

City Council Proceedings

A regular meeting of the Council of the City of Farmington was held on December 8, 1965. Meeting called to order at 8:30 p.m. by Mayor Brotherton.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Brotherton, Councilmen Allen, Peterson, Thayer, Yoder present.

REPORT REPRESENTATIVE TO WOLVERINE BOYS STATE: Mayor Brotherton introduced Michael Gregory, City representative to Wolverine Boy State, sponsored by the American Legion, who reported on the highlights of the program which included learning all phases of government on all levels and campaign procedures.

He thanked the Council for the opportunity to represent the City at this worthwhile program.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Motion by Thayer seconded by Peterson to approve the minutes of regular meeting of the Council held on November 15, 1965, as published. Motion carried, all ayes.

DECISION ON REZONING 8.1 ACRES NORTH OF GRAND RIVER WEST OF LAKEWAY FROM R-1, ONE FAMILY, C-2, GENERAL COMMERCIAL, TO M-3, MULTIPLE FAMILY DISTRICT:

Mayor Brotherton stated that he had several questions relative to reports that have not been developed.

The final report of the City Engineer has not been received regarding the grading design to retain the flood plain capacity. He stated that he had received a bulletin from the Housing and Home Administration regarding Federal grants for the development of open land use and parks.

Mayor Brotherton suggested that the City Council table action on the rezoning request until the next regular meeting on December 20, 1965, and requested that the City Manager submit the completed reports for Council information.

City Manager Dinan stated that the Engineer's report would be available for the next meeting and the Council would be brought up to date on the open land use and parks program that is being developed by the Park Committee of the Planning Commission.

Council members agreed that the rezoning request be tabled. Motion by Peterson seconded by Yoder to table action on the rezoning request until the next regular meeting, December 20, 1965. Motion carried, all ayes.

MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS:

A. PLANNING COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 22, 1965: Proceedings read of Planning Commission meeting held on November 22, 1965.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Yoder to concur with the recommendation from the Planning Commission and to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED: That the proposed Public Right-Of-Way located between Farmington Road and Power Road, north of Shawnee to Ten Mile Road be named RAPHAEL STREET.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Allen, Brotherton, Peterson, Thayer, Yoder. NAYS: None. Resolution declared adopted December 8, 1965.

TRENA M. QUINN, City Clerk: Motion by Yoder seconded by Allen to receive and file Planning Commission proceedings, November 22, 1965. Motion carried, all ayes.

B. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS PROCEEDINGS, DECEMBER 1, 1965: Proceedings read of Zoning Board of Appeals meeting held on December 1, 1965.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Allen to receive and file Zoning Board of Appeals proceedings, December 1, 1965. Motion carried, all ayes.

C. DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES PROCEEDINGS, NOVEMBER 3, 1965: Proceedings of District Library Board of Trustees meeting, November 3, 1965 placed on file.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS: LETTER FROM OAKLAND COUNTY CITIZENS' LEAGUE FORUM ON CRIME AND PUNISHMENT.

Letter read from Oakland County Citizens' League, Dale A. Winnie, President, criticizing City Council for their neglect in not attending or sending a representative to the "Crime and Punishment" at Oakland University on Saturday, November 13, 1965.

City Manager Dinan stated that to his knowledge there were no invitations extended to the members of the Council from the Oakland Citizens' League. He stated that this league has no official status and suggested that the Council authorize a reply stating the Council's reaction regarding this communication.

Motion by Thayer seconded by Allen to receive and file communication and that the City Manager be instructed to forward a letter to Dale A. Winnie, President, Oakland County Citizens' League, expressing the resentment of the

Council on the uncalled for criticism. Motion carried, all ayes.

B. LETTER FROM MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE RE: DESIGNATION OF CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT PENDING LEGISLATION:

Letter read from Michigan Municipal League requesting that the Council designate a legislative committee for the City of Farmington. They state that the State Legislature will soon be convened in its 1966 session.

Municipalities will again have to be on the alert, and ready to act promptly in order that their interests and position be intelligently presented to the Legislature when municipal problems are involved.

Motion by Yoder seconded by Peterson that John D. Dinan, City Manager, be designated as contact man to the Michigan Municipal League. Motion carried, all ayes.

REPORT FROM CITY MANAGER: A. REPORT ABANDONMENT OF WATER MAIN ON ARUNDAL LONGACRE SCHOOL.

City Manager Dinan reported that the Farmington School District has been negotiating with Farmington Township for the acquisition of water main that the District had installed to service the Longacre School through the City of Farmington Water System in 1958.

The Oakland County Department of Public Works has installed a water main along Grand River and south of Whitaker that can be connected into Arundel to serve the Longacre School and adjacent property owners.

City Manager Dinan stated that the City of Farmington has no actual investment in the water main and the City has been furnishing water as a concession to the School District and suggested that the Council abandon the section of water main from the City to the school.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Thayer that the City Council abandon the section of water main on Arundel to service the Longacre School upon written request from the Farmington School District.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Allen, Brotherton, Peterson, Thayer, Yoder. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

B. REPORT JOINT MEETING BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1965:

City Manager Dinan reported that the Beautification Committee requests a joint meeting with the Council on Thursday, December 9, 1965 at 8:00 a.m. to review their proposed program for 1966.

The Beautification Committee has been working for the past several weeks on developing a program for the forthcoming year. Since this program involves certain appropriations, policy making decisions, etc., they want to present this program for Council approval.

This will insure them that they may proceed with all the facets of the program if acceptable by the City Council.

The Council will meet with the Beautification Committee on Thursday, December 9, 1965, providing a quorum of members can attend the meeting.

C. REPORT ON INCINERATOR SPECIFICATIONS AND ORDINANCE:

City Manager Dinan submitted a detailed report on the specifications for use of incinerators that included the type of waste and the amount to be burned per hour in the selected Class of Incinerators.

It was noted that under industrial there is no rule of thumb on estimating the waste collection per day and this would have to be ascertained by a survey with the owner to see what type and amount of waste is to be destroyed per day.

This would also determine whether an auxiliary gas furnace is necessary for dehydration and smoke and odor control.

City Manager Dinan stated that representatives for the incinerator manufacturer would be willing to make a survey for each of the factories in the Alta Berger Subdivision to determine their needs and recommend the type and size of unit that would do an adequate job destroying this waste.

He suggested that copies of these specifications be forwarded to the various industrial concerns in the Alta Berger Subdivision and that this survey be available to the representatives of the various incinerator manufacturers who are experts in this field.

Industrial concerns should be given a reasonable length of time to convert to type waste disposal in an effort to control their air pollution in this general area.

He established by ordinance that failure to comply will be a violation and subject to citation and court and suggested that the ordinance provide six months to comply.

City Manager Dinan reported that air pollution is a problem that is receiving national attention as being a hazard to the general public and has to be controlled on the local level. Improper disposal of waste through open burning or incinerators is adding greatly to the air pollution problem.

City Manager Dinan recommended that open burning shall be prohibited in a commercial district unless approved by the Director of Public Safety, burning to be done during the hours of 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. There is no safety hazard created by this ordinance.

He submitted Article 6 Emission Limitations and Prohibitions, Standards of Measurement taken during the City of Livonia Air Quality Control Ordinance which controls emissions of air pollution, prohibits open burning and hand fired burning equipment after five years from effective date of this ordinance and nuisance abatement.

City Manager Dinan stated that the City Attorney is in position to work with him to formulate an ordinance under the guide lines as specified if the Council so desires.

Mayor Brotherton stated that he would like to review this problem be under control by spring.

Council members stated that they would review the report submitted and suggested that the City Manager and attorney draft a proposed ordinance for their consideration.

Motion by Peterson seconded by Allen that the proposed incinerator specifications and the Pollution Ordinance be placed on the next agenda, that the City Attorney prepare a resolution regarding provision in the ordinance to make installation of incinerators retroactive so that the City Manager contact the representative of incinerator manufacturer to conduct a survey of the need and that the industrial concerns be notified that this service is available. Motion carried, all ayes.

D. REPORT CLOSING CITY OFFICES 1/4 DAY PRIOR TO CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR:

City Manager Dinan stated that the City Council has established the policy to close City offices 1/4 day prior to Christmas and New Year's. This year Christmas and New Year's falls on December 25 and Friday is given as part of the holiday.

He requested that the Council authorize closing City offices on Thursday, December 23 and Thursday, December 30 and that the City offices be closed on Thursday, December 23 and Thursday, December 30 at noon as part of the Christmas and New Year's holiday. Motion carried, all ayes.

MISCELANEOUS:

A. TWO APPOINTMENTS TO BOARD CANVASERS - DECEMBER 1, 1965:

City Manager Dinan reported that the terms of Carol Benedict, Republican, and Paul I. Schreiber, Democrat, expire on December 31, 1965 and it is necessary to appoint two members for a four year term to expire December 31, 1969.

He stated that Mrs. Benedict and Mr. Paul Schreiber have indicated that they would be willing to serve if appointed by the Council.

Motion by Yoder seconded by Peterson that Carol Benedict, Republican and Paul Schreiber, Democrat be appointed as members of the City Board of Canvassers for a four year term to expire December 31, 1969. Motion carried, all ayes.

B. APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF REVIEW:

City Manager Dinan reported that the term of Harrison Johnson expires December 31, 1965 as a member of the Board of Review. Mr. Johnson has stated that he would be willing to serve another term if reappointed.

Motion by Allen seconded by Thayer to appoint Harrison Johnson as a member of the Board of Review for a three year term to expire December 31, 1968. Motion carried, all ayes.

C. GOODFELLOW CONTRIBUTION:

City Manager Dinan reported that the City Council has approved a \$100.00 for Goodfellow contribution as part of the Welfare Account and requested that the City Council authorize this payment to the Goodfellow program to aid needy children at Christmas time.

Motion by Thayer seconded by Peterson to contribute \$100.00 to the Farmington Goodfellow program. Motion carried, all ayes.

D. REQUEST BOY SCOUTS RUMMAGE SALE:

Councilman Thayer requested that the Boy Scouts be requested to hold a rummage sale and suggested that the request be received, that the Council be contacted for consent.

E. TAXI CAB BOND PLATES: When new bond plates would be given the Taxi Cab companies and stated that if they were not able to find a permanent location that this requirement should be disregarded.

City Manager Dinan stated that the companies have been notified to make applications for new bond plates and to have all cabs inspected prior to the recommendation by the Director of Public Safety for renewal on 1966 Bond plates.

RESOLUTION AND ORDINANCES: A. RESOLUTION BY COUNCIL WAIVING 1 PER CENT COLLECTION FEE ON COUNTY AND SCHOOL TAXES.

City Manager Dinan submitted a report prepared by Kathryn D. Collier, City Treasurer requesting that the Council adopt a resolution waiving 1 per cent Collection Fee on County and School taxes as provided by State Tax Law and the City Charter.

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

BE IT RESOLVED: That the City Council hereby waives the 1 per cent collection fee on the 1965 County and Schools Taxes paid by February 14, 1966 and adding 4 per cent to all taxes paid after February 14, 1966.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Peterson, Thayer, Yoder, Allen, Brotherton. NAYS: None. Resolution declared adopted December 8, 1965.

TRENA M. QUINN, City Clerk:

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS MONTHLY BILLS:

Motion by Thayer supported by Yoder that claims and accounts for November, 1965, be approved for payment as submitted.

ROLL CALL: AYES: Thayer, Yoder, Allen, Brotherton, Peterson. NAYS: None. Motion carried.

B. FINAL ESTIMATE PIONEER CONSTRUCTION CO. WATER AND SEWER TREATMENT DRIVE, ALTA BERGER SUB.

Motion by Allen seconded by Thayer to pay final estimate for water and sewer installation on Industrial Drive, Alta Berger Subdivision to Pioneer Construction Company in the week.



ANTHONY J. RADECKE, manager of the newly opened SAMS Junior Department Store in the Farmington Plaza Shopping Center, is pictured above beaming happily over the host of Christmas shoppers who took advantage of bargains listed during the SAMS Grand Opening celebration last week.

Wood Creek Farms

ANNE M. PHILLIPS, MA. 64335

Eighty-nine attended the Women's Association Christmas luncheon a week ago today at the Orchard Lake Country Club. To us who have been here a number of years it is

particularly enjoyable because, not only do our new members come, but also many who have moved away but not too far away. Ellen Handfield provided a Grinnell organ on which she gave us delightful Christmas music. She was assisted at the organ by one of her very able pupils.

A number of you have called asking about tickets for the Christmas dance which will be held tomorrow night, Friday, at the Orchard Lake Country Club. If you do not have yours by the time this reaches you let me assure you that tickets will be available for ALL. You can get them from Bill Weightman, Eddie Carden, Jim O'Brien, Don Dalley, or at the door. Just be sure to attend this always outstanding event.

THE FRANKLIN Garden Club did not meet until last Thursday due to the death of a member. We all extend our sincerest sympathy to his widow. But we did meet one week later at the home of the Baughs in Birmingham. It was very difficult to select the most outstanding Christmas decorations there were so many very fine ones. Finally, first, second and third prizes had been awarded.

The nominating committee then presented the slate of officers for the coming year. Alger Clark is our new president and Ellen Ambrose is corresponding secretary. We sang Christ-

mas carols and enjoyed a delicious dessert.

ELNA AYERSON came home from ten days at Mt. Carmel Hospital Sunday. She had a very severe bowel blockage but, after that was taken care of, so enjoyed her time there that she rather hated to come home. But we are glad she is O.K. and did not require an operation.

As Paul and I reached home from an evening of bridge last week, Monday night, the phone was ringing. It was Nancy calling from California to say she was starting first thing in the morning to drive right through to Wood Creek hoping to average 600 miles a day and doing all the driving herself! So reached here at noon Saturday and will spend a few days here before driving on to New York City where she will be working next.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Dale Knopf of Farmington announce the birth of their first child, a boy, Jerry Scott, born Sunday, November 14.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. E. Wayne Haydel of Mount Prospect, Illinois. The paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J.erry Walter Knopf of Farmington.

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