

Leading up to live election coverage

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It was no small feat to provide our three cities with live election coverage. A bravo must be extended to the MetroVision Engineering Department, under the regional direction of Vic Gates, Mary Nelson and Gary Seleski. They tweaked and tuned the signal to perfection.

This project took three months' lead time, and many dollars on equipment necessary to insure a signal to feed in two directions. Systems manager Robert McCann should be proud. The bi-directional signal is an element proposed by MetroVision in the franchise ordinance.

Other live remote projects usually consist of one host site, with remote going out to subscribers. We accomplished one host site at the community access studio and three remote sites at each city hall. Then we interchanged conversation back and forth casually from one site to the other.

The next day our SWOCC offices were barraged with calls and people. "Thank you, it was great to be at home and know what was happening" were where all the candidates? We wanted to see them. Please show the results continually so that we don't have to wait while the other cities are on."

WE EVEN received comments on what the interviewed people had said. My suggestion to all those with an opinion: Do help us with your involvement

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next time. Thousands of people were watching. Therefore, if you did not appear on Nov. 5, we look forward to your participation now that you know our local Channel 12 is a viable source for relaying your message.

To reinforce this support, MetroVision Production staff is offering to help non-profit organizations produce their first public service announcement (PSA) to be seen on Channel 12. Call Kathy Friedrichs, 553-7303.

This was a cooperative effort at SWOCC, MetroVision, residents of Farmington, Novi and Farmington Hills, with election guidance by the representative city clerks.

Helpers included: John Virley, David Tietmeyer, Todd Whitman, Pat Vose, Mary Dilworth, Jeannie Liming, John Asselby, Clay Collins, Dave Doldge, Jeff Bartram, Roger Helms, Susan Foster, Kathy Bauer, Mike Fitzpatrick, Nancy Leonard, Charles Lee, Eric Wurmlinger, Linda DePorter, Lori Bell, Dave Justus, Lynne Ullrich, Dan Scholting, Craig Claver and Joseph Bushy.

Also helping were: Novi News, Dan Sheehan, Kathy Friedrichs, Kirk Smith, Judy Grosse, Leigh Feenstra, Fred Shaheen, Ken Murray, Jean For, Diana Thornhill, Judy Kral, Mary Calderone, Joan Fitzpatrick, Sue Wilber, Charles Carvel, Doug Gaynor, Donnelle Conway, Aldo Vagnoni, Mike Garr, Al Diebel, Joe Hodges, Edward Kriewall, JoAnn Reynolds, Geraldine Slipp, the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, Jerry Dragovich, Glen Blatnick, Lark Samouelian, Dianna St. Clair, Kurt Lingberg, Gred Douglas and Councilman Nancy Coburn.

Metrovision of Oakland County's public-access programming on Channel 12 for the week of Nov. 18.

COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE

Monday, Nov. 18

- 12 noon — Life Style. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Focus. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — The Choice is Yours. Repeat at 7 p.m.

- 1:30 p.m. — The Artist in You. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Survival. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — Oakland County Parks and Recreation. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Back Porch Video. Repeat at 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 19

- 12 noon — Church of Today. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — Fitness Fever. Repeat at 7 p.m.
- 1:41 p.m. — Farmington Area Goodfellow Christmas Drive. Repeat at 7:41 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Insight. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — On Our Own. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — AIM Alcoholism. Repeat at 9 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 20

- 12 noon — Health Talks. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Focus. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — Keeping in Touch. Repeat at 7 p.m.

- 1:30 p.m. — Music, Montezuma and Orsi. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — The Gentle Way. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — Motch Fall Dr. Races. Repeat at 9 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 21

- 12 noon — Community Unity National Community Education Week. Repeat at 6 p.m.
- 12:30 p.m. — Perceptions. Repeat at 6:30 p.m.
- 1 p.m. — Due Process. Repeat at 7 p.m.
- 1:30 p.m. — Viewpoint. Repeat at 7:30 p.m.
- 2 p.m. — Insight. Repeat at 8 p.m.
- 2:30 p.m. — Cooking with Clad. Repeat at 8:30 p.m.
- 3 p.m. — In One Ear. Repeat at 9 p.m.
- 3:30 p.m. — Farmington Area Goodfellow Christmas Drive. Repeat at 8:30 p.m. — Weekend with J. Barham.

Friday, Nov. 22

Call and request repeats of your favorite Channel 12 shows, 553-7303.

Art booster is honored

State Sen. Jack Faxon, D-Farmington Hills, a longtime arts patron as well as a performer and artist, will receive an award from the French government for his contributions toward the advancement of culture and the arts.

The award's title literally means "Knight in the Order of Arts and Letters." Faxon joins such celebrities as playwright Arthur Miller, actor Clint Eastwood and writers William Styron and Norman Mailer among its recipients.

With 200 nominations chosen annually throughout the world, the award commends those who have consistently distinguished themselves by artistic or literary accomplishments, or who are instrumental in the advancement of arts and letters.

During his career in the Legislature,

Faxon has sponsored a variety of arts-related bills. He is responsible for the beginning of the state's funding for the Detroit Institute of Arts, as well as the creation of the Michigan Council for the Arts and the Arts in Public Places Commission.

He almost continually served as chairman of the Joint Legislative Committee on the Arts from its inception in 1972 and of its current successor, the Select Committee on the Advancement of the Creative Arts and Humanities. It was from this committee, one of the first of its kind established in the United States, that Michigan was able to move to the forefront in state-supported funding for the arts.

Faxon is also the founder and president of the Joyce International, a private, non-profit French-English school in Southfield.

In addition to his legislative activities, Faxon has exhibited his personal paintings with the Cranbrook Art Academy, Wayne State University Arts Gallery, the University of Michigan and at the State Capitol.

As a performer, he has appeared in productions with the Detroit Symphony Orchestra, the International Symphony at Saratoga, the Lansing Symphony Orchestra, the West Shore Symphony in Muskegon and at Interlochen. He has also performed in productions with the Michigan Opera Theater, the Lansing Ballet and Detroit Dance.

Faxon will receive the award during a reception in his honor Nov. 25 at the official residence of the French Consul near Detroit.

How alcohol affects you

Can you separate facts from fallacies when it comes to alcohol? If not, you are not alone — only 27 percent of the American population understands the equivalence of different kinds of beverage alcohol.

Here are some facts about how alcohol affects your body.

- The pure alcohol content of typical drinks of beer, wine and liquor is the same: about 0.5 ounces.
- Drinking slowly, eating beforehand and snacking as you drink all help slow down the effects of alcohol.
- On average, the body needs about an hour to burn off a typical drink.
- The caloric content of alcoholic beverages are: five ounces of wine have 114 calories; 12 ounces of beer have 154 calories; and 1½ ounces of spirits have 88 calories.

ANNUAL REPORT for CLARENCEVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT

As of JUNE 1985

Clarenceville School District of Oakland and Wayne Counties

GENERAL FUND BALANCE SHEET

	1984	1985
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 160,626	\$ 171,601
Receivables:		
Taxes	\$ 202,178	\$ 141,963
Accounts	53,126	9,769
Due from other funds	554	-0-
Due from Govt. Units	68,781	87,176
Inventories - At Cost	67,409	66,126
Prepaid Expenses	60,146	89,132
Total Assets	\$ 610,916	\$ 645,787
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	\$ 51,680	\$ 23,658
Accrued Payroll	301,448	343,977
Accrued Expense	78,765	20,440
Due to other funds	30,982	24,344
Deposits	11,691	12,244
Deferred Revenue	55,060	47,820
Total Liabilities	\$ 529,526	\$ 472,463
Fund Equity:		
Undesignated	\$ 81,390	\$ 173,304
Total Fund Equity	\$ 81,390	\$ 173,304
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 610,916	\$ 645,787

GENERAL FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY

	1984	1985
REVENUES		
Local Sources	\$4,014,804	\$4,970,597
State Sources	1,181,292	1,516,457
Federal Sources	121,417	169,257
Interdistrict Sources	-0-	19,029
Other Sources	-0-	10,988
Total Revenue	\$6,217,513	\$6,686,308
EXPENDITURES		
Current:		
Instruction	\$3,537,814	\$3,813,890
Supporting Services	2,560,890	2,919,515
Capital Outlay	63,205	83,230
OTHER USES	76,514	77,759
Total Expenditures and Other Uses	\$6,238,423	\$6,894,394
REVENUE SOURCES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (20,910)	\$ 1,914
FUND BALANCES		
Beginning of Year	102,200	81,390
Fund Equity End of Year	\$ 81,390	\$ 173,304

	1984	1985
DEBT RETIREMENT FUNDS BALANCE SHEET		
ASSETS		
Cash in Bank	\$ 11,822	\$ -0-
Cash Equivalent Investments	120,000	146,240
Taxes Receivable	13,343	15,894
Accrued Interest Receivable	1,051	-0-
Due from other funds	503	-0-
Total Assets	\$ 146,719	\$ 162,134
LIABILITIES		
Due to other funds	-0-	-0-
FUND BALANCE	\$ 146,719	\$ 162,134
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$ 146,719	\$ 162,134

	1984	1985
DEBT RETIREMENT FUND COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURE AND FUND BALANCE		
REVENUES		
Current Property Tax Levy	\$ 317,767	\$ 321,321
Interest on:		
Delinquent Taxes	567	-0-
Investments	27,098	24,370
Sale of Building	-0-	47,555
Total Revenue	\$ 345,432	\$ 393,246
EXPENDITURES		
Bond Principal	\$ 265,000	\$ 270,000
Bond Interest	116,681	108,170
Paying Agent Fees and other	1,220	1,561
Tax Refund	481	-0-
Total Expenditures	\$ 383,382	\$ 379,731
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (38,130)	\$ 15,415
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	\$ 184,649	\$ 146,719
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 146,719	\$ 162,134

BUILDING AND SITE BALANCE SHEET

	1984	1985
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 2,562	\$ 1,419
Cash Investments	82,721	46,835
Accounts Receivable	162,619	159,769
Total Assets	\$ 247,902	\$ 208,023
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY		
Deferred Revenue	\$ 162,618	\$ 159,769
Total Liabilities	\$ 162,618	\$ 159,769
Fund Equity		
Designated for Capital Projects	\$ 85,284	\$ 48,254
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 247,902	\$ 208,023

BUILDING AND SITE FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND EQUITY

	1984	1985
REVENUE		
Local Source	\$ 37,482	\$ 24,754
Total Expenditures	\$ 92,380	\$ 61,784
REVENUES OVER (UNDER) EXPENDITURES	\$ (54,898)	\$ 37,030
Fund Balance Beginning of Year	\$ 140,182	\$ 85,284
Fund Balance End of Year	\$ 85,284	\$ 48,254

PHYSICAL ASSETS AND GENERAL INFORMATION

	1984	1985
Land	\$ 1,114,946	\$ 1,109,446
Buildings	14,544,554	13,144,554
Furniture/Equipment	2,254,588	2,263,224
Vehicles	212,624	238,437
Total General Fixed Assets	\$18,126,612	\$16,755,661
Outstanding Bonds	\$ 2,580,000	\$ 2,310,000
State Equalized Value	128,884,630	128,527,989
Tax Levy Operating	37,000	37,000
Debt	2,500	2,500
Number of Buildings	6	5
Number of Classrooms	165	137
Number of Teachers	104	102
Number of Students	2,105	2,016
Number Adult Education F.T.E.	170	228
Pupil Teacher Ratio	22.75	22.45
Teacher Salary	20-1	20-1
Minimum BA	\$15,350	\$16,118
Maximum MA	\$30,249	\$31,761

SUPERINTENDENT'S STATEMENT

The 1984-85 school year was characterized by extensive planning and program development involving staff and community. With the Board of Education adopting a comprehensive set of long and short term goals through the input of staff and parents, the direction of the District has been established for the next several years. Following this past year of program development, the 1985-86 school year started with the implementation of the following improvements:

- (1) An elementary gifted and talented program.
- (2) High school competency testing as a graduation requirement.
- (3) Specific academic standards pertaining to the promotion and retention of the District's elementary and junior high school students.
- (4) A kindergarten through twelfth grade homework policy.
- (5) A comprehensive achievement testing program.
- (6) Expansion and improvement of the District's adult education programs.

(7) A systematic approach to energy conservation and cost savings. In addition to the above, the Clarenceville School District was successful in selling a closed building, passing a millage renewal and a 1/4 mill increase for building and site, and more than doubling the District's fund equity from the previous year.

The school district is committed to providing quality educational programs for our K-12 students. We are also following a responsible approach to sound fiscal management to ensure continued improvements in the educational opportunities for our young people. Your Board, administration, and faculty will continue its efforts on behalf of the Clarenceville community to serve and provide quality experiences for our youth.

CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING November 11, 1985

Mayor Dolan opened the regular meeting of the Farmington Hills City Council on November 11, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. Members present: Alkatech, Dolan, Dudley, Marks, Sever, Soronen and Wolf. Others present: City Manager Conk, City Clerk Reynolds and City Attorney Bileau.

The four newly elected Council Members: A. Janette Dolan, Ben Marks, Terry Sever and Jo Ann Soronen were sworn in by the City Clerk.

A plaque was presented to Charles Williams in recognition of his service to the citizens of Farmington Hills.

Minutes of October 21st were approved as corrected and minutes of October 28th were approved as presented.

Council adopted EDC Resolution approving Project Plan for Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, Inc. Project.

Council adopted EDC Resolution approving Project Plan for Royce Venture II Project. (Tech)

Council adopted EDC Resolution approving Project Plan for Royce Venture II Project. (refunding)

Council appointed Josephine Spencer as zoning inspector.

Council granted preference approval for attendance to National League of Cities Conference.

Approval was granted for Executive Session to discuss property acquisition and pending litigation.

Council adopted Resolution for the conveyance of Lots 149, 210, 220 and 264 of Grand River Homes Subdivision from Oakland County Road Commission to the City of Farmington Hills.

Council approved Final Plat for Farmington Grove Subdivision, subject to various requirements.

Council authorized a purchase order to Tri-City Aggregates for annual supply of sand/chloride mixture for \$6,728.

Council adopted Resolution to allocate refund of Oakland County Taxes for improvements on county roads.

Council introduced an amendment to Section 61.330 of the City Code Subdivision of Land Ordinance to require the provision of adequate sump pump discharge into storm sewers.

Council directed staff to revise amendment to Section 14.320 of City Code to require the diversion of sump pump discharges that are a public nuisance.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

A. JANETTE DOLAN, Mayor
JOAN REYNOLDS, City Clerk

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CITY OF FARMINGTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS (Summary)

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was called to order by Mayor Yoder at 8:00 p.m. on November 4, 1985, in Council Chambers, 35500 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan.

PRESENT: Bennett, Hartsock, Tupper, Yoder.

ABSENT: Walker.

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager Deadman, Director Billing, Director Lauboff, City Attorney Kelly (arrived at 8:01 p.m.), City Clerk Bushey.

Minutes of previous meeting were approved.

Minutes of other Boards were received and/or filed.

Council tabled a resolution from the City of Troy concerning County use of excess tax collections.

Council supported H. B. 5021 pertaining to local government control over package liquor licenses.

Council received and filed a letter from Congressman Les AuCoin relative to the Geneva Summit.

Council authorized a temporary easement to Mr. and Mrs. Tarry to construct a new road on their building at 31515 Orchard Lake Road.

Council authorized an agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the installation of a Traffic Signal at Grand River and School Street.

Council received a Progress Report on the Caddell Drain.

Council received a report on the proposed rezoning of a portion of 1983 County Tax Revenues.

Council accepted the amended low bid of Perfect Builder, Royal Oak, Michigan, at \$2,490,000 for the Detroit/Edison Room Project.

Council accepted the low bid of Johnson Smith Graphics, Romulus, Michigan, at \$1,143,000 for 5,400 copies of the 1986 Annual Report Calendar.

Council authorized the purchase of a one ton pickup truck through the Oakland County bid process for \$11,804.55, and a snowplow attachment for approximately \$1,700.00.

Public comments were heard.

Mrs. Elaine Willis was appointed to fill the unexpired term of Joyce O'Brien on the Farmington Area Arts Commission.

Council accepted the resignation of John Clappison from the C.B.D. Study Task Force and appointed Frank Clappison to fill the unexpired term.

The following reports were received and filed:

- Department of Public Safety Operations Report, September, 1985.
- The General Fund, the 47th District Court Fund and the Water & Sewer Fund financial reports for the three months ended September 30, 1985.

Monthly bills were approved for payment.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

RALPH D. YODER, Mayor
JOSEPHINE M. BUSHEY, City Clerk

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