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**FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION**

**PUBLIC HEARING**  
THURSDAY, MARCH 23, 1967  
8 p.m.  
At Farmington Township Hall  
31555 W. Eleven Mile Road

Persons who may be interested are invited to participate in discussion of the proposed change.

"An Ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 29 of the Township of Farmington entitled:

An Ordinance enacted under Act 184, Public Acts of 1943, as amended, governing the unincorporated portions of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, to regulate and control the location and use of buildings, structures and land for trade, industry, residence and for public and semi-public or other specified uses; and to regulate and limit the height and bulk of buildings and other structures; to regulate and to determine the size of yards, courts and open spaces; to regulate and limit the density of population; and for said purposes to divide the Township into districts and establish boundaries thereof; providing for changes in the regulations, restrictions and boundaries of such districts; defining certain terms used herein; providing for enforcement; establishing a Board of Appeals; and imposing penalties for the violation of this Ordinance."

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY the Township Board of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan:

SECTION ONE:

That Section 602 of said Ordinance No. 19 of the Township of Farmington, as amended, are hereby amended in the following particulars:

SECTION 603 — Required Conditions:

1. All principal uses permitted and all uses permissible on special approval in this Article VI shall be permitted only after the review of the site plan by the Township Board. Subsequent development of the site shall comply with the approved site plan. Such review of the site plan is required in order to minimize the possibility of adverse effects upon adjacent property; and furthermore to develop proper relationships between development features as they relate to traffic safety or service roads, driveways and parking areas, and also to generally relate principal buildings, accessory buildings and uses to the open spaces to one another, and to the traffic pattern effective within and surrounding such development.

2. All multiple family developments shall be provided with improvements for streets and utilities as provided in the Farmington Township Subdivision Regulations Ordinance. In those instances where the multiple family development is not planned as a subdivision and where reference is made to a subdivision, such reference shall apply to multiple family developments.

SECTION TWO:

All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION THREE:

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect upon publication of the Ordinance in the Farmington Observer, Farmington, Michigan.

SECTION FOUR:

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Township of Farmington, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, at a meeting thereof duly called and held on the day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1967, and is hereby ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Area blue prints and zoning text may be observed at the Farmington Township Hall, on any business day between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

CHARLES O. LORION,  
Chairman,  
Planning Commission,  
Farmington Township

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## New Superintendent Looks To Future

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morally responsible citizens are to be developed.

In an area that is growing as rapidly as Farmington, the new chief administrator will face varied problems. Among these he foresees the building program and finances as two of the largest.

"The building program will demand constant revision," Smith says, but looks to this challenge with confidence because he believes that Farmington has kept pace with the population.

"Farmington enjoys a good reputation as a fine community and school district—one that has made significant strides in school size. Growing pains may be bothersome but the end result should be good."

No newcomer to the field of school finance, Smith as superintendent in Dearborn Township eliminated a large operating deficit, expanded curriculum, up-dated text books and enlarged the Special Education Program in a low valuation Wayne County district. The district passed two operating millages under his leadership and maintained salary and wage schedules at a competitive level.

Although to an onlooker it may seem that administrative responsibilities take up a vast majority of a superintendent's time, Smith says he is deeply concerned with curriculum development.

With his roots in the classroom (his first taught at all levels) he is expected to keep a close eye on revising and updating curriculum. He lists it as one of his first interests with finances and a construction

running a close second.

With an eye toward the future, he has kept abreast with some of the most prominent and knotty problems in the field of school administration today. Examples of these are the upgraded system of elementary education, teaching salaries, organization among teachers and the relatively new school administrators also having to be experts in community relations.

On the ungraded system, "Smith believes that provisions should be made so students can progress at the proper level. This, he says, can be done by enrichment programs."

"The ungraded system with some adjustments can be effective, but it can not be applied to all areas." One such area is reading—a subject on which so much depends.

"A child can read important factors if they are prepared in the right way. We need Dick, Mary and Jane," Smith explained.

As for teachers' salaries, he regards teaching as a profession not a production assignment.

"Every improvement a community can afford should be made," he believes. Although, he admits that he will have a year to look into the subject in Farmington because this spring's negotiations will be completed by the time he assumes his duties.

Smith says he has enjoyed his previous role in negotiations and is looking forward to the job in Farmington.

"When a community treats teachers fairly, the demands can be reason-

able," he said. Smith does admit the "growing militancy and stretching for strength among teachers, but he feels that there will be a leveling off."

As well as conducting the affairs of the school district, he sees himself in a role as a coordinator between the community and professional staff. This job includes keeping the community as well as the Board of Education informed.

"Each area or subdivision is a community of its own—a non-cohesive group," Smith explained. He says it is part of his job to work to bring them together and that the schools must help to make Farmington a homogeneous

community.

When he assumes his post July 1, he will begin a three year contract at an annual salary of \$22,000. By the end of the contract his salary will be \$24,000.

Smith has held his present position for the past six years. Previously he was president of Spring Arbor College, Spring Arbor, Mich. for four years, where he sparked an expansion program. He also spent two years as administrative assistant in Chatham New Jersey Public Schools after an initial four years as superintendent of the Wolcott District in Genesee County.

He and his family plan to move to the Farmington area.

## Incorporation Votes

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corners of the Township and to the village) the opportunity to send observers to charter commission meetings with the hope that a charter might result which would be acceptable to all and thus leave open the door to eventual merger of all residential-rural areas of the township.

Omitted from the proposal was the southeast corner of the Township which was the most populous and in terms of income, among the lowest in the Township and the dry area south of the City of Farmington.

The Township Board was opposed to the proposal and the then Township Trustee Wendell Brown led the fight to defeat incorporation. In August the Farmington Township Citizens, Inc. was formed as a non-profit organization.

This group distributed a "Home Caller's Fact Book" to the residents, which noted that: "We like the country style of living we now enjoy under the Township" and "Cities are expensive."

"Incorporation will be an invitation to row-house builders to move in" asserted the booklet in support of the statement that "population density would be so low, less than one person per acre."

The group also mailed a series of "Dear Neighbor" letters to residents. In return the citizens group mailed a series of handbills to the residents presenting their side of the case.

Residents in the southeastern corner of the Township then banded together and filed petitions calling for the incorporation of the City of Farmington. This vote was also set for November.

The Township Board authorized another study on the benefits of the Township form of government and the battle lines were drawn.

McWittie discusses the "hidden agenda" in the campaign. He notes that "some of the Farmington Woods supporters felt that real-estate developers were behind the incorporation and behind the opposition to Farmington Woods."

On the other hand some opponents of Farmington Woods felt privately that the promoters of Farmington Woods were trying to shift the cost of the sewers from a special assessment district to a general obligation for a city.

The other part of the hidden agenda had to do with the southeast corner of the township, Clarenceville. The fact of the matter was that no one wanted this area, parts of which had the characteristics of a suburban slum.

"Some township officials may have had hopes that Clarenceville would incorporate and Farmington Woods fail to, which would leave the township with a residential-rural constituency. What

seemed to some to be an unhappy prospect was for Clarenceville to fail to incorporate and Farmington Woods to succeed. In this event the township would be left with a high concentration of low-income residents. Like the poor relative, Clarenceville was not discussed much."

When the matter came up for a vote, residents in both of the proposed cities turned down the incorporation question. In Clarenceville the vote was 1,081 against and 342 in favor. In the proposed Farmington Woods the matter was closer, 1,387 in and 1,908 against.

The township had won the battle to remain intact with the defeat of the City's annexation move and to retain its governmental status with the defeat of the two incorporation petitions.

Next week will end the series with some comparisons between the events of 1958 and those of a more recent time.

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ADRIAN — William Arthur Bassette, 29701 13 Mile, Farmington, has been named to the Dean's List for the first semester at Adrian College.

The son of Arthur S. Bassette, is a sophomore, majoring in Business Administration. He is a graduate of

North Farmington High School in the class of '65 and attends the First Baptist Church in Farmington.

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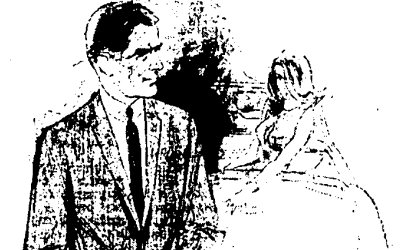
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