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# Riverview delays apartment decision

## ■ Talks continue between town officials; developer

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For the second consecutive Monday, Riverview town council opted last night to defer its decision on final reading of two motions — both needed for construction of a 71-unit apartment building at 230 Coverdale Rd.

On June 16, the third reading for the rezoning and an amendment to Riverview's Municipal Development Plan were scheduled to be given.

But the vote was deferred a week to allow Brenda Orchard, economic development officer for the town, to meet with the developer, Huntington Developments Ltd., for answers to some concerns council

had with certain aspects of the project.

However, last night, Ward 4 Coun. Clarence Sweetland said discussions between town staff and the developer were still ongoing, regarding the terms and conditions for the development raised at last week's council session. Included, he said, would be such issues as the wooden balconies and parking congestion.

Sweetland recommend they push back the vote regarding the apartment building to council's July 14 meeting. The motion was carried unanimously.

"The developer seems very willing to work with us to come back with something suitable," said Orchard. All indications are the project is definitely going ahead on schedule, "we are just crossing all our 'T's' and dotting our 'i's.'"

The land in question, sometimes referred to as the "gravel pit," is located on the corner of Coverdale

and Golf Club Roads. Orchard said the town has been trying to locate something there for some time and the apartment building makes the perfect fit.

Huntington Developments is proposing to have the property rezoned to R3 Residential from R2B Residential to permit construction of the apartment building.

The developer is also asking for an amendment to the town's Municipal Development Plan to allow the complex to have all its parking above ground. The development plan currently requires any apartment structure on that portion of Coverdale Road to have half its parking below ground.

Among the questions being raised by council are whether metal balconies would be safer and more esthetically pleasing than the wooden ones being proposed and whether there would be ample turning room in its parking lot for emergency vehicles.

# Riverview awards \$1M sewer work contract

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The contract for sanitary sewer renewals at Canusa and Waterfall Drives in Riverview were awarded last night by town council to Enterprise Bastech Inc.

Coun.-at-large Ann Seamans, on moving the recommendation, said Enterprise submitted the lowest of the six bids made for the contract. Its submission was

for \$1,086,520.

"We received quite a large range of tenders for the project," said Seamans.

The other bids were made by Cherryfield Contracting Ltd., \$1,192,050.90; A.C.L. Construction Ltd., \$1,320,608.25; Dexter Construction Company Limited, \$1,360,268.30; MacArthur's Paving and Construction Ltd., \$1,542,431.18; and Modern Construction (1983) Limited, \$1,645,272.23.