

Hatton Favors Ward System

William Hatton of Nine Mile Rd., Farmington Township, says he favors area representation, similar to a ward system, for the governing body of the new city.

Hatton, seeking election to one of the nine charter commission seats to be decided May 16, says: "This is the best way to combine the values of the villages and other neighborhood areas may be reserved after incorporation. Area representation will not deprive anyone of representation but will insure that all areas have a spokesman."

Hatton says he favors a city manager - strong council city government because this tends to limit machine politics and bossism.

Hatton continues that partisanship tends to perpetuate and magnify inconsequential differences between factions and should be eliminated on the local level.

Der Hovanessian Gives City Views

Dr. Joseph Der Hovanessian, professor of engineering at Oakland University, believes a city is the most complex system yet devised by man and, in most cases, was not planned but just grew.

"We cannot afford to just grow. The present methods of city planning and management are quite inadequate. Present city management procedures cannot even adapt properly to technology, let alone exploit new technology," says Der Hovanessian, a candidate for charter commission in the May 16 election.

THE CITY CHARTER is far more important than people realize, he says. "The community city of the 1980s will bear little resemblance to the cities of the past. The greatest changes will take place in the manner by which cities will be managed."

In the past years, I have taken an active interest in the 'systems method' which is currently revolutionizing the manner in which small and large - scale industrial and governmental operations are managed. Many of the tools used in the systems method have an engineering origin.

Joan Dudley Tells Charter Views

Joan D. Dudley of 24829 Chapelview Dr., Farmington, favors partisan elections for the proposed new City of Farmington Hills.

Mrs. Dudley, Farmington resident since 1957, is a candidate for charter commission in the May 16 incorporation election. She firmly believes that the township must become a home rule city to determine the future of our community, control our growth and protect our boundaries.

To guarantee the means of securing these ends, a strong charter for the new city must be written. I believe the charter must provide for a non-partisan government which will be responsive and responsible to the people. I believe the new charter must include a stated limit on the amount of taxes which might be levied on the people and should call for a vote on all questions of increased taxation above that limit.

Joe Kilmer Lists City Objectives

Joe C. Kilmer of 28872 Glen Arden, Farmington, feels an objective for the charter commission for Farmington Township should be to develop a broad and varied recreation program for youth.

Kilmer, a candidate for one of the nine charter commission seats, lists other objectives he envisions: To continue the present residential community with the township's master plan and initiating much stronger commercial zoning and building restrictions.



THE SMITHS -- Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith were among the couples on the dance floor Saturday night during the Presidents Ball sponsored by the Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce. The Smiths are active in Farmington VFW affairs and active in the chamber. (Evert photo)

Briggs Fears Fragmentation

Robert Briggs of 21615 Oxford, Farmington, says his family has enjoyed more than 35 years of living here but now feel that time is running out for Farmington Township.

Briggs, a candidate for charter commission on the May 16 ballot, states: "If we do not incorporate now, this present area will never be the same again due to further fragmentation. A city charter should create a government responsive to the electorate with a seven man council."

"Four could be elected every two years with the three receiving the most votes for a four-year term and the fourth a two-year term. This method gives continuity and the opportunity to change the majority every two years. I favor a seven member council elected at large with voters having referendum rights. The municipal financial policy would be determined by the council with safety valves such as a charter limit on millage and forbidding a city

McConnell Urges Cityhood Passage

Robert McConnell of 30106 Valley Side Dr., Farmington, says incorporation is the only way to protect Farmington Township's boundaries and valuable tax base.

"It is the only way to insure effective zoning and continue the controlled growth which has made this community great," says McConnell who is a candidate for charter commission in the May 16 cityhood vote.

"A CHARTER is needed to replace the archaic jungle of state laws regulating the present township board to shift governmental control from Lansing to Farmington. With incorporation, the community would receive its fair share of the state gas and weight taxes and, with local control of these road funds, a constructive program of road improvement and maintenance could be initiated. The charter should clearly fix responsibility at every point to provide citizen participation, and provide for representative government. A governmental ethics commission should be provided for in the charter to cover the protection of citizens' interests and city officials' rights and

reputations as well as specific requirements regarding appointments, conflicts of interest and interest in city business. The May 16 election only gives a mandate to draw up a charter and the voters will determine whether the charter is acceptable before cityhood becomes a reality." McConnell, a township resident since 1968, is a graduate of Wayne State University with a bachelor's degree in management and masters degree in business administration. He was employed as a senior research engineer at Ford Motor Co. and is now a manufacturer's representative dealing with the automotive industry. He was president of Canterbury Commons Assn. in 1968 and charter member of the Council of Homeowners and helped form its bylaws and charter. With the defeat of consolidation in 1968, McConnell spearheaded the drive for joining the township and two villages into a city as president of Future Farmington Association. He has been a member of the township planning commission since November 1970.

He has originated the proposal for multi-year teacher contracts leading to the first two-year contract signed by the local board of education. He is president of Westbrook Homeowners Assn., initiated new roads for that subdivision, and spearheaded his division's support of the Homeowners Council for the incorporation drive. He has been active in resistance to the Taubman Shopping Center and has advocated developing a complete youth recreational program.

Community Calendar

BOWLING TOURNEY
Saturday, May 6, and Sunday, May 7, from noon to six p.m. a Headpins Bowling Tourney will be held at five Farmington bowling lanes under sponsorship of the Farmington High Music Patrons. Proceeds will benefit the music department and be used for summer music camps and scholarships. First prize offered will be \$200. There is no pre-registration or entry fee. Tourney will be both days at Bel-Aire Lanes, Country Lanes and Nor-West Lanes and Sunday only at Ark Lanes West and Farmington Lanes. Cost is \$1.25 per game or \$5 for five games. Open to public.

NFHS CONCERT
Saturday, May 6, at 8 p.m. in the James F. Hunt auditorium of North Farmington High School, the choral

City Gets More Money -- Miller

Edward R. Miller of 22610 Kirkside Lane, Farmington, believes cityhood will allow Farmington Township to participate more vigorously in state and federal revenue sharing plans and be more receptive to citizen demands for service.

Miller, a candidate for charter commission, is president of E. R. Miller & Associates of Bloomfield Hills, a management consulting company specializing in executive search assignments, organizational planning, compensation programs and other fields related to human resources. "I believe that my professional and personal experience in consulting with various municipalities can bring meaningful contributions to the development of a city charter acceptable to township residents."

Miller says the charter must be flexible in its limitation of powers and discretionary in its identification of responsibilities. He is an advocate of the city manager mayor, non-partisan form of government. Control of taxes is achieved through expenditure controls, he explains, and this is best accomplished when city operations are in the hands of professionals supervised by citizen boards and commissions. "The elimination of duplication of services, active in lobbying for revenue sharing legislation, and the continual review of alternate revenue sources are keys to controlling the costs of municipal government."

Pusey Desires Strong Mayor

Art Pusey of 32545 W. 11 Mile, Farmington, says he would support a non-partisan, strong mayor form of government for the new city of Farmington Hills.

Pusey, a candidate for charter commission May 16, says a five-member council should consist of one representative from each designated area in the community.

HE BELIEVES strict tightening of controls of all phases of operations can result in keeping taxes at the present level, even with increased and better services. Pusey, who has lived at his present address for the past 20 years, has served the community as air raid warden, assisting in the zoning department, and as a member of the Farmington Optimist Club. Pusey studied business administration at Chrysler

Institute of Engineering and engineering and commercial law at Wayne State University. He attended Lawrence Institute of Technology.

Habicht Conveys Charter Views

Richard Habicht of 34665 Brittain Dr., Farmington, favors a non-partisan, strong council, city manager type of government with staggered terms for councilmen so the entire council is not up for reelection at the same time.

Habicht, a Quakertown village resident running for charter commission May 16, believes the maximum millage that should be levied by the council without a vote of the people should be held relatively low, hopefully in the 10-12 mill range.

AN ENGINEERING graduate of Northwestern University, he has been a township resident since 1955 and has owned and operated a laundry and cleaning business in the City of Farmington for 11 years.

He was a founder and president for the first two years of the Farmington Junior Football Assn., vice-president of the Ten Mile Elementary School PTA of Farmington Schools,

department of NFHS will present the Choral from Earl L. Vandermuellen High School, Port Jefferson, N.Y., in an exchange concert. Tickets are available at the door at \$1 each.

KENBROOK FUN FAIR
Sunday, May 7, from 12:30-4:30 p.m. the Kenbrook Elementary PTA of Farmington Schools will sponsor the annual Kenbrook Fun Fair at the school. A new attraction is the "Electric Derby" with prizes for winners. Other features include the midway, cake walk, bake sale, country store and pony rides. Proceeds benefit the school's gymnastics team, marching band, and buys equipment.

HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION
Monday, May 8, parents of ninth graders and ninth grade students who will attend Farmington Senior High next fall are invited to the high school auditorium for the following orientation: 7:30 p.m., activities presentation; 8 p.m., curriculum, policies, counseling services, adjustment to high school; and 9 p.m., tour of building and chance for individual questions.

DROP-IN CENTER
Monday, May 8, and Wednesday, May 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Drop-In Center will meet in the Farmington Masonic Temple at Grand River and Farmington Rds. Bring a sack lunch, Dessert and coffee are furnished.

ST. FABIAN WOMEN'S COUNCIL
Monday, May 8, at 8 p.m. the St. Fabian Women's Council will meet in the social hall of the church to hear a concert performed by the Kendallarks. A social hour will end the evening.

COUNTY NURSES ASSN.
Tuesday, May 9, at 7:30 p.m. the Oakland County Licensed Practical Nurses Assn. will meet in St. Joseph Hospital at 900 Woodward, Pontiac, to hear a talk on new nursing procedures and take a tour of the new hospital.

WELCOME WAGON CLUB
Tuesday, May 9, at 6:30 p.m. the Welcome Wagon Club of Farmington will hold its installation dinner for new club officers in the Botsford Inn.

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Wednesday, May 10, at 8 p.m. the Farmington Amateur Radio Club will hold its bi-monthly meeting in the Farmington Community Center on Farmington Rd. between 10 and 11 Mile Rds. Topic will center on the upcoming field-day contest. All interested in this test of radio skills are welcome.

VIVIAN'S
Wednesday, May 10, at 8 p.m. the Vivians club of Farmington will meet to hear a talk on abatement entitled "Each Child Loved" by the Rev. Hugh Stewart of St. Stephen Presbyterian Church.

BLUE STAR MOTHERS
Wednesday, May 10, at noon Farmington Chapter 49 of the Blue Star Mothers of America will hold a luncheon and card party in the Farmington Community Center on Farmington Rd. just north of 10 Mile. Open to public.

VWV VETERANS
Thursday, May 11, at 1 p.m. the Farmington Barracks of World War I Veterans will meet in the American Legion Hall at Grand River and Lakeway, Farmington. Coffee will be served followed by a brief business meeting at 2 p.m. All WWV veterans are welcomed to join the fellowship. Regular meetings are held the second Thursday of each month.

HILL & DALE GARDEN CLUB
Thursday, May 11, at 8 p.m. the Hill and Dale Garden Club of Farmington will meet in the Farmington Community Center to hear the chairman of the flower show speak on "June Blooms at Meadowbrook Hall" and give her interpretation of "Segment Tables" and the flower show schedule.

CITYHOOD MEETING
Thursday, May 11, at 8 p.m. the West Bloomfield-Farmington Area League of Women Voters will sponsor an informational meeting on the May 16 incorporation election for Farmington Township in O.E. Dunkel Junior High. Charter commission candidates will be given a chance to speak and they will be located around the audience so individuals can ask questions to candidates.

VWV VETERANS INSTALLATION
Thursday, May 11, at 1 p.m. the Farmington Veterans of World War I, Barracks 1152, will hold its annual installation of officers in the American Legion Hall at Grand River and Lakeway. Refreshments will be served and there will be entertainment. All WWV veterans who are non-members are welcome.

CENTER SENIOR CITIZENS
Thursday, May 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. the Senior Citizens of the Farmington Community Center will meet in the center. Bring a sack lunch. Center provides coffee or tea for 25 cents. All Farmington area seniors welcome.

NEWCOMERS CLUB
Friday, May 12, is the deadline to make reservations for the Farmington Newcomers Club tour through the Meadow Brook Estate and a luncheon. To make reservation, send a check for \$6.50 to Mrs. R. Butt, treasurer. A bus will be provided.

SENIOR CITIZENS SOCIAL CLUB
Friday, May 12, at noon the Senior Citizens Social Club of Farmington will meet in the social room of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington at Warner and Grand River. Bring a sandwich. Social afternoon with cards and games will follow lunch.

Viergutz Seeks Charter Partners

Dr. Herbert E. Viergutz of the citizens it serves requires full citizen participation." Farmington, hopes Farmington Township residents will form a partnership with the charter commission to develop a charter not only relevant to today but one which will remain effective in the years to come.

Viergutz, a charter commission candidate, has lived in Farmington for 30 years, was founder and past president of the Farmington Lions Club, and serves as a veterinarian for the Detroit Police Mounted Bureau.

"To frame a charter designed to provide a report the disease in the baby mechanism for bubbling the myriad tasks assigned to officials to govern the community requires the very best and the creative minds of the community," he explained in calling for participating by residents.

"Deciding how the mechanism can be kept both 1947, is married and has one responsible and responsive to