

police/fire calls

Listed below are some of the Farmington-area police incidents, fire calls and court cases reported during the past week:

• BB DAMAGE

Windows and windshields of at least 23 cars were damaged over the weekend and Monday in southwest Farmington Hills by BB pellets, according to Farmington Hills police reports.

The damaged cars were parked on Lytle, Flanders, Gill, Nine Mile, Parklane, Halsted, Green Hill, Fox-creek and Timberidge. None of the car owners who reported the damage witnessed their car windows shot. Damage to the cars ranged from \$100 to \$400, according to reports.

• GARAGE FIRE

A child playing with a cigarette lighter is believed to have started a fire in plastic garbage cans in a multi-vehicle attached garage on Hunter Drive March 26, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

Firefighters extinguished the fire, which was confined to the garbage cans. Damage was estimated at \$50. No one was injured.

• CAR FIRE

An estimated \$100 in damage resulted when a motorist's Ford Escort caught fire just after 9 a.m.

March 28 at a Union 76 station, 29775 Grand River, according to a Farmington Hills fire report.

Firefighters arrived they found the spark plug wires and air cleaner duct smoldering. An electrical wire that short-circuited is believed to have started the fire, according to the report.

• MAN NABBED

A 20-year-old River Rouge man was apprehended by Farmington Hills police as he broke into a Speedy Gas station, 33430 Eight Mile, on Tuesday, according to a Farmington Hills police report.

Police watched as the man tried to use a rock and then a crowbar to break into a glass door. He was in the station about three seconds and was stopped by police when he left with a cash register. The man was expected to be arraigned on charges late Tuesday.

• THEFTS REPORTED

Compact discs valued at \$1,500 were stolen Sunday from the Farmington Co-Op, 22724 Longacre.

A CD player and amplifier valued at \$1,500 were stolen from a car at Bob Sals Olds, 35300 Grand River, between Friday and Monday.

A computer, television, videocassette recorder and a printer, goods worth a total value of \$2,000, were stolen from a classroom at Chil-

dren's World, 29375 Halsted, last week.

Center covers from four wheels valued at \$200 were stolen from a 1981 Mercury on Heatherwood Court last week.

A radar detector, miniature TV and stereo knobs were stolen last week from a 1984 Toyota on Ravine Court in the Mulwood Apartments complex, at Grand River and Drake roads.

A 12-speed bicycle valued at \$1,399 was stolen from Town & Country Cycle, 31185 10 Mile, Friday or Saturday.

A bicycle valued at \$50 was stolen from a house on Meadowlark in Farmington last week.

Cutlery and a colobus were stolen Saturday from the Farmington Auto Wash, 23883 Orchard Lake, Farmington.

A facsimile machine valued at \$570 was stolen Friday from Office Max, 31219 14 Mile.

An air compressor, areator, welder and trailer were stolen Saturday or Sunday from Orkin Lawn Care, 24788 Crestview Court.

Wheel covers valued at \$300 were stolen Saturday or Sunday from a 1989 Cadillac at 12th Estates Condominiums, 30052 12 Mile.

• DAMAGE REPORTED

An estimated \$850 in damage was done to a shed door during an attempted break-in at Our Lady of Sorrows school, 123915 Power Road, March 28.

A window of a vehicle parked at Romano's Pizzeria, 30630 Grand River, Farmington, was shot out Saturday or Sunday, causing some \$200 in damage.

Council gets ethics report

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Vagnoni said when the report was presented that he would like to have public input and a public hearing on any rules.

Throughout the report, Lichtman refers to other communities and their codes of conduct, specifically Novi, in areas of concern that stemmed from last year's public and private verbal brawls.

For example, the Novi ethical standards prohibit a public officer, employee or consultant from divulging confidential information before a time prescribed for its release to the public. The Farmington Hills code speaks to the same issue but for it to be a violation, the disclosure must be for economic gain.

"Some may find this distinction between the relevant ethical provision of our city and that adopted by Novi to be instructive in light of the arguments that occurred at the council table in the last year concerning unauthorized dissemination from executive sessions," according to the report.

THE NOVI CITY CHARTER also states that any officer of the city may be removed from office if found guilty of any act declared by the charter to be misconduct in office. That's not the case in Farmington Hills.

"The issue is what the council can do to enforce what it perceives as misconduct by its members," Lichtman said. "One issue is what type of conduct would you want the council to pass on to remove from office and what

conduct should be left to the decision of the voters."

The Southfield city charter requires every elected officer to file campaign expense statements and reports. The Novi ethical standards also require council members, planning commissioners, zoning board of appeals members and consultants to disclose any property interests.

"The (Farmington Hills) committee determined that such a provision would have a chilling effect on the participation of certain qualified professional people who might otherwise be inclined to become involved in Farmington Hills city government," Lichtman wrote.

The report also refers to the city of Grand Ledge, which has a code of conduct that addresses public relations. The code prohibits council members from debating with a "member of the public or staff at council meetings, since these debates seldom resolve concerns and many times enflame feelings at a public meeting."

Throughout 1990, Farmington Hills council meetings often were loud and long as residents and council members argued with each other and amongst themselves. In his report, Lichtman included an example of a section from the Municipal Clerks City Council Rules of Procedure:

"Any person making personal, impertinent or slanderous remarks, or who shall become belligerent, while addressing the council may be requested to leave the meeting and may be... by the presiding officer, barred from further audience before the council."

on the agenda

To provide as much notice as possible to interested residents, the Farmington Hills City Council releases its preliminary agenda for the following week. Full agendas will be published in the Observer Monday edition for that night's meeting. All meetings are open to the public. Monday's

meeting will be cablecast live on Channel 18.

Farmington Hills City Council
City council chambers
31555 11 Mile
7:30 p.m. Monday, April 8

Some agenda highlights include council consideration of: a cost hear-

ing and consideration of bid award for Goldsmith Street road improvements, special assessment district for Salisbury and Ambeth road improvements, proposed rules of conduct for city council, establishing fees for liquor license reviews, responding to letters regarding Peltz/MDOT property, and the issue of private development of public projects.

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