

Pols' attendance records eyed

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meetings during 1977. President William Gravius, who retired from the board in June, missed three of the 12 regular meetings held between Jan. 10 and June 20. Gravius cited business conflicts when he bowed out of the race last April.

Trustees Helen Prutow, Dr. Mervyn Ross, Richard Wallace, and Anne Struble each missed one meeting. Of the five special meetings held in 1978, Gravius, Ross, Makenin and Struble each missed one meeting.

FARMINGTON HILLS councilmembers attended almost twice the number of meetings as their counterparts in the city, while councilwomen Jeanne Smith, Catherine Jones, and Jody Soronen recorded perfect attendance marks for meetings held between Jan. 3 and June 5.

Councilman Earl Oppertbauer missed three consecutive meetings due to illness, while Keith Deacon and Joe Alkateeb each missed one meeting because of illness, minutes indicate. Mayor Jan Dolan missed the June 5 meeting. Minutes were available only through June 5. Alkateeb has missed meetings since that time because of vacation.

Alkateeb, however, was tardy at several meetings, according to the recorded minutes.

Attendance at board and commission meetings reveals a much higher degree of absenteeism. In addition to Ms. Bruce, planning commissioner James Moore missed four meetings, while commissioners William Mitchell, William Ingalls, and Charles Bridges each missed two of the 13 meetings. City Councilman Alton Bennett, who sits on the planning commission, missed three meetings, while commissioners Lee Ratliff and William Burke missed one meeting each.

Attendance at the city's zoning

board of appeals meetings tells a different story. Chairman Bayard Tupper missed one meeting, while James Abernathy missed two meetings. Thomas Carr missed one meeting, while Lee Ratliff scored perfect attendance.

Of the two councilmen sitting on the zoning board, William Hartsock missed two of the meetings, while Mayor Tupper was present at all regular meetings.

Over in the Hills, only four of the 15 meetings conducted by the planning commission between Jan. 5 and June 8 were attended by all nine commission-

ers. Judith Guertin was the sole commissioner sporting perfect attendance. In addition to the absences of Andries and Teichner, Paul Griggle and Charles Owen each missed three meetings, while Shirley Stadler, Philip Arnold, Fred Hughes, and Edgar Riedel each missed one meeting.

The five-member zoning board of appeals scores near-perfect attendance for the year through June. 6. Of seven meetings held, all five members were present for six meetings. Dan Lichtman missed one meeting, while chairman Jim Ellis, Jean Fox, Ned Oglesby, and George Roberts attended all meetings.

Radio towers cause flap

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the city unless the zoning board of appeals granted him a variance for his 54-foot high radio tower. Higher towers are preferable, he said.

Towers which are 25 feet high are bound to cause more interference with television and stereo sets in the area than higher structures, Painter said.

Most of the problem in interference cases comes from the receivers in televisions and stereos, he argues. These are built cheaply and don't filter out any interference.

Farmington Hills' present limit is below that of Farmington. That city allows radio towers and other taller structures up to 30 feet high in residential areas, according to City Mgr. Robert Deadman.

The last variance request by a ham operator was several years ago, according to Deadman. Southfield is considering a 50-foot limit on radio towers, according to Don Gross of that city's planning department.

ALTHOUGH West Bloomfield Township doesn't have a strict height limit

on its radio towers, the structures must be built so they will topple on the owner's property.

Candidates' expenses recorded with county

All four candidates in the recent Farmington School Board election spent under \$500 during their campaigns, according to campaign statements filed with Oakland County.

Both Jack Inch and Janice Rolnick, who won two seats on the board, filed statements indicating they did not expect to spend more than \$500. Howard Aldrich and Catherine Egypt, losing candidates, also filed pre-election forms indicating they did not expect to spend more than \$500.

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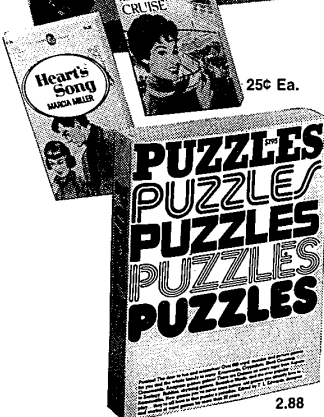
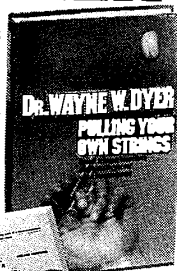
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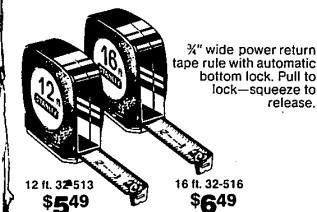
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