

# Planner: 'Not Anti-Growth'

FARMINGTON

EDITOR: I should like to clarify some misunderstandings that may have resulted from your page one article of this week on my reappointment to the Farmington Township Planning Commission.

Mr. Nolan is quoted as saying that I am opposed to all proposed development except single-family residential and further that "the policies of the planning commission tend to stifle the community." I should like to comment on each of these charges separately.

OUR TREASURER is demonstrably wrong when he says I oppose all development other than single-family.

My township service dates back to the early 1960s when I served the Industrial Development Committee.

During that period of service the township wisely approved a one mill tax increase for sewer and water facilities to the industrial park in the southwest section of the township.

The ensuing growth in the industrial park has been of vast benefit to the township in its tax base and economic viability.

In other than the industrial

area the township has seen a good deal of balanced growth in multiple-family, commercial, and office, which obviously have not been opposed by me.

AS TO Mr. Nolan's charge that the planning commission's policies tend to "stifle" township growth, perspective is needed on this also.

The commission's policies on growth are essentially embodied in the township's future land use or "master" plan.

This plan is based on years

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of study and, if followed, will allow for intelligent and planned land use resulting in an attractive and well-balanced community which will retain high property values over a long term.

Proposals for development that are consistent with the master plan almost always find little resistance by the planning commission.

Proposals for growth that are not in good balance with the plan do ordinarily meet with resistance at the planning level and not only from me.

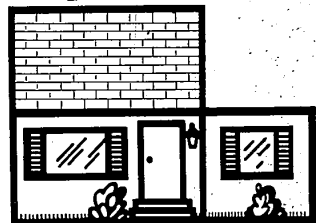
Incidentally, Mr. Nolan was a member of the planning commission when the master plan was adopted. I have not heard either then or since that he objects to the master plan in any way.

In summary, I believe the community wants to continue

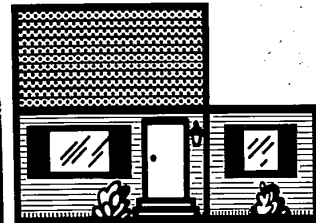
the kind of well planned and controlled growth that has been successful up to now in the development of Farmington Township as a good place to live. Accordingly, with community support, I shall continue to speak out against development which is not consistent with these objectives.

JAMES MOREEN,  
Executive Director  
Farmington Township  
Planning Commission

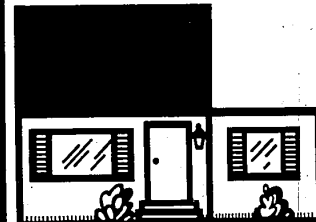
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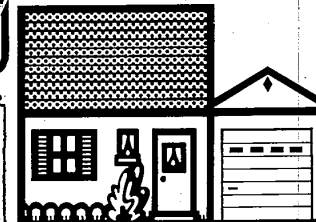
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I will be in my office at 28251 Spring Road on

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from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. the fifth Friday preceding the General Village Election.

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EILEEN ABBOTT  
Village Clerk

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## Naturalist Club Opposes Selling Park For Housing

FARMINGTON The proposed sale of five acres of Farmington Township parkland has drawn protests from the Farmington Area Naturalists Club.

The five-acre parcel, at the northwest corner of Glen Oaks golf course, is in the process of appraisal for sale to developers of a proposed senior citizens housing project.

The township board indicated the site would be able to meet the qualifications of the Michigan State Housing Commission of being near shopping, and public transportation.

The 100-member Naturalist Club voted recently to "strenuously object to the sale of land deemed to township citizens for their enjoyment and use as a natural area."

"Many members of the

naturalists have been actively involved in working in the cleanup and development of this township park," said Dorothy Cox, club president.

"Plans have been developed and work begun by scouts for trail routes, two council fire circles, and a complete survey and identification of plant and animal life.

"We realize senior citizen housing is needed. We applaud efforts of the housing commission.

"We urge the board to seek other suitable sites for senior citizen housing.

"We also strongly recommend in the near future the township board begin to acquire neighborhood park sites as specified in the township master plan.

"We cannot depend on such land being donated by private individuals if the township officials feel they can legally dispose of such land at will."

## New Officers Are Elected By Democrats

FARMINGTON The Farmington Democratic Club has elected new officers for 1973.

They are: Brian Olmstead, chairman; Don Kodushin, vice chairman; William Hatton, treasurer; Carol Freedman, secretary; Judy Campbell, corresponding secretary.

Serving on the executive board are: JoAnne Smith, John Campbell, Charles Wissinger, Marie Mutschall, Gerald Freedman, Clarence Dawson and Steve Gurrier.

Meetings of the club are on the first Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. in the Farmington Community Center.

## 3 Make Dean's List

FARMINGTON Three Farmington students at Michigan Technological University won places on the dean's list for the fall quarter.

Each achieved a grade point average of 3.5 or higher from a possible four points.

The students are:

- Pamela J. Kiekbusch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William G. Kiekbusch, 21080 Birchwood, a sophomore majoring in medical technology.
- Michael G. Mansfield, son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald L. Mansfield, 23006 Frederick, a freshman majoring in civil engineering.
- Nancy J. Scott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Iain M. Scott, 36531 Quakerstown, a sophomore majoring in medical technology.

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