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THE NEXT MEETING OF THE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION is something off the beaten track in our town. It is an "indignation meeting", called at the request of a group of citizens who believe that the Citizens' Association would like to record the opinion that the town council has not acted in the town's interests in connection with the development now taking place on the former Ogilvie farm.

The meeting will take place next Friday, Oct. 3, so any community opinion can be placed before the regular town council meeting the following Tuesday. This special meeting will replace the regular October gathering of the Association, which normally would have been held the following Friday.

The bill of complaint, to use the term loosely, goes something like this. Baie d'Urfe has a by-law very clearly intended to ensure variety in the design of residences in any given area, passed to protect everyone's property values. Yet during the last month, the town has issued 20 permits in a small area for houses that appear to be identical except for variations in the roof design and location of garage, and it is taken for granted that the balance of 80 proposed houses in the same subdivision will have similar miniscule variations one from the other. (Immediately adjoining is vacant space for several hundred homes, which may follow a similar course.) The council, instead of trying to delay the project, has held various special meetings to expedite it. The latest of these, held last Thursday in a private house without due notice, apparently, was something less than a legal meeting and the evening's business, which included approval of 14 permits and steps toward getting tenders for roads in that section, should be nullified. And, even at this late date, the council should pick itself up off the ground and see that there is variety in the residence designs in that area, or decline to give building permits, as the by-law intended it to do, for the sake of everybody's property values.

That, as stated above, is strictly a one-sided viewpoint - the view of the indignant citizens who requested this special meeting. The other side is that the council has done what it can to make the by-law effective but that its wording is at fault; and if the by-law does not say what it means, the town has to compromise with the building promoter with the best grace it can. There is a good deal to be said for this viewpoint, and we have no doubt that someone will be on hand next Friday to say it.

*Our Next Meeting*

NEXT FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3, AT 8:15

SUBJECT: EMERGENCY MEETING

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You may think, as some do, that the council has been bluffed, bamboozled and flim-flammed into giving away what you considered a civic birthright -- the right to live in a town which did not have hundreds of mass-produced houses clustered in a clearly defined second-class area. Or you may think it would be a fine idea to have not just one but all the farms filled with such houses. Whichever side you are on, come to the meeting, speak if you like, and in any event cast your vote as your beliefs and interests may dictate.

AROUND OUR TOWN

Just in case you think part of your paper is missing this month -- it isn't. The decision, Monday evening, to hold a special emergency citizens' meeting Friday night, meant that we had to ask the College for some super-special printing service in order to get this in the mail fast -- and that, in turn, meant to keep it brief. The result: a nice, short two-pager for a change.

The annual meeting of the Horticultural Society will be held later this month, with an especially distinguished guest speaker. Watch for an announcement in the mail.

As a result of our steadily increasing population, noon school bus service is restricted to children from Kindergarten to Grade V. At the same time, the fee is dropped to \$1.50 per month for families having only one child in these grades.

Newest College Green resident is young William Bruce Norcott, a third child for Bill and Betty Norcott of Oxford Road.

New central area residents include Mr. & Mrs. Keith Comber in the third house to be erected on the Comber property; Mr. & Mrs. A.R. Walter at 17 Sunny Acres; and Mr & Mrs. Fraser Jamieson at 13 Sunny Acres.

Thanks to the co-operation of many people we have quite a number of additions corrections and revisions to the directory issued a month ago, but we will be unable to itemize them until next issue.

Preliminary figures indicated a profit of about \$75 on the Labour Day dance.

College Green residents have organized formally into "The College Green Recreation Association", with a constitution and everything. President is George Bain; vice-presidents, Chas. Johnstone, Peter Smith and Prue Godwin; secretary-treasurer, W.F. Norcott.

The nuisance and danger of shooting at a private rifle range north of the tracks should have been ended by a recent visit of Provincial Police, who had instructions to seize all firearms. Apparently it is strictly against the law to fire a gun within any town limits.

The Citizens' Association finished its fiscal year, August 31, with the relatively healthy sum of \$337.38 on hand. Part of this will be used for replacing broken dishes in the town hall and similar improvements.



Mr. Lionel Evans

Baie D'Urfee

