

'Full Time Treasurer' Issue Aired Again

FARMINGTON before an audience of about 50 persons on Oct. 22.

Nolan and Berger are vying for the treasurer's position which is up for grabs following the retirement of Elise Avery.

Berger initially raised the issue after Nolan announced his candidacy for treasurer saying he would not resign his job if elected.

Each candidate was given five minutes to make an opening statement and then allowed three minutes each to answer questions from the audience.

Berger OPENED by saying he is a seven-year resident of Farmington Township and now lives in Old Homestead subdivision.

Berger quickly got to the part-time issue by stating: "Nolan is apparently not going to be a full-time treasurer if elected and this is a job which pays \$11,000 a year."

He added that Nolan did not clear up that position in a recent explanation printed in the Farmington Enterprise & Observer.

Berger quoted Mrs. Avery as saying the treasurer's job became her life and was more than a full-time job because it consumed so much of her time she did not have time to pursue other interests.

Mrs. Avery should be the most qualified to define whether or not full-time effort is needed to be treasurer, Berger said. "I'll be there eight hours a day, five days a week, or more if necessary."

officials -- the supervisor, clerk and treasurer."

Berger questioned priorities now given the budget by saying the township does not have enough money to pick up garbage but found \$500,000 to build the new township hall from savings realized in previous budgets.

"We can find half a million dollars to build a building but cannot afford to pick up trash. That just doesn't make sense," Berger added that the two mills proposed by the board in August for trash pickup would have raised \$450,000 in tax revenues.

"There are so many problems facing Farmington Township that it will take a complete change in the administration to find solutions," Berger concluded.

NOLAN QUICKLY answered the part-time issue by saying he has worked many years for the township as trustee, planning commissioner and member of other boards and commissions.

He said he has put in many

hours for the township in the past 10 years and will continue if elected. "If the job takes 10 hours, or whatever it takes, I'll devote those hours. My job has staggered hours and I will have time free in the day to be in the township hall."

Nolan said his boss has given him permission to take time from work for his duties as treasurer and he will be able to find the time.

NOLAN STRESSED the township administration is not falling down or decaying but has done a number of good things for the residents.

"We are the only township cited by the State of Michigan for being one of the best planned communities in the state. We have a Class A industrial park, the only one in the state. We have a density of 1.8 which we successfully defended in the State Supreme Court and all new subdivisions are now paying their way."

The millage proposed for trash pickup, Nolan explained, was only an estimate and if

Berger responded to the parks issue by stating the older, poorer areas in Farmington Township are not being taken care of by the open space concepts of the PUD and PRD zoning ordinances.

"Persons in some areas of the township cannot afford to live in these new subdivisions with all this open space. The township should be laying land out to set aside for parks."

Nolan was asked why the township has not been able to protect its Class A industrial park (the Farmington Freeway Industrial Park at 10 Mile and Grand River) from being grabbed up by annexation?

"We have tried to incorporate the township area on two or three different occasions in the past and have worked hard to protect our boundaries. But if the people deny incorporation there is not much the administration can do to protect our boundaries."

"We'll continue trying but the people must help us by passing incorporation."

If annexation goes through, I will propose immediate reductions to suit the needs of the remaining area.

"I would take a great deal less money to serve the north half than it does now for the entire township," Berger added.

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He said he has put in many

annual dealings with Schenck other than Kensington Manor Place trailer park in South Lyon, Hall insisted.

On Aug. 3, 1968, Schenck sold the Orchard Lake trailer park to Topps, and the deal was closed in February 1969, Hall continued.

Topps later purchased an additional 19 lots from another township resident who had no business connection with Schenck, Hall added.

THOSE 19 LOTS were rezoned in 1969 to square off the Topps property, explained Hall, but that was done five

months after Topps had owned the bulk of its property acquired from Schenck.

"I am not a candidate for public office and my patience for slander and libel is being severely tested," concluded Hall.

After Hall adjourned the meeting and walked out, Levy told this newspaper he will stand on his letter sent to the state attorney general requesting an investigation.

"His pre-election statement is simply a political move. But the people of Farmington Township will be the best judge."

votes this time, and with that mandate from the people, I would like to get on with the job of making this township a fine community, safer and pleasant to live in and a good place to raise our families."

Teeples cited 17 years of service to Farmington township as a scoutmaster, and PTA board member. He was involved in church, youth group work and educational work with schools. He also lectured on narcotics, served as juvenile officer, health officer, zoning officer and police officer.

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Hall Denies Conflict

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Cairns and Taylor have sold their interest in the corporation developing the South Lyon park. "I have never had any financial dealings with Schenck other than Kensington Manor Place trailer park in South Lyon, Hall insisted.

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