VILLAGE COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS

Being a List of the Matters Considered and Acted Upon By the Official Commission of the Village of Birmingham. These Items Should be Of Interest to Every Local Taxpayer.

Regular meeting of the Village Commission held Monday evening, April 27, 1925, at 8 o'clock.

Present for roll call: President Shain, Commissioner Bell. Absent: Commissioner Bingham.

Minutes of meeting of April 20, 1925, approved as printed.

113—Bids for the construction of sanitary sewers in the northwest section of the Village were received.

114—Moved by President Shain that the bids be referred to the Manager for tabulation, and that meeting be called for 10 o'clock Thursday morning, April 30, 1925, to award contract. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

115—Moved by Commissioner Bell that the pay roll be allowed as read:—George Newman, $75; Mark Addison, $64.80; Wm. Luth, $64.80; Ike Donian, $64.80; Charles Kaprilian, $64.80; Willard Brown, $64.80; Wm. Maxwell, $61.80; Charles Higby, $64.80; John Berry, $54; R. Luscomb, $20. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

116—Moved by President Shain that Richard Parker be granted sewer builder's license. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

117—Moved by Commissioner Bell that license to sell beverages be granted to S. A. Heiss of 501 No. Woodward. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

118—Moved by Commissioner Bell that George Groves be granted Sidewalk Builder's license. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

119—Petition of Avery Smith and others to change the name of Argus Street from Bates to Southfield Avenue, to Frank Street, making it Frank Street from Woodward Avenue to Southfield Avenue was received, and it was moved by President Shain that May 18th, 1925, at 8 o'clock P. M. be set for the hearing of suggestions and objections and that notice of such hearing be printed in the Birmingham Eccentric. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

120—Petition of Sarah Purdy and others for concrete curb and gutter and concrete pavement on Purdy Street was received and referred to the Manager for report at the next meeting. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

121—Moved by Commissioner Bell that Charles Plumstead be re-appointed Village Treasurer for the ensuing year at a salary of $2400.00 per year. Yeas, 2; Nays, 0.

Commissioner Bingham arrived.

122—Moved by Commissioner Bell that Wesley Whittenberger's restaurant license be transferred from 109 West Maple Avenue to 126 West Maple Avenue to July 1st, 1925. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

Moved by Commissioner Bingham that the application of James Andrews and James Boyages for a license to conduct a restaurant at 130 Woodward Ave., South, be granted provided changes are first made in building to meet the approval of the Village Manager. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

124—Moved by President Shain that the following preamble and resolution be adopted:

Whereas a road and highway has been proposed from Cranbrook Road to Southfield Avenue in Bloomfield Township along the east and west 1/4 Section line, Section 35, Town 2 North, Range 10 East and

WHEREAS the Commission deem the proposed road a public necessity and that it is necessary to take private property for said improvement, and that it is necessary to take the following described property for said improvement, to-wit:

Beginning at the East One-Quarter corner of Section 35, Town 2 North, Range 10 East, Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan; thence 33 feet south along the east line of said Section 35; thence west parallel with the east and west 1/4 line of said Section 35, 333 feet; thence North 33 feet to the east and west 1/4 line of said Section 35; thence East 333 feet along said 1/4 Section line to the place of beginning, said land to be used for public highway purposes, and public highway purposes only.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is necessary to take the above described property for public improvement, and that taking the same is a public necessity.

And, Be it Further Resolved that the Village Attorney be instructed to start proceedings for the purpose of condemning said above described property, said private property hereinbefore referred to belonging to C. K. Latham, of the Village of Birmingham. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

125—Moved by Commissioner Bell that the following preamble and resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, the Commission of the Village of Birmingham under date of February 25, 1925, declared the acquiring of the following described property, to-wit:—

Lots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, and 60 of Merrill Plat of the Village of Birmingham, Michigan,

to be a public necessity for municipal and library purposes, and

WHEREAS the cost of same will be the sum of $48,000.00, and

WHEREAS said property has been acquired by the Village for Municipal and Library purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Attorney prepare the necessary resolution submitting to the electors of the Village of Birmingham the question of borrowing the sum of $48,000.00, and issuing the Bonds of the Village therefor, for the purchasing of said above described property for municipal and library purposes. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

126—Moved by Commissioner Bell that the following preamble and resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS, this Commission deem it advisable to borrow the sum of $48,000.00 and issue the Bonds of the Village therefor for the purpose of paying for the following described property which has been acquired by the Village for Municipal and Library purposes, to-wit:

Lots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 of Merrill Plat of the Village of Birmingham, Michigan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the question of raising the amount of $48,000.00 upon the faith and credit of the Village of Birmingham, for the purpose of paying for the above described property to be used for municipal and library purposes be submitted to the electors for their approval. Said proposition to be voted upon at a Special Election to be held in the Village of Birmingham on the 19th day of May, 1925, between the hours of 7 A. M. and 8:30 P. M. Central Standard Time, said election to be held in the Town Hall on the Northwest corner of Merrill and Bates Streets of the Village of Birmingham.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Registration meet at the office of the Village Clerk in the Village of Birmingham on Saturday, the 9th day of May, between the hours of 7 A. M. and 8:30 P. M. Central Standard Time.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the form of ballot to be used in submitting the proposition be as follows:

Shall the Village of Birmingham borrow the sum of Forty-eight Thousand Dollars ($48,000.00) and issue the bonds of the Village therefor to pay for the following described land which has been acquired by the Village to be used for municipal and Library purposes, to-wit: Lots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 of Merrill Plat of the Village of Birmingham.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the form of Registration and Election notices submitting the proposition shall be as follows:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a Special Election to be held in the Town Hall on the Northwest corner of Merrill and Bates Streets in the Village of Birmingham on Tuesday the 19th day of May, 1925, between the hours of 7 o'clock A. M. and 8:30 o'clock P. M. (Central Standard Time) qualified electors, shall vote upon the following proposition:

Shall the Village of Birmingham borrow the sum of Forty-eight Thousand Dollars ($48,000.00) and issue the bonds of the Village therefor to pay for the following described land which has been acquired by the Village to be used for municipal and Library purposes, to-wit: Lots 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, and 60 of Merrill Plat of the Village of Birmingham.

YES [ ]
NO [ ]

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the day of Registration of qualified electors for the Village of Birmingham is hereby set for Saturday, the 9th day of May, 1925, between the hours of 7 o'clock A. M. and 8:30 o'clock P. M. (Central Standard Time) and the place of holding such Registration shall be in the office of the Village Clerk in said Village. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

127—Moved by Commissioner Bingham that the meeting adjourn until Thursday morning, April 30, 1925, at 10 o'clock. Yeas, 3; Nays, 0.

HAZEL E. LAWLER, Village Clerk.

BOARD OF EDUCATION PROCEEDINGS

Birmingham Mich., April 13, 1925.

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was held in the office at 8 p.m.

Present: H. B. Clement, R. J. Taylor, Fred W. Quarton, Leigh Lynch and R. J. Coryell.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

Moved by Lynch supported by Taylor that the resignation of Ruby Fisher on April 3, 1925, be accepted. Carried.

Moved by Taylor supported by Lynch that a contract be made with Mrs. Blanche Barber for 2½ months at $140 per month. Carried.

Supt. Vliet was authorized to secure additional teachers for drawing, music and physical training for 1925-1926.

Architect Frederick Madison was directed to submit the revised plans for the Adams school to the State Department of Public Instruction for approval.

Moved and seconded that the bills be allowed. Carried.

Bills:—Athletic Assoc., supplies, $200; Gregory, Mayer & Thom, supplies, $4.61; Thos. Charles Co., supplies, $49.69; A. J. Nystrom & Co., map, $8.17; Mix, the Jeweler, engraving, $4.24; Johnson Service, thermometers, $2.46; Union Paper & Twine Co., paper, $5.38; Lyons and Carnahan, supplies, $2.57; Macmillan Co., books, $2.74; First National, pay roll, $1026.20; C. Vliet, petty cash, $14.78; Village of Birmingham, water, $168.66; Miss Christiansen, supplies, $6; First National Bank, pay roll, $5107.50; Mrs. Hart, Dom. Science, $25; David Fleming, work and ashes, $141.15; Metropolitan Refining Co., supplies, $10; Royal Oak-Birmingham Exp., freight and cartage, $6; Allyn and Bacon, books, $4.34; Consumers Power, gas, $18.97; James Bailey, services, $10; A. B. Dick Co., stencil paper, $18.21; A. Flanagan Co., supplies, $8.97; Conant and Osborne, services, $3.25; J. H. McBride, supplies, $19.79; Robert Keller Ink Co., paste, $30; Detroit Edge Tool Works, services, $1; Thomas Charles Co., supplies, $3.94; Silver, Burdett & Co., books, $4.28; The Peck Bros. & Co., supplies, $1.83; American Type Founders Co., supplies, $9.90; Field Furniture Co., supplies, $2.28; Detroit Edison Co., electricity, $397.45; D. B. Wilkinson, supplies and labor, $16.75; Geo. L. Williams Co., supplies, $86.88; E. H. Sheldon Co., supplies, $15; S. F. Trumbull, work, $50; Wilson Drug Co., supplies, $5; Eccentric, printing, $17.10; C. J. Shain, supplies, $2.42; Birmingham Hardware, supplies, $14.16; Hartwick Lumber Co., lumber, $22.95; Birmingham Wall Paper Co., supplies, $11.53; L. M. Randall, sundries, $13.85; H. Cooley & Son, gravel, $9.25; I. Bailey, oil and gas, $11.89; Ruby Fisher, teaching, $32.50; McCleary Harmon Co., Pierce school, $1093.50; First National, coupons, $21.25; Mrs. Linton, supply, $5; Kelsey & Garretson, records, $2.50; Macmillan Co., books, $37.07; A. C. McClurg Co., books, $17.84; Bockstanz Bros., Jan. supplies, $4.08; Union Paper and Twine Co., paper, $92.97; Bryce Heating and Ventilating, Pierce, $5751.90; First National, coupons, $658.75; First State Bank, pay roll, $1096.22; H. A. Reck, laundry, $5.59; A. W. Kutsche Co., estimate Pierce, $5859.

Moved and seconded to adjourn. Carried.

H. B. CLEMENT, President,
LEIGH LYNCH, Secretary *pro tem*

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