

# Mike Barnard tackles Manistee

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 the river.  
 "We got a mile from the Hordenly Dam and the flood gates were open. The river was dropping, ice was breaking loose and floating downstream."  
 "We paddled to a big ice jam, but there was no channel through it. Five minutes after we got to shore, an ice flow the size of four cars came up to the spot where we had just been."  
 "If we would've been on the river, it would've carried us under and that would've been it."  
 "You have 10 to 20 minutes to get out in winter because the water is so cold. You'd just become immobilized."  
 The canoe never flipped, but had one close call when it got caught on a log sideways in a current.  
 "We had plastic bags to keep our equipment dry, a survival kit and water-proof matches. We were prepared for the cold," he said.

"They also carried an ax to chop ice, a pole for pushing out of shallow water, food, and "all the equipment we tried to imagine might be necessary."

## Health clinic will relocate

The Oakland County Health Division plans to relocate the Farmington Child Health Conference and its monthly outreach immunization clinic in the west wing of Shiawassee School at 30415 Shiawassee beginning Jan. 10.

The site change will increase the space available for community health services in a facility designed specifically for children. The clinic was previously located at the First United Methodist Church, 33112 Grand River.

A balanced budget of \$20.65 million for the 1979-80 year was unanimously approved by the Walled Lake Board of Education Monday.

Although the approval of the annual budget usually takes place in October, officials with the Walled Lake School District held off submitting a final budget in hopes that a request for three additional mills in operating funds would be approved by the voters in a special November 12 millage election. The millage request was shot down by a 58-42 margin, however, and officials then went about the task of preparing a balanced budget without the additional funds that would have been provided with a successful millage election.

In spite of the November 12 millage defeat, however, the budget represents an increase of just under \$1 million over last year's budget of \$19.7 million. The increase can be attributed primarily to the board's decision to levy \$1.41 mills in county allocated millage which has not been levied previously.

Board members reviewed the 1979-80 budget in detail at a special work session Dec. 3.

Nevertheless, several questions

about the proposed financial plan were raised prior to board approval of the document at Monday's public hearing.

Trustee Janet Callahan proposed that the amount of money spent for teacher workshops be trimmed in half from \$20,000 and reallocated to the reading support program.

Superintendent Don Sheldon responded that workshops and in-service sessions for teachers and administrators have already been trimmed "to what we consider minimal levels."

"In some cases, we are dealing with contractual commitments which cannot be altered," said the superintendent.

Trustee Kenneth Tucker questioned the amount of money budgeted for administrative millage expenses, noting that there has been a significant increase over 1978-79 levels. Sheldon said the increase was due to a contractual change in the method for reimbursing administrative millage expense.

"Previously, our building superintendents have received a flat fee of \$105 per year for millage," he said. "But under our new agreement, administrators will be reimbursed on a per mile basis. The amount of money we've allocated for millage is our best estimate as to

what that expense will actually be."

The balanced budget of \$20.65 million represents the first balanced budget in the Walled Lake School District in three years.

Expenditures exceeded revenues in both the 1977-78 and 1978-79 budgets, but the district was able to make up the difference by digging into its fund equity (savings) account.

But Harry Carlson, assistant superintendent for business, said the fund equity stands at approximately \$751,000. He recommended that it not be depleted further this year.

"Every company, whether it's public or private, needs some working capital it can fall back on," Carlson told the board.

"If we attempt to deplete our fund equity any further, I'm just afraid we won't have anything to fall back on. It's just a bad way to do business."

CARLSON ALSO told the board that auditors recommend a fund equity of roughly 10 percent of the general budget. Under these guidelines, the district would have to maintain a fund equity of approximately \$2 million to meet the recommendations of the auditor.

Carlson said that \$36.546 million in revenues will come from local sources

this year, including property tax revenues of \$15,005 million.

Last year, the school district realized \$13.268 million in local revenue sources, including \$12.623 million in property taxes.

But while local revenues have increased, there has been a decrease in state aid revenues.

Last year, the district received \$5.89 million from state sources, while this year the district expects to receive just \$4.9 million in state aid -- a decrease of approximately \$1 million.

The revenue sources listed as "other" include \$110,000 in county special education funding and \$42,000 in county vocational education funding.

On the expenditure side of the ledger, 53.74 percent of the 1979-80 budget has been earmarked for instruction while 45.05 percent will go for support services and 1.21 percent to community services (community education).

About \$15.6 million of the \$20.647 million budget will go into salaries -- or 75.8 percent of the total 1979-80 budget.

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