

Walled Lake trims school budget

Faced with declining enrollment and a corresponding loss of state aid revenue, the Walled Lake School District has trimmed \$237,400 from its 1978-79 budget and started discussing the need for additional millage next year.

Sgt. Don Sheldon said that every attempt had been made to make the cutbacks in areas that will have minimal impact on programs and staff.

"I think we've done that as well as could be expected, but the dimension of the cuts will undoubtedly be felt on both programs and staff," he added.

Board President Betty Campion said "there is no question that we will need additional millage in the future."

The \$237,400 in cutbacks represent the latest attempt by school officials to deal with the 1978-79 budget.

The Walled Lake Board of Education in August adopted an official 1978-79 budget of approximately \$13.7 million, in which projected expenditures exceeded projected revenues by some \$377,000.

The \$377,000 deficit in the official budget was offset by dipping into the district's general fund equity which

exceeded \$1 million.

SINCE THAT TIME the district, which includes the western portion of West Bloomfield Township and a northwest section of Farmington Hills, has learned that it will probably lose an additional \$207,000 in revenues, adding considerably to the severity of its financial situation.

The biggest loss of revenues comes in the form of state aid and is directly related to the declining enrollment in the Walled Lake District. Enrollment figures are a key element in the formula on which state aid revenues are based.

1978 SECTION 2 OF 2 CVA SIZE 12.88 CLC 100 In essence, the district received approximately \$1,550 in state aid for each student in the district.

In projecting state aid revenues for 1978-79, Assst. Supt. for Business Harry Carlson estimated a total enrollment of 11,300 students for the present school year.

That estimate proved high and the actual enrollment for the 1978-79 school year is 11,051.

The "loss" of 149 students means a loss of approximately \$200,000 in revenue from the state.

In addition to the loss of \$200,000 in state aid, the district had projected that it will also lose some \$30,000 in earned interest on investments and some \$28,500 from Oakland County in Special Education Funding.

School administrators then decided to offset the loss of \$237,000 in revenue

by trimming the budget instead of adding that loss to the \$777,000 deficit anticipated in the original budget.

IF THE CUTBACKS had not been made, the district would anticipate a total deficit of approximately \$634,000 in the 1978-79 fiscal year.

Hardest hit by the cutbacks adopted by the administration were funding for capital outlay and replacement of equipment, where some \$100,000 was trimmed from the budget.

Another \$23,000 was cut from the elementary instruction budget, while \$4,600 was taken from the middle school instruction budget, and \$7,600 was taken from the senior high category.

Approximately \$5,000 was trimmed from student activity field trips and about \$6,700 was cut from in-service training and \$13,000 in library materials.

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CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
 November 6, 1978 (Summary)

A Regular Meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order at 8:00 P.M. November 6, 1978, by Mayor Richard L. Tupper.

PRESIDENT: Councilmen Bennett, Buckler, Hartsock, Tupper, Yoder.
CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Mgr. Deadman, Dir. Byrnes, Dir. Billing, Atty. Kelly, Clerk Viane.

Minutes of the previous meetings were approved.

Minutes of other boards were received and/or filed.

Council accepted the resignation of Sister Clara Nicolai from the Farmington Commission on Aging.

Council received a letter from the Ligonier Court Commission regarding request for transfer of SDM License at 3070-4 Grand River Avenue.

Councilman Buckler advised he would attend the SEMCOG County-wide Caucus on November 16, 1978.

Council received the Notice of Public Hearing from the Board of County Road Commissioners.

City Manager Deadman reported on the progress of the 47th District Court Facility. Council instructed City Manager Deadman to prepare necessary special assessment procedures for the paving of Hawthorne from Sitawasse to Nine Mile Road and Whitaker Street from Grand River to 400 ft. South.

Council established a special Study Session meeting for Monday, December 4, 1978 at 7:00 P.M. to review the proposed Personnel Rules and Regulations.

Council supported the SEMTA Park and Ride Program for the Farmington Area.

The following resolutions were adopted:

- Postponing the public hearing of November 20, 1978 to April 16, 1979 at 8:00 P.M. for the review of the Special Assessment Roll for the Cass Court Cd-d-eac paving project.
- Rejecting the bid of Detroit Concrete Projects received on October 31, 1978 for the Cass Court Cd-d-eac paving project.
- Accepting the bid of Apollo Fire Equipment Company in the amount of \$1,135.00 for Ten Firefighter Coats.
- Establishing terms of office for members of the Farmington Area Commission on Aging representatives.
- Appointing Mrs. Paul W. Lorida, 3699 Vicary Lane to the Farmington Area Commission on Aging.
- Establishing the term of Mrs. Joan Crane on the Farmington Area Commission on Aging from May 15, 1977 to May 15, 1980.

The following proposed ordinances were introduced:

- Ordinance C-43-78 Central City Operating Concessions
- Ordinance C-43-78 Amending Water System Ordinance to Prevent Cross-Connections

Council tabled adoption of Cemetery rules and regulations until such time as the Cemetery Ordinance has been adopted.

The Farmington Public Safety Department Quarterly Report was received and filed.

The monthly bills were approved for payment.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 P.M.

Richard L. Tupper, Mayor
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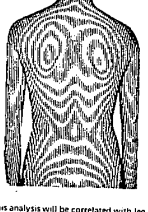
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