden defects."

"Civil action would probably be successful, pre-

suming you could get around a four-year contract limitation," said the lawyer.

Most of the homes were built five years ago.

Mississauga suspended all further building permits to Boston Homes Nov. 24 pending an investigation of alleged construction deficiencies.

Ed Law, head of the town building department, said Boston Homes was not particularly concerned since it had finished a five-year building program in the town and didn't have any applications in for building permits.

If Boston Homes wanted to get around the prohibition it could simply change its name, said Mr. Stewart.

It was also likely that

Boston Homes could take legal action against the town and "we'd probably be forced to give them permits", he added.

Although the town might not be legally responsible for the alleged building defects "we are certainly morally responsible", said councillor Jack Kehoe.

He suggested that the town offers the services of Mr. Stewart to homeowners.

Mr. Law said that a defect, such as a vent nailed to an overhang with no hole out in the wood behind it, was almost impossible for town building inspectors to detect.

Light in his way

PORT CREDIT A traffic light standard at Burnhamthorpe Rd. and Highway 10 was pushed over during an accident last Tuesday, provincial police here reported last week.

A car, driven by Andreas Papadopoulos, 24, of Toronto, was turning south off Burnhamthorpe when it came into collision with the standard.

Damage was estimated at \$700.

Mr. Papadopoulos was charged with careless driving.

Youth and talent wanted at hospital

Talented people who can provide entertainment for patients are needed in the Wednesday night program sponsored by South Peel Hospital.

The bi-weekly Wednesday night program in the psychiatric Unit is designed to provide relaxing entertainment for patients.

Young people would be especially welcomed into this program. Mrs. Anne

Linnell, convenor of the evening program, can be reached at 822-3199.

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