City of Farmington Council Proceedings

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Farmington was held on August 19, 1963 Meeting called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Mayor Lindbert

Roll Call: Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert, Peterson and Thayer present.

City Officials Present: City Manager Dinan, Clerk Quinn and Chief DeVriendt.

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion by Forrest seconded by Thayer that the minutes of regular meeting held on August 5, 1963, be approved as published. Motion carried, all ayes.

Public Hearings

A. Rezone the East 19 Feet of the West 30.5 Feet of Lot 43, Block 1, Davis Addition Sub. from C-2, General Commercial District to R-1-P Parking.

Mayor Lindbert opened the Public Hearing at 8:01 P.M. and stated that the Public Hearing notice had been printed in the Farmington Enterprise, notices of hearing had been mailed to all affected property owners and asked for comments from all interested parties.

Mayor Lindbert informed the audience that the request is for zone the above described property. was to insure the use for parking.

There was no opposition to the rezoning.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Forrest that the hearing be closed. Motion carried, all ayes.

(a) Decision on City Acquisition of 16 Foot Right-of-way South Side Grand River East of Van Furniture Store.

Mayor Lindbert stated that the Council had discussed the acquisition of this property for parking for a number of years, that it was necessary that the City acquire this property in order to qualify for option given by John Lutz.

The Mayor stated that he was of the opinion that the City should purchase all of the 20 foot right-of-way and reserve the right at this time to use for ingress and egress due to limited driveway angle parking and safety factors.

Mayor Lindbert quoted from traffic survey counts taken January 31, 1963, and February 1, 1963. The survey indicated the number of cars and pedestrians entering and leaving the driveway. Mayor Lindbert stated that his main object was to relieve congestion and provide access to all shopping areas for potential shoppers with protection to pedestrians if necessary. He also informed the Council that if the City did not qualify for the option given by John Lutz, that it is possible that the area south of the driveway might be blocked to traffic.

Councilman Forrest agreed that there was a safety factor but questioned the right of the City to spend the monies in the amount of $6,000.00 for more parking.

Councilman Forrest stated that at present there were 8 entrances and exits to the Shopping area. He quoted from the Planning Commission Proceedings, January 14, 1963, of the City Manager's report of March 1, 1963, indicating that the Farmington Center Corporation had no interest in participating in the cost of purchase of this property to provide right-of-way to the Shopping area.

Councilman Forrest was opposed to the purchase of the 20 foot right-of-way and suggested that the sum of money be used to purchase a police patrol car and provide for one extra police officer.

Councilman Brotherton agreed that based on the results of the traffic survey count, it was his opinion that the City should acquire the 20 foot right-of-way, also that steps should be taken to post signs, one way only, have adjacent property owners indicate angle parking only by yellow lines.

Councilman Brotherton stated that the City is in the process of developing the north side of Grand River and this right-of-way would complete the circulation of traffic to all areas and would afford the merchants on the north side of Grand River an equal opportunity to increase their businesses. He stated that the development of the parking areas in the Shopping area had proved a benefit to the City, therefore, he approved the purchase of the 20 foot right-of-way by the City of Farmington in the amount of $6,000.00 and to qualify for option given by John Lutz.

Councilman Peterson agreed on the necessity that the City purchase the right-of-way and to posting as a one way ingress. He stated that when the merchants agreed to the Special Assessment Parking "Area A", there was a verbal agreement for off-street parking facilities and there is a deed in escrow regarding the John Lutz option. Council action on the option was delayed due to the 5 year deadline date.

Councilman Thayer approved the purchase of the 20 foot right-of-way and stated that the expenditure of the funds would benefit the taxpayer.

Other Comments

Mr. W. Allen Nelson, 23708 Warner, stated that he was concerned regarding pedestrian traffic hazards in the middle of the business block and reminded the Council that the National Bank of Detroit would be moving to a new location on Farmington Road. Mr. E. Kelly, 33962 Moore Drive, questioned the necessity of the City to purchase the 20 foot right-of-way due to entrances now available and lack of interest by the Farmington Center Corporation.

Mr. C. Boehnke, 34027 Alta Lona Drive, suggested that the owners of the Pauline property and the Van's Furniture Store purchase this right-of-way because they will receive most benefit.

Motion by Peterson supported by Thayer to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Council of the City of Farmington hereby authorize the City Manager to purchase the West 0.75 feet of Lot 43 and the East 19.25 feet of Lot 43, Block 1, Davis Addition, City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, in the amount of $6,000.00, $1,000.00 down payment, with payments of $1,000.00 per year plus interest at 6 per cent length contract 5 years.

AYES: Brotherton, Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer.

NAYS: Forrest.

ABSENT: None.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

B. Public Hearing on Assessment Roll Grand River Street improvement Project.

Mayor Lindbert opened the Public Hearing at 8:44 P.M. and stated that the Public Hearing notice had been printed in the Farmington Enterprise, notices of hearing had been mailed to all affected property owners and asked for comments from all interested parties.

Comments

Mrs. Kolakowski, 33338 Grand River, requested information on method of payment.

Mr. Gerald Grace, 33304 Grand River, asked how soon the project would be started and would the completion date be a part of the contract.

City Manager Dinan stated that the Assessment Roll was based on ten (10) equal installments, 6 per cent interest on unpaid balance. The City Manager estimated that the project will be completed within six weeks after the contract is signed and the completion date will be a part of the contract.

Motion by Thayer seconded by Forrest that the Public Hearing be closed. Motion carried, all ayes.

Resolution No. 5

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, was held on August 19, 1963, at the City Hall in said City, at 8:00 P.M., Eastern Standard Time.

Present: Councilmen Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer.

Absent: None.

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Councilman Brotherton and supported by Councilman Peterson.

WHEREAS, the City Council has ordered the City Assessor to prepare a Special Assessment Roll for the Purpose of defraying the cost of constructing street improvements in the City consisting of asphalt surfacing, curbing and sidewalk improvement in the following street:

Grand River Avenue 435 Feet East of Farmington Road 170 Feet West of Farmington Road and 100 Feet North of Grand River Avenue on Farmington Road.

AND WHEREAS, said Special Assessment Roll has been prepared and filed with the City Clerk and presented to the City Council;

AND WHEREAS, the City Council has met and reviewed said Special Assessment Roll and is satisfied with said Roll.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved That:

1. The City Council hereby determines that it is satisfied with said Special Assessment Roll and that the assessments are in proportion to benefits received.

2. Said Special Assessment Roll which shall be Roll No. 63-15 and which is in the amount of $4,338.81 and City's share of $11,000 is hereby confirmed and prepared by the Assessor and presented to the City Council.

3. Said Special Assessment Roll shall be divided into ten (10) equal annual installments, the first installment to be due on October 1, 1963, and the second and subsequent installments to be due on July 1 in each and every year thereafter.

4. The deferred Installments of said Special Assessment Roll shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent (6%) per annum from October 1, 1963 to their respective due dates, said interest to be paid on the due date of each annual installment.

5. Said Special Assessment Roll shall be placed on file in the office of the City Clerk and the City Clerk is hereby directed to attach his warrant to a certified copy of the same within ten (10) days commanding the Assessor to spread the various sums and amounts appearing thereon on the Special Assessment Roll and upon the tax rolls of the City in the annual installments as hereip provided for.

AYES: Councilmen Forrest, Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer, Brotherton.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

I hereby certify that the foregoing constitutes a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on August 19, 1963.

TRENA M. QUINN
City Clerk

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, was held on August 19, 1963, at 8:00 o'clock P.M., Eastern Standard Time, at the City Hall.

Present: Councilmen Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer.

Absent: None.

Motion by Councilman Forrest and supported by Councilman Peterson to adopt the following resolution:

Notice Of Intent

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, intends to adopt a resolution providing for the issuance of Special Assessment Bonds of the City in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding Eleven Thousand Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars and City's share General Obligation Bonds in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding Eleven Thousand ($11,000.00) Dollars for purposes these respectively Special Assessment District's and City's share of making street improvements consisting of asphalt surfacing, curbing and sidewalk improvements on Grand River Avenue 435 feet east of Farmington Road 170 feet west of Farmington Road and 100 feet north of Grand River Avenue on Farmington Road.

Said Bonds shall be both an obligation of the Special Assessment District and a general obligation of the City of Farmington:

This notice is given pursuant to Section 5 (G), Act 279, Public Acts of Michigan, 1909, as amended.

AYES: Councilmen Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer, Brotherton, Forrest.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Resolution Declared Adopted.

I, Trena M. Quinn, City Clerk of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City Council of the City of Farmington, Michigan, at a regular meeting held on August 19, 1963.

TRENA M. QUINN
City Clerk

Minutes Of Other Boards

A. Zoning Board of Appeals, July 17, 1963

Proceedings of Zoning Board of Appeals, August 7, 1963, were read and placed on file. Counsel Brown Brotherton, Forrest and Thayer objected to Mr. Duke, Developer, requesting a variance from the Zoning Board of Appeals. In their opinion, Mr. Duke should have submitted his revised plans to the Council for their consideration.

B. Planning Commission Proceedings, August 12, 1963.

Proceedings of Planning Commission, August 12, 1963, were read and placed on file.

Petitions And Communications

A. Letter From Mrs. Raymond Tullis, a Resident of Southfield in Favor of Granting Dance Permit to Gay Way Bar.

Letter read and placed on file from Mrs. Raymond Tullis, 27225 Ten Mile Road West, Southfield, Michigan, stating that they are patrons of Gay Way Bar and would appreciate the opportunity of dancing to the juke box and request that the Council consider the request for a dance permit.

B. Letter From St. Mary Hospital Guild Asking Permission to Contact the Suppliers of the Hospitals the Week of August 25, 1963.

Letter read from the St. Mary Hospital Guild requesting permission to contact suppliers of the hospital in the Farmington Area the week of August 25, 1963. They stated that this is a phase of their major fund raising drive to help raise the money necessary to make the expansion of the hospital possible and to raise funds to pay for furnishings of a new unit. Motion by Forrest seconded by Peterson to grant permission to the St. Mary Hospital Guild to contact suppliers of the hospital in the Farmington area the week of August 25, 1963. Motion carried, all ayes.

C. Letter From City of Detroit Board of Water Commissioners Relative to Non-Water conserving Air Condition Equipment Costs.

Letter read from Gerald Remus, General Manager, Board of Water Commissioners, City of Detroit, thanking the City of Farmington for their opinions on the matter of air conditioning. They agree with the City of Farmington that the cost for the extra distribution main capacity necessary within a Community must be and should be the problem of the Community itself. Mr. Remus stated that this problem is now being studied and the City of Farmington comments will be forwarded to the board of experts and will receive proper consideration.

D. Depend-A-Bilt Requesting Burning Permit Lot 48, Twin Valley Sub.

Letter read from Mr. Harold Kratze, Depend-A-Bilt, Inc., requesting that the burning permit be reinstated on Lot 48, Twin Valley Subdivision, for a burning of building debris and brush in the same manner they have done over a period of four years. He states that he will have full supervision at the fire and would burn in small piles and with the wind blowing away from complaintants house.

City Manager Dinan stated that burning permits have been allowed in the past, but the character of the neighborhood is changing, and very few vacant lots exist and burning is a general nuisance.

Motion by Thayer seconded by Peterson to deny the request of Depend-A-Bilt, Inc., for a burning permit to burn building debris and brush on Lot 48, Twin Valley Subdivision. Motion carried, all ayes.

E. National Bank of Detroit—Regarding Wall on Parking Lot, Alta Loma and Farmington Road.

Letter read from Harry L. Lapham, Asst. Vice President, National Bank of Detroit, requesting Council consideration on a variance of the parking lot code. Mr. Lapham stated that under the code they are required to construct a 4½ foot masonry wall separating their parking lot from residential property, but Mr. Reinke, 33456 Alta Loma, has requested that the two trees which are near the line where this wall is to be built be saved and the National Bank would like to cooperate with him.

Mr. Lapham stated that if a variance is approved by the Council, they will leave an opening in the wall on the West property line of approximately 25 feet so that the two ash trees opposite Mr. Reinke's garage may be saved. The black top drive and parking lot will be curbed around this area approximately 4 feet from the trees. Some type of decorative hedge will be planted to fill in between the trees and the walls. If at any time the trees die or the above arrangement is not satisfactory, the Bank will complete the masonry wall as set forth in the code.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Peterson that the City Council grant a variance to the National Bank of Detroit, Lots 4, 5 and 6, Assessor's Plat No. 2, for Off-Street Parking, City of Farmington Code, Chapter 41, Section 5.347, paragraph (6) that the Bank be granted a deletion of masonry wall of approximately 25 feet on the west property line and that the letter from National Bank of Detroit, dated August 16, 1963, be a part of minutes.

E. Letter From Order of DeMolay Re: Permission for Car Wash, September 28, 1963.

Letter read from Farmington Chapter, Order of DeMolay, requesting permission to utilize area of Groves and Grand River avenues for purpose of conducting a community-wide car wash on September 28, 1963, between hours of 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. and to include use of water hydrant.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Thayer to grant permission to the Farmington Chapter, Order of DeMolay to use the area of Groves and Grand River avenues, Downtown Shopping Center, to conduct a car wash, September 28, 1963, and to include use of water hydrant. Motion carried, all ayes.

Reports From City Manager

A. Report on Traffic Signs Farmington Road - 10 Mile Rd. to Shiawassee.

City Manager Dinan submitted a progress report on Council instruction for installation of traffic signs to be posted on Farmington Road - Ten Mile to Shiawassee. The report included number and area that signs were posted, and by the Oakland County Road Commission and complaints from Farmington Township.

City Manager Dinan recommended that stop sign installed at Ten Mile and east side of Farmington Road be removed due to dangerous condition, especially in winter months.

The City Manager stated that he will attempt to get approval from the Oakland County Road Commission relative to installing stop sign on north side of Ten Mile and west of Farmington Road for south bound traffic and sign to be placed in Farmington Township saying "Reduced speed 25 Miles Ahead." Arrangements have been made for a meeting of the director of Public Safety and Mr. Osgood, Oakland County Road Commission to review this matter.

A discussion was held by the Council relative to type of traffic signs necessary to control speed and eliminate dangerous conditions at Farmington Road-Ten Mile to Shiawassee. Suggestions included slow or dangerous signs, possible flasher lights at Ten Mile and Farmington Road.

Mr. G. Wroblewski, 24025 Farmington Road, stated that the residents were well pleased with the Action by the Council, the cooperation from the Public Safety Department, that there was a definite improvement on control of speed and suggested that the Council continue efforts for action by the Oakland County Road Commission.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Peterson that the stop sign on the east side of Farmington Road and Ten Mile be removed. Motion carried, all ayes.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Thayer that a "Danger Ahead" sign be posted on the east side of Farmington Road and Ten Mile Road at brow of hill for north bound traffic. Motion carried, all ayes.

The City Manager was instructed, upon suggestion by Councilman Thayer, to post sign, "Farmington Road" on the northwest side of Farmington Road at Shiawassee Road.

Councilman Thayer suggested that a study be made on the necessity for small island located on Shiawassee and Warner, also parking regulations on south side of Shiawassee between Warner and Farmington Road.

Mr. W. Allen Nelson, 23708 Warner, stated that the area needs to be widened, and a 25 mile sign posted.

Councilman Brotherton stated that the State Department had not replaced sign "Orchard Lake Road" after paving project on the southwest corner of Orchard Lake Road and Grand River.

The City Manager was instructed to contact the Board of Education relative to sign removal at the entrance of Administration building during paving project.

B. Report — Licensing Ordinance Regulating Dancing in Bars and Taverns.

City Manager Dinan submitted copies of City Attorney's legal opinion relative to a License Ordinance regulating dancing in Bars and Taverns requested by the Council.

The City Attorney's legal opinion is that the Council would have broader powers by not enacting any ordinance but to rely basically on the Liquor Control Commission to revoke a license on request from the City. The City Attorney states that the Liquor Control Commission will revoke any license upon demand by the City without having to show cause.

The City Manager was instructed to contact Mrs. Kolakowski, Owner of Gay Way Bar, 33338 Grand River to discuss plans for dancing area.

C. Report — Storage of Vehicles at Pure Oil Station.

City Manager Dinan reported on the storage of abandoned and wrecked vehicles at Farmington Service Pure Oil Station at 33504 Grand River. Council members received a survey report from the Public Safety Department relative to number of cars towed to this location on request from the Department.

Mr. Imus was present and explained the procedure of towing, storing and selling abandoned cars. He stated that he had contacted the Pure Oil Company regarding this problem relative to fencing the storage area and stated that the Pure Oil Company had requested a written complaint from the City.

The City Manager stated that a written complaint had been forwarded to the Pure Oil Company. City Manager Dinan recommended that the City Council consider the erection of a 6 foot fence located at rear of Public Works property, adjacent to Expressway on north side of Nine Mile Road west of Farmington Road. Estimate costs have been received for area to store cars with construction of a 6 foot fence with barbed wire and 2 gates for approximately $800.00.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Peterson to table the recommendation from the City Manager for the erection of a 6 foot fence at the above described location for further study until the next regular meeting of the Council. Motion carried, all ayes.

D. Report on Bids:

(a) Asphalt and Curbing — Grand River.

City Manager Dinan submitted copies of bids received and tabulated in the City Clerk's office at 2:00 P.M. on August 15, 1963, for Asphalt and Curbing of Grand River for the Street Improvement to eliminate the stops on the north side of Grand River and the southwest corner of Grand River and Farmington Road.

City Manager Dinan recommended that the City Council award the asphalt and curbing to Cadillac Asphalt and Products Company, in the amount of Curbing, $3,185.00; Asphalt, $10,474.50; Total Award, $13,659.50.

Motion by Peterson supported by Forrest to award the Asphalt surfacing and concrete curbing, Grand River Street improvement, bid to Detroit Concrete Products Company in the amount of Curbing, $3,185.00; Asphalt surfacing, $10,474.50; Total award, $13,659.50.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Lindbert, Peterson, Thayer, Brotherton, Forrest.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Motion carried.

(b) Sidewalks—Grand River.

City Manager Dinan submitted copies of bids received and tabulated in City Clerk's office at 2:00 P.M. on August 15, 1963, for removal of existing sidewalk and installation of new sidewalks—Grand River Street Improvements.

City Manager Dinan recommended that the City Council award the sidewalk bid for Grand River street improvements to the Grove Cement and Masonry Company in the amount of 43 cents per square foot for removal and replacement of 4 inch sidewalk based at 33 cents per square foot, installation of 4 inch sidewalk and 10 cents per square foot for removal in the amount of $3,681.70 and that the City Council waive the irregularity of bidding based on the opinion of the City Engineer and City Manager as to the justification of waiving this irregularity in the bidding.

Motion by Brotherton supported by Thayer to award the sidewalk bid to Grove Cement and Masonry Company in the amount of 43 cents per square foot for removal and replacement of 4 inch sidewalk based at 33 cents per square foot, installation of 4 inch sidewalk and 10 cents per square foot for removal in the amount of $3,681.70 and that the City Council, based upon the recommendation from the City Manager and City Engineer, waives the irregularity of the bidding.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Peterson, Thayer, Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Motion carried.

(c) Concrete Pavement-Industrial Drive—Alta Berger Subdivision.

City Manager Dinan submitted copies of bids received and tabulated in City Clerk's office at 2:00 P.M., on August 15, 1963, for concrete paving of Industrial Drive, Alta Berger Subdivision. City Manager Dinan stated that the original concept was to concrete this Industrial Drive from Farmington Road to Chesley Drive, some 1,500 lineal feet plus two intersections. The City was going to bear 50 per cent of the cost and property owners 50 per cent of the Cost.

The City Manager stated that Mr. Chesley, Chesley Industries, had informed him that due to heavy expense of moving into his new building at a contemplation of a new addition to his building, that Chesley Industries would not be in the position to pay their proportionate share this year.

City Manager Dinan suggested that the paving program be reduced to delete the portion of Chesley property so that we would have approximately 1,000 feet of paving, that he be authorized to negotiate with the contractor to reduce amount of pavement to cover that portion that is owned other than Chesley Industries.

City Manager Dinan recommended that the City Council award the concrete paving bid to Thomas Currie Company at $5.10 per square yard 8 inch uniform concrete pavement and $.70 per cubic square yard for excavation subject to reduction in amount of project and the escrowing monies of property owners for their share of improvement.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Thayer that the City Council award the concrete paving bid to Thomas Currie Company at $5.10 per square yard 8 inch uniform concrete pavement and $.70 per cubic square yard for excavation subject to reduction in amount of project and the escrowing monies of property owners for their share of improvement.

Motion lost for lack of support.

The Majority of Council members did not approve the reduction of the project. Motion by Thayer seconded by Forrest that the paving of the Industrial Drive, Alta Berger Subdivision be postponed until 1964.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Thayer, Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert.

NAYS: Peterson.

Motion carried.

E. Report — Township Blight Ordinance.

City Manager Dinan stated that Farmington Township had informed his office that the Anti-Blight Ordinance has been very effective. A study will be made of this Ordinance, the City Manager will submit a report at the next regular meeting and all Council members will receive a copy of the Anti-Blight Ordinance adopted by Farmington Township.

Miscellaneous

A. Establishing Next Regular Meeting.

Motion by Thayer seconded by Peterson that the next regular meeting of the City Council be held on Tuesday, September 3, 1963, due to Labor Day holiday. Motion carried, all ayes.

B. Report Re: Shaw Complaint.

Councilman Forrest stated that the damage claim of Carl Shaw, 31831 Valleyview Drive, and settlement by the contractor as directed in letter from the City to Farino Excavating Company with deadline date of August 9, 1963, was still at a standstill without any communication from the contractor.

City Manager Dinan stated that the City crews could make the necessary repairs and complete the settlement of Mr. Shaw's damage claim. City cost to be paid from final payment due Farino Excavating Company.

Motion by Forrest seconded by Thayer to authorize the City Manager to make necessary repairs and complete settlement of Carl Shaw's damage claim, City cost to be paid from final payment due Farino Excavating Company. Motion carried, all ayes.

Mr. W. Dobes, 23336 Liberty, requested that the Water and Sewer Department be instructed to clean 2 manholes in front of his property to eliminate overflow of water and debris. City Manager Dinan stated that he would order work started at once.

Resolutions And Ordinances

A. Introduction Ordinance Amendment No. 21 to Zoning Map.

Motion by Forrest supported by Peterson to introduce Ordinance No. C-186-63, Amendment No. 21 to the Zoming Map of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan. Motion carried, all ayes.

Claims And Accounts

A. Monthly Bills.

Motion by Peterson supported by Brotherton that claims and accounts for July, 1963, be approved for payment as submitted.

ROLL CALL:

AYES: Thayer, Brotherton, Forrest, Lindbert, Peterson.

NAYS: None.

Motion carried, all ayes.

Adjournment

Motion by Thayer seconded by Peterson that the meeting adjourn. Motion carried, all ayes. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

ROBERT B. LINDBERT,
Mayor

TRENA M. QUINN,
Clerk

GOLDEN WEDDING FOR MR. and MRS. HUGH McCLELEND

Farmington Couple Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McClelend of Hathaway Drive in Farmington celebrated their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary Saturday, August 17, at a family party held at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Herbert Harms of 29792 Briarton Drive in Farmington.

The McClelends' other daughter, Mrs. Cyrill Campbell of Seyburn Avenue in Detroit, also attended with her family.

THE McCLELENDS' have seven grandchildren, two of whom were unable to attend due to current service with the U.S. Armed Forces.

The honored couple are native Detroiters who have made their home in Farmington for the past four years.

He retired from the Harshaw Chemical Company eight years ago and now spends much of his time on the golf course. The McClelends also spend many pleasant hours on their hobby of gardening.

U of D Biology Experts Rate Darwin's Book

Charles Darwin's "The Origin of the Species" was unanimously chosen as the single book which had the greatest effect on the biology field by three University of Detroit professors.

The three U. of D. biology experts will discuss the nineteenth - century scientific treatise on "U. of D. Open Hall" over radio station WJBK (1500 AM or 93.1 FM) this Sunday evening (Sept. 1) at 11 p.m.

THE PANEL will be moderated by Professor Lester P. Coonen, former chairman of the U. of D. biology department. He will be joined by biology associate professors Robert M. Twedt and the Rev. Paulinus F. Forstoefel, S.J.

Subsequent programs in the "Great Books" series will cover literature, and the Bible.

Copies of the tapes of the programs will be made available to study clubs and other groups which wish to use them as the kickoff point for their own discussions at meetings.

A successful speaker is one who thinks well on his feet . . . so is a successful pedestrian.

City Policemen Foil Break-In

Farmington City Police received two reports this past week of buildings being broken into and in one case officers apparently surprised culprits before anything could be taken.

The second break - in this month occurred at the Farmington Bike Shop, 23836 Orchard Lake Road, but evidence of a hasty exit made by the culprits was discovered by officers Robert Vick and John Butters who made a check on the building at 1:14 a.m. Saturday, August 17.

The sash on a window, broken to gain entry into the building, was found to have traces of blood on it, indicating the exit made by the culprits probably was made in haste after fearing detection by police. Nothing was discovered missing from the store.

IN THE OTHER break-in which occurred, the American Legion Memorial Home, 31775 Grand River, was entered sometime during the early afternoon of August 17, apparently by youths. Nothing of value was reported missing, but several bottles of soft drinks had been opened and cigarettes taken.

The Legion Hall had been secured by the janitor, Fred Schaupater, at 1:14 p.m. on Saturday. The break-in was reported by Norman Goers when he checked the building at 4:38 p.m., later that same afternoon.

Farmington Seaman Aboard Destroyer

Robert T. Wedge, Jr., seaman apprentice, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. Wedge of 20777 Randall, Farmington, is serving aboard the destroyer USS COGSWELL which recently spent a two-day relaxation period in San Francisco Bay prior to resuming training operations off the California Coast. The COGSWELL was among 11 units of Cruiser Destroyer Flotilla Nine.

Cruiser Destroyer Flotilla Nine is composed of the guided missile destroyer USS GALVESTON, flagship, and Destroyer Squadrons One and 21 and the ships HULL, JOHN R. CRAIG, GREGORY, MULLANY, McDERMUT, STODDARD, INGERSOLL, UHLMANN, PERKINS, BRAINE and COGSWELL.

San Francisco attractions for COGSWELL crewmen included the Top of the Mark, Candlestick Park, Chinatown, the Golden Gate Bridge, Market Street and many other landmarks in the Bay area.

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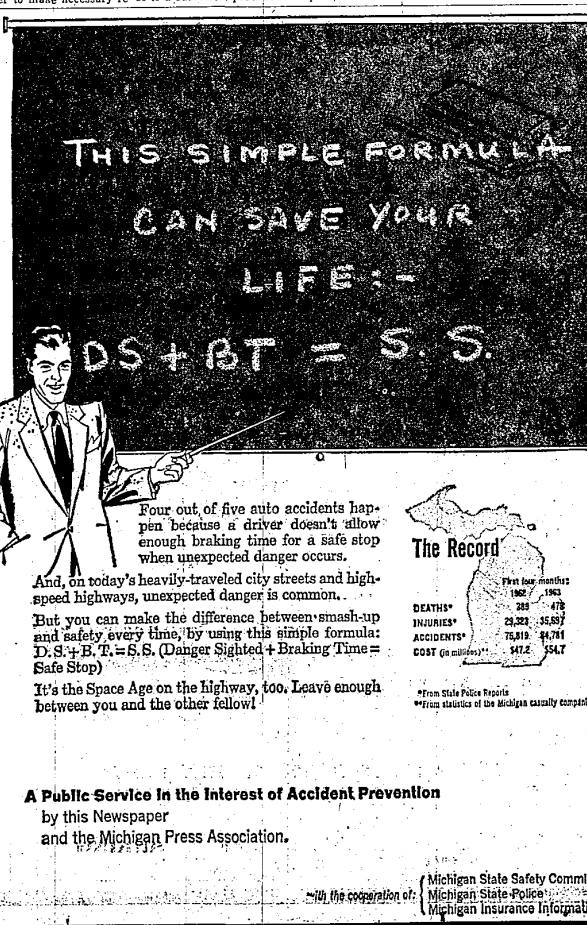

Four out of five auto accidents happen because a driver doesn't allow enough braking time for a safe stop when unexpected danger occurs.

And, on today's heavily-traveled city streets and high-speed highways, unexpected danger is common.

But you can make the difference between smash-up and safety every time, by using this simple formula: D.S.+B.T.=S.S. (Danger Sighted + Braking Time = Safe Stop)

It's the Space Age on the highway, too. Leave enough between you and the other fellow!

The Record

	First four months 1962	1963
DEATHS*	289	478
INJURIES*	23,323	35,557
ACCIDENTS*	75,919	94,761
COST (in millions)**	$47.2	$54.7

*From State Police Reports
**From statistics of the Michigan casualty companies

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