Readers Write

Welday Thanks Voters, Allen

EDITOR:

I express my thanks following the recent Farmington elections.

Thanks go first to the people of Farmington who exercised their franchise and voted in the recent election. As you know from my past correspondence and statements, I felt that consolidation with the township was not now in the best interests of the City of Farmington, and thus, I especially thank those who voted against the proposition. In my judgment, the defeat of the question will, in the long run, prove to be better for all of the area.

To those who went to the polls and voted for me, I am doubly grateful, and their support is deeply appreciated.

I would be remiss if I did not publicly recognize the effective job done by Councilman John Allen, who almost single-handedly carried the burden of opposition to the consolidation measure. Whether one agreed or disagreed with Mr. Allen, there can certainly be no question in the mind of anyone that he did a superb job in presenting his point of view. He deserves credit.

My thanks also to The Enterprise & Observer which, while publicly and enthusiastically supporting consolidation, fairly presented both sides of the issue and provided those opposed with a forum from which they could present their views.

DONALD F. WELDAY JR.

Marks Clarifies PRD Position

EDITOR:

After reading your article in the Oct. 26 edition of The Observer referring to the petitions that were circulated against the recently passed Planned Residential District (PRD) ordinance, I feel that inasmuch as the office of chairman of the Council of Homeowners Associations was mentioned, clarification of the council's position in this matter is in order.

The Council of Homeowners Associations of Farmington Township has at no time whatsoever taken a position for or against PRD.

As a newly formed group representing 24 subdivisions in Farmington Township with an estimated 15,000 citizens residing therein, it is of the utmost importance that all concerned clearly understand that when the occasion so arises that a position must be taken by this council, this position will come from--and only from--the executive board of the homeowners associations council.

I realize that the article did not say that the council condoned the petition action, but I felt that the implication was there.

As further clarification in the matter, I would like to add that my part in the petition action was strictly individual and without council support.

Therefore I ask that this letter or an article stating this letter's position be published in your next edition.

BEN MARKS
Chairman, COHA

War Games?

EDITOR:

What kind of war do we expect at the Farmington Burger King? One evening I watched two rather belligerent guards, both armed with large pistols and billy-clubs, bounce a quiet teen-aged boy from the dining room. If you are wondering why youth are rebellious, run down to the Burger King and watch the two guards strutting around with chips on their shoulders, backed up by a manager playing authoritarian games. If you treat people like gangsters, then gangsters is what you will get.

DAY RADEBAUGH JR.
34118 Cortland
Farmington

Pack III Welcomes Eight New Cub Scouts

Eight boys became new members of Farmington Cub Scout Pack III of Middlebelt School as they received their Bobcat awards at the November meeting.

Six of the boys, Mark Smith, Ryan Tinn, Bill Cullen, Scott Zimmie, Dan Murphy and Steve Frishman, are all members of a newly-formed den, Peter Lambert and Steve Chipman became members of Den 2.

Other awards included a Wolf and gold arrow to Jay Cermak, Bear and gold arrow to Mark Evans and Jeff Perrin, and a silver arrow to Kevin Briggs.

Webelos awards were Ed Cardinal - outdoorsman, Jim Decraene - showman, and Kevin LaPorte - aquanaut, athlete, and outdoorsman. Mark Evans, Phillip Kennedy, and Kevin Briggs were inducted into the Webelos Den for 10-year-old boys.

The new den chiefs, boy scouts from Troop 389, Kerry Welborn, David Keller, Mike Benjamin, and Chad Womack, received their den chief cords. New denners were Steve Frishman, Jeff Perrin, Jay Cermak and Kevin LaPorte. Assistant denners were Mark Smith, John Burke, Jon Morrison and Steve Onofryton.

Special awards were also given to Mrs. Joyce Benedict, the new den mother; and Mrs. Helene Tinn, her assistant.

The boys are hard at work now collecting papers to raise money and are looking forward to the Dec. 13 outing to see a Detroit Pistons basketball game. At the game each boy will receive a free Piston basketball.

Police Punctual, Professional

EDITOR:

Too often we read letters condemning policemen for various reasons. Being on the administrative staff at Farmington High School, and a home owner in the city of Farmington, I have had several incidents come up lately in which the Farmington Police Department has had to be notified, and not once have they failed to do a superior job.

They arrive immediately, attend to the situation at hand quickly, and carry through with whatever need be done in a most professional manner.

I think the police department of our City of Farmington should be commended and we should all be pleased to know we have such competent men attending to our needs?

JERRY L. ALLISON
Administrative Assistant
Farmington High School

Running Wild

EDITOR:

By what right do some people have to let their pets run wild and expect others to keep their's in their own yard and home?

And also by what right do some people expect other people's children to have respect for adults, when they themselves let their own children wild? Respect my feelings and property, but we don't have to return the favor. I'm for me, the blazes with the other guy. No wonder this world is in such a sad state of affairs.

These people see what's going on, but they don't care. It's a little game they're playing called getting even with the world and just anybody who's around at the time.

Are we setting a good example for our children? They are just as spiteful, mean, disrespectful as we older folks are. Like mother like daughter, like father like son. There are few exceptions!

THE BEAT GENERATION

Patchel In Pacific

Electrician Technician 2C Thomas H. Patchel, USN, husband of the former Cathy M. Fabian of 28132 Quail Hollow, Farmington, is serving aboard the nuclear-powered guided missile frigate USS Truxton in the Western Pacific.

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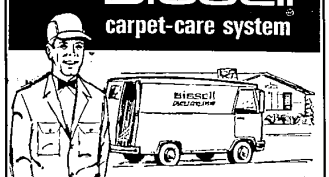

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FOR PICK UP - TAKE OUT SERVICE CALL

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on November 17, 1969. Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Brotherton.
ROLL CALL. Brotherton, Richardson, Seibert, Yoder present
Absent: Allen
CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager Dinan, City Clerk Brines, Chief Deadman, Director DeBaene and Attorney Kelly
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
Motion by Richardson supported by Yoder to approve minutes of previous meeting as published. Motion carried, all ayes
MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS
a. PLANNING COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS NOVEMBER 10, 1969
Motion by Yoder supported by Richardson to establish a Public Hearing for 8 p.m. on December 15, 1969 on the request to rezone 22.5 acres from R 1 D Planned Unit Development to R 3 Multiple Family District. Motion carried, all ayes.
Motion by Seibert supported by Yoder to receive and file Planning Commission Proceedings of November 10, 1969. Motion carried, all ayes.
SPECIAL ELECTION COMMISSION MEETING
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson to receive and file. Motion carried, all ayes.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PROCEEDINGS NOVEMBER 5, 1969
Motion by Richardson supported by Seibert to receive and file. Motion carried, all ayes.
PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS
a. LETTER FROM SALVATION ARMY REQUESTING PERMISSION TO SELL THEIR CHRISTMAS MAGAZINE IN THE RESIDENTIAL AREAS OF FARMINGTON TWO EVENINGS BETWEEN NOVEMBER 15 AND 27, 1969
Motion by Yoder supported by Richardson to grant permission to the Salvation Army to sell their Christmas magazine in the residential areas in Farmington between November 15th and 28, 1969. Motion carried, all ayes.
b. LETTER FROM MRS. RUTH M. HEUER, LANSING, URGING SUPPORT FOR PROPOSED EMERGENCY NUMBER "911"
Letter read from Mrs. Heuer requesting the City Council join in her campaign to initially get started the proposed emergency number "911". She states that those who are acquainted with this system believe that because of the existing crime conditions, this system needs the undivided attention of every responsible citizen and leader that can be approached.
City Manager Dinan informed the Council that Mrs. Heuer had a good concept theoretically, but unfortunately the Farmington area is divided by telephone zones between Livonia and Farmington and Farmington Twp., so that if a call were placed from the City of Farmington there would be no way of knowing which department the call should go directly to. Therefore, there would have to be created a central dispatching office for each telephone zone overlaying various cities and police departments. The City Manager pointed out that citizens can still dial "O" for operator and receive emergency call service.
Motion by Yoder supported by Richardson to authorize the City Manager to write a letter to Mrs. Heuer pointing out these problems, and telling her of the City's reluctance to pursue this "911" emergency number at this time. Motion carried, all ayes.
LETTER FROM BORON OIL COMPANY REGARDING ERECTION OF TWO STATIONARY IDENTIFICATION SIGNS
Letter read from Boron Oil Company requesting a variance from the Farmington Sign Ordinance and permission to erect two stationary identification signs at the southeast corner of Drake Road and Grand River at the time of construction of a new Boron Oil Station. Speaking to the Council on behalf of Boron Oil Company was Mr. J. M. Grdina. He presented a site plan, a photograph of the proposed signs along with a layout depicting the proposed construction of these signs.
City Manager Dinan pointed out to the City Council that presently his office is in the process of issuing violations on encroachments on the public right-of-way, and he was of the opinion that if the Council granted this variance it would be establishing a precedent. Motion by Seibert supported by Yoder to grant permission to the Boron Oil Company to erect two stationary identification signs at the south-east corner of Drake Road and Grand River.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Seibert, Yoder
NAYS: Brotherton, Richardson
ABSENT: Allen
Motion died for lack of support.
LETTER FROM LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION REGARDING REQUEST OF CHARLES F. ZIMMERMAN FOR TRANSFER OWNERSHIP 1969 SDM LICENSED BUSINESS WITH LIVING QUARTERS PERMIT LOCATED AT 22070 FARMINGTON ROAD FROM JOHN HARRIS.
Action on this tabled until the next meeting in order to give Chief Deadman time to submit a report to Council.
LETTER FROM FARMINGTON SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH REQUESTING PERMISSION TO SOLICIT FUNDS IN THE RESIDENTIAL AREAS OF FARMINGTON FROM NOVEMBER 15TH THRU DECEMBER 25th
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson to grant permission to the Seventh Day Adventist Church to solicit funds in the City of Farmington from November 15th through December 25, 1969. Motion carried, all ayes.
LETTER FROM GROVES WALKER UNIT 246 AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY GIRLS' STATE AT EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY JUNE 14-21, 1970
Letter read from Mrs. Helen Currie stating that the City of Farmington has sponsored a Wolverine Boys' State student for the past several years and wondering if the City would consider affording the same opportunity for a girl to attend Girls' State.
The cost for sending one girl for this week will be $50.00 and if the City wants to participate it will be necessary to forward a check in this amount to Mrs. Helen Currie as soon as possible.
The letter also requested that the City Council appoint someone to whom the girl is chosen can report to, in regards to her week at Girls' State.
Motion by Richardson supported by Yoder that the City Council sponsor a girl for Wolverine Girls' State to be held at Eastern Michigan University from June 14-21, 1969 at a cost of $50.00 and that City Manager Dinan be appointed as the person to whom she will contact regarding her week.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Brotherton, Richardson, Seibert, Yoder
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
Motion carried, all ayes.
LETTER FROM STEPHEN BRUCE REGARDING SUPPORT OF PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES EFFORT TO END VIETNAM CONFLICT.
Letter read from Mr. Stephen H. Bruce stating that a great concern exists in our country over the Vietnam war and there are many troubled minds because of the very small favored minorities that are attempting to subvert America's form of government by using the Vietnam situation as an excuse.
Mr. Bruce requests that a non partisan Farmington City Council pass a resolution in support of the President's efforts to end our country's involvement in the war in Vietnam.
Motion by Richardson supported by Seibert to authorize the City Manager to send a copy of the resolution adopted by the Farmington City Council at a regular meeting on June 2, 1969 to Mr. Stephen H. Bruce. Motion carried, all ayes.
LETTER FROM OAKLAND COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' SOLICITING INFORMATION ON HUMAN RELATIONS COMMITTEE
Letter read from Charles B. Edwards Jr., Chairman of Oakland County Board of Supervisors stating the Oakland County Board of Supervisors has passed a resolution that a Human Relations Committee shall be formed and that the number of members on this committee shall not exceed 15, and of this number 2 shall be County Supervisors.
Mr. Edwards therefore is soliciting information as to whether the City of Farmington has a local Human Relations Committee or a similar committee covering the same function, as it is their hope to assist in the coordination of these committees on a county wide basis. The letter went on to state that they are now requesting the City Council to appoint someone from the Farmington area to this committee. Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson that the City Manager be asked to submit a list of potential candidates for this committee at the next Council Meeting. Motion carried, all ayes.
PROCLAMATION - COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT MONTH
Motion by Richardson supported by Yoder to proclaim the following:
PROCLAMATION
WHEREAS, the City of Farmington, State of Michigan, United States of America, is and forever shall be embellished with the cloak of community consciousness, and
WHEREAS, Creating Environment for Change Through People is the theme of the United States Jaycees, and
WHEREAS, there is now declared a state of Honorarium upon civic pride and community involvement;
BE IT THEREFORE PROCLAIMED, that the month of November 1969 is and it is hereby declared to be
COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT MONTH
throughout the limits of the City of Farmington, State of Michigan, and
BE IT FURTHER PROCLAIMED, that every Jaycee re-examine the worth of his organization and pledge himself to do all within his power to assure his community grows and prospers through Community involvement.
WITNESS my hand and Seal as Mayor, this 17th day of November 1969.

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, MAYOR

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER
PROPOSALS ELECTRONIC RECORDING DEVICE ANSWERING SERVICE
Action was tabled on this at the last meeting in order that City Manager Dinan could investigate further possibilities of recording equipment.
The City Manager stated in checking other equipment, Code-41-Phone Model 200-D sold by Austin Electronics Company at a regular purchase price of $350.00 with a 90 day warranty, plus $20.00 installation cost, plus $3.90 per month connection cost for a recorder coupler, with an average life of the machine of ten years.
The City has also received a bid from Lafayette Radio Company for a machine that would have to be connected directly into a telephone at a cost of $200.00, and since this machine cannot be connected directly in the switchboard as it would be in violation of the Telephone Company's regulations on recording devices, no further consideration could be given to this unit.
City Manager Dinan told the Council that Michigan Bell Telephone Company did not sell equipment, but they do lease a recording device at a cost of $15.00 per month, which would include connection charge and full maintenance of the unit, and in analyzing the difference between leasing and purchasing this equipment he was of the opinion that Michigan Bell Telephone Company would give better service and maintenance on the equipment, and furthermore if the City did lease the equipment and become dissatisfied with it, it could be removed without any further trouble.
Motion by Yoder supported by Richardson to approve leasing an Electronic Recording Device from Michigan Bell Telephone Company at a cost of $15.00 per month or $180.00 per year, and the money for this purpose to be paid from the General Fund Account.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Richardson, Seibert, Yoder, Brotherton
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
Motion carried, all ayes.
APPROVAL RECREATION PLAN AND PARK IMPROVEMENTS STATE OF MICHIGAN BOND ISSUE GRANT
City Manager Dinan stated the Farmington Park Improvement Program had been approved by the Farmington Planning Commission as part of the Recreation Plan to qualify for State of Michigan Recreation Bond Issue Grant. He noted that the City had originally developed a $125,000 park improvement program under this Recreation Bond issue with the expectation that there would be no dollar limitation as long as the program met the criteria established by the State of Michigan. Unfortunately, when the Legislature approved allocation for the $100,000,000 recreation bond proceeds they imposed drastic cutbacks for local projects. The formula that was approved allocated 45% State Conservation, 25% State facilities in urbanized areas and only 30% for local projects.
City Manager Dinan stated a new priority program had been submitted to conform with the State requirements, and establish a Recreation Plan to be implemented over the next five year period. The first phase would be the initial development of the proposed Drake Road Park in the amount of $32,000. State share $26,800 and City Share $5,200. Mr. Dinan told the Council it is possible the City may be able to qualify for additional funds under this program after June 1971 if all the local municipalities have not requested or used up the entire State funds, and therefore he had set up a second phase Recreation Plan for the balance of the development of Drake Road Park 1971-72 $30,000. Phase 3, Improvements to Power Road Park 1972-73 $28,000 and Phase 4 Installation of an indoor pistol and target range in the existing City Park 1973-74 $22,000.
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson that the City Council approve the Recreation Plan and Drake Road Park Development as submitted and authorize the City Manager to forward an application for State Funds under the State of Michigan Recreation Bond Issue to permit accomplishment of Phase I of our Recreation Plan. Also to designate City Manager Dinan, as the City's official representative for the State Program
ROLL CALL
AYES: Seibert, Yoder, Brotherton, Richardson
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
Motion carried, all ayes
APPROVAL MAINTENANCE CONTRACT WITH COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION FOR FARMINGTON ROAD, EIGHT MILE TO GRAND RIVER
Motion by Richardson supported by Yoder to adopt the following resolution.
BE IT RESOLVED
That the City of Farmington Enter into a Maintenance Agreement with the Oakland County Road Commission for maintenance of Farmington Road from Eight Mile Road to Grand River Avenue at a cost of $3.700 per mile per year for the year 1970 and that the City Manager be authorized to sign this agreement on behalf of the City of Farmington.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Brotherton, Richardson, Seibert, Yoder
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED NOVEMBER 17, 1969.

ELIZABETH BRINES, CITY CLERK

CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENT BURTON R. SHIFMAN, ATTORNEY, TO ACT AS SPECIAL COUNSEL WITH CITY ATTORNEY KELLY ON BOUNDARY COMMISSION MATTER
Motion by Yoder supported by Seibert to adopt the following resolution.
BE IT RESOLVED
In order to conform with the requirements of the City Charter, the Farmington City Council retain Burton R. Shifman, Attorney, to act as Special Counsel with our City Attorney Robert Kelly on the Boundary Commission decision of the Farmington Township Incorporation Petitions.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Richardson, Seibert, Yoder, Brotherton
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED NOVEMBER 17, 1969.

ELIZABETH BRINES, CITY CLERK

MISCELLANEOUS
MONTHLY AUDIT SEPTEMBER 30, 1969
Receive and file.
PLANTE AND MORAN AUDIT WATER SUPPLY AND SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM THREE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1969.
Receive and file.
APPOINTMENT CITY BOARD OF CANVASSERS EXPIRING DECEMBER 31, 1969
The terms of two members of the Board of Canvassers will expire December 31, 1969 and it will therefore be necessary for the Council to appoint two new members.
Motion by Yoder supported by Richardson that the City Council appoint Mrs. Inez Buck of 33441 Alta Loma, Farmington, a Republican, and Mr. Charles Wissinger of 22891 Frederick, Farmington, a Democrat to the City Board of Canvassers, term to expire December 31, 1971.
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Seibert, Yoder, Brotherton, Richardson
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
Motion carried, all ayes.
COUNCILMAN SEIBERT
Asked City Manager Dinan who the winner of the City Seal and Motto contest was. Mr. Dinan told him the winner of the Contest was Thomas W. Utz, 22757 Violet, Farmington, who will be invited to attend the next Council Meeting in order to receive his award.
RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES
ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. C-29-69 INCREASE WATER RATES
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson to adopt and enact the following ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. C-29-69
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 2.93 CHAPTER 20, TITLE 2, OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, UTILITIES AND SERVICES, AN ORDINANCE, TO ESTABLISH WATER RATES
THE CITY OF FARMINGTON ORDAINS:
Section 2.93. WATER RATES The rates to be charged for water service shall be as follows:

First 7,000 gallons or less	$5.00
Next 10,000 gallons over 7,000 gallons	$.31 per 1,000 gallons used
All over 17,000 gallons	$.29 per 1,000 gallons used

The minimum quarterly water charge to each premises shall be $5.00.
Charges for water services to premises outside the City shall be fixed by the Council, but shall be not less than those charged for such service to premises within the City.
This ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council on November 3, 1969, was adopted and enacted by the City Council on November 17, 1969 and will become effective January 1, 1970.

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, MAYOR
ELIZABETH BRINES, CITY CLERK

ROLL CALL:
AYES: Yoder, Brotherton, Richardson, Seibert
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson that Claims and Accounts for November 17, 1969 be approved for payment as submitted. General Fund $4,966.71 and Water and Sewer $241.28
ROLL CALL:
AYES: Brotherton, Richardson, Seibert, Yoder
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Allen
Motion carried, all ayes
Motion by Seibert supported by Richardson to adjourn at 10:15 p.m.
Motion carried, all ayes

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, MAYOR.

Publish November 30, 1969