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Assessed Value In City Climbs \$2 Million in '62

During 1862 the City of Farmington's total assessed valuation on both real and personal protty increased by almost \$2 million, City Mandger John Dian reported this week.

The bulk of this increase was the results dost ruction during the past year, the city manager said. A number of new stores were built as well as two or three industrial plants being put under construction which provide a valuable tax-base for any community.

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put under construction which provide a valuable tax-base for any community.

At the beginning of 1982 the city's total assessed valuation was \$30,65,600. The total assessed of \$22,600.250 which is an increase of \$13,74,200.

A BREAKDOWN shows that the bulk of the gain in valuation was in real estate valuations. The hike ran \$1,664,410. The remaining \$527,750 was additional assessment on personal property which includes plant and section of the city with the property of the section of the city with taxes.

Based on last year's fax rate, the will mean approximately \$22,000 more coming into the city, Since the state equalized value of the city has job type.

Since the state equalitied valuation of the city has ind yet been set it is impossible to determine just how much more tax revenue-this will bring in for the school district and the county. Both school and county taxes are levied on state equalities. If the city's equalization factor is set about the same as last year's, the state equalitied valuation will run about 10 percent higher than the assessed valuation.

Designate April as Cancer Control Month

A request from the National Cancer Society requesting the city to declare the month of April as canter control month along with other communities across the country was unani-mously approved by the Council at its regular meeting Monday night.

night.

Before the action was taken a check was made to determine whether this would conflict with whether this wound contact that earlier Council action giving the Michigan Cancer Society exclu-sive rights to conduct a door-to-door fund raising campaign in

Ask Council For Better **Buffer From New Plant**

arby neighbor, appeared at a City Council meeting Mon-y night to request that steps taken to provide a suitable

he taken to provide a suitable before between their propriety and the new Chesley Industries to the south.

All that separates their property from the industrially zone property at this time is a six to eight foot high fence, they residents said. They state that they were very much corned over the fact that it, was planned to blacktop a 15 foot agent on the industrial plant's side of the fence along

City, Twp. Now Have Absentee Ballots on Hand

Ballots on Hand

Absentee ballots for the April
1 Biennial Spring Election are
now available at the offices of
the control of the control of the control
the last day for obtaining
these absentee ballots will be
saturday, March 30. Both cjerks
will have their offices open on
this last day from 8 a.m. juntil
2 p.m. specifically for the purpose of issuing absentee ballots
to the control of the control
to vote in person on Mohday.
City Clerk Trena Quinn pointed out that voting by absentee
ballots is, a privilege and that
only those who absolutely cannot vote in person on election
ballots.
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ballots. There are four situations spell-ed out which qualify a person for absence voling, she explained. These are: 1. They expendined. These are: 1. They expendined. These are: 1. They expending to the absent from the community the entire time the polls are open on election day. 2. They are physically unable to get to the polls in person. 3. They cannot attend a polling place because of tenets of religion. 4. They have been appointed as an election inspector in a précinciother than the one they vote at. Mrs. Quian reported Monday

ouner than the one they vote at.
Mrs, Quian reported Monday
that not more than a dozen absentee ballots had been issued
by her to date. Township Clerk
Floyd Cairns' office reported
that 53 had been taken out as of
Monday afternoon.

with the balance of the plant's parking area.

Both residential homeowners stated that the plant looms high above the fence as they look out from their property. Since the plant is only 75 feet from the plant is only 85 feet from the plant. Another concern was with lights from the plant. Another concern was with lights from cars and with safety if cars were allowed to park right up to the fence.

THEY ASKED that the Council reject the present plant to blacktop the easement to provide a best of the owner sometime of the council growing trees in the easement to provide a best of the council growing trees to the easement to provide a best of the council from the plant is the industrial firm's property. Maintenance of the 15 foot easement could be taken care of by the residents on Meadowlark if the subdivision association was not willing to assume this obliga-

residents on Meadowark it the subdivision association was not willing to assume this obliga-tion, Lichtman said. He indicat-ed the residents might even be willing to stand some of the See BETTER BUFFER Column 3, Page 8A

Lowland Filling Concerns City

Some concern was expressed by city councilmen Monday night with filling being done in the lowland area on the south side of Grand River Avenue at Nine Mile near the Rouge River Branch running through this area.

Branch running through unis area. I Question wist raised its to what effect this filling might have in causing more serious frooding conditions further unstream in the cleaning exceptionally. The properties of the control of the co

by in the township."

It was pointed out that the township presently has no ordinance to control filling of this kind. If the city did feel it was causing adverse effects the only course of action would be to seek a court injunction to get the filling stopped, Manager Dinan said.

On Re-Zoning For Apts. Set-

For Apts. Set—
The City Council has set Monday, April 4, at 7:30 p.m. as
the time for a public hearing on
the requested re-roning of a
parcel of land on the west side
of Power Road just, north of
grand River to permit the casmore apartment units. This approximately four acre
parcel adjacent to city park is
more adjacent to city park is
presently zoned single family
residential. Thomas Duke, the
owner and the developer of River Glied Apartments nearby,
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the council that it reject the
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planners were unanimous in
their rejection of this change,
Councilman Sandy Brotherton
questioned whether a second
public hearing before the Council
would be necessary. If was
See APT. IEARING
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Cancel Monday Twp. Meeting

The regularly scheduled Mon-day, March 25, meeting of the Farmington Township Board has been canceled, it was announc-ed Tuesday.

Some work by the township accountant has yet to be com-pleted to close out the books for the past year and this must be done before a proposed budget for the coming year can be final said.

said.

He stated that a special session would be scheduled the last part of the week to take care of business matters on Monday's regular agenda as well as considering the proposed budget. It will be on either Thursday, Friday or Saturday, depending on when most of the Board members can get together, the supervisor said.

Second Hearing On Re-Zoning Council Supports Delos Hamlin In Actions On County Airport Matter

A canceided effort made by Councilman Henry Forrest Monday night vol discredit Delos Hamilin forshis actions on the County Board of Supervisors in connection with the proposed development/of a county airport went for naight.

At Forrest's request Hamilin was invited to the meeting to bring cquincilmen up to date on what the county's thinking was on development of a county airport at the Allen Airport site which had, been purchased by the county about a county about the county are not seen to the county airport at the Allen Airport site which had, been purchased by the county about a carlier. Ham

For an hour and a half the county's expenditure. of over \$350,000 for the purchase of the proposed county airport was argued pro and con with tempers flaring on several occasions.

The climax came when a motion was offered by Councilman Hugo Peterson to give Hamil a vote of confidence' on his accased.

port.
In his attack on Hamlin and the county board, Forrest quoted from several letters, includ-

imuteue inat there was a meeting with Federal Aviation Authority officials in Kansas. It was really no secret meeting, he stated, and pointed out that the reason the Pontiac mayor was not present was because of the aviation. The state that this meeting was held after he was off the aviation. The state of the airport property despite indications from FAA that they would not give Federal assistance for a large airport development at the Allen Airport site.

THE DECISION to buy property to develop a county airport was made based on the account of the state of the airport was made based on the county of the state of the state

New Contractor For City Hall Plumbing OK'd

had developed in connection with the avarding of contracts for construction of the aew city micipal boilding reported by Manager John Dinan to the Council Monday night were re-solved immediately in the man-ner recommended by the city manager. 4 No delays in getting the build-ing under construction as sched-uled will result.

manager. 4.

No delays in getting the building under construction as scheduling under construction as scheduling the service of the service o

to the city will run only \$105. The contractor for heating work, Rex Heating Company, was also 'experiencing difficulty in getting a performance bond but the general contractor agreed to take responsibility under his contract so no change in the firm to do the work is needed. All that was required on this complication was Council approval of the change and it was granted without question.

New Industrialists To Be Feted in April

The Fermington Exchange Club has announced plans this week to play host to all of Farmington's new industrialists at one of their regular Wednesday noon luncheons in April.

The Village of Wood Creek Farms Council has set the date for the Annual Clean-Up Cam-paign this year for the week of April 27 to May 4.

Major Thoroughfare Changes Recommended

A long range street and high-way plan which was developed by Geer Associates, planning consultants, as part of a master plan for city red-evelopment suctured over to the City Planning commission and other city offi-cials recently. consideration of come major changes in the tho-oughtare system in the city some of which might be able to be accomplished in the very neer future.

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ONE CHANGE recommended near future. Commended on which negotiations with the only the commended on which negotiations with the management of the commended of the com

Twp. Zone Bd. Hears More on Army Center

Army Center

Army Reserve officials appeared before the Township

Zoning Board to discuss the posmany possible to the Township

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Liwas indicated to the Zoning

Board that five possible locations, had been looked at.

Millitary officials representing

to a hombited drawings

giving an artist's conception

how the property would be developed. The hope is to develop

this site as a training division coulder.

this site as a training division center.
No objection to this proposed development was expressed by Zoning Board members but it was pointed out during discussion that a lot would depend on the exact location of the site to be considered.

The military officials, agreed to meet with the Zoning Board again after a definite site location has been determined.

straight across into the Farmington Phata Shopping Center.
Still another proposal is that Colfax Street be made a neighborhood collector street, at the 85- Mile Road line and be continued eastward from Farming-ton Road all the way to Orchard Lake Rd. in the Township.
Of the long range street improvement plans gnowled the second proposed of the continue Farmington Road from the point where it presently comes out onto Shiawassoc Road from the north. The planning consultants suggest that the road the extended southward across the park, up the step rise and then on the continue of the step of the step of the step of the property. They have this road continuing on across Grand River and then owninging sharply westyward to connect up with what is now Ordens Center.

chard Street south of the Down-town Center.

THE PLANNERS also indi-cated that it would be desirable to take the sharp point off at the intersection of Shiawassee, and Farmington Road by cutting the road across the broperty at the southeast corner of this in

the southeast corner of this in-tersection point.

The suggestion is also made that efforts be made to provide substantially more off-street parking in the northern portion of the downtown commercial dis-trict.

Shopping Center Re-Zoning OK'd

ing Board at its last regular meeting.
The property which had been coned light industrial and residential. 3 was re-zoned to 83 (separed business), respectively. The control of the contr

Delay Action on Cemetery Fence

on Gill Road at Cortland Avenue.

Two weeks earlier it had been called to the attention of the Council by the Farmington Historical Society that considerable damage was being done in the council with the council council instructed the city manager to obtain prices on fencing that would be required and robot bear to obtain prices on fencing that would be required and report back to them.

In his report to the Council instructed the city manager hondry night be indicated that about 156 feet of Jenning would be needed. It used wrought notes about \$500 and the cost for the same amount of new ornamental galvanized fencing would run approximately \$500, it was estimated.

The manager's recommenda-

led and discussed when bug appropriations for parks a cemeteries are taken up duri discussion on a proposed "id-64 budget to be submitted the Council early next month, decision on the type of fenci to buy could be made at th time, he suggested...

THIS IS AN ARCHITECT'S conception of what the new Bots ford General Hospital will look like when totally devel

To Be Located in Township

Hospital Groundbreaking June 15

located at 4234 Livernous, De-troit.

FUTURE PLANS call for con-struction bf a matching tower housing 250 beds.

7. The second tower, Van Wag-oner said, will fulful the long-radge goal of providing a com-plete "progressive patient care" medical [feldity, enabling pa-tients in all stages of need to be accommodated according to their varying requirements.

For example, he said, an am-

For example, he said, an am-bulatory patient could be cared for in a lower-cost area since

and Colvell

goutheastern corner of
Farmington Township, was
brought about by two prime
factors:

A 1990 survey by, the Greater
Detroit Area Hospital Council
indicating a need for approximlately 1,000 hospital beds in this
burgeoning area. burgeoning area;
The pressing need of Zieger
Hospital staff physicians, as
well as other physicians who

have established practices in the area, for hospital facilities in the vicinity of their offices.

ALONG WITH Farming and ALONG WITH Farming and northwest Detroit, Bolsford Grant Farming and Liveria, Novi, Walled Lake, Wixom, Redford Township, Southfield, Brighton, Novih-ville, South Lyon, Millord, New Hudson, Quaker Town, Franklin and Wood Creek Farms.

Van Wagonor said the cost of construction, including the property, architect's fee, landscaping and parking facilities, will be approximately \$34,043. Equipment will cost approximately \$340,000, for a total of \$3,019,130.

See NEW HOSPITAL

Clean-Up Campaign