

WILLIAM M.C. HODGSON

William Hodgson has been active in municipal politics for nineteen years. He has served the people of King Township on all committees in the King Township Council, as well as numerous committees and chairmanships outside of his municipal responsibilities.

Mr. Hodgson is of English-Scottish descent and is a lifelong resident of King Township, as were his parents. Mr. Hodgson was born March 18th, 1912, the son of Chris Hodgson and Annie Chamberlain of Nobleton. He was married March 28th, 1936, to the former Eliza Barker of Temperanceville. He has four children: Beth, a university of Toronto graduate, now Mrs. Wayne McClellan of Pottageville; Janice, an employee of the Imperial Bank of Commerce; Bob, a civil engineer employed by The Canadian Mitchell Associates; David, a University of Western Ontario graduate, is employed as assistant town clerk in Oakville.

Mr. Hodgson has owned and operated his dairy farm in the Kettleby district for the past 35 years. He is a former president of District Seven Milk Producers and a former member of the Schomberg Lions Club. A member of the York Curling Club, Newmarket, he also maintains an active interest in hockey, however, he has coached intermediate and minor teams in the Kettleby area and was manager of the King City provincial champions in 1954.

An active church worker, he was general chairman of the entire project of consolidating three historic United Churches into the new York Pines United Church at Kettleby. He has been an elder and clerk of session of the former Kettleby charge and is now a steward of the new church.

He entered municipal life in 1949 and served a total of thirteen years on King Township Council; three as a councillor, three as deputy reeve, and seven as reeve. In 1959 he was elected Warden of York County. Mr. Hodgson retired from municipal council in 1962 because of business reasons.

He has been chairman of the King Township Planning Board, and chairman of the Court of Révisions for the seven southern municipalities of York County. He has been a director of the York County Hospital for some years and a director of the Children's Aid Society. Mr. Hodgson was general chairman of the Building Committee of York Manor; is a director of the Schomberg Agricultural Society and past master of the Union Masonic Lodge, Schomberg.

He is a long time member of the York North Progressive Conservative Association and in 1966 the president of the York North Provincial Association. In 1963 he served as campaign manager for Major Lex MacKenzie.

Mr. Hodgson was elected to represent York North in the legislature in 1967. He was re-elected for another term in 1971. In 1972 he was appointed by Premier W. Davis to head the Provinces Select Committee on Company Law.

Still a young man, William Hodgson has compiled an impressive record of public service. He has always been motivated by his desire to serve diligently those constituents who had placed their trust in him and in so doing has shown himself as a conscientious man with the ability and drive to represent his electors to the limit of his proven resources and considerable energies.

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