

# School owners file lawsuit

**FARMINGTON**  
Proponents of a private school on the old Brennan estate on Drake Rd. near Grand River have filed a lawsuit in Oakland County Circuit Court contesting recent rulings by the Farmington planning commission against the school.

Farmington Hills Councilman Joan Dudley and Richard Maicki are contesting the city zoning ordinance completely, excludes profit-making private schools.

Mrs. Dudley said the school has state fire marshal approval, Health Department approval and a verbal sanction from the State Board of Education.

A court date has not yet been set.

Mrs. Dudley says she still plans to open next September if the court suit is successful.

# Dem club names new officers

**FARMINGTON**  
The Farmington Democratic Club named Aldo Vagozzi chairman at a recent election.

Also named officers were: Donald Kadushin, vice chairman; William Hatton, treasurer; Judy Campbell, corresponding secretary; Michael Spiece, recording secretary.

The executive board is: Judy Campbell, Wally Christensen, Clarence G. Dawson, Wesley Mitchell, Marie Mutschall, Brian Olmstead, Al Sipher, Joanne Smith and Charles Wissinger.

Vagozzi returns to a post he held in the 1960s.

Kadushin, Hatton and Mrs. Campbell were re-elected for second terms. Spiece, a student at Harrison High, is believed to be the youngest officer of any Democratic Club in Oakland County.



**AREA GYMNASTS** on Western Michigan University's 1973-74 team along with Coach Fred Ortolosky (left) are (from left) Rick Murphy from Stevenson High, Bill Weddell from Clarenceville High and Bob Kalec of North Farmington High.

# Study finished on Powers Rd.

**FARMINGTON**  
A traffic study on Powers Rd. south of Grand River recommends keeping the street open to through traffic.

A petition was received by the Farmington city council last month requesting the street be closed to through traffic.

Paving for the street was approved several weeks ago. The study indicates about 40 per cent of the traffic using the street is through traffic, the remainder is either local or exiting onto Cloverdale.

"Violations of the speed limit did not appear to be a critical problem," the report stated.

The police department indicated if the road was closed to through traffic, it would be difficult to enforce, and would result in a large increase in traffic on adjacent streets, and possibly the central business district.

# 4-H club gives awards

**FARMINGTON**  
A highlight of the Trailblazers 4-H Club's recent international dinner was the presentation of awards to outstanding members.

Mary Allpayer and Kathy Schroll were given Key Club awards for distinguished contributions to 4-H youth work. County medals for participation in different projects were given to Michele Watson, Diane Dungee, Sue Perry, Agbra Dingee, Mike Hixie, Karen Schroll and Denise Dungee.

Club awards were given to Laura Reber, Mike Hixie, Maxine Halperin, Laurie Smalls, Esther Lundell, Dale Allmayer and Karl Allmayer. All-Around club awards went to Kathy Schroll, Laurie Smalls and Daleen Dungee.

# 11 graduate from WMU

**FARMINGTON**  
Eleven Farmington students were awarded bachelor degrees by Western Michigan University at its winter commencement.

Graduates included Gerald Evangelista, Joanne Feld, Joan M. Kaufman, Linda R. Lapham, Carol A. Manilla, Richard M. McChesney, Also Samuel R. Sisk, Raymond L. Tammings, Karyl K. Wallace, Carol A. Young and Felicia P. Zolp.

# Free shots are available

**FARMINGTON**  
Free immunizations for all children from two months of age through high school will be available Thursday, Jan. 10, from 9 a.m. to noon at the First Methodist Church, Grand River at Warner.

Appointments are unnecessary, but previous immunization records should be brought in.

The immunizations include either primary series or boosters for diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, polio, rubella and German measles as well as tuberculin skin tests.

The immunizations also can be obtained at the South Oakland Health Department, 2725 Greenfield Rd., Southfield, Mondays through Fridays from 8:30 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.

# Must Deduct

Farmers receive only 40 cents of every dollar spent on food and from this amount they must deduct all the expenses incurred in producing it.

**ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS**

The Architect will receive sealed bids for the:

**GENERAL CONSTRUCTION OF CONFERENCE ROOM ADDITION TO FARMINGTON DISTRICT LIBRARY FARMINGTON, MICHIGAN**

Bid Proposals will be received until the time and the place, as follows, where and when they will be publicly opened and read aloud:

Time: 2:00 P.M., Tuesday, January 22, 1974  
Place: Office of the Director, Farmington District Library, 3277 West Twelve Mile Road, Farmington, Michigan 48221

Bidding Documents will be available for examination and distribution on or after January 4, 1974.

Examination may be made at the Office of the Architect, TARAPATA MCKENNON PALLADIUM CORPORATION, Architects & Engineers, Planners, 1181 West Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48303, P. O. Dodge Corporation Plan Room, Detroit, Michigan or the Builders Exchange of Detroit and Michigan, Detroit, Michigan.

Qualified Bidders, upon payment of a \$10.00 deposit, may obtain bidding documents from the Office of the Architect, creation of three sets of Drawings and three (3) sets of Specifications.

Deposits will be returned upon return of the Bidding Documents to the Architect within ten (10) days after opening of proposals provided the documents are complete, in clean and usable condition and free of marks or other detachments.

Bid Proposals shall be on forms furnished by the Architect, accompanied by a satisfactory Bid Bond or Certified Check for five percent (5%) of the Base Bid Sum.

Bidders shall agree not to withdraw Bid Proposal for a period of thirty (30) days after date for receipt of bids.

Accepted Bidder shall be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond and Labor and Material Payment Bond in accordance with the Instructions to Bidders.

Access to the building by bidders during bidding period shall be arranged during normal library hours with Mrs. Mary Mitchell, Director.

The right to reject any or all bid proposals, either in whole or in part, or to waive any informality therein is reserved by the Owner.

SALLY GAINES, Secretary

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**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS**

**FARMINGTON HILLS CITY COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**  
December 17, 1973

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Farmington Hills was held December 17, 1973, at the Administration Building. All members of the Council were present.

Reports by the City's representatives to the State Convention of the Council of the City Managers were submitted to the Council.

The City Manager reported on the proposed distribution of equipment and responsibilities, training and assignment of personnel, and the extent of our financial commitments. Mr. Major was authorized by the Council to proceed with the application for the Federal grant.

Mr. Major presented background material explaining the change in our assessed valuation method dictated by the Oakland County Equalization Department. Approximately 4% of the 1974 increase this year is attributable to the narrowness of the equalization range from \$2000 to \$4000. A resolution was implemented instructing the City Manager to proceed with the reassessment in line with the County's assessment plan. Support of the County lawsuit in the Circuit Court and revision of the law decreeing that all assessments shall be 30% of market value was adopted by the Council.

As a result of fact-finding meetings with developers, the City will cooperate in the construction of two test strips of sidewalks on Thirteen Mile and on Middlebelt. Mayor Mitchell, Mrs. Schroll and Mr. Major were authorized to submit a memorandum stating the feasibility of the sidewalk project and the scope of the existing sidewalks requiring the installation of sidewalks by developers. The staff report concerning the financial statements presented by the former Village of Wood Creek Farms was reviewed in detail by the City Council with Mr. Joel Gardner of Franke & Horn.

At the suggestion of representatives of the Farmington Historical Society, a committee was formed to explore the possibility of commemorative markers designating sites of historical interest located in the City. Mr. Paul Scribner presented consideration of a plaque at the intersection of Elmer Mile and Powers Road where construction of the first dwelling commenced March 3, 1824.

The final plot for the Farmington/Grand River Industrial Park subdivision, SW 1/4 of Section 11, City of Farmington Hills, was approved.

The awarding of contract for the construction of stormwater sanitary sewers was postponed pending receipt of advice from bond counsel. The bids entered by three firms each exceeded the amount of the original estimate.

Contract was awarded to Tri-Ed Construction Co. for the installation of water mains and appurtenances on Herndon Wood Drive, Pottersbrook Estates. The Council authorized a private contract for transfer of 1973 taxes for 1974 to bonded business ("Nita Lisa Bar") formerly operated at 2712 Eight Mile Road, to be held in escrow by Mr. Newman.

Public hearings were scheduled on January 21, 1974, on necessity for sanitary sewers on Germaine Street in Supervisor's Middlebelt and Ten Mile Road Plat No. 11 and improvements in Glen Oaks Alley, Glen Oaks subdivision and improvements in Franklin Forest and Franklin Parkway subdivisions; and sanitary sewers on Parker Street in Kraus Grand River Heights.

Paul, Hirm & Rogan, Inc., city engineers, were authorized to prepare plans and cost estimate for improvement roads in Regal Orchard subdivision.

The Council approved the Mayor's resignation of Planning Commission members Green, Gray and Hladke for three years terms to expire December 1974.

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