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Have Plan on Area City Seeks to Add

The City Planners at a meeting Monday night completed details on a proposed master plan for the 560 acre area being considered for annexation from Farmington Township into the City of Farmington.



NEW POLICE RADAR equipment went into use last week by the Farmington City Department of Public Safety.

wasse Avenue in Twin Valley Subdivision. The equipment has an effective range of up to 2,000 feet.

Unique Apt Development Proposed in Flood Plain

Discussed at some length at a work meeting session of the Farmington City Planning Commission Monday night was a rather unique plan for utilization of 6.4 acres of the Rouge River lowland area on the north side of Grand River Avenue.

underneath them providing parking area for the apartment tenants. A small amount of additional offstreet parking area would also be provided, according to the plans.

velopment, re-zoning would be required and the planners took official action Monday night setting the date for the public hearing on the re-zoning for Monday, Sept. 13 at 7:30 p.m.

School Dist. Adult Guards Get Pay Raise

Pay increases for adult crossing guards in the school district were unanimously approved by the Farmington Board of Education at a regular meeting on August 23.

Report Given On Co-Op Program

The Farmington Board of Education, at a regular meeting on August 23, heard a report on the progress and scope of the cooperative education program which is in operation in the school district.

trainees. This included 29 girls and 11 boys. There were 11 trainees from North Farmington High and 29 from Farmington High.

THE PROPERTY at the northeast corner of Northwest Avenue and Middlebelt Road, where a Wrigley Supermarket and other businesses are proposed, will be under discussion again.

Historical Marker Unveiling Sept. 11

The Farmington Historical Society announced this week plans for the unveiling of the historical marker designating Farmington officially as the first Quaker settlement in Michigan.

The unveiling of the historical marker will take place on Saturday afternoon, September 11, at 2 p.m. on the park grounds on the north side of the Farmington Municipal Building.

Word has been received by Farmington Township officials that Farmington Township will be featured in a portion of a special documentary program on urban growth in the Detroit Metropolitan area to be put on by NBC television on Sunday evening, October 3.

Requests will be made for zoning to permit construction of three apartment developments: along Grand River Avenue east of Halsted Road, in the vicinity of Drake Road and Grand River Avenue, and on property south of 12 Mile Road and east of Orchard Lake Road.

Keep Clippings Out of Ditches

Supervisor Curt Hall pointed out this week that the township is having a serious problem with homeowners dumping their lawn and shrubbery clippings in ditches along roadways in the township.

IMPORTANT DIGNITARIES from the Michigan State Historical Commission and the State Historical Society as well as representatives from historical societies in the surrounding area are expected to be present for the ceremonies.

Vote to Carpet Third Library The Farmington Board of Education, at a regular meeting on August 23, voted four to one for installation of carpeting costing \$125,754 in the Board Elementary School library.

Tentative plans to rebuild the service drive between Shiawassee and Ten Mile Roads, and between Farmington and Our Lady of Sorrows school properties, were made by the Farmington Board of Education at a meeting on August 23.

Several Water, Sewer Hearings Set by Twp.

The dates for public hearings on proposed special assessment water and sewer improvement projects for several subdivisions and adjacent acreage were set by the Farmington Township Board at its regular meeting Monday night.

Sept. 14, 8 p.m. — Slaman Acres and Cresview Subdivisions
Sept. 20, 7:30 p.m. — Farmington Hills
Sept. 20, 8:30 p.m. — Glen Orchard
Sept. 21, 7:30 p.m. — Pasadena Park
Sept. 21, 8:30 p.m. — Forest Hills, Springland and LaMuera.

The cost estimate hearing for the sewer improvement project for Richland Gardens, Grand River Homes and contiguous acreage was set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 29. It was pointed out, however, that it might be necessary to delay the hearing on this project a little longer if Clerk Floyd Cairns and Supervisor Curt Hall find it impossible to complete the monumental job of reviewing all the parcels of property involved in this proposed improvement for the purpose of setting individual cost estimate figures.

The transmission line that would carry water facilities to the campus site is the same line that would service the various subdivisions for which necessity hearings have now been scheduled.

Delay Action On Fencing of Portable Pools

The City Planning Commission decided at its meeting Monday night to delay any action on requiring fencing around larger portable swimming pools until a more thorough study can be completed.

MRS. DON NICHOLS, Farmington artist, has prepared a scroll of all the contributors to the Historical Marker Fund.

Meanwhile, the Board of Education is going ahead in the preparation of specifications and the taking of bids.

Debate Flares on Change In Twp. Electrical Code

A proposed change in Farmington Township's present electrical code resulted in lengthy and heated controversy occupying most of the time at the regular meeting of the Farmington Township Board Monday night.

cause they feel it too stringent in some cases. The provision in contention was an amendment to the standard code that was adopted by the Township Board back in early 1960 requiring thin wall or flexible metal conduit encasing all electrical wiring in commercial and industrial buildings regardless of where the wiring was used or the construction material it ran through.

SOME OBJECTIONS to this regulation in all cases where remodeling or new construction is being done was voiced to township officials recently. At the township board meeting two weeks ago Trustee Thomas Duke and Attorney Terry Brennan were appointed to study this provision and make recommendations.

Determined to prove his point that the regulation should not only appear at the meeting himself to argue his point but also brought with him five electrical contractors representing four different firms doing electrical work in this area. The reason for the lengthiness of the discussion was because of the fact that all of these contractors in addition to Crooks were allowed to be heard.

Twp. Planners To Meet Thurs.

Two public hearings and several preliminary reviews of zoning requests are scheduled to be heard by the Township Planning Commission at their regular monthly meeting tomorrow, Thursday, at 8 p.m. in the Township Hall.

\$7 Million Bond Sale For Campus OK'ed

The board of trustees of Oakland County Community College in action last week authorized the sale of \$7 million worth of bonds for construction work on its Orchard Ridge campus at the 1686 Expressway and Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Township.

Approval of the sale of this amount in bonds must first be obtained from the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission before they can actually be put on the market for sale.

THE ELECTRICAL contractors who Crooks brought to the meeting to back him up were Leslie Johnson of Johnson-Durand Electric, Robert Green of Redford Electric, Rick Richard and Dave Josephson and Jack Akery of Breaker Electric Co.

Twp. to be On Television

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THE ORCHARD RIDGE college branch is scheduled to be open for class a year from this fall in 1966. The new Oakland County Community College, with administrative offices at 7350

Cooley Lake Road at Union Lake, will start classes at its two, other campuses this coming month. One of these campuses is at Union Lake and the other near Pontiac.

One of the main arguments given by Crooks and the electrical contractors was that requiring conduit in all cases was desirable since it assured safety regardless of what changes in usage of commercial and industrial buildings might be made in future years. Each of them stated that more and more communities were adding this regulation to their electrical code.



PORTABLE SWIMMING POOLS are currently under study by the Farmington City Planning Commission which has received a mandate from the City Council to explore and study the need for controlling laws or regulations.

6, Cathy Seibert, 6, Curtis Esch, 8, and Kris Esch, 7, can enjoy a refreshing dip, Seibert, who covers his pool and removes the ladder even when away from home for short periods of time, feels an ordinance to require the fencing of portable pools would still leave a potential hazard which can only be reduced by proper supervision and responsible action on the part of the pool owners.

The National Electrical Code, they stated, sets only minimum requirements and additional regulations which provide for greater public safety.