

Irate Citizens Demand Explanation

Farmington Board of Education's Monday night meeting was attended by some 80 citizens, all irate enough to threaten to take out their frustration at the ballot box next school board election.

Among the few concrete facts gleaned out of Monday's meeting, amid charges and counter-charges, was that the resolution's title is a misnomer.

The issue at hand concerned the Enterprise & Observer report that the board had voted "yes" on a resolution proposed for its consideration by the Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB).

The resolution, as proposed by the association, was termed "Resolution on de facto segregation" and was so reported.

The statement was no comfort to residents who came to the meeting to ask the board to rescind its vote of approval.

Bloomberg, who pointed out that the board has some responsibility for those districts involved with segregation, said, "You should not use that trusteeship to work for other school districts."

Declaring that the MASB resolution was misleading in itself, Trustee Richard Peters said, "There are no members of the board who favor busing our children outside or even within the school district."

Neal added, "We're pretty well committed to the neighborhood school in Farmington."



MRS. FRANCES H. Bradley, 29994 11 Mile Rd., was spokesman for some 80 disturbed Farmington residents who attended Monday night's Board of Education meeting to query trustees on action they had taken in support of a Michigan Association of School Boards proposed resolution, calling for state reimbursement to school districts required to bus pupils to eliminate de facto segregation.

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Problem Corner Comes Up Again

The monotony must be getting to the Farmington Township planners.

WHAT is actually scheduled for Thursday is a continuation of the preliminary review on the rezoning request.

THURSDAY night at O.E. Dumckel Junior High the commission will again take a look at a proposal for the corner when it continues a preliminary review carried over from last month's meeting for "further information."

It is the commission's job to prepare the commission call for the rezoning of 14 of the parcels' 35 acres along Middle Belt for apartments. A total of 21 apartments would be constructed along with 35 single family homes.

FILED BY DEVELOPER Ivan Frankel of Birmingham, this proposal is substantially the same one which was originally filed with the commission in 1964.

At that time, opposition from the residents of the area forced the commission to turn thumbs down on the idea in spite of Township Planner Charles Leaman's recommendation for adoption.

Reports have been circulating and the feeling in Township Hall is that the opposition to the proposal has died down.

Township Clerk Floyd A. Cairns is in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia, following an apparent heart attack suffered Saturday morning at his home.

At news time late Monday, the hospital listed his condition as "poor."

Cairns has filed for the post on the proposed city charter commission, which will be held in October. He had filed for charter commission in 1965 and placed third in a field of 26.

HOWEVER, Attorney Wendell Brown, who has represented the people fighting the rezoning in the past, told The Enterprise & Observer that he had the signatures of 200 residents of the area that were opposed to the rezoning.

Brown predicted that this number would be deleted because they were not completed.

All of the items dealt with public hearings on cost estimates for water projects in the township, and Supervisor Curtis H. Hall explained that these were usually prepared on Monday by he and Township Clerk Floyd A. Cairns.

The Board acted on these matters:

GRANT OFFICE SPACE
It authorized Hall to provide office space in the Wheeler Fire Station for the Oakland County Department of Social Services should the need arise for an additional office in this portion of the county. Hall told the Board that the county agency thought the need might arise from the unemployment growing out of the UAW strike at Ford Motor Co.

APPROVE TURKEY SHOOT PLAN
It gave its approval to the plans of the Farmington Elks for that group's annual Turkey Shoot on Sunday, Nov. 12. This year, the Elks will hold the shoot on private property at Eight Mile and Tuck Rds. Township Police Chief Irving Yakes reported that he had no objection to this site.

UPHOLD PLANNING COMMISSION
The board refused to override the Township Planning Commission's decision to deny a request for rezoning to allow for 72 apartments on Eight Mile Rd. east of Halsted. The matter was never set for a public hearing by the Planning Commission, and the proponent appealed the matter to the township board.

Township Moving On Plans For New Center

Farmington Township expects to take bids on its new office building at the end of November.

PRELIMINARY plans for the proposed structure, which would be built just east of the present Township Hall, were approved by the Township Board in a special session last week.

THE COSTS would be paid from the Township's building and site fund, Hall said that there were "sufficient funds to service" this cost in the fund and that the last time he looked there was \$350,000 to \$360,000 in the fund.

Women Charged On Check

Celia Ann Hess of 2698 Ingles, Detroit, stood mute in the Farmington Municipal Court Monday when she was arraigned on a charge of attempting to pass a bad check at Food Fair Market.

Municipal Judge Michael J. Hand entered a plea of innocent and set the pre-trial examination for Friday, Sept. 29, at 9:30 a.m.

MISS HESS is free on \$5,000 bond.

She was arrested by Officer Norman H. Rose of the city force Saturday afternoon when he answered a call from the Food Fair Market.

The store's manager, Frank Kuczewski, told police that she had attempted to cash a check for \$153.74 with false identification.

Rose brought the woman back to the city police station. After questioning, Miss Hess was booked on the charge and taken to the Oakland County Jail.

Fire Prevention Plans Near Completion

With promises that this year's will be the "biggest yet," plans for the City of Farmington's fire prevention parade are just about complete.

the Farmington Plaza, and will travel west on Grand River to City Hall.

DIRECTOR of Public Safety Robert F. Deadman announced that a series of awards will be presented at the conclusion of the parade.

It will form at Grand River and Mooney Sts., just east of

These will include first, second and third prizes for the floats best depicting the fire prevention theme; an award to the oldest fire engine in the parade; and an award to the fire engine which traveled the furthest to participate.

Philip H. Power, publisher of The Farmington Enterprise & Observer, will serve as a parade marshal.



AFTER presentation of the awards, the city firefighters will host a demonstration of the latest tools and equipment used in fire fighting at the city hall.

Today the Farmington Enterprise & Observer begins printing its Wednesday editions by offset, the bright new process that we've been using for some time on our Sunday edition.

One Dies In NW Accident

A Walled Lake man was killed and a Farmington woman injured Friday when the two cars collided head on on Northwestern Highway just south of 13 Mile Rd.

Dead is Edward Waddell, 50. Currently being treated at Botsford General Hospital, where her condition is listed as "satisfactory," is Elizabeth L. Mael, 42, of 29393 Richmond, Farmington.

Post Office Gets New Equipment

Efficiency of the Farmington Post Office will be upgraded with purchase by the federal Post Office Department of a cutting and facing conveyor for the local office.



According to Henry L. Trombley, Farmington postmaster, the machine will enable the post office to better process the increase in volume of mail it is now handling.

The conveyor sorts out envelopes which contain various enclosures, such as chewing gum or pill boxes, so that they do not go through the cancelling machine.

It also sorts mail so that stamps are in the upper left hand corner of the envelope.

This operation is presently done by hand.

Trombley says the new equipment should arrive within three or four months.

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