

Sewer, Water Hook-Up Rate Debated by Twp.

Robert Harley, Chief of Operation and Maintenance in the Oakland County Water Department, appeared at the regular meeting of the Farmington Township Board Monday evening...

leaves to the Township the establishment of rates for water and sewer connection charges with the provision that fees be levied which are sufficient to cover maintenance costs due the DPW.

Sewer Tap-In Charge Raised \$100 by Twp.

A hike in the per unit sewer connection charge for all hook-ups on buildings in Farmington Township which will be hooked up to the Farmington Interceptor system in the future has now been ordered.

The tap-in cost per single family dwelling or per unit on other types of buildings will now be \$50, which is \$100 above the previous rate.

Action amending the sewer connection charge ordinance of 1959 to require the higher connection fee in the future was approved by a special meeting of the Township Board held on Wednesday evening of last week.

WHEN THE \$50 connection fee was decided on, a few years back it was figured that this fee would raise enough money to satisfy bonded indebtedness from year to year on the part of the Township for financing the interceptor.

New home building in this area is now off substantially from what was figured it would be, and the appraisal has been made and the opinion of authorities now is that there will only be an average of about 300 new homes being hooked up yearly to the sewer system in the coming years, Hall said.

The amount that the Township committee pay on bonds which were sold to finance the interceptor cannot be satisfied unless a higher tap-in charge is required, he stated.

The action was taken based on the recommendations of bonding authorities for both the Township and the County, Hall concluded.

NFHS Juniors Plan Well Ahead

The junior class at North Farmington High which is destined to become that school's first graduating class in 1964 is doing some real planning ahead.

A formal letter of request was filed with the Board of Education Monday night by officials of the class asking permission to hold a "Senior High for the Spring of 1963."

Board approval of both requests was given.

Members of the Board and students of all twelve schools of last year's experience in allowing a senior prom to be held at a location other than in a school for the first time. The senior class also had their prom at Lovette Hall.

Cancel Next Regular Twp. Board Meeting

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Township Board will not be held this month and for very good reason. It falls on Monday night, Dec. 17.

Supervisor Curt Hall stated that unless some pressing business comes up there will be no meetings held now until after the new year is ushered in.

Novi Hopes to Enroll Class Here Next Fall

Novi school officials are looking for a school in which to enroll their ninth grade pupils for the 1963-64 school year and have requested the Farmington Board of Education to consider accepting them here.

Acting on the recommendation of Supr. G. Harrison, the Board agreed to give the request consideration and instructed the administration to begin a study to determine whether it would be feasible to take these additional students without jeopardizing the educational program for local boys and girls at this grade level.

A LETTER submitted by the Novi superintendent of schools outlined in detail what the steps in Novi are being taken to correct them.

It was explained in the letter that Novi presently has 14 facilities for only grades 1 thru 8 and that most students in grades 9 thru 12 from that community have been attending the facilities in Novi.

It was estimated that Novi will not be able to accept ninth graders from Novi after this year.

Steps are underway to get high school facilities provided in Novi, it was revealed, but they will not be ready for the 63-64 school year.

It was estimated that Novi will have about 75 ninth graders next year.

IF FARMINGTON does accept these students they would come as tuition pupils paying the normal tuition rates and transportation of them to and from the Farmington school where they would attend would be the responsibility of the Novi school system, Supr. Harrison said.

During discussion, Board members made it clear that they would want some assurance that Novi officials would not expect Farmington to open its school doors to their pupils for any more than the one school year.

Present junior high facilities would not permit this but with the opening of the new East Junior High slated for the fall of 1963 it is anticipated that some extra junior high classroom space may be available for a short period of time.

Adult Education Office Set Up

The adult education program conducted through the Farmington public schools is now under the supervision of Dick Tyler, who was recently appointed as director of the program by the Board of Education.

A special adult education office has now been set up and Tyler has requested that all calls relative to adult education classes or other related matters be directed to this office in the future rather than to the board of education offices.

Office hours will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, Tyler said. Call 476-0810 if you are interested in knowing what classes are planned to be offered in the future.

Tyler pointed out that classes in any subject area will be offered provided there is enough interest shown and an instructor can be engaged.

School Operating Proposition Carries by One-Sided Margin



FARMINGTON'S OLD NEWSBOYS gathered outside the Exchange Club recently to pose with their bags which will tomorrow be filled with The Enterprise Goodfellow Edition and businessmen and club members.

Accident Rate Jumped by Ice On Area Roads

Farmington Township Police reported that a half dozen injury accidents and nearly a dozen others in the township were reported in the first real blast last week.

Frances Barnes, 61, of 27915 Orchard Lake Road, and Ralph H. Meyers, 55, of Fontaine, were injured Sunday, December 9, when their cars collided at Orchard Lake Road and 12 Mile.

James Cleo Johnson, 48, of Detroit at the Grand River and Middlebelt intersection.

GEORGE W. JOHNSON, 52, of Grosse Pointe Park was taken to Redford Medical on Tuesday, December 11, after his car slid into a bridge abutment at Orchard Lake Road and Polesom.

Ray D. Brayden, 70, of Ferndale and his wife, Ivy, 64, were both taken to William Beaumont Hospital with injuries when their car collided with a car driven by Robert Gordon, 39, of 23465 Eastbrook Court in Farmington, Monday, December 10, at Wellington Drive and Northwest Highway.

GERSON GOLDENBERG, 44, and Samuel Jedwab, 36, both of Oak Park, were taken to William Beaumont on Wednesday, See AUTO ACCIDENTS Column 6, Page 8A.

School Hook-Up to Sewer System Okayed

An expenditure of \$1,250 in tap-in fees to connect the new Highwood elementary school now under construction to the Farmington Interceptor Sewer System was authorized by the Farmington Board of Education at its regular meeting Monday night.

The new school is being built between 12 and 13 Mile Roads about a half-mile west of Middlebelt Road.

Annual Goodfellow Paper Sale Friday, Saturday; \$3,500 Goal Set

Friday and Saturday of this week have been designated as Goodfellow Days in Farmington City and Township and the old newsboys of the community will be out in force on these days selling special Goodfellow Editions of The Enterprise.

Their goal will be to raise \$3,500 from the sale to see to it that no needy family in the community will be without a holiday and merry Christmas due to circumstances beyond their control. It was reported Tuesday that an exceptionally heavy number of names of needy families have now been turned in and that it appears likely that the goal will have to be reached if all needy families with children are to be helped.

JACK RICHARDSON and EARL LIVERY, co-chairmen of the paper sale this year, indicated that they now have members from several clubs and groups in the community ready to do Goodfellow paper bags for the sale at main road intersections and in shopping centers in both the City and Township. They were quick to add, however, that more helpers would be welcomed and asked any one interested to call either of them immediately. Richardson's phone number is GR 6-3662 and Livery's is GR 4-9033.

As in past years, the base of operations for the paper sale will be at the City Hall where papers will be picked up and contributions turned in.

The sale will be kicked off at 6 o'clock in the morning on Friday and continue on into the evening hours. Again on Saturday some of the heavier old newsboys will be out during the day, Richardson said.

SOME CLUBS and groups have been assigned to specific locations while members of others will go where they are found to be needed most, the paper sale directors stated. Members of the City public safety department will be working at the corner of Grand River and Farmington Road and the supervision of Joe Brody will be selling on Grand River at Middlebelt.

Handing sales at the Tom Mile - Orchard Lake Road intersection will be Jaycees under the direction of Tom Lindber, Elks Club members, and the supervision of Joe Brody will be selling at various locations in the downtown business district.

SALES at the Kendallwood Shopping Center will be directed by Roy Rystrand.

Other locations mentioned where old newsboys will be selling will be at 13 Mile Road and Orchard Lake, at the Farmington Plaza and the post office. Members of the Exchange Club and the Kiwanis Club as well as other community spirit men will be selling at these and other locations.

The efforts of all these men will be directed toward collecting enough from generous citizens to make this a bright Christmas for every needy community family.

Mail Booklet With CD Facts

Farmington City's Director of Civil Defense Joseph G. DeVrient announced this week that 2000 householder forms were mailed out copies of the new Fallout Protection booklet compiled by the Department of Defense, Office of Civil Defense in Washington, D. C.

Accompanying the informative booklet which relates the latest recommended procedure to be followed in the event of nuclear attack, DeVrient included a personal letter urging residents to draw near to assure that they will get delivered at their destination by Christmas.

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Township Candidates Circulating Petitions

The terms of office of a majority of the officials of Farmington Township set to expire this coming year and nominating petitions are now being circulated for the primary election to be held Monday, February 18.

Clerk Floyd Cairns reported this week that a number of petitions have already been taken and 12 assemblies of candidates of both parties indicating that there will be contests for at least some offices in the Primary.

Nominating petitions may be obtained at the clerk's office at the Township Hall any time during regular office hours. The deadline for filing petitions for candidates will be Monday, Dec. 31, at 4 p.m.

UP FOR BID this coming year are the offices of supervisor, clerk and treasurer as well as the seats for two of the four trustee positions in the Township Board. The offices of one Justice of the Peace, four constables and two park commissioners also expire in 1963.

Voter Turnout Very Poor; Ran Under 15.5 Pct.

Voters of the Farmington School District who cared enough to get out to the polls Monday were disappointed in favor of continuing to pay at the present school tax rate to assure a continuance of the type of educational program presently being offered in our public schools here.

The proposition continuing a special \$5.00 per \$1,000 equalized valuation levy due to expire at the end of the current tax year for another ten year period was approved by a wide margin. The vote was 1,822 "no" to 731 "no."

While members of the School Board and administrative staff were elated with the vote on the proposition they expressed disappointment over the fact that there was so little interest in school matters expressed by local citizens.

THE TOTAL vote cast was only 2,553. Based on a total voter registration in the school district of 17,524 this figures out to a voter turnout of under 15 1/2 percent.

Last November when both a \$2.50 per \$1,000 operating levy proposition and a \$9,000,000 bond issue proposition were on and approved the turnout of voters ran under 20 percent.

School officials could offer no explanation as to why local interest in school elections is running so low.

Voting in all four school precincts was one-sided in favor of the proposition as indicated by precincts ran as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Precinct and YES NO. Precinct 1: 536 YES, 309 NO. Precinct 2: 654 YES, 135 NO. Precinct 3: 245 YES, 196 NO. Precinct 4: 379 YES, 219 NO. Totals: 1822 YES, 731 NO.

The difference between the total of the "yes" and "no" votes and the total votes cast is the result of 14 spoiled ballots. This number of spoiled votes is somewhat surprising in view of the fact that only one simple decision had to be made once the voter was seated at the polls of the voting machine.

SDM Transfer Acted on by Bd.

The Farmington Township Board approved the request for the transfer of an SDM liquor license at Clark's Party Store, 2014 E. 13 Mile Road, to Clair Hundak.

No discussion was held in connection with the transfer of the license. The license was issued in past weeks but failed to meet the requirements of the transfer between Emil Huck and the Township Board over statements made and later retracted by Hundak regarding bribery in liquor license dealings.

The Board had refused to take any action on two other occasions when seeking back taxes and a formal apology to the bribery charges leveled by Huck.



PLANS FOR THE NEW BANK in the quarters of the Metropolitan National Bank of Farmington, Louis LeVigne (R). LeVigne says a new bank will be ready to open its doors to depositors next month.