

YORK COUNTY AND SUBURBS HYDRO-ELECTRIC EXTENSION ORDERED IN YORK TOWNSHIP

Street Lights to Be Installed in the Windermere District, and Also at Todmorden, the Sammon District, Cedarvale and East to Dawes Road—Township Board of Education is Proposed.

The council of the Township of York met yesterday, with all the members in their places, except first deputy reeve Griffith.

A letter was received from the Hydro-Electric Commission to the effect that arrangements have been completed for an extension of the Toronto city system of electrical distribution into the Windermere district, and asked for orders covering the location and number of street lights to be installed in district.

Arrangements also have been made to extend the system into Todmorden, the Sammon district, and the Cedarvale district, east to Dawes road, and the commission desired information as to the number of street lights required.

The letter further stated that the Toronto city system will be extended into the township only when a petition is received from the residents of a certain district, then the council for the commission's consideration, and if the council has other districts to cover the request should be made thru the council to the commission.

Another letter has been received from the Hydro-Electric Commission stating that the petition for lighting and power service at the corner of Rosedale and Bathurst streets was returned to Chas. McKay with advice that construction cannot be started in said district until more signatures have been appended.

A letter from Betty Blackstock, and Co. was received. This firm is acting for P. W. Ellis in connection with the title of lot 50 on the east side of Gledhill avenue, Plan M. 29, which was sold for taxes prior to 1899, and the tax deed was registered on the 6th May, 1899, after which P. W. Ellis purchased these lands from the Township of York, and paid \$17.50 for them, but apparently no deed was executed to him. The solicitors desire to have this matter taken up and to have the transfer completed.

The minutes of the council show that bylaw No. 1790, passed 11 Dec. 1899, authorized the issuing of deed of lot 50, P.M. 29, to P. W. Ellis.

Metropolis Complain.
The Ontario Motor League complained of the condition of the two bridges on the Don Mills road crossing the C.N.R. lines as the guard rails are made out of 2-inch x 4-inch scantling, and are therefore insecure in case a motor car should skid, and desire the council to compel the C.N.R. to construct a more substantial railing. Referred to the clerk.

N. L. Martin was anxious to find when the sewer up Bathurst street will be installed as he desired to build his residence on Westmont drive. As this district is likely to become annexed to the city in the near future it is unlikely that the township will consider the proposition seriously.

From Mr. Murchy and Spence re the maintenance of the Jane street subway claiming that the C.P.R. is not compelled to maintain the depressed roadway only the superstructure, and they say that there is nothing to show that the well-settled rule in these cases is to be departed from, namely, that the municipality shall maintain the roadbed of the highway at the new level as it rises, of course, bound to do at the old level. The company, however, will consent to light the subway. Referred to the solicitor.

Jay H. Foulton, of York Mills, gave the council an option on his property on the south side of York Mills bridge on Yonge street for \$30 per foot frontage. The option was referred to the assessment commission.

Petitions.
A petition was received from residents in the Todmorden district to have the Hydro-Electric lighting system installed on Sammon, Wylie, Frankland and Greenwood avenues to the city limits. The petition will be forwarded to the Hydro-Electric Commission.

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to have a cinder path constructed on the east side of street. Referred to the commissioner.

The treasurer was instructed to report to the council the total amount charged against York Township by hospitals under sec. 23 of "The Hospitals and Charitable Institutions Act," 1912, such report to show the amount charged by each hospital. Also that he shall render accounts to the respective persons liable under sec. 25 of said act to the municipality for the amounts so paid. During past month the township had to pay \$207 in hospital accounts.

The reeve and clerk were authorized to execute a quit claim deed of that portion of the original allowance for road between lots 19 and 21 in the 3 con. P. B. included in regular plan No. 1784 to the National Trust Co. Ltd., executors of the estate of the late Thos. Walmaley.

Moving Picture Show.

Mr. Doncaster, of Toronto, applied for the privilege of opening up a moving picture show on Vaughan road, a short distance north of St. Clair avenue. As this is the first application for the township for such a venture the council desired to confer with the legal department first and then notify the applicant as to the decision.

Mr. Bull, trustee of S.S. No. 31, Downsview, wished to borrow \$850 for the purchase of a school site until debentures are issued, but solicitor Starr did not see kindly towards such a transaction, and advised Mr. Bull to borrow the amount on his private note or to renew the option of the land till the debentures are sold.

The trustees of S.S. No. 15, Fairbank, desired to borrow \$5,000, \$3,000 of which is for the general expenses of the school, and \$2,000 for the purchase of bricks for the erection of the new school. The council could not very well advance the \$2,000 until the debentures are sold, but they received the \$3,000 for the running of the school.

Accounts to the amount of \$1,906.25 were passed and ordered to be paid.

Board of Education.

Township Solicitor Starr was instructed to add to the private bill a clause asking permission to do away with school sections and to have a township board of education by a general vote, to be responsible for all the educational machinery for the township.

A deputation from North Earlscourt and Fairbank, headed by Mr. Lacey, asked the council to procure them a chemical fire engine for these districts, which would cost \$400. The council will enquire as to the utility of the engine recommended.

Legislation Wanted.

A resolution was passed that in the opinion of this council it is most desirable that at the present sitting of the Ontario Legislature the following legislation be applied for:

(1) Power to township to change name of streets and number houses.

(2) Power under the hospital act, chap. 85, 2nd Geo. V., that no hospital patient be allowed to become a charge on a township without written authority by some member of the council.

(3) Powers by boards of rural trustees in rural municipalities to conduct elections by ballot and permissive legislation for the election of township boards.

The Progressive Ratepayers' Association of Cedarvale desired to have Hydro-Electric poles erected in said district and a host of other improvements made.

They also asked for fire protection from the township jointly with the city, and a deputation from the Ratepayers' Association, championed by Deputy reeve Miller, will interview the city council on Feb. 14.

A resolution was passed that the Hydro-Electric Power Commission be requested to place lights on the following streets in the township of York, according to the following list, and in any case where additional poles are required to be planted that they be so placed as to be satisfactory to the road commissioner.

Swansea District.

Bills avenue, 25 lights; Windermere avenue, 25 lights; Runnymede district, Jane street, 10 lights; Willard avenue, 4 lights; Brisella avenue, 4 lights; Windermere avenue, 6 lights; Durlie street, 2 lights; Jessa avenue, 2 lights; Beresford avenue, 2 lights; Cresham avenue, 2 lights; Leniella street, 1 light; Moula avenue, 2 lights; Gertrude avenue, 2 lights; Gerrard avenue, 2 lights; French avenue, 2 lights.

Todmorden District.

Logan avenue, 2 lights; E. street, 14 lights; Gumble avenue, 14 lights; Torrens avenue, 5 lights; Westwood avenue, 4 lights; Pope avenue, 10 lights; Cowan avenue, 12 lights; Cronyn avenue, 5 lights; Fenton avenue, 5 lights; Main street, 6 lights; Barrington avenue, 6 lights; street around the schoolhouse, 4 lights; Cedarvale avenue, 7 lights.

A largely signed petition was presented requesting the council to take steps for the opening for public traffic during 1912 of that section of the townline between Etobicoke, York, and Vaughan townships, which lies between con. 1, Etobicoke, and the improved road adjoining from Weston to Woodbridge. They further urged that this work be done that easy access be provided to this improved road for those living west of the Humber River. To afford access to the T. S. Ry., where it crosses the Humber, and to afford bank of the Humber, and to afford access for traffic, east and west. On the 15th of this month the council will meet a deputation of the ratepayers on the ground to look over the situation.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3.—(Can. Press.)—A fund of \$400,000 is being raised by Chinese of the United States and Canada, and within a few weeks

will be sent to We Hon Mun, governor of the Province of Canton, China, to outfit the army that is to protect Chinese interests in Mongolia, against alleged Russian encroachments. Already \$25,000 has been subscribed by local Chinese, according to Wong Nogi Tong, secretary of the Chinese Six Companies.

"While the government has not asked for the money officially, we have government authority in its collection," he said.

Reports of a plan to swindle Chinese of this country out of \$1,000,000 in the collection of war funds are not credited by Li Lung Yew, Chinese consul-general at San Francisco.

"The men collecting the money are known and their motives are proper," he said.

Students Pay For Escapades.
KINGSTON, Feb. 3.—(Special.)—Queen's students will pay merchants for damage they did to their property in the last rush.

A diver was summoned, but owing to the quantities of ice did not care

to risk his life by going down. Today Dyer Motors of the Reid Wrecking Co. succeeded in clearing away the ice.

GALT MAN FOUND DEAD.
GALT, Feb. 2.—(Special.)—Robert Patterson, aged 55, a brother of Mayor Thomas Patterson, was found dead in bed at his residence near Gate. He was a bachelor, and

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