

State Aid Cut Would Hurt Schools

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Michigan school business manager. "We will have to reduce expenditures already reduced to the bare minimum, even in the teaching area. Maintenance has been reduced so much it hurts a little."

Trustee Gary L. Lichtman expressed his concern in a letter to Gov. Milliken Monday in which he said, "Before any cuts are made, the grave consequences should be given adequate consideration."

Lichtman, who wrote the governor he was "quite upset" at the proposed budget cuts in education, said: "Just last year, when the state educational reform package that would have improved the quality of state-wide education, this package demonstrated deep concern and care. I would hope that you will again exercise that same concern before making any final budget considerations."

Washington said the board would "have to cut into some things kind of sacred," if the governor's proposal went through.

"The state's only one way big chunk can be eliminated and that's in jobs," the board president said.

(Teacher salaries account for 60% of the budget and to cut salaries 5% of the budget.)

NO ONE NEED be laid off, Washburn said. Personnel cuts could be achieved "through attrition," by failing to replace those quitting the system or going on leaves of absence.

Looking ahead, Washburn said he saw "no way to plan next year's school budget without an increase in income, and, if it doesn't come from Lansing, it must come from the community."

"The way the winds are blowing from Lansing," he went on.

How much extra mileage would be needed "has not yet been determined," Washburn said.

The Farmington District now levies \$22 million (\$22 per \$1,000 of state equalized value) for operating funds.

citizens committee, whose first task will be to "dig into the financial feeling of the community," should be ready to go to work by February, the board president said.

"They may recommend that we either do or don't ask for an increase in local taxes," Washburn said, "but personally I don't see how they can fail to ask for more mileage."

WHILE SOME financially troubled school districts cringe at the possibility of Catholic school closings, Farmington views the prospect with equanimity.

He has "no anticipation" any of the three local Catholic schools will close, Prisk said, but he believes "we could accommodate" their pupils.

Our Lady of Mercy, owned by the Order of the Sisters of Mercy, is operated from tuition fees and is independent of parish subsidy. "It won't close," a spokesman said.

The other two schools, St. Fabian and Our Lady of Sorrows, together enroll approximately 1,600 students, about evenly divided between elementary and secondary grades.

Sister Berenice, St. Fabian principal, said "we really don't know one way or the other" whether her school would be among those ordered closed.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on January 4, 1971. Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Brotherton.

ROLL CALL: Allen, Brotherton, Seibert, Yoder, present.

ABSENT: Richardson.

OFFICIALS PRESENT: City Manager, Dean Brines, Chief Clerk, William Miller, and three members of the City Council.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Yoder supported by Seibert to approve minutes of previous meeting as published. Motion carried, all ayes.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: LETTER FROM MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION REGARDING CONSUMERS POWER COMPANY APPLICATION TO PUT INTO EFFECT FUEL COST ADJUSTMENT.

Notice from Michigan Public Service Commission regarding Consumers Power Company application to place into effect the fuel cost adjustment clause for gas rates.

The Consumers Power Company represents that its gas supply costs principally from Time-Saver Gas, a subsidiary of the company.

Michigan Gas Storage Company, from Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line Company, all of which companies are subject to regulation of, and regulated by, the Federal Power Commission.

Applicant states that the cost of gas to the applicant is a major operating expense in its gas business.

The notice states that the applicant proposes to amend its gas rate schedules for other than residential service rate "A" and gas lighting rate "GL" to include a fuel cost adjustment clause. Applicant states the proposed fuel cost adjustment clause is the best interest because it will promptly reflect changes in the applicants industrial rates without expense, inconvenience and lag of a general rate case.

They state a public hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m., January 4, 1971 in the offices of the Commission in Lansing to determine whether the authority sought should be granted.

The notice further states that this concept will not affect the residential Consumers Power customers, although it will affect the rate on the industrial and commercial users, and it is presumed that Consumers Power Company anticipates a rate increase from their suppliers, and therefore wants to pass it on to its industrial and commercial customers in the form of an escalator clause in their method of billing.

Letter received and filed. CM-1-388-1 LETTER FROM GROVES WALKER POST REGARDING SPONSORING A BOY TO WOLVERINE BOYS STATE.

Letter from Groves Walker Post stating it is to plan for the 1971 Wolverine Boys State, and they trust the City will again sponsor a boy this year in the past. The program is one of the finest teaching the boys the democratic government by actual participation. The boys will spend a week on the Michigan State University campus from June 16, 1971 to June 21, 1971 at a cost of \$65.00.

Motion by Seibert supported by Allen to adopt the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Farmington City Council sponsor a boy to attend Wolverine Boys State on the campus of the Michigan State University this year from June 16, 1971 to June 21, 1971 at a cost of \$65.00 and that the money is to be paid from Account 50-34.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the City Council designate City Manager John Diano as the contact person in establishing a date for the boy's report after his return from Wolverine Boys State.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Allen, Brotherton, Seibert, Yoder. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

Resolution declared adopted January 4, 1971.

Elizabeth Brines, City Clerk

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

CM-1-379-1 REPLACEMENT SEWER RODDER WITH RENTAL, PURCHASE SEWERING WATER JET SEWER CLEANING EQUIPMENT.

City Manager Diano submitted a report from the Director of Public Services relating to the replacement of the City's sewer rodding machine with the purchase of a new Sewerking Water Jet package unit.

He stated that the sewer rodding machine the City now has is ten years old and recently the transmission for the drive shaft for a rebuilt and a new transmission would be in the neighborhood of between \$800 and \$1,000, and therefore, the Director of Public Works recommended that the City purchase the new Sewerking Water Jet cleaning package unit at this time for the following reasons:

1. The cost to replace the transmission is greater than the value of the machine, and further expense repairs may be required on this type equipment.

2. The new package unit is a new concept in sewer cleaning, which eliminates the costly use of the bucket of cement, the cost of a manpower, and clean five times as much sewer pipe, equivalent to 800-1200 ft. per day, depending on the conditions encountered.

City Manager Diano said the Council that the Department of Public Services has arranged for a rental purchase plan with no interest costs. The first payment will be due on or about July 1, 1971, which would allow proper budgeting for the 1971 fiscal year.

City Manager Diano said the Council members he was in agreement with the Director of Public Services that the purchase of the new Sewerking Water Jet package unit would be a waste of money. He stated he had been given assurance of a trade in value of \$1,000 for the present machine, in interest on the rental purchase plan, with 1000 PSI pump, with clutch, starter, generator, 1000 gallon water tank, hose reel, 400 ft. of sewer cleaning hose, mounted on a Ford Truck and with the necessary accessories.

The cost of the equipment will be \$15,000 less trade in \$1,000, making a net cost of \$14,000, with terms \$3,733.34 payable July 1, 1971, \$13,233.34 payable July 1971 and \$5,133.33 payable July 1972.

Mr. Jack Deberry of Van Manufacturing Division was present at the meeting and answered various questions put to him by the members of the Council on the workings of the O'Brien Sewerking Water Jet equipment.

Motion by Allen supported by Yoder to adopt the following resolution: BE IT RESOLVED:

That the City Council approve the rental purchase plan for the O'Brien Sewerking Water Jet Equipment as per their proposal, which is as follows:

Less trade in O'Brien Rodder and Truck - \$15,000.00

Net Cost - \$14,000.00

First payment July 1, 1971 - \$3,733.34

Second payment July 1, 1972 - \$13,233.34

Third payment July 1, 1973 - \$5,133.33

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That because of the uniqueness of this type of sewer equipment which is not available in the State of Michigan, and the no interest cost on the rental purchase plan agreement, and the high trade in value for the existing cleaner equipment, and the ease of service and parts replacement, and due to the emergency conditions that presently exist with no functioning sewer cleaning equipment, the City Council waive the necessity of a formal sealed bid because it would be in the best interest of the City and no advantage to the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the money for the rental purchase of the O'Brien Sewerking Water Jet Equipment be paid from the Water and Sewer Fund.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Allen, Brotherton, Seibert, Yoder. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

Resolution declared adopted January 4, 1971.

Elizabeth Brines, City Clerk

CM-1-371-1 ODD YEAR ELECTION BILL NO. 129 PUBLIC ACT 1970.

City Manager Diano reported to the Council that the Governor had signed the ODD Year Election Bill, No. 129 P.A. 1970 on December 22, 1970.

The Bill spells out that cities that do not "opt out" will have elections scheduled automatically to August 3, 1971 for the Primary and November 2, 1971 for the General. The incumbents of City Offices previously scheduled for election in April 1971 will now continue in office until after the 1971 general election. Incumbents scheduled for election between November 3, 1970 and April 1, 1971 inclusive.

will not be up for election until the 1973 General Election, to be held on November 6, 1973. In essence, all the present members of the Farmington City Council will have a seven month extension to their terms.

The City Manager went on to state that under Section 6440 of the Bill that present elected at odd year general elections would take office at noon on the following January 1st, except in Home Rule cities which have a provision for taking office earlier.

At the present time, the Farmington City Council takes office at the following regular meeting after the Board of Canvassers have certified the election. If they do not return to their offices by the election, they could do so by ordinance prior to April 1st by establishing another date.

City Manager Diano also noted that the City and School Board may introduce an agreement whereby school elections could be held on the odd year cycle in conjunction with the City election. If such a plan is entered into, the School Board by resolution adopted prior to April 1, 1971 may provide a schedule of staggered terms to elect one year longer than their present terms. Otherwise, the City and School Board would have to vote on a resolution.

The thirty day period for the "Opt Out" of the odd year November election requirement will end at 12:00 p.m. midnight on January 21, 1971, and members of the Council agreed there was no reason for them to "Opt Out." The City Clerk will notify the Election Department at Oakland County and the members of the Council asked that they send a copy of the Odd Year Election Bill, No. 129 to the School Board for their information and at the same time let them know that the City of Farmington did not plan to "Opt Out."

Report received and filed.

CM-1-387-1 PERMIT AMENDMENT TO FENCE ORDINANCE PERMIT FEES.

City Manager Diano submitted a report from Jay Harrison, Building Inspector, regarding present fence ordinance permit fees. Presently the fee is \$100 for each partition fence. The Department has had an opportunity to review the past fence permits which show that most permits are issued for one or two additional feet in the Building Department between \$2.00 or \$3.00 per permit. This leaves the City Building Department an average of \$2.00 or \$3.00 for a permit to inspect and a final inspection, plus processing the paperwork.

It is the recommendation of the Building Inspector that the City Council introduce an amendment to Title IX, Chapter 8, Section 8.01, to increase the permit fees to a \$5.00 minimum and \$1.00 for each additional partition fence line.

The Department also recommends that under Title VII, Business and Trades, Chapter 60, be amended to read license for fence contractor or erectors \$10.00 per year. This would mean the contractor would be registered with the city and would have to fully comply with all the ordinance Rules and Regulations of the City of Farmington. However, a homeowner under the Rules and Regulations of the State of Michigan Licensing and Regulations could do all work himself and make the installation himself in accordance with the ordinance without obtaining a fence contractor or contractor license.

Motion by Allen supported by Yoder to introduce an amendment to Title IX, Chapter 8, Section 8.01, in the Farmington City Code, increasing the permit fees to a \$5.00 minimum and \$1.00 for each additional partition fence line, and also to introduce an amendment to Title VII, Business and Trades, Chapter 60 to read license for fence contractor or erectors \$10.00 per year.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Allen, Brotherton, Seibert, Yoder. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

MISCELLANEOUS: CM-1-373-1 RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION OF MILDRED DROEGE, RE-ESTABLISH FARMINGTON LIBRARY.

Motion by Yoder supported by Seibert to adopt the following resolution: RECOGNITION MILDRED DROEGE.

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg was Farmington Librarian for the past twenty years, and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg nurtured the Farmington Library system from a handful of books to the present facilities with more than 30,000 books, and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg has been very instrumental in the consolidating of the Farmington area into the Farmington District Library and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg has given direction to the expansion of the Farmington District Library and the construction of a new \$1.5 million library that will house more than 100,000 books, and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg through her love of her work and dedication to the growth of the Farmington Library has given inspiration to all who come in contact with the library, and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg has completed an enviable record through the years of having one of the highest rates of book usage at the Farmington District Library in the metropolitan area, and

WHEREAS: Mildred Droeg has been instrumental in being one of our outstanding citizens who has given so much to her community and for her achievements in her chosen field as Farmington Librarian, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mildred Droeg and to the Farmington District Library.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Yoder, Allen, Brotherton, Seibert. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

Resolution declared adopted January 4, 1971.

MONTHLY AUDIT REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 1970.

Receive and file.

RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES: CM-1-374-1 INTRODUCED ORDINANCE NO. C-241 AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE.

Motion by Seibert supported by Yoder to introduce Ordinance No. C-241, Amendment No. 1 to the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion carried, all ayes.

CM-1-375-1 ADOPT AMENDMENT TO SIGN ORDINANCE.

Motion by Allen supported by Seibert to adopt and enact the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. C-257-1: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON BY ADDING A NEW SECTION WHICH SHALL BE DESIGNATED AS SECTION 4.6 OF CHAPTER 41 OF TITLE VIII OF SAID CODE.

"THE CITY OF FARMINGTON ORDINANCES: SECTION 4.6: CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT C2-COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL DISTRICT C3-GENERAL COMMERCIAL DISTRICT."

All signs permitted in these areas designated as CBD, C2 and C3 Districts, as defined in Chapter 29, of the City Code, shall comply with Section 4.6 and Section 4.3 of Farmington City Code.

This ordinance was introduced at a regular meeting of the Farmington City Council on December 21, 1970, was adopted at the next regular meeting of the Council on January 4, 1971 and will become effective immediately.

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, Mayor

ELIZABETH BRINES, City Clerk

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Brotherton, Seibert, Yoder, Allen. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

Ordinance declared adopted with immediate effect.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS: Motion by Yoder supported by Seibert to approve Claims and Accounts for January 4, 1971 as submitted, General Fund \$337.48 and Water and Sewer \$337.47.

ROLL CALL: Ayes: Seibert, Yoder, Allen, Brotherton. Nays: None. ABSENT: Richardson.

Motion carried, all ayes.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

WILBUR V. BROTHERTON, Mayor

ELIZABETH BRINES, City Clerk

Cub Pack 231 Plans Blue & Gold Banquet

FARMINGTON Farmington Cub Scout Pack 231, which meets in Larkshire Elementary School, will hold its annual Blue and Gold Banquet Feb. 13.

The committee met in January to plan this event, which will see the pack's adult leaders being given service awards.

AT THE LAST pack meeting the theme was paying tribute to the American flag. Each den recited poetic tribute to the flag, explaining its meaning, at the Jan. 15 meeting.

It was announced then that a second Webelos den is being started with Tom Scott as leader.

Several pack leaders attended a scout council in January in Pontiac. Cubmaster James Harkins Sr. was notified that Larkshire Elementary PTA office.

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 14-64

Matter of STEPHEN MICHAEL LACZYNSKI, Change of Name.

It is Ordered that on February 26, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Stephen M. Lacy to change the name of Stephen Michael Lacy to Stephen Michael Lacy.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 28, 1970

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

A True Copy WILLIAM M. TRAVIS, Register of Probate Court

Newspaper: Farmington Enterprise & Observer

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Senior Minister of Holy, Episcopal, well-established Protestant church in Southfield offers services as a community service. Please telephone his secretary, Mrs. Williams.

EL 2-6954 for an appointment.

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Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: January 7, 1971

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

Robert K. Kelly, Attorney 3211 Grand River Farmington

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 10-71

Estate of NORMA E. CLAYTON, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on April 9, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of David Russell, copy upon JUAN CARTER, Executors of General, praying for the allowance of his first account and for allowance of fees.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 21, 1970

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

Robert K. Anderson, Attorney 2250 Orchard Lake Road Farmington

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 10-71

Estate of CLARENCE H. JARVIS, known as CLARENCE JARVIS, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on February 9, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Lisa A. Jarvis, Administratrix, praying for the examination and allowance of the final account, for the allowance of fees, assignment of the residue of said estate, and on this Court, and serve a copy upon Lawrence H. Garbow, Trustee, 2201 Lusk Farmington Michigan 4824.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 28, 1970

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

Albert P. Herzog, Attorney 2250 Farmington Road Farmington

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 10-71

Estate of CLARENCE H. JARVIS, known as CLARENCE JARVIS, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on February 9, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Lisa A. Jarvis, Administratrix, praying for the examination and allowance of the final account, for the allowance of fees, assignment of the residue of said estate, and on this Court, and serve a copy upon Lawrence H. Garbow, Trustee, 2201 Lusk Farmington Michigan 4824.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: December 28, 1970

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

William M. Travis, Register of Probate Court

Newspaper: Farmington Enterprise & Observer

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McLoughlin and Phiney, Attorneys 412 Fisher Building Detroit, Michigan

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 10-71

Estate of ALICE S. GARCHOW, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on March 3, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Alice S. Garchow, Administratrix, praying for the examination and allowance of the final account, for the allowance of fees, assignment of the residue of said estate, and on this Court, and serve a copy upon Lawrence H. Garbow, Trustee, 2201 Lusk Farmington Michigan 4824.

Publication and service shall be made as provided by Statute and Court Rule.

Dated: January 3, 1971

DONALD E. ADAMS, Judge of Probate

McLoughlin and Phiney, Attorneys 412 Fisher Building Detroit, Michigan

Newspaper: Farmington Enterprise & Observer

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what we are presently planning to add," Prisk said. "We might have to stretch in the class size limit, like .20m 28 might have to go to 30 students per class. I'm sure the teachers would understand if we had to make a temporary adjustment. I've always found them to be reasonable people."

Moreover, if the present state aid formula continued, addition of 1,800 pupils at \$400 a head would mean an additional \$720,000 in state funds for the public school budget.

"I sure could do a lot with that," Prisk mused.

RODNEY K. KRUPP, Attorney 3210 Plymouth Road Livonia

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND No. 10-66

Estate of RUTH E. LANTZ, also known as RUTH E. STRICKER, Deceased.

It is Ordered that on February 2, 1971, at 9 A.M., in the Probate Courtroom Pontiac, Michigan a hearing be held on the petition of Ray S. Lantz for the admission to probate of an instrument purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, and for the granting of administration with the annex of said estate to said Lantz, as executor or some other suitable person.