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COUNCIL PROCEDURE

This information is extended to you regarding Barrie's City Council procedure.

Our City Council is made up of a Mayor and 12 Aldermen. The Mayor is elected by all the voters in the City and the Aldermen by the voters in the particular Ward they represent. The City is divided into four Wards with three Aldermen representing each Ward. As the Mayor, it is my responsibility to be a member of the Police Commission, together with a Judge and a local Magistrate. It is, also, the responsibility of the Mayor to be a member of the Public Utilities Commission, along with two other Commissioners elected at large. I am, also, an ex-officio member of all other Boards and Commissions of the City. In addition to this, there is a Board of Education which is also elected by the people at large. Our Judges and Magistrates are appointed by the Provincial Government through the office of the Attorney General.

Back to our City Council, you may be interested to know that some older Cities have a Board of Control, this is constituted of not less than 2 men, and not more than 4. These men are also elected to Council and in the larger Cities carry out certain executive duties to facilitate the work of the Council. In Barrie, we do not have a Board of Control, instead we have a City Manager, who is in charge of the various departments of the City, under the direction of the City Council.

The City of Barrie has a population of 25,035, and has a budget of \$4,815,722.21, which is financed with \$3,648,854.16 in tax revenue and the balance is made up by various Dominion Grants, and other miscellaneous revenues, such as fines, etc.

On the card attached, you will find the names of our Aldermen, and the Wards they represent, also, the Standing Committees, giving you the Chairman and Vice Chairman of each Committee.

I want to extend an invitation to you and your friends to attend a Council Meeting, which are held every 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall.

Yours very truly,

R. S. Eentley,
Mayor.

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