

Local officials attend

Region studies joint fire service

By MARY LUC CALLAWAY

There is no way village for EMS emergency medical services can go on the November ballot in West Bloomfield, according to Township Supervisor John S. Doherty.

He made the statement after meeting Tuesday with officials from other municipalities which have been discussing the possibility of studying a merged fire department system.

We don't know yet how much money is needed to set up the village we would have to have on a ballot proposal. There is no easy solution," he said. Doherty had previously said the village issue must be on the November ballot (deadline for submitting items for that ballot is Sept. 14).

The communities involved Farmington Hills, Commerce, West-

land, Farmington Hills, Commerce, Westland, Lake, Keego Harbor and Sylvan Lake, are "cooperative but the bottom line is the bucks," said Gary Canfield, director for the Oakland County Council for EMS.

During Tuesday's meeting at West Bloomfield Fire Station No. 1, Doherty said Canfield and Oakland County EMS Chairman Dr. Joseph L. Shrie Jr. made a presentation, answered questions and gave the basic needs for an EMS program.

The county currently has applied for a federal grant for \$723,000 for three years. Canfield explained, but expects no more than half that amount by October.

The U.S. Senate has passed the funding bill and the House of Representatives is expected to act on it after it reconvenes.

The grant for "hardware only" means that "local units will have to make a commitment," Canfield said.

DOHERTY SAID during Tuesday's meeting a number of questions were raised on how long training of EMS technicians would take and differences between municipally-owned ambulances and services contracted for by the jurisdictions.

There were also questions on training volunteers who might only be able to attend courses one or two nights a week and full-time firemen who would have to be paid full salary to attend Oakland Community College classes full-time.

West Bloomfield Fire Chief Earl Benson said there are two volunteer and one full-time firemen who have had basic training but will need additional training to qualify for an EMS unit.

The first need according to Canfield is for properly trained personnel and a public training in first aid and CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) because they are usually first on the scene during a medical emergency.

Second need is radio equipment or the necessary other hardware. Then the facilities such as hospital services, staff and a coordination system between the emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and the hospitals.

Representatives of Ford Hospital's West Bloomfield Clinic attended Tuesday's meeting.

OTHER NEEDS to be met, Canfield listed are transportation, public education, legislation and to make sure the books are there.

State law is woefully inadequate, he said. There are three bills pending in the

Maple Street awaits closing of I-96 ramp

Maple Street residents may face another winter with an up-and-down street.

The Farmington City Council Monday postponed the date of a public hearing for the residents to Dec. 6 to avoid the proposed closing of the I-96 ramp from Farmington Road.

When considering those property owners who are in favor of conditions in favor of paving, we find that they represent 39 per cent of the reasonable foot age.

Considering those who failed to respond as being in favor of the paving project, we now have 39 per cent in favor of the improvement versus 40 per cent who are opposed.

City Manager Robert Neuman said.

Since a majority didn't clearly indicate that they wish street improvement, we believe city council must wait to postpone the public hearing on necessary until after the state highway department has permanently removed the expressway interchange ramp," he said.

IT'S TOO LATE to set a construction date. Mayor John Richardson said of the December public hearing. They'll have to wait until summer.

grade requirements for EMTs and ambulance attendants.

If a person does not get to the hospital alive there is no way to bring him back to life. We now have a fragmented system. The county plan is to evaluate and coordinate a system which will emphasize pre-hospital care," Canfield and Dr. Shrie said the officials.

The seven communities plus the Tri-City fire department have a possible merger of its fire departments under study. Doherty suggested EMS proposals be added to the study.

The jurisdictions are waiting for cost estimates before deciding whether to hire a Chicago-based firm to make a formal study which the 140-square miles of overlapping communities could use to determine the feasibility of consolidating fire departments to save money and increase efficiency.



LIVONIA MONTESSORI SCHOOL

• EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
• CERTIFIED MONTESSORI TEACHERS

Approved & affiliated with American Montessori Society & Michigan Montessori Society

APPLICATIONS FOR CHILDREN 2½ to 5 NOW BEING ACCEPTED

FOR INFO. CALL 465-5545
27475 FIVE MILE RD.
(Just West of I-75)



BOWLING CELEBRATION

30th ANNIVERSARY FARMINGTON LANES

Adults: WIN A FREE TRIP TO TORONTO!

All adult bowlers are eligible to win trips for two for a weekend in Toronto.

Youth: WIN A FREE TRIP TO CEDAR POINT

All youth bowlers who complete at least 30 weeks of the season will win a day at Cedar Point.

TEAM & INDIVIDUAL OPENINGS

ADULTS: Men-Mon 9:30 p.m. • Wed 6:45 p.m. • Thurs 6:45 p.m.
Women-Everyday 9:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. (Free Nursery)
Mixed-Tues 6:45 p.m. • Wed 9:30 p.m. Thurs 9:30 p.m. (Mixed Classic)

YOUTH: Leagues available for boys and girls for all ages & experience levels including Saturday 2:30 Beginner-Boys & Girls 8 to 11 years
Sunday 10 a.m. Parent-Youth • Sunday 12:30 Teen Classic

LEAGUES BEGIN AFTER SEPTEMBER 5. TRY BOWLING IN AN ESTABLISHMENT THAT DOES NOT HAVE A COCKTAIL LOUNGE OR ASSOCIATED PROBLEMS

for information call: **FARMINGTON LANES 474-0610**
32315 Grand River

Custom Meat by Bob brings back 1967 BEEF PRICES!

| | | |
|---|--|---|
| <p>PORTERHOUSE STEAK</p>  <p>\$1.99 lb.</p> | <p>ROUND STEAK</p>  <p>\$1.29 lb.</p> | <p>HOMEMADE PORK SAUSAGE</p>  <p>99¢ lb.</p> |
| <p>DIET or REG. Original Vernors 99¢ 10 oz. - 8 PAK</p> | | |
| <p>ROLLED RUMP or SIRLOIN TIP ROAST</p>  <p>\$1.39 lb.</p> | <p>BORDEN'S HOMO MILK</p>  <p>\$1.29 gal. ctn.</p> | |
| <p>KING SIZE CIGARETTES \$3.99 CTN</p> | | |
| <p>T-BONE STEAK</p>  <p>\$1.89 lb.</p> | | |

FARMINGTON HILLS MARKET

24233 ORCHARD LAKE RD. at 10 MILE

476-0682 476-0710

SALE THROUGH MON., AUGUST 23-24

Toy-Town 50% OFF MFG. LIST PRICE

| | |
|---|--|
| <p>MINI-KITCHEN</p>  <p>22.00</p> | <p>ARTIST DOUBLE EASEL</p>  <p>13.00</p> |
| <p>BABY ALIVE</p>  <p>9.95</p> | <p>FAMILY TREE HOUSE</p>  <p>11.00</p> |
| <p>FUN FACTORY</p>  <p>2.00</p> | <p>DAPPER DAN & DRESSY BESSY</p>  <p>2.00</p> |
| <p>ELECTRO CHARGER</p>  <p>7.00</p> | <p>LUNCH BUNCH</p>  <p>2.00</p> |

Toy-Town

OPEN MON. THUR. FRI. & SAT. 9:30 to 5 • FRIDAY 9:30 to 9 • OPEN SUNDAYS 11 to 5