

Stepping Stones



THE DUNTRON QUARRY EXPANSION NEWSLETTER

Summer 2011

Message from Walker Aggregates' Vice-President

All the final written arguments for the Duntroon Quarry expansion application have now been completed and submitted to the Consolidated Hearings Board. These include written arguments from the Walker legal team (375 pages), as well as from Simcoe County and Clearview Township submitted on June 24, 2011. Next came the closing arguments from the opposing Niagara Escarpment Commission (191 pages, plus schedules), the Clearview Community Coalition (227 pages) and neighbour Emelia Franks (68 pages), sent to the board on July 13. Finally, Walker, the county and township submitted on July 29 their reply arguments to the points raised by the opposing parties.

It's now up to the board to review all the evidence provided at the hearing, consider the closing arguments and make a ruling on the quarry expansion application, which we hope to have by the end of the year.

In other news, we have been receiving some complaints from our neighbours about gravel trucks speeding east along County Road 91 from Grey County Road 31 towards Duntroon. The retired policeman we hired to monitor quarry traffic has been tracking these trucks. He has discovered they are not coming from our Duntroon Quarry. Instead, these trucks have been hauling aggregate from Grey County along County Road 91 towards Collingwood to supply materials for

the reconstruction of Poplar Side Road. If our license is approved and a portion of County Road 91 closed, trucks from quarries and pits in Grey County will no longer be able to use 91 (between 31 and the 10th Concession) as a haul route.

On a more positive note, and as is the case every summer, it was terrific to see so many of our friends and neighbours during our annual Duntroon Quarry tour and barbecue in July. Some photos of the event are on the subsequent page of this newsletter, with more photos on our web site at <http://www.walkerind.com/neighbours/duntroon-photos.html>.

I hope everyone is enjoying this magnificent summer.

For more information about anything related to the expansion proposal or our existing quarry operations, please contact me at 705-445-2300 ext. 224. More information is also available on our website at <http://walkerind.com/walker-aggregates/duntroon-expansion.html>.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Lucyshyn".

Ken Lucyshyn

Walker Aggregates Sells Georgian Paving and Construction

Walker Aggregates has sold Georgian Paving and Construction Division to a consortium of new owners. The ownership group is led by Terry Willms, the general manager of the division, who became the managing partner of the new company.

The decision to sell Georgian was made as a result of a refocusing of Walker Aggregates' business. The company is looking to strengthen its core aggregate operations in Simcoe County. Another factor influencing the sale relates to the loss of Georgian's shop, which has been dismantled to extract the remaining rock in the existing Duntroon Quarry. The shop and office cannot be re-

established at an expanded quarry due to provisions in the Niagara Escarpment Plan that no longer allow for non-related quarry activities. Furthermore, Georgian no longer has an asphalt plant, which has been critical to its contracting operations.

The company has determined that the sale of Georgian Paving and Construction is in the best interest of Georgian's employees who have all been offered jobs with the new owners.

This announcement does not affect employees of Walker Aggregates' Duntroon Quarry.

Snapshots of the 2011 Duntroon Quarry Summer BBQ



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