

Will Study Tax Base

FARMINGTON
Farmington Township Trustees have authorized Vilcan-Lerman, planning consultants, to conduct a \$3,500 governmental cost-revenue study.

The study, to be completed by May 31, will analyze future cost of providing government services and the tax base which will be necessary to finance those governmental services.

THE STUDY WAS to have

been part of the 701 master plan but because of a shortage of funds the federal government deleted that portion of the study.

Supervisor Curtis Hall said the planners will base government costs on the future population levels and future demands for services.

The study will also estimate the amount of revenue which can be raised from the land uses projected in the 701 master plan.

"A complete projection of cost and revenue is necessary to determine what balance in land use will be necessary in the future for the township to provide an adequate tax base," said Hall.

HALL SAID the land use plan in the 701 package is "beautiful" but the board does not know if the projected land uses will provide an adequate tax base to maintain future services.

Trustee Margaret Schaffer said the study was something which had to be done and she approved of its implementation.

"We have experienced too much of a trend towards higher taxes in this community," said Trustee Earl Oppenheimer, "and it is important that we offset the higher taxes by improving our tax base."

"A lot of people don't know that a single-family home is the worst tax base a government can have. People must realize that providing apartment, industrial and commercial development is a key to a well-planned community."



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The Oakland County Road Commission has tentatively determined its intention to improve Halstead Road from 196 Freeway to the Quarter Section corner of Section 20 and 21.

That the plans and an estimate of cost are on file at the Oakland County Road Commission Office.

That the Board of Road Commissioners for the County of Oakland will meet at Farmington Township Hall, 31545 Killebrew Road, Farmington, Michigan, on the 15th day of April, 1970, at 10:30 a.m. Eastern Standard Time, to hear and consider any objections to the said improvement and to the Special Assessment District.

Sul D. Lounsbury, Chairman
Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners

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CLEAN-UP -- As a service project, Farmington Chapter of DeMolay, cleaned the grounds at East Farmington Cemetery. Wielding rakes were Bob Evans and James Eckel. (Evert photo)

What To Do

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the exact amount of their bill if one is not received. Payments can be made at any bank or at the local branch office on the east side of Farmington Rd. south of Grand River, right next to Consumers branch office.

Bills go out to Farmington residents with a 474 exchange on the seventh of each month. Users with a 476 exchange are billed on the 25th of each month, and 477 exchange users are billed on the 13th.

The due date is always 15 days after the billing date, explains Boner.

HOME MORTGAGE companies are asking homeowners not to mail house payments while the strike is on but to drive directly to the mortgage firm when payment is due. The same is true for car payments.

Payment for department store bills can be made directly at each store's credit department.

The big problem nobody has an answer for, however, is payments to out-of-state companies, such as a gasoline company.

There is just no way to pay out-of-state bills and so the best advice is to set the money aside until deliveries begin again.

Deliveries are being made by Greyhound bus lines, United Parcel and similar operations but the cheapest rate for one first-class letter is \$1.40 by Greyhound.

Governor's Wife

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plastics, aluminum and glass aren't decayed by natural forces.

An aluminum beer can has a life of 50 years and 26 billion glass bottles are discarded yearly, Mrs. Milliken said.

It costs the State of Michigan, Mrs. Milliken said, 34 cents for each object of trash which the highway department picks up.

The U.S., with 1/14 of the world's population, consumes one-half of the world's resources, she said.

MRS. MILLIKEN, who has been a student of landscape architecture at Michigan State University, said the direction of the future will be determined in the next decade.

Each of us, she said, should learn to evaluate beauty or the lack of it because we can never escape this environment.

The governor's wife praised the Keep Michigan Beautiful project for its efforts.

"It has provided inspiration for revival and renewal," she commented.

Mrs. Milliken told the members of beautification committees that she felt "a very strong kinship in many things we are trying to achieve."

F'ton Brothers Are Honored

FARMINGTON
Two brothers were among four University of Michigan students from Farmington who were singled out for special recognition at a recent honors convocation.

Howard L. Schreier and James S. Schreier were among those named Angell Scholars for having earned all-A grades for at least two successive terms.

They are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schreier of 29420 Minglewood in Farmington. Both attended Cass Technical High School in Detroit.

Others honored include: Sebastian C. Mancuso, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Mancuso of 33901 Braebury in Farmington, for two terms majoring in engineering. The graduate of Our Lady of Sorrows High School in Farmington was awarded a BS degree in engineering.

Kenneth H. Rosen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome M. Rosen of 28825 Rockledge in Farmington. The junior in the college of literature sciences and arts is a North Farmington High graduate.

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DeMolays Are Busy

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The week was filled with various activities, such as: collecting for muscular dystrophy, being flag bearers at Orchard Methodist Church, father and son basketball game at Shiawassee School, cleaning windshields at Farmington Center, placing trash barrels at city park, and cleaning East Farmington Cemetery and placing American flags on veterans' graves.

The DeMolay boys participating in this civic service project were: Tom Duke, Al Ackroyd, Bob Evans, Gary Geha, James Eckel, John Sutherland, and Charlie Harwell. Master Counselor. Their purpose is to be of better service to God, family and community. Their ages range from 14-21.

The boys intend to mow and trim the East Farmington Cemetery this summer for their civic service project for a year-round project. The flags for veterans' graves were donated by the Ladies Auxiliary to VFW Post 4033.

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MEMORIAM - Charles Horwell, master counselor of Farmington Chapter Order of DeMolay, places a flag on a veteran's grave in East Farmington Cemetery. (Evert photo)

County Sets Marker Dedication

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Governor William G. Milliken and Secretary of State James M. Hare have been invited by the Michigan Historical Commission and the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society to officiate at the Oakland County Historical Marker dedication ceremony at 2 p.m. March 28 outside the east entrance of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors auditorium building, County Court House grounds, 1200 North Telegraph, Pontiac.

Duane Shaw, veteran organizations coordinator, has promised color guards. The Franklin Village Brass Band will furnish music for the ceremony.

Richard R. Wilcox, chairman of the Oakland County Supervisors Local Affairs Committee and a member of the Sequi-Centennial executive committee says that national, state, county and local officials have been invited. However, Wilcox points out that this day the emphasis has been placed on the public.

Wilcox says that mother and dad can come to the ceremony and bring their children. While mom and dad are socializing

with their elected representatives, the children can be riding in the John F. Ivory stage coaches and fire engines.

John F. Ivory says that no one need walk to the ceremony because he will transport everyone from the parking lot to the ceremony site in his stage coaches.

The Oakland County taxpayers will be happy to know that all the services and entertainment, including the historical marker, are being donated at no cost to them.

● The Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society will donate the historical marker to the county.

● John F. Ivory is donating the stage coach rides and fire engine rides.

● The Franklin Village Brass Band is donating its musical talents.

● The Oakland County Bar Association Auxiliary will act as hostesses.

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