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Residents To Seek Action On Water Situation At Township Board Meeting

Delegation To Attend Session Next Tuesday

A large delegation of property owners are expected to join the Township Board next Tuesday evening, August 24, for the regular meeting of the Township Board to press for the establishment of a water system in the southern portion of the township.

The appearance of the property owners will be a follow-up of the letters mailed last week to Governor Williams requesting his assistance in bringing water to the area. Letters were written to the governor by both the property owners and Dr. Joseph Gadwah, Township Health Officer.

THE LETTERS, both the health officer and the property owners expressed concern over the possibility of an epidemic as the result of a lack of water. They pointed out that many residents have been compelled to transport water from stores and gas stations to their homes, in spite of repeated efforts to drill successful wells.

Police Report Two Store Robberies

Two business places in the city were broken into within an hour of each other last Wednesday night, according to Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt.

Officer Orville Grive reported the first break-in at about 4:20 p.m. when he observed an open window in the rear of the Farmington Radio Store, 33304 Grand River. According to police, the store was entered through the window. A small amount of money was taken from a cash register and a portable radio was reported stolen.

Approximately an hour later, during a regular check police discovered that the Farmington Automatic Laundry, 31038 Grand River, had been broken into. The rear east window of the building had been pried open, and a cash drawer was missing. Police found the empty drawer about 75 feet west of the building in the alley.

DeVriendt stated that State Police experts were called in to check for possible fingerprints. The investigation of the robberies is continuing.

Board Approves Bond Resolution At Clarenceville

Apply For Permission To Sell \$350,000 Issue

The Clarenceville School Board, at a regular session Thursday evening, approved a resolution authorizing application to the Municipal Finance Commission for permission to sell \$350,000 in bonds to construct additional elementary schools in the township.

In addition to the application, the resolution covers the various legal steps involved in the process, and the handling of the bond sale. This includes a statement of the number of bonds, maturity dates, and limitation on the amount of interest allowed. It also covers the steps to be printed on the bonds, the authorization to levy the 6 mill tax approved by the voters, and the form of the advertisement to be published in the local newspapers.

OFFICIALS stated that plans are proceeding for the insertion of the advertisement as soon as approval has been received by the Municipal Finance Commission. It is expected that a deadline on the receipt of bids for the bond sale will be set by the Board within the next two weeks.

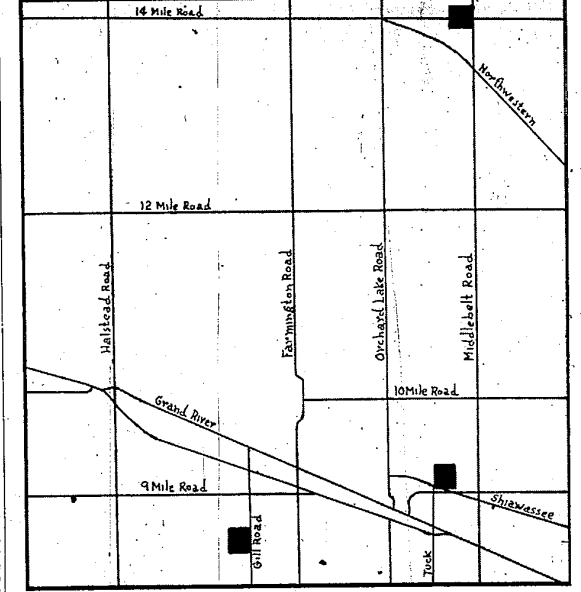
SCHEDULE SURVEY FOR TRAFFIC LIGHT ON GRAND RIVER

The Oakland County Road Commission has advised the Council that a traffic survey is to be made in connection with the city's request for the installation of a signal light at the corner of Orchard Lake and Grand River.

Road Commission officials stated in a letter to the Council that the survey would be made by the State Highway Department.

COUNCIL AUTHORIZES DRILLING OF NEW TEST WELL

Locate Sites For New Farmington Elementary Schools



Arrangements are now being completed on the location of sites for the three new elementary schools to be situated in the Farmington Township School District. The general location of the sites are designated by black squares on the map, and are made larger than the actual areas involved in order to emphasize their location.

Board Proceeds With Purchase Of Sites For New Grade Schools

The first piece of property for one of the three new elementary schools to be built in the Farmington Township School District was purchased Monday night at a special meeting of the School Board.

The property purchased was the Joseph A. Woodard land west of Gull Road at Colfax, approximately 7.1 acres in size. Appending to the School Board Monday night, the Woodards signed final papers completing the sale and received a check for the property.

Clarenceville Recreation Play Day To Conclude Program

The Clarenceville area summer recreation program will be concluded Friday when children from all four playgrounds will be transported to the high school for combined annual play day festivities.

A variety of games, contests and special activities have been planned for the youngsters, including a pie eating contest, a game of egg tossing, and a shoe scramble. A total of \$20 worth of prizes will be awarded. The program will be concluded at 12 o'clock noon, ending another year of successful summer recreation activity in Clarenceville.

Enrollment Starts Wednesday At Farmington High

Enroll Junior H.S. Pupils At Thomas St. School

Enrollment of students in the Farmington Junior and senior high schools will begin next Wednesday, August 25, and will continue through Friday, September 3, G. V. Harrison, high school principal, announced this week.

Junior high school students will register at their regular classroom building on Thomas Street, while high school students will enroll at the new high school on Shawwassee Street. Registration will be conducted daily, except Saturday and Sunday, at both schools from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

Harrison emphasized that all junior and senior high school students who will be attending classes during the coming year must register prior to the opening of school. This includes both new students in the District as well as boys and girls of transferred from the Farmington schools last year.

THE BOOK STORE will also open on Wednesday, August 25, and continue through Friday, September 3. The store will be open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lions Club Plans Street Auto Wash

A special street auto wash will be conducted Saturday, August 28, under the sponsorship of the Farmington Lions Club, officials announced this week.

Proceeds from the special project will be used by the Lions Club in their work with blind and partially blind persons. The auto wash is expected to be set up on Oakland Avenue west of Farmington Road and adjacent to the Town Hall.

Requests for assistance and her son were taken following treatment at Redford Receiving Hospital. Her young son, who suffered head injuries and body lacerations, has been released.

Dies Of Injuries In Auto Accident

Struck down by an auto while crossing Grand River at Delaware Street Saturday afternoon, Mrs. Dorothy Padney of 20120 Delaware was injured fatally and her eight-year old son, Fred, was badly bruised.

Kiwanis Kids' Day Set For Friday

Children five to ten years of age in the Farmington area will be treated to a full afternoon of fun at "Kiddyland", Eight Mile Road near Northwestern Highway, this Friday as part of an annual Kiwanis Club sponsored "Kids' Day".

Brown To Head GOP Delegation

Official delegates to the Oakland County Republican Convention, held last Thursday at the Court House in Pontiac, unanimously elected Wendell Brown of Farmington as convention chairman.

Seek Additional Source Of Water To Supply Growing Needs In City

Authorization to proceed immediately on the drilling of a new test well, in an effort to secure an additional source of city water, was approved at the regular meeting of the Council Monday evening.

Officials stated that in the meantime, work is progressing on the installation of a new 100 gallon pump on the three well located in the city park. The concrete pedestal for the pump has been poured and some of the well is being installed as soon as the base is sufficiently cured.

Two Farmington Boys Save Victims In Boat Accident

Heavily Loaded Boat Walled Lake

Calm and quick action by two young Farmington boys, Mel Morris and Bill Warren, saved the lives of a number of persons involved in a tragic boat mishap which took the lives of two at Walled Lake Sunday afternoon.

The water accident, which resulted when a small outboard boat overloaded with 11 persons capsized, could have been fatal to all had the two Farmington youngsters not come to the rescue.

ROWING ALONE in a boat on the lake, the local boys were the first to see the overturned vessel, apparently unnoticed by others nearby. At first they thought the people in the water near the craft were swimming from it, but decided to investigate.

New City Police Car, Fire Truck Set For Delivery

James Tennant, City Manager, announced this week that delivery has been taken on the new Buick police car authorized by the Council at its regular July meeting.

Special equipment is expected to be installed on the car later this week. Officials stated that the company has recommended that some mileage be placed on the car before it is put in regular service. The new car will replace the oldest of the present police units.

Stores To Remain Open Wednesday

Plans are now being completed by the new Farmington Businessmen's Association whereby stores and business places in the area will remain open Wednesday afternoons.

Phil Thomas, president of the Association, stated Tuesday that the majority of the merchants have agreed to the plan. The tentative date for the beginning of the program has been set for Wednesday, September 8. Thomas added that the stores will continue to remain open Friday evenings.

He's Helping To Fight Polio, Will You?

Terry Bacon, five-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jodie Bacon, 22918 Maple, drops his contribution to the emergency March of Dimes campaign in the special canister located in Grand Market.

Special emergency canisters are located in various stores throughout the Farmington area. The current campaign to raise badly needed funds in the fight against polio will continue through August 31. Other activities are being planned in the Farmington area in behalf of the emergency drive.

Plan Special Polio Drive Activities

Special March of Dimes canisters have been distributed to stores throughout the Farmington area as part of the emergency polio campaign being conducted from August 15 to August 31.

In addition to the canisters, the Farmington committee is planning a number of other activities designed to raise funds in the fight against polio. Three separate projects are being planned and organized by Farmington teenagers under the leadership of Sharon Henrich, 6215 Oakland Avenue chairman, and Dean Bradley, 32926 Oakridge, vice-chairman.

The program includes a bake sale as well as Mardi Gras dances and dances. The March of Dimes are scheduled for Saturday, August 28. Plans are being made to award prizes for the best costumes. The committee is requesting the assistance of all teenagers in the community.

The Oakland County March of Dimes Chapter will also make a direct appeal in the form of letters to all its residents. The purpose of the campaign is to provide necessary funds to help the staggering costs of polio prevention program. According to Carl W. Donohue, chairman of the Oakland County Chapter, the local and national March of Dimes funds are exhausted.

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AROUND THE BLOCK

WATER, OR THE LACK OF IT . . . is still the No. 1 topic of discussion throughout the Farmington area with the opening of one new well and the beginning of test drilling to proceed with test drilling for another. However, the present ban on the use of outside water is expected to continue for a couple of weeks, until the installation of a pump on the one new well has been completed. At next Tuesday's Township Board meeting, water will be the main attraction, as residents seek action on the development of a water system in the southern area of the township. It appears to be a rather serious and rather warm subject that only lots of cool, clear water can cure.

DON'T FORGET . . . to feed those emergency March of Dimes canisters in your favorite stores this week. Your dimes and dollars will help alleviate the hopes of thousands of polio victims, not to mention the millions of others who are open to attack by this dreaded disease. Great strides have been made along the path toward eventual victory, not only in the cure but in the possible prevention as well. But, success or will we drop back? The answer will come when the emergency canisters are emptied and the contributions are counted. So give what you can . . . as often as you can. Join the fight against polio.

THERE WILL BE BIG . . . doings at the Town Hall park this Saturday and Sunday for those of you who like to look at the big red fire trucks. And you will find lots to look at, too, because the big, sparkling new city fire truck will be on public display. It is expected to arrive Saturday morning, all fresh and bright red, from Kenosha, Wisconsin. So if you like big, new fire trucks, and who doesn't, come on down to the Town Hall park and look to your heart's content. There will be someone around to answer your questions besides having a good time. You'll have an opportunity to see the latest in modern fire fighting equipment. We will see you there, because we like to look at fire trucks, too!

OLD MISTER SEN . . . got together with his pal, Mr. Humdalty, last Sunday and together they succeeded in chasing a zooloony number of city dwellers out Grand River way, jumping up the highways in pretty good style. It was a very heavy rain and besides that, maybe the two culprits figured it would be a good exercise in preparation for the anticipated record flow of traffic over the coming Labor Day week end.