

Owen Quits, Wants Chief Yakes Fired

Hugh Owen, township commissioner of fire and police, an appointee of former Supervisor Frank Stephenson, resigned today in a letter to the board of trustees. Today night, Owen in another letter sent to two board members he recommended that Chief of Police Irving Yakes be fired by the board. He listed 12 points why he thought this should be done.

THIS LETTER was not only referred to at the board meeting. Trustee Raymond Willcox said the letter should be referred to a "committee" which means a private session of the board.

Trustee Wendell Brown protested that the matter should be aired in public, but got no support. The board later named Supervisor Curt Hall to take over the fire and police department, at least until the next meeting. Owen said he would like to see the fire and police department merged.

Seek to Clarify Sewer Charges

Clarification of the method of paying tap-in charges for the Farmington sewer system, interest rates, and being sought by the township board.

Twp. Attorney Joseph T. Brennan said he would like to see the township board clarify the method of paying tap-in charges for the Farmington sewer system, interest rates, and being sought by the township board.

The township board is now in a bind. It has to pay for the sewer system, but it doesn't know how to pay for it. It has to pay for the sewer system, but it doesn't know how to pay for it.

One of Four College Seniors Killed in Crash

Funeral services were held today for Jay Smith, a freshman at the University of Michigan, who was killed in a car crash on Monday night.

Smith was driving a 1955 Ford when it crashed into a tree on a residential street in Farmington. He was the only one killed in the crash.

Five Seek Two School Board Seats in C'ville

Clarencville School District voters will have a choice to make in the annual school election Monday, June 8. Two are to be selected.

Seeking re-election are President Fred L. Harrison, Jr., and St. Martins, Livonia; and Richard L. Gault, 18614 Floral, Livonia.

Now Being Read by 4,622 Families or 64% of the Families in the Farmington Area

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Hold Hearings On Two City Paving Plans

Two hearings held Monday night on concrete paving projects proposed in the city were about as different as hearings can be.

At the hearing for paving of Money street east of Farmington shopping plaza and north to Shawwassee street, there was not a single comment either for or against. After several minutes, Mayor Robert Lindbergh declared the hearing closed.

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SENIOR HONOR students at Clarencville High were announced this week. Fourteen were named, each having maintained averages of B or better throughout their four years of high school training.

Harry Carter Killed Tuesday

Harry B. Carter, 21, of 21876 Colgate was killed Tuesday morning when his car missed a curve on a Monroe County road and crashed into a one-room school house.

A recently discharged Army paratrooper, Carter was traveling south on Sumner Road about 8 miles north of Monroe. Running off the road, the car careened 125 feet going through the front of the school before coming to a stop inside. The time of the accident was set at 4:40 a.m.

Lightning Hits Bel-Aire Home

Imagine yourself sitting down to a quiet evening meal, without warning, being thrown from your kitchen chair into the living room!

That's exactly what happened to Dick Leddy when lightning struck the Leddy home at 31280 Leelanaw, Bel-Aire subdivision, last Wednesday, May 6.

School District Faces Big Financial Problem

The financial picture for the Farmington School District in the month ahead does not look too bright.

Money with which to operate is not coming through. Indications are strong that some deep cuts in the proposed operating budget of over 2 1/2 million dollars for the 1959-60 school year may have to be made.

How to Trim City Budget is Vexing Council

The proposed Farmington city budget and its 25 per cent increase failed of passage Monday night in a 2-3 vote by the council.

The council will hold another public meeting Friday evening, May 15, at 7 o'clock, in an attempt to agree on items which must be cut out. It is almost certain a final budget will be adopted then.

Wanted - Area Blood Donors

Residents are urged to register now to give blood at the Red Cross blood bank to be held Tuesday, May 19, at the American Legion hall on Grand River at Lakeway.

ALL PERSONS between the ages of 18 and 60 who are in good health can safely give a pint of blood, it was emphasized.

Twp. Gets Bid 2 Police Cars

Bids were received and opened by the township board Tuesday night for replacement of two police cars. They will be studied and compared and an committee of three will report at the next meeting.

Apparent low bid was submitted by Redford Sales and Service for Plymouth cars. One local dealer failed to itemize specifications as the bid notes had requested, so consideration will be required.

On-To-Dallas Campaign Play, Car Wash, "Give A Buck" Drive Slated

Two big projects in the campaign to raise enough funds to conduct a car wash on Oakland Avenue (north of the Township Hall) between Farmington Road and Grand River. Car washing equipment will be furnished by the Lions Club.

STARTING ON Friday, On-To-Dallas committee representatives will be contacting individual citizens throughout the community explaining details of the campaign. Contributors will be asked to sign petitions regarding the conversion in Dallas.

Adjournd Again

Another adjournment was granted in the suit of the City of Farmington against Farmington Township on the complaint storm water was being dumped into a natural drain there. Meantime, both city officials and township officials are trying to arrive at some equitable solution.

Act to Clean-Up Power Rd. Mess

A complaint about the messy condition in which the east right-of-way of Power Road from Ten Mile to the new Oakdale elementary school was left following the laying of a sewer line to the school was forwarded by the Board of Education to the township.

The administration was instructed to send a letter to the contractor on the job demanding that he complete necessary grading and other work along the route of the sewer line immediately. The letter also requested that the contractor be held responsible for the cost of the work.

Village Asks Twp. Inspection

The Village of Quakertown will continue to get building inspection service from the township. The village board has agreed to make a payment to the township for the service.

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18 More Teachers Hired, Still Need 29

The appointment of 18 more teachers to the Farmington School District staff for the 1959-60 school year, as recommended by the administration, was approved by the School Board Monday.

This cuts the total number of teachers still needed to 29.

Start Water Main On Ten Mile Soon

Water main pipes are being delivered this week for the extension on Ten Mile to serve the new elementary school. The township board has approved the project.

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