

Water, Sewer Projects in Twp Still Halted

Work on the laying of water lines for the seven special assessment water districts in Farmington Township and also on the laying of the Tetrabust Sewer Arm to the township's industrial park is still at a complete standstill.

The construction projects were all moving along on schedule until June 15 when members of the underground construction workers union went out on strike halting all installation operations.

HEAVY WORK will be 25 to 29 more days of water to be completed on the water transmission and distribution lines when the work stoppage ends.

Supervisor Hall not only expects sympathy for those who have waited so long for an adequate supply of water but also concern as to what effects delay of installation of the sewer lines in the so-called "dry areas" of the township had tentatively been set for July 1.

HE POINTED out that the Diamond National Corp., first big industrial firm to be signed up to construct a good sized industrial plant in the industrial area.

Cville Budget Hearing July 23

A public hearing on the proposed operating budget for the Clarenceville School District for the 1964-65 fiscal year will be held Thursday, July 23, at 8 p.m. at the Clarenceville School of Education.

State law now requires that a public hearing on every school district's budget be held and action was taken at the last regular meeting of the board on July 9.

Copies of the proposed budget are available at the board of education office for anyone wishing to pick up a copy for review prior to the official public hearing.



CHIEF MAURICE FOLTZ of the Farmington City Public Safety Department is pictured above inspecting the new first aid kits being used in city police cars.

the side door panels and front fenders. The red cross decal is displayed on the rear bumper of each police car and represents the latest training completed by all police personnel which includes courses in both standard and advanced first aid.

Public Safety Dept. Doubles Pace of 1963

The Farmington City Department of Public Safety this week released its report for the first six months of 1964 on department activity, showing considerable increases that took place in traffic accident and law enforcement cases over the same period in 1963.

A TOTAL of 33 accidents occurring in the City during the first six months of 1964 involved violations of the traffic laws. In one of the most prolific categories, parking lot accidents skyrocketed to a record 55 over just three reported for the same period last year.

Director of the Public Safety Dept., Maurice Foltz, also took alarm at the increase which occurred in the number of drunk driving arrests so far this year, through June 30, over the number recorded in the first half of 1963.

Arrests on felonies in the City jumped from 10 reported last year to 29 for the same six-month period this year.

meaner arrests also increased considerably, from 14 in the first half of 1963 to a total of 32 reported for the same period this year. Warrant arrests also jumped from just three in the first half last year to 16 in the first six months this year.

CITY COUNCIL action earlier this year calling for stricter enforcement of parking violations showed up in Chief Foltz's report. More than double the amount of parking tickets issued in last year's first half were given motorists during the first six months this year, 37 and 89, respectively.

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Jaycees Plan Family Outing

The Farmington Jaycees have plans under way for a community-wide family outing to be held August 15 at City Park.

John Rowe, co-chairman of the project, stated that this is the first time the Jaycees have had a major event of this type during the summer months. It is hoped this project will receive enthusiastic support from the community and become an annual event.

CO-CHAIRMAN Dr. John Richardson indicated this would be a family outing with entertainment provided by a doubleheader Little League All-Star Game and the Farmington Summer Orchestra.

Committee chairmen assisting John Rowe and Dr. Richardson are Boyd Baker (parking), Jim Alstrom (tickets), Norm Kennedy (seating), Earl Whaley (entertainment), Larry Nameche (publicity), Ed Blumberg (cooking), Bob Witt (refreshments), Cliff Lathrop (cleanup) and Dick Tupper (equipment).

Tickets are currently on sale and can be purchased from any Jaycee or Little League baseball player. For ticket information phone Jim Alstrom (GR. 6-5356).

Clarenceville High To Have Swim Pool

The Board of Education of the Clarenceville School District recently discussed final plans for an addition to the Senior High School. The major portion of the plan involves the addition of a swimming pool.

\$6,331.59 Rebate For School District

At a regular meeting Monday night, the Farmington School Board took the necessary legal steps to file claim to the water line money had been installed along Middlebelt Road from Lincinshire Estates subdivision to East Junior High School.

City Tax Bill Payments Are Reported Slow

Payments of city tax bills so far this month have been slow in coming in according to City Treasurer, Kathryn Cotter.

As of Monday, only about \$42,000 had been collected in city taxes against a total billing on both real and personal property of \$275,215.47, Mrs. Cotter said.

The deadline for paying City of Farmington taxes without penalty is August 31. Beginning September 1, a four per cent penalty will be added to all bills.

Property owners may continue to pay their taxes at the City Hall through the remainder of 1964, and during January and February of 1965. Beginning March 1, however, it will be necessary for those who have not paid their taxes to go directly to the Oakland County treasurer's office to make payments on the delinquent taxes.

In addition to the four per cent penalty added to the tax bills by the City of Farmington, another four per cent penalty will be added by the Oakland County Treasurer, plus a charge of one-half of one per cent for each month that payment is in arrears.

Taxes may be paid at the City Hall anytime during regular office hours from Monday through Friday.

Delay on Paving 11 Mile Lively

The blacktopping of 11 Mile Road in Farmington Township from Orchard Lake Road to Tankler Road to the east had been scheduled to get under way last week but the operations were given this week by Township Supervisor Curt Hall that work may not be started until the late spring or early summer of 1965.

He stated that he had been notified by the Oakland County Road Commission that, due to a delay in getting funds to finance the project, it might now be possible to do any portion of the road improvement work planned until next year.

The original plan was to complete the necessary drainage drainage improvement work as well as preparing a suitable base for hard surfacing this year and to proceed with the actual blacktopping work early next summer.

It now appears that the ditching and preparing of the road base may not be undertaken until the spring of 1965. The blacktopping to follow during the latter part of the summer months that same year.

Sewer Hearings Set by Twp. Bd.

The Farmington Township Board took action at its regular meeting Monday night, July 13, setting the dates for public hearings on proposed sanitary sewer improvements for a total of six subdivisions in the township.

The first public hearing on the necessity for sanitary sewers in Golf Lake Hills, Coventry and Fairgreen Hills subdivisions has been set by the Board for Tuesday night, August 18, at 8 p.m. in the Township Hall, 11 Mile Road west of Orchard Lake Road.

The first public hearing on necessary sewers in Meadowbrook Hills Subdivision 1 and Meadowbrook Subdivision 2 will be held August 18 at 9 p.m. Estimates on this project are \$203,700 to be assessed against 280 lots in the proposed district.

Christmas in July

Regardless of the temperature and the calendar, the Farmington Board of Commerce reports that they are already making Christmas plans. The department committee is already at work to provide more street decorations for the Holiday season.

Last year the committee established a progressive program that will, each successive season, give the community more and more decorations. This year the committee projects instituted by the Board of Commerce.

Contests in Twp. Primary Likely; Petitions Circulating

Now that all the political smoke on the re-districting mess has cleared and a September 1 Primary Election date has been firmly set, candidates are hustling about to get petitions signed and filed prior to the Tuesday, July 21, deadline.

While candidates for township offices were not involved in the political party re-districting ruckus directly, they were kept up in the air on getting petitions filed for the forthcoming Primary Election because

of it until only recently. Despite this fact, however, indications were given this week that there will be a full slate of candidates for the Republican and Democratic parties for the general election coming up the latter part of the year.

It is felt likely that there will be no contests on the Democratic ticket for the September 1 Primary, local political insiders in Farmington Township have stated. They are expecting at least a couple of con-

tests for the offices to be filled on the Republican ticket and perhaps even more.

THE THREE key administrative offices in Farmington Township—those of the supervisor, clerk and treasurer—are all up for grabs in the general election. The terms of offices of two trustees on the Township Board also expire this year.

Supervisor Curt Hall, Clerk Floyd Cairns and Treasurer Ed Avery have all indicated that they will seek reelection and have petitions in circulation. It is also reported that they are in the process of circulating petitions for their own offices.

In addition to the major Farmington Township offices to be filled this year there will also be positions for four constables to be voted on. Unofficial word is that Allen C. Ingle, incumbent justice of the peace, will not be seeking reelection to this position but will be running for a county-wide judicial seat in See TWP. PRIMARY Page 8A, Col. 5



REP. RAYMOND L. BAKER is pictured above holding up a map of Oakland County showing the boundaries of his new district, the 64th State House of Representative District, which includes all of Farmington City and Farmington Township, Farmington Township and as far east as Lasher Road in Southfield. Rep. Baker, a Republican, makes his home in Farmington.

City & Twp. Now in 64th State House District

The legislative apportionment plan approved recently by the Michigan Supreme Court, which is expected to be in force for the September 1 Primary Election and the General Election November 3, places the City of Farmington and Farmington Township into a new voting district, the 64th State House District.

Also included in the new 64th State House District are all of Farmington Township, Lathrup Village and Keego Harbor, and the City of Southfield except that portion which is south of 12 Mile Road and east of Lasher Road. The population for the new district, according to 1960 census figures, is 70,746.

FARMINGTON City and township account for nearly half of the new district's population (33,373), according to 1960 census figures. Farmington Township's population of 28,692 compares with West Bloomfield Township's 24,991. The City of Southfield represents the largest population with 31,501 but only about half of the city is included in the new 64th District. The cities of Keego Harbor, with 2,767, and Lathrup Village, with 3,559, compare to the City of Farmington's 6,881.

Farmington City and Township were formerly included in the Fourth District, which took in a considerably larger portion of Oakland County, stretching all the way from Woodward Avenue to the east.

South Lyon in the west. The new 64th District has been drawn in to extend only as far west as Haggerty Road in Farmington Township and as far east as Lasher Road in Southfield, except that portion which takes in Lathrup Village, bounded by Greenfield Road to the east. The boundary to the south is Eight Mile Road and to the north along a line parallel to Eight Mile Road between Greenfield and Lasher roads in the northern boundary of Keego Harbor for the upper portion.

Raymond L. Baker of Farmington is the Representative from the Fourth District who will now be seeking reelection to the new 64th District. A pharmacist for many a year prior to last December, Baker is in the City of Berkeley, a Republican and a native of Oakland County.

The other voting districts which include the City and See STATE HOUSE Page 8A, Col. 3

Plan Outdoor Band Concert at NFHS Tonite

The Farmington Community Summer Evening Serenade Band, sponsored by the board of education, will present the second in a series of three Summer Evening Serenade Concerts at 7:30 p.m. this evening (Thursday, July 16) on the lawn in front of the Farmington High School on 13 Mile Road.

A special feature of this concert will be the appearance of Mrs. Barbara Mapley as flute soloist with the band. Mrs. Mapley has been a regular member of this band for several years as well as being a member of the Franklin Village Band and the Redford City Symphony Orchestra. For her part in the concert, Mrs. Mapley will perform a "light" selection in a very modern style, entitled "Happy-Go-Lucky," written by William Courty.

THE PROGRAM for this concert is as follows: "Star Spangled Banner"; "Music for a Summer Night"; "Osser"; "March Gloria"; "Das Penant Overture"; "F. Von Suppe"; "Happy-Go-Lucky"; "Gigue solo" by William Courty; "French Festival"; by G. Osse; "Greensleeves"; "Smile, Darn Ya, Smile"; "Phantom See BAND CONCERT Page 8A, Col. 5

Twp. Appeals Tax Allocation To State Comm.

Farmington Township officials have made an official appeal to the Michigan State Tax Commission on the actions taken by the Oakland County Tax Allocation Board in the allocation of allowable tax rates without voter approval to the various governmental bodies—township, the county and school districts.

The contention of township officials is that an injustice has been done in that the township is being made to bear the burden of the various millage allowed different governmental bodies.

Township Attorney Terry Brennan stated in his letter of appeal to the state tax commission as follows: "This appeal is based upon material mistake of fact, fraud or error in law that the Oakland County Tax Allocation Board has made two separate allocations to the Farmington Township School District for the year ending December 31, 1963. The Township School District is located in West Bloomfield Township and property located in Farmington Township, which allocation prevents the Township of Farmington from receiving its proper allocation."

THE FARMINGTON Township School District extends into a small portion of West Bloomfield Township to the northeast of Farmington Township. The county allocation board has allowed West Bloomfield to pay. See TWP. APPEALS Page 8A, Col. 3

Best Year Ever Seen by FARC

Record Turnout For Recreation Here

The Farmington Area Recreation Commission (FARC) set a record in its summer program last week as 120 youngsters boarded buses from the school playgrounds in South Farmington for a field trip to the Detroit Zoo. This brought the total of youngsters from the township who participated in the two Zoo field trips to a total of 700.

FARC summer recreation director Chuck Shandor gave an idea of the record participation by youngsters this year at programs offered at the ten school playgrounds in the township. He reported that on Wednesday, July 1, 218 youngsters were engaged in supervised activities at four playgrounds. Another 129 youngsters were swimming from four other playgrounds and 61 youngsters from Westbrook and the school playgrounds took the

Zoo trip, making the total participation at the ten playgrounds 459 youngsters for the day. Shandor stressed that this was a typical day from this year's program.

THE RECORD SET to date for the most participation on a single day, Shandor reported, was June 22 when 419 youngsters from North Farmington took the Zoo trip, 307 were at school playgrounds and another 112 youngsters were swimming. Total participation at the ten playgrounds, combining both morning and afternoon participants, for the June 29-July 3 week was 1,307 or 254 per day. Last year's total for the Saturday week was 520 or an average of 130 per day.

A FIELD DAY for all ten playgrounds Friday, July 17, is expected to draw a record number of youngsters from the ten playgrounds for activities planned in the Farmington City Park.

The youngsters will be picked up from their playgrounds at 9:30 a.m. with activities scheduled to begin in the City Park at 10 a.m. and last until 3 p.m. In the morning, the field day activities will include races, for which prizes will be awarded, with horseshoes, chess and checkers available for youngsters on the sidelines. The main activities planned for the afternoon include a round-robin softball tournament between the ten participating playgrounds to decide the championship. The following merchants are donating prizes for the field day activities: A Budget Center, A & P, Barbas Drugs, Be-Aire Drugs, Bradley Drugs, Book Corner, Buddie's Sport Shop, Dalry Maid, Farmington Dairy, Hinkley's, Hobby Shop, Kmit Shop, Kresge, Krogers and Scott's.

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