

Fire damages Hills firm

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staff writer

A fire of unknown origin damaged machinery in a Wednesday night fire at Armatures, Inc., 28627 Grand River Ave. between Middlebelt and Inkster roads in Farmington Hills.

No one was injured in the fire. Firefighters are examining the ovens used to bake varnish onto the armatures and the building's wiring as possible sources of the fire.

Lt. Tom Shurtleff of the Farmington Hills Fire Department said the building was unoccupied at the time of the blaze.

"We're still investigating," Shurtleff

said. "There's no reason to suspect foul play."

Thirty-seven firefighters from stations 1, 2, and 3 responded, following a call shortly after midnight.

"To get control of it took us about 30 minutes. We just had a hard time getting back to the area where the fire was," Shurtleff said.

Damage was estimated at \$180,000 including a \$50,000 property loss and a \$130,000 loss for contents. "We would expect that to be upped somewhat. All that machinery is probably gone," Shurtleff added.

The total value of the property and contents is estimated at \$600,000.

The building did not have a sprinkler system.

Land use debated

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tions. Another committee meeting most likely will take place before school board members discuss the issue at their regular Aug. 20 meeting, Schulman added.

"They have a right to reject any of them (purchase offers) or accept any one of them," Schulman said.

With the acreage up for sale, the soccer club will lose the favored site, used by the group as a base of operations since 1978.

"Mr. Schulman said he is sure we will be able to use the facility this fall," said John Bailey, soccer club president. The club has also been assured the 600-700 participating youngsters may use school facilities when the 12 Mile and Drake property is sold.

While Bailey is concerned about where the club will continue to play, he indicated that the proposed sale of the fields points to a long-standing problem — the lack of sports facilities in the Farmington area.

BUT A RECENT MEETING between Farmington Hills City Council, members of the city's Parks and Recreation Commission, representatives of youth sports organizations and Farmington school officials regarding the availability of sports facilities in the area has provided some hope, Bailey said.

"As far as we're concerned that's tremendous," Bailey said about the meeting. "I think everyone left the room saying we need sports facilities."

A possible site for the soccer club might be city-owned property on the corner of 13 Mile and Farmington

Roads, Bailey said. The undeveloped land could accommodate perhaps three soccer fields and two ball diamonds, he said. But this idea, he added, was not really discussed in depth at the meeting.

The Spicer property, on Farmington Road between 10 and Mile roads, was also discussed as a potential site for youth sports facilities, Bailey said.

"One thing came clear. The Spicer property... we really can't say it will remain a totally passive facility," Bailey said, suggesting a small portion of the 212 acres could be developed for sports. "We just have to take a look at it to see if we can have some facilities there."

In April, Bailey said ideally he would like to see the city of Farmington Hills purchase the 12 Mile and Drake property and devote it to sports facilities.

The mayor has said the city just doesn't have the money, Bailey noted last week.



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Don and Kurt Layland, father and son co-owners of Armatures Inc., sift through rubble of the fire which damaged their business Wednesday.



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