



## City Council Introduces Proposed Water and Sewer Bond Ordinance

### Final Action On Financing And Awarding Of Pump Equipment Contract Set For July 5

The Farmington City Council, Monday evening, formally introduced an ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of revenue bonds in the amount of \$175,000 to defray the cost of water and sewer improvements.

Members of the Council unanimously approved the introduction of the ordinance. Prior to the motion of introduction, L. N. Hayden, engineer, presented detailed maps, plans and specifications for the water and sewer improvements. Matthew Carey and Price Kimbrough, financial consultants, were also present at the meeting to discuss the details for the bond sale.

## Seven Hurt In Auto Accidents During Past Week

### Four Youths Injured When Car Rolls Over

Seven persons were injured last week in three separate auto accidents in Farmington Township.

The first accident occurred late last Wednesday evening on Northwest Highway near Valley Drive, resulting in injuries to four youths. The injured, all of Detroit, were: Antonio Ruggirello, 17, lacerations of the arm; William Manion, 16, cuts about the face; Thomas Dunne, 16, cuts on arm and shoulder; and Robert Krajnick, 16, broken rib cage and possible skull fracture. All were taken to St. Joseph's Hospital in Pontiac for treatment.

## Board Opens Bids For Lighted Field

Contracts for the purchase and installation of equipment in connection with the Clarenceville lighted athletic field project are to be awarded at a special meeting of the Board set for Thursday, July 7.

Sealed bids on the project were opened at 10 a. m. on June 29. A total of five proposals were received by the Board, including either the equipment, installation, or both. The specifications for the equipment are listed on a separate sheet of wooden light standards as well as control panel, cable and 80 lamps of 1,500 watts each. Action on the awarding of the contract was delayed until the July 7 meeting pending tabulation and a review of the proposals.

## Board Of Appeals Backs Decision To Revoke Permit On Basis Of Alleged Violations

An appeal of the decision to revoke the permit issued to the Dackille Trucking Company to remove top soil in the vicinity of Farmington Road and Fourteen Mile Road was denied by action of the Township Zoning Board of Appeals at a special meeting Monday evening.

The Board of Appeals stated that in its opinion the Dackille Trucking Company has violated the permit issued to them by the Zoning Inspector and thus the appeal is denied. The decision was read by Harold DeLoon, chairman of the Board, following a half hour executive session.

## Summer Program Attracts Children

Approximately 800 youngsters have now been signed up for Farmington's summer recreation program. Warren Piche, recreation director, stated Tuesday. He added that this figure is likely to swell to nearly 1,000 when all registration slips are turned in.

Between 150 and 200 youngsters were taken to Kensington Park for swimming activities on both Monday and Tuesday, the opening days of the program. Piche disclosed, some confusion was encountered, however, regarding the times which pick-ups will be made, he said. Buses will pick up youngsters for swimming on Monday and Wednesday at the new Gill Road School site at 8:30 a. m. and at the City Park at 8:45 a. m. On Tuesday and Thursday pick-ups will be made at the Middlebelt School and on Fourteen Mile Road at 8:30 a. m. and at the Bond and William Grace Schools at 8:45 a. m.

## Plan To Eliminate Building Hazard

Assurances have been presented in writing to the Township Board of Appeals, and the Township Health Officer that the unoccupied building at St. Francis and Byron will be cleaned up and converted into a one-story building as soon as contracts can be awarded.

The assurances were outlined in a letter from Douglas Paterson, administrator of the estate of Gertrude Clinton, owner of the building. Paterson stated that it is his intention to have workmen clear away the debris and pump out the water in the basement as soon as he can get them on the job. The plans for the property include the tearing down of the burned and unusable portion of the upper structure and the removal of the building into a residential zone. "This the issuance of a permit would constitute a non-conforming use," Piche commented. The plan was referred to the Board of Appeals at a special meeting Monday evening.

## REPORT CONFUSION OVER SIMILARITY IN BUILDERS' NAMES

The Enterprise has been advised that some confusion has resulted from the similarity of names between R. W. Ellis, Builder, and the Ellis Construction Company, former contractor for the Farmington High School addition.

R. W. Ellis, Builder, 2545 East Farmington, is a completely separate firm from and in no way associated with the Ellis Construction Company, located on Eight Mile Road near Telegraph. The Ellis Construction Company was declared in default of their contract with the Farmington School District as a result of bankruptcy.

## SWIMMING

SWIMMING was the only thought in the minds of these youngsters as they are checked into a school bus by an instructor on the Farmington summer recreation program staff. Other youngsters in the background anxiously awaited their turn to board the bus. All knew that they would soon be enjoying water activities at the beach in Kensington Park. This picture was taken at the City Park on Monday, the opening day of the program. Approximately 150 were taken to the beach Monday and an even larger number on the second day of the program.

# TOWNSHIP TO ARRANGE JOINT SEWER DISCUSSION

## Break Ground For New Trinity Episcopal Church



## Bids To Be Let July 6 For New US-16 Highway

Sealed bids on the initial phase of the new US-16, Farmington-Brighton Expressway Project, will be opened on Wednesday, July 6, in Lansing, Michigan. M. Ziegler, State Highway Commissioner, announced this week.

According to specifications, the first phase of the project will include the construction of bridges and drainage structures on new location from east of Farmington to Kent Lake. The route included in the project covers approximately 13 miles. It is estimated that the cost of the initial phase will run approximately \$5,400,000.

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## File Zoning Appeal In Circuit Court

Action has been instituted in Oakland County Circuit Court by O & W Tool Engineering, Inc., appealing the denial by the Township Board of Appeals of its application for a zoning permit to build an addition to its building at 3035 1/2 West Mile Road.

Summons were served late last week on Harold DeLoon, one of the members of the Board of Appeals, and Thomas Tardy, zoning inspector. The Board of Appeals, at a regular meeting on June 15, advised the applicant that the zoning ordinance, which was amended by the Board of Appeals, would not be amended to conform with the zoning ordinance. The permit had originally been turned down by the zoning inspector.

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## Name Contractor For H.S. Addition

Work has been resumed on the construction of the new Farmington High School addition at Detroit. The school addition after a delay of approximately a month pending appointment of a new contractor.

Officials reported this week that the new contractor will be the one named by the Board of Appeals. The contractor will be responsible for the completion of the contract as well as any damages which may occur as a result of the default in regard to the original contract.

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## AROUND THE BLOCK

NEED WE REMIND YOU that your own back yard will make a wonderful picnic and campsite this week end. It may not have the inviting trout stream but it will be reasonably safe. That's more than you can say for our highways when they get jammed with millions of holiday travelers. According to traffic safety experts, this week end will be one of the roughest in the summer under a miracle happens. A one of the roughest in the summer under a miracle happens. A one of the roughest in the summer under a miracle happens. A one of the roughest in the summer under a miracle happens.

## THE EVER-INCREASING

number of City and Township meetings is symbolic of the growing problems being faced by our local governments. During the past several months, the City Council, Township Board, or subordinate committees have been meeting, almost nightly to discuss various problems affecting the development or welfare of the community. In addition to the attendance of board and commission members, an ever-increasing number of citizens are participating in the discussions. This, we believe, is an extremely wholesome sign which could and should create a powerful force for community betterment. Although it is a little rough to cover all of these meetings, especially when there are three or four in one evening, we are pleased to see both in the meetings themselves and in the published news accounts.

## SPEAKING OF GROWTH

The Township office located in the main portion of the Town Hall were officially opened late last week with the delivery of furniture and fixtures. The new pre-fabricated offices provide nearly twice the working space previously available. They should add greatly to the convenience of the public and the efficiency of the government. The new offices provide space for the police department, clerk, zoning inspector and building inspector, while the former office is available for the Township officers as well as the tax and bookkeeping facilities. This is just another of the many examples to illustrate the tremendous growth that is taking place throughout the entire community.



MAILING LETTERS right from your car... now more than just a dream... it's a reality. "U Turn" new "courtesy boxes" have been installed in the Farmington business area as a convenience to post office customers. The box pictured in the photo is located in front of the Post Office building on South Farmington Road, while the other is situated on Grand River in front of the Farmington State Bank. The "courtesy boxes" consist of an attachment to the regular mail boxes which enables persons to deposit letters or cards without leaving their automobiles.