



Landscapers are hard at work putting the finishing touches on the Department of Public Works facility to meet the Sunday deadline for a public open house. (Staff photo by Harry Mauthe)

DPW picks up something new: Unveils Nine Mile facility

Farmington residents will have an opportunity to see the results of federal dollars in action this weekend.

An open house of the city's new Department of Public Works facility is scheduled from 1:30-4 p.m., April 30, at the facility on Nine Mile, west of Farmington Rd.

The public is invited to attend. Congressman William Brodhead (D-Farmington) will give the dedication address at 2:30 p.m., after a presentation of the city staff by City Mgr. Robert Deadman.

Farmington American Legion Groves-Walker Post No. 346 will pre-

sent the flags at the ceremony. Mayor Richard Tupper, and councilmen William Hartsock, Alton Bennett, Ralph Yoder and Warren Buckler are expected to be present at the ceremony.

A federal public works grant of \$1,251,000 financed the project, which includes a new DPW house with police and fire training facilities.

The facility provides the public works and water and sewage departments with a modern maintenance and

storage building for their vehicles and materials. The building is barrier-free.

THE VEHICLE maintenance facility is equipped to handle all of the city's requirements for fleet maintenance. The salt storage building corrects past environmental problems with the storage of road de-icing salt, according to Deadman.

A fire training tower will be used by the city's public safety officers to train and improve on fire fighting skills and rescue techniques. Testing of the fire pump and aerial water tower trucks can be accomplished at the tower as well.

A firearms training range is included at the complex.

Breakdown of the project's costs include: \$65,325 for site development; \$735,630 for architectural work; \$228,149 for mechanical work; \$92,531 for electrical work; \$66,813 for architect's services; \$14,751 for engineer's services; \$10,902 for contract administration; and \$36,887 for equipment.

The general contractor of the project was K. Pemberton Construction Co., Inc. of Livonia. Mechanical contractor was Evans Mechanical Contractors, Inc. of Novi.

Croswell auditions

The historic Croswell Opera House in Adrian, Mich., is announcing audition dates for the principals in the productions for Croswell Summer Musical Theatre.

This summer's productions are "Mame," opening June 28; the "Fantasticks," opening July 19; and "The Unsinkable Molly Brown," opening Aug. 9.

The parts of Mame and El Gallo have been cast. Principal auditions will be conducted for all three productions at 1 p.m., May 6-7.

All auditions will be at the Croswell Opera House, 129 E. Maumee, Adrian. Send a letter listing experience, dates available to Mrs. J. R. Van Schaick, 240 Renfrew, Adrian 49221.

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