

City Council Proceedings

A special meeting of the Council of the City of Farmington was held on May 18, 1960, for the purpose of a public hearing on the 1960-61 budget. Bids for the Farmington Road Water Main and request from the Boy Scout Troop No. 45 for a joint truck license. Meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. by Mayor J. Lindbert. Present: Mayor J. Lindbert, Peteron and Thayer. City Officials Present: City Manager Schreffels, City Clerk Quinn, Attorney Kelly and Chief DeVriendt.

Public Hearing. Mayor Lindbert opened the public hearing on the 1960-61 budget and asked for comments from all interested parties.

Mr. H. Forrest, 3409 Alta Loma Drive, representative for the Alta-Loma Home Owners Association, questioned the proposed 1960-61 budget. They suggested that the method for the paying of the \$50,000 General Obligation Bond issue for Detroit Water Supply be a water consumption basis rather than a one mill tax levy. Mr. Forrest stated that he would have further information on the estimated sales tax revenue based on the 1960 Federal Census and asked for the opportunity to speak to the Council again before the budget is adopted. He also complimented the City Manager for the work on the proposed budget and thanked him for the hours spent with the Association regarding the budget.

Mr. R. Boise, 3245 Chas. St., representative for the Warner Farms Association, requested that the Council consider an increase in pay for the Public Safety Department in lieu of an additional Public Safety Clerk and a Recreational Supervisor. The Association is opposed to the expenditure of \$10,500 from the General Fund for the resurfacing of City owned parking lot in Parking Area "A".

The Mayor complimented the City Manager for the excellent work in compiling a good, sound budget for Council consideration. All interested parties having been heard, the Mayor declared the hearing closed at 9:21 p.m. and stated that the budget would be adopted at the regular meeting to be held on May 18, 1960.

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STEVE J. PHILLIPS, YNZ, U. S. Coast Guard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Phillips, Sr., 22081 Colgate, Farmington, recent winner of the 1959 Roll-off at the Cape May Raceway, captured additional prestige by rolling the high game of 242 in the annual Fourth Naval District bowling tournament. Maintaining an outstanding pace throughout the three day bowling marathon, Phillips wound up in third place among the 10 tournament bowlers. Captain John L. Steimetz, Commanding Officer of the base, presented the high game trophy to Phillips during ceremonies following the tournament.

Iron Mines Decline in Value While Copper Appraisal Is Up

Iron and copper mines in Michigan's upper peninsula are valued at \$105,937,200 for 1960, according to the Conservation Department's geological survey division.

THE FIGURE, approximately \$1,281,000 below last year's appraisal, reflects a decrease in iron ore reserves and a general decline in market demands for their products. Copper mines rose about \$500,000 in value.

This year's valuation for iron mines is \$90,611,200, nearly \$2,000,000 below the 1959 figure. Department valuations for iron mining counties are as follows: Dickinson, \$2,397,000; Gogebic, \$14,673,200; Iron, \$29,319,000; and Marquette, \$4,144,000.

Largely because of a new beneficiation plant, Dickinson county's figure increased slightly more than \$600,000 over last year. All other counties noted a drop in their iron mine valuations.

Reserve supplies in the four counties are estimated at 128,171,418 tons. There were almost 14,000,000 tons in reserve last year.

The value of copper mines in three upper peninsula counties is set at \$15,559,000. Ontonagon county, with its one mine at White Pine, leads other counties with a value of \$10,555,000.

Loughton and Keweenaw county mines are valued at \$3,508,000 and \$1,173,000, respectively.

PRELIMINARY figures indicate 113,081,533 pounds of copper were produced in the three counties during 1959. This was a drop of about 9,000,000 pounds from 1958, much of which is attributed to the strike at White Pine that stopped production in late October.

PUBLIC LETTER BOX

Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the policies of this newspaper. Maximum length is 1,000 words.

Eagle School Traffic Problem

An open letter to the Farmington Traffic Safety Committee relative to Eagle School, Gentlemen:

As a citizen, taxpayer and father of children attending Eagle School, I appreciate the interest shown in the traffic problem relative to that school. However I don't understand how such an illustrious group can come to so many erroneous conclusions.

Unless the article in the Farmington Enterprise of May 12 quoted your group incorrectly, you took no cognizance of why children are driven to and picked up from school. There is no safe way the children can walk along Middlebelt. This fact has been called to the attention of responsible parties ever since Eagle has been in existence.

The problem is simple and can be easily eliminated in either of two methods. (1) Provide a six foot graded, levelled and maintained walkway at least 8 feet off the roadbed from Lockmoor to 14 Mile Road. Or even from Briardale to 14 Mile. It is required by service conditions, or (2) have the school buses stop at Middlebelt to pick these children up.

The buses pass this point daily going to and from school and are not too crowded to accommodate more children. The children can be assigned to different buses, if necessary, to handle the load. Also, I am sure that the residents so affected would be willing to petition again for such service if that would be required.

THE ALLOCATION of conditions that require children to be driven would clear this situation.

The observers who were there

Former students at Wayne State University from the Farmington area attended a meeting recently with John Tenny, WSU special education instructor, speaking on Life and Education in the Soviet Union.

At the meeting the group elected officers for the coming year. They are as follows: president, Beverly Lyons Ellis; vice president, Lois Urquhart; corresponding secretary, Rayetta Harris Herschel; recording secretary, Barbara Bremiller Wolf; and treasurer, Elaine Neukam Bell.

The new organization is planning to have two of three meetings annually. The next one will be in the fall.

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Liver Better Cooked on Low

Does anyone in your family dislike liver—even when you tell them that it's low in cost and high in food value? Perhaps you can convert them into "liver-lovers" by changing your method of cooking liver. Some of us are guilty of cooking liver too quickly, and at too high a temperature. The unhappy result is dry, leathery, poor-tasting liver. The trick is to cook liver over low heat, with added moisture in a covered pan. A good way to raise liver is to dip the meat in seasoned flour and brown it in a little fat. Add sliced onions and a small amount of water and simmer for fifteen minutes to a half hour. Pork liver should always be cooked well-done, while beef, lamb, and calves' liver may be served rare or medium. You can vary the braised liver method by using well-seasoned tomato sauce instead of water for the liquid. The bathing beauties are about ready to appear again, and that will improve morale somewhat at the beaches.

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