

Debate focuses on Dysart's growth

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Editor

It seems highly unlikely that a bypass around the village of

...the evening to focus on ratepayers' concerns. The evening was sponsored by the *Haliburton County Echo* and Canoe FM, which taped the debate for future broadcast.)

Knowles was asked about a comment in his brochure against high-density development. Was he against the Silver Beach condominium proposal which is not high density, the woman asked.

Knowles said he has not said he's against the Silver Beach development, just that he would "monitor it very closely."

"This is a good project; don't be afraid of it," he said. The Lake Kashagawigamog association has been involved in the project and council "has done a good job" in addressing concerns. He questions, however, whether the road has the capacity to handle the traffic.

Silver Beach's proposal came up again later in the meeting. Deputy candidates were asked their opinion on lake and Wigamog Road capacity and how the development would affect residential properties on the road.

"Silver Beach is a positive thing for our community if they follow all the guidelines and get all the proper certificates," McKechnie said. "Definitely something will have to be done with the road."

Nichol said "the road is definitely in bad shape and needs a lot of work. If the road is properly done we'll have a better road." Such developments bring people to the area. He noted there was a public meeting on October 30.

Davis said the condominium development is "one of the best I've seen." The owner is easy to work with and understands where the municipality is coming from. The road will have to be realigned.

Henwood said that more affordable housing brings families to the community and families bring commerce. The proposal does have a green space area. As long as standards are met it's a good development.

The next question was whether the deputy-reeves would support the construction of a swimming pool.

"In a minute," Henwood said. The money to build it can be raised locally but the problem would be ongoing

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