

At golf course

Study shows waste never discarded

By Alice Collins
staff writer

The four barrels of chemical waste and 25 yards of earth dug up from a burial site on the Franklin Hills County Club are still on the club grounds awaiting disposal.

An investigator for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR) earlier had reported that the unearthed materials had been removed by an industrial waste hauler to a licensed disposal site.

DNR Investigator Tom Laird said Friday, "I had been misinformed that they had been disposed of. But after I contacted the president of the country club, he told me they still had it."

Although the DNR has tested the materials and determined that they pose no health threat to residents in nearby Franklin, Village President John Ver-

don indicated Friday that he was impatient with the delay in the removal.

The club had to wait for test results before having the materials removed, said Laird. A licensed disposal site can't accept materials until it knows what it's receiving, he added.

The exclusive private club is on the northeast corner of the 11th and 13th Mile in Farmington Hills.

Homeowners in the southwest corner of Franklin near the club had been concerned since they learned of the burial site that some toxic substance might have leaked into the wells that supply their water.

"I'm not as concerned as I was before they (the DNR) released their report of the tests they made," said Verdon. "But, nevertheless, I haven't had a report from them yet. We only know what we've read in the newspaper."

The barrels are "still in the maintenance building at the club and a big mound of earth covered with plastic is still sitting on the grounds where it was dug up," he added.

The DNR on Sept. 2 released the results of analyses made on samples taken from the four barrels indicating a high concentration of only one suspected substance — a herbicide commonly used on lawns to control dandelions.

In addition, tests showed only harmless traces of another herbicide, zinc and arsenic, according to the DNR.

Tests on a sample of water taken from a well on the club grounds by the Michigan Health Department indicated that none of the chemicals found in the barrels had reached the water, according to John Hesse of that department.

VERDON SAID Friday that he has talked with Hesse, "who feels comfortable that all the tests were done properly. And I agree with his observations."

The liquid stuff they tested came right out of the barrels," said Verdon. "If by some remote chance some material did seep through the clay soil into any of our wells, it would be so diluted as to not pose any threat."

Based on the results of the tests already made, Hesse said the health department would not be testing any private wells in nearby Franklin.

Verdon added that, "Under the circumstances, the village won't be making any tests either. But we will be sending our engineers the DNR report (when received) and get their opinion on the sufficiency of the tests."

"If our engineers don't agree, of course we'd ask for additional tests and take our own samples," he added.

YMCA highlights

The Farmington area YMCA provides a variety of services for youth and adults in the community. Further information may be obtained by calling 553-4020 between 9 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. daily.

PROGRAM, REGISTRATION — Register now through Sunday for programs at the Farmington YMCA. Fitness, pre-school, swimming and special interest classes are available.

MEMBERSHIP DISCOUNT — Now until Sept. 25, there is a 20-percent membership discount for all new memberships. Facilities include Olympic-size pool, universal weight machine, four racquetball courts, two gymnasiums and indoor running track.

FLAG FOOTBALL — For grades two to five. Games played Saturday 4-mornings with practices held once a week at area schools. Registration at

the Farmington YMCA now through Saturday.

INDIAN FAMILY PROGRAMS — Open swim and a slide show, which demonstrates how Indian Family programs can help families find a closeness for life. Sept. 23 and 28 from 7:30-9 p.m.

SWIM TEAM — The YMCA offers a swim team experience where everybody swims. Last year, the Farmington YMCA Devils went undefeated during the regular season. Team tryouts will be held Monday and Wednesday from 6-7:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-7 p.m. The first two weeks are free.

GIRLS COMPETITIVE GYMNASICS TEAM — Team competition with other Y teams in the area begins in mid-November. Team practices begin Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 8-10:30 a.m. Call 553-4020.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF FARMINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, A CONSTITUENT SCHOOL DISTRICT OF OAKLAND SCHOOLS, AN INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special election will be held in Farmington Public School District, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, on Tuesday, the 21st day of September, 1982, for the purpose of submitting the following proposition:

In order to renew the five (5) mill operating tax increase which expires in 1982, shall the limitation on the total amount of general ad valorem taxes which may be imposed for all purposes in any one year upon real and tangible personal property in the Farmington Public School District, Oakland County, Michigan, be increased as provided in Section 6, Article IX, of the Constitution of Michigan, for a period of ten (10) years from 1983 to 1992, both inclusive, by five (5) mills on each dollar (\$5.00 per \$1,000) of assessed valuation of property as finally equalized, for the purpose of defraying a part of the operating expense of the school district?

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the polls for said election will be open from 7:00 o'clock A.M. to 8:00 o'clock P.M., Eastern Daylight Saving Time, and that the voting places will be as follows:

Precinct No. 1: Farmington Training Center
(former Farmington Jr. High School)
33000 Thomas Street

Precinct No. 2: Dunkel Middle School
32800 Twelve Mile

Precinct No. 3: Warner Middle School
30303 West Fourteen Mile

Precinct No. 4: East Middle School
25000 Middlebelt Road

The following statement has been received from the County Treasurer as to previously voted increases in the total tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the school district, to-wit:

COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, C. Hugh Dobany, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of June 30, 1982, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 15 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the Farmington Public School District, Oakland County, is as follows:

Local	Years Increases	Effective
Farmington Public School District	5.00	1973 to 1982 Incl.
	5.00	1974 to 1983 Incl.
	4.00	1975 to 1984 Incl.
	4.00	1976 to 1985 Incl.
	4.00	1977 to 1987 Incl.
Township of West Bloomfield	1.75	1979 to 1987 Incl.
	1.00	Unlimited
	3.50	1978 to 1982 Incl.
	2.50	1980 to 1984 Incl.
County School District of Oakland County	20	Unlimited
	50	Unlimited
Oakland Community College County of Oakland	1.00	Unlimited
	25	1982 to 1986 Incl.

Dated: June 30, 1982

C. HUGH DOBANY, Treasurer
Oakland County

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education of said school district

EMMA S. MAKINEN, Secretary
of the Board of Education

Dated: August 3, 1982

Publish: September 2 and 16, 1982

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Farmington Hills, Michigan will accept sealed bids or proposals until Thursday, September 30, 1982, 9:30 A.M. prevailing local time at which time they shall be publicly opened and read aloud by the City Clerk for the following:

Two (2) 5 Yard Dump Trucks
One (1) 4 x 4 General Utility Vehicle
One (1) 4 x 4 One-Ton Pickup Truck
One (1) Above Ground Hot

Bids for the above shall be submitted to the City Clerk, 31555 Eleven Mile Rd., Farmington Hills, Michigan, 48031 on or before the above date and time. Specifications and proposal forms may be obtained by contacting the Purchasing Agent, (313) 474-6115, Ext 295 during normal business hours.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if the public interest is better served thereby.

FLOYD A. CAIRNS
City Clerk

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CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
REGULAR MEETING
September 13, 1982

Mayor Burwell opened the regular meeting of the City Council of Farmington Hills on September 13, 1982, at 7:34 P.M. Members present were: Burwell, Dolan, Hughes, Lange, Sorensen, Williams and Wolf. Others present were: City Manager Savage, Assistant City Manager Costick, City Clerk Cairns and City Attorney Ribean.

The minutes of August 23, 1982, were approved as presented.

Public Hearing for water improvement for Richmond Hill was denied.

Bids for West Hill Woods (SAD-165), Gill Road (SAD-164) and Pleasant Valley (SAD-163) were awarded to the low bidder, National Bank of Detroit at a net interest rate of 9.4693.

Council approved a lease agreement with Mercy Conference Center for Senior Adult Activities Center.

Council approved supplemental budget appropriation for the purchase of a security system for the Farmington District Library, a budget increase of \$7,740.

Council approved traffic control order for a four-way stop at Chesapeake and Hunt Club Drive.

Council approved a grant application for Senior Center programmer at a cost of \$1295, balance from Federal Funds.

Council approved a Deferred Special Assessment Payment procedure in accordance with Section 9.11 of the City Code.

Ordinance No. C-5-82 for the licensing of coin-operated devices was introduced.

Council approved gasoline and diesel fuel purchase under cooperative purchasing agreement.

Council approved the purchase of one ammunition reloader for the Department of Police in the amount of \$7,702.20.

Council approved the leasing of mailing equipment from the Friden Corporation in the amount of \$7,560 for a three-year lease.

Council approved a purchase order to Golf Car Distributors of Pontiac, in the amount of \$6,180 for 1 Turf Tractor for Parks and Recreation Department.

Council awarded the contract for the Thirteenth Mile Road Sidewalk Installation (south side of 13 Mile Road, from Orchard Lake Road to Detroit Baptist Manor) to J. R. Davis Construction Company in the amount of \$11,955.

Council approved the contract for the Fourteen Mile Road Guard Rail installation to the low bidder, Zapple Fence Company, Inc., in the amount of \$4,560.

Council adopted resolution to extend unit price from 1982 paving program for the paving of 485 foot section of Drake Road, south of 12 Mile Road, contingent upon the receipt of contributions from abutting property owners.

Council introduced the Sidewalk Maintenance Ordinance C-11-82 (relating Section 10.155). An informational meeting will be scheduled at North Farmington High School for all property owners in Section 10 for the purpose of relating to the public a method that could be utilized for installing sidewalks around the perimeter of the square mile.

Council adjourned at 12:03 A.M.

JACK G. BURWELL, Mayor
FLOYD A. CAIRNS, City Clerk

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CITY OF FARMINGTON
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
(Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order at 8:03 p.m. on September 7, 1982, by Mayor Bennett in Council Chambers, 23690 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

PRESENT: Mayor Bennett, Councilmen Hartsock, Mitchell, Tupper.

ABSENT: Councilman Yoder.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager Deadman, Director Billing, Lt. Lauff, Attorney Kelly, City Clerk Bushey.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Minutes of other boards were received and/or filed.

Council denied the request of Ram's Horn management to amend the City Ordinance. Council approved the closing of Birchwood for the residents' September 12th Block Party.

Lucy's Oldies And Goodies request for extending the Farmers Market through September was approved by Council; also an outdoor show and sale on September 26, 1982.

Council designated the week of September 12-18, 1982 as "League of Women Voters Week."

Council adopted Resolutions 1 and 2 of the Special Assessment procedure relative to the necessity of constructing a Storm Drain system.

Council decided to postpone placing the Library Authority question on the ballot until November 1983. The transfer of funds was approved for the library system.

Council adopted the resolution of acceptance of the Facilities Plan titled "Evergreen-Farmington Pollution Control Facilities - Comprehensive Facilities Plan."

Council agreed to recognize the Command Officers Association as the sole bargaining agent for the Public Safety Command Officers.

The following bids were accepted by Council:

AMROCO Corporation, Sterling Heights, MI - \$64,704
for the repair of the 47th District Building Roof;

Schreiber Corporation, Detroit, MI - \$54,833
for the repair of the Department of Public Services Roof.

Council also allocated funds not to exceed \$18,000 from the Unappropriated Fund balance to the 47th District Court Account for necessary work at this facility; plus \$26,833 for the Department of Public Services roof.

Council authorized the waiving of the bid process to purchase a used O'Brien Power Roder at a cost of \$6,000.

Council instructed the City Manager to have the City Attorney continue his investigation into proposed increased benefits to retired employees.

Council accepted the resignation of Clarence Shewbridge from the Farmington Building Authority and appointed Earl Silling to fill the vacancy.

Council opposed H. B. 4929 relative to federal control of Public Services.

The following financial reports were received:

General Fund and 47th District Court - 12 months ended June 30, 1982.

Water & Sewer Fund - Quarter ended June 30, 1982.

Council instructed that a communication be sent to the House Subcommittee on Telecommunications relative to control of cable television.

The following ordinance was adopted:

ORDINANCE NO. C-495-82
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDERS
THE CITY OF FARMINGTON ORDAINS:

That the Traffic Control Order issued by the Chief of Police of the City of Farmington, dated February 4, 1979, is hereby amended as follows: Chapter 5, Section 5.3 and Chapter 6, Section 6.2, as provided for in Section 2.53 of the Uniform Traffic Code for Cities, Townships and Villages.

CHAPTER 5 "PROHIBITED PARKING" - Delete the following:

Section 5.5

SLOCUM STREET

(b) North side from drive on east side of U.S. Post Office to a point 30 feet west.

CHAPTER 6 "PROHIBITED STOPPING, - Amend the following
"STANDING OR PARKING"

(a) North side from the private drive at 33130 Slocum to a point 110 feet west.

This ordinance was introduced at a Regular Meeting of the Farmington City Council on August 16, 1982, was adopted and enacted at the next Regular Meeting on September 7, 1982, and will become effective ten days after publication.

AYES: Bennett, Hartsock, Mitchell, Tupper.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Yoder.

Council again tabled the adoption of Ordinance C-494-81, amending the Sign Ordinance.

Monthly bills were approved for payment.

Meeting adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

ALTON L. BENNETT, Mayor
JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk

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