County elected officials get raises

Increases range from 6 to 12%; Patterson to get \$71,000

The Oakland County Board of Commissioners has authorized 6 to 12 percent pay raises for four of the county 5 six elected officials. The raises:

Sherilf John Nichols — \$7,655 raise to \$60,085, a 12.7 percent increase.

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• Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson

Faxon will be guest speaker

State Sen. Jack Faxon. D-Farm-ington Hills, will discuss Michigan's business climate at 9 p.m. Monday in the Smith Theater of Oakland Com-munity College's Orchard Ridge Campus

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His appearance is part of the school's distinguished speaker series. A question and answer session will follow Faxon's talk. Admission if ree and open to the public.

The Orchard Ridge campus is in Farmington Hills on Orchard Lake Road at 1-696.

Faxon has been a legislator since 1964.

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County treasurer C. Hugh Dohaney — \$5,120 raise to \$57,553, a 8.9 percent increase.

County clerk and register of deeds Lynn Allen — \$3,569 raise to \$55,999, a 6.2 percent increase.

The base salary of drain commission George Kuhn remained at \$52,430 which had been the base salary of rox Nichols, Dohaney and Allen. County executive Dan Murphy's salary was not affected by the action. The county board of commissioners approved the pay raises at a May 8 meeting.

The variations in salary increases reflect differences in pay received by officials for serving on boards or commissions related to their elected posts, said Jim Brennan, the program evaluator for the board of commissioners and the person who formulated the pay-raise plan.

BRENNAN SAID the sheriff his-

He said that salaries were increased for Nichols, Dohaney, Kuhn and Allen to bring them into line with various department heads and deputy executives in the administration of county executive Danlel Murphy.

"That has always been a bone of contention. It was felt that their salaries (elected county officials) should be comparable to that of appointed officials with similar size staffs," he said.

BRENNAN SAID that pay received for board and commission duty related to their elective posts would bring the salary for Allen, Dohaney and Kuhn up to the Nichols' level of \$60,085.

According to flgures supplied by Brennan, Kuhn, for example has averaged over the last three years an annual income of \$7,209 for administering the South Oakland Sewago Disposal System, and per diem allowances for attending meetings of the department of parks and recreation.

Allen has received \$1,782 a year in

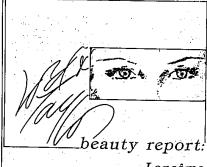
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Allen has received \$1,762 a year in per diem payments for attending meetings of the plat board, \$2,687 for the board of commissioners and \$257 for the election commission. Dohaney has received \$1,738 for plat board meetings, \$175 for the election commission.

board and \$245 for meetings of de-velopment commissions.

Nichols served on no outside boards and received no outside in-

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"In theory, now their annual pay-ments will be about the same," said Brennan.
Bronnan said the salary increases, totaling \$18,298 for the five officials, and corresponding frings-benefit in-creases totaling \$4,759 will come out of funds aiready available for such increases in the 1986 budget.





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