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BRUSH PLANT IS TABLED

Bloomfield Officials To Be More Exact in Accepting New Subdivisions Here

Board Will Regulate Business Frontage Locations Through Out The Township

(By Helen V. Walker)
 Resolutions were adopted by the Township board at a regular meeting last Tuesday night relative to the outlining in part the regulations that subdividers will be required to comply with in the planning of land in Bloomfield Township. The resolutions were made according to Act 360, Public Acts of 1925, which went into effect on August 27, 1926. The township board concerning the governing of plots within its township boundaries. At the same time Tuesday night a plan was submitted that does not coincide with the plan that the township board will, very likely provide a test case to determine the exact power of the township authorities under the new law.

Wants Business Frontage.
 The plan is that of Alanson P. Brush of Detroit, who has been offered the platting of a piece of his land by Ransom & McGowan of Pontiac on the west side of Woodward avenue, running north from Charing Cross road. It is the idea of Mr. Brush to make 600 foot lots, with a frontage of 100 feet, cutting it into nine equal pieces for stores. The property is 140 feet deep at the front of the lots. The subdivider explains, with sufficient depth at the front of the lots for private parking space when it might be needed.

It is maintained by the Township board, who have taken the matter under consideration, that the property surrounding this piece has been laid off in estate sites and that in executing their part of the proposed so-called zoning, they could not approve business blocks or property in the suggested location.

Asserting that Woodward avenue as a super highway would never be able to resist, Mr. Brush was represented by Patterson & Patterson of Pontiac, who urged the board to issue a resolution approving a business thoroughfare its full length.

Accepted resolutions provided that all plats shall be presented to the clerk of the township at least five days before the regular township board meeting, held the first Monday of each month; providing the regular meeting is held on the first Monday of each month, and two weeks from time of presentation a special meeting will be called for the consideration of the same.

Must Place Deposit.
 Another provision is that owners of all plats shall deposit with the clerk of the township \$40 to provide for the expense of inspection of the lands, examination of the plat and board meeting, and attorney's fees.

The owner of the lands in question shall be required to present to the board, an abstract of title certified to date, or a policy of title insurance, and an examination in order to ascertain as to whether the proper names appear on the plat.

Install Improvements.
 Owners shall be required to properly grade, gravel and cinder roads, and install bridges over streams, culverts where they are necessary, and also to install a fire alarm system. A provision is included in this ruling that a plat may show curved streets and alleys, but that such streets and alleys shall be shown on the plat as straight lines.

Provisions For Streets.
 It is also provided in the resolutions that all section line roads must be dedicated not less than one-half section (160 feet wide); all quarter and half section line roads must be dedicated not less than 80 feet wide, and all street corners of a width of less than 80 feet.

Boundaries Defined.
 It was also provided that no plat showing business frontage, intended to be used for stores, oil stations, factories, or amusement, other than those should be approved except in specified districts. In these districts the district boundaries must conform to those in adjoining subdivisions. The districts specified by the township board are: the above ruling will apply to West Maple and Cranbrook roads; Lasher and Town Line roads between the Boulevard and the Boulevard and West Maple and Telegraph road; West Maple and Town Line road between the Boulevard and the Boulevard; Lasher and Quanton roads; Indian Trail and Town Line roads between West Boulevard and the Boulevard; Lake and Telegraph roads; Square Lake road at Square Lake Country Club house; Woodward avenue at Square Lake road, known as "Crescent street"; Woodward avenue at Long Lake road; Opdyke and Hap-

HOW FAR AWAY IS THIS?

Clarance Milet, superintendent of the local schools, made the following statement regarding Woodward avenue at the Rotary Club luncheon on Tuesday.
 "The time is not so far off when north and south bound traffic will be separated by the Maple avenue crossing in Birmingham. This will be done by other east and west streets on Woodward between Detroit and Pontiac. How an east and west street crosses Woodward avenue through this village is made at least 150 feet wide."

BELL NOTES NEEDED PROJECTS FOR THE YEAR

Village Official Relates Progress Made And Points Out Future Work

LAUDS OUR PARK SYSTEM

Wylie Bell, chairman of the Public Works Committee of Birmingham, in his report to the Birmingham Rotary club, addressed local Rotarians Monday noon on various phases of community work. A round table discussion followed Mr. Bell's remarks.

"Certainly Birmingham needs additional water development," began Mr. Bell, who is also a member of the village commission, "and we hope that the several sections of water will win the approval of local electors to the issues at stake."
 "The most important requirement in Birmingham is to provide funds to build a new Village Hall and a Public Library building on the west side of Woodward avenue. I believe that the village should have its own building, also, and that it should be equipped with a garage for the installation of our heavily traveled streets; the rapid growth of Birmingham, with its increasing increase in traffic, demands that something besides dirt or gravel cover the surface of their proposed so-called zoning, they could not approve business blocks or property in the suggested location."

"The speaker said that the village had installed three miles of sanitary sewer lines, and that it had installed with the new sewage disposal tank, had greatly relieved unsanitary conditions in the city."
 "More money has been spent on four park systems during the past year than any other year," continued Mr. Bell. "I know that the people stand behind the committee in this regard, and in its beautifying what we already have. I think that the village should continue to improve its parks, and to provide for the maintenance of this park system."
 The widening of West Maple avenue, which is being removed to six lanes, was mentioned as a desirable project by Mr. Bell. He also said that Woodward avenue at the end of Southfield, from West Maple to the high road north of Willetts street, is the extension of Southfield avenue to Oak street; this would require a new bridge over the river at the end of Southfield, from West Maple to the high road north of Willetts street.

No "Hidden Boxes" Unearthed In Bank

Nothing that would stir the imagination very deeply has been disclosed in the additional work done at the Savings Bank building during the past few weeks and workmen have made no discovery of any "hidden boxes" or anything of the kind. The work is progressing slowly, and it is expected that the removal of the Woodward avenue side of the building would be completed this week. It is expected that the work would be started but the stone work at the base of the building has presented many difficulties, and the work is progressing very slowly. Preparations are being made to start the work on the Woodward avenue side of the building as soon as the construction work begins on the east side of the building. The work is continuing within the building during the afternoon.

BRIEN TO OPEN RETAIL SHOE STORE IN TOWN

Christopher Brien, of 218 Vinewood avenue, Birmingham, has announced that he will open a new shoe store in the Bakeside Block on Woodward avenue. Mr. Brien is in the wholesale shoe business in Detroit, also operates five retail stores, and is a member of the Bakeside Block. Two of them are in Royal Oak, two in Detroit, one in Ferndale, and one in Birmingham.

Family Reunion

Among the hundred kinsmen who attended the Dexter family reunion at French Creek, Mich., last week, were Mr. and Mrs. A. Mowers and their son, Eldon, and Mrs. M. A. Mowers and her daughter, Mrs. A. Mowers. The festivities were held on the Dexter home place, which is owned by the family present. Also members of the family present were Mrs. Mowers and her family. One of the interesting features of the program was a report given by a member of the Dexter family who had traced the Dexter family back to the time of the Spanish war.

BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 1925.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

(Little Editorials picked up from the streets around Birmingham.)

Three Petitions Being Circulated in Adjoining Subdivision For Government ECO COVERS 400 ACRES

Differing widely in their means and ends, three groups of men in Eco City are circulating petitions to give the subdivision a village government. One petition circulating on the east side of Woodward avenue asks for the annexation of that section to the village of Birmingham. Another petition circulating on the west side of the tracks is for the purpose of annexing all of Eco City, including the north and south sections, to the village of Birmingham. A third petition asks for the incorporation of all that section lying between Lincoln avenue and the north and south sections, and between Southfield road to the west and the north and south sections, to the village of Birmingham.

Leinbach-Humphry company, subdividers of Eco City, are encouraging both local petitions in the hope of having Eco so organized under some government that it will have police and fire protection, lighting, water supply, and other many benefits and necessities required by a settlement that has reached the present size that Eco has.

It is estimated that Eco proper covers about 400 acres and has about 1500 inhabitants. The subdivision boundaries. The sidewalks have been laid over the entire subdivision, and a water supply system has been installed from a fund raised by special assessment on the lots. The streets are graded and an fair concrete sidewalks from the four wells drilled on the company's property the subdivision water supply. The water supply is claimed by the Leinbach-Humphry officials that more than \$200,000 has been spent on the subdivision improvements and that approximately \$2,000,000 has been invested in the building of homes. There are 2500 lots in the subdivision.

One of the principal factors entering into the ultimate decision of the subdivision is the question of a subdivision to take in acquiring a government, is its water supply and the question of having a fire department. Two of the four wells on the subdivision are flowing and were drilled for a total of 1271 feet. The most recent well, which was completed and started to work sixty days ago, is yielding about 100 gallons of water per day. It is located on Pierce street near the intersection of the Woodward road. The water is turned into a concrete reservoir and the surplus water is pumped into the other three wells is stored in the elevated tank in the heart of the subdivision. The water is pumped to the homes through six-inch mains.

At given periods, it is stated, samples are taken and analyzed at the Detroit laboratories where it is reported to be very desirable.

It is declared by Rex Humphrey, of the Leinbach-Humphrey company, owners of the wells and equipment, that the water is of the highest quality and that the water is of the highest quality and that the water is of the highest quality.

There is a difference of opinion in Eco as to whether the water is of the highest quality. It is expected that the water is of the highest quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Linton of the Birmingham, who departed for Florida this morning to spend the winter. "People are flocking to the south very rapidly," said Mr. Linton. "A period of two minutes with four passengers to a car."

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gough of Detroit, who have just returned from a very pleasant auto trip of 1271 miles in two weeks by way of Toledo, Cleveland, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, and other points, are in Birmingham. They were accompanied by George, Brantford, Cainsville, Fair, Woodstock, Igerson, London, Port Huron, and other points.

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TWO ECCENTRICS NEXT WEEK

In view of the special village election, September 17, the Eccentric will issue a special edition of its newspaper "Eccentric," to be published on Wednesday. The usual Friday edition will appear on schedule, containing the same news as the special edition.

620 CHILDREN ARE ENTERING NEW SCHOOLS

More than 200 increase in student registration over close last spring. MAKE ANOTHER CENSUS.

Preliminary school business of assigning classes and lessons when the schools opened last Tuesday morning was a standard one. Principals and teachers applied their efforts to seating the largest number of pupils possible in the schools. There were 1820 registered at the close of the second day of school as compared to 1408 at the end of September last year. Adams school is the most overcrowded in the city. Efforts are being made to transfer a part of the children from there to Barnum school.

Baldwin high school had the largest enrollment of 304 students reporting the first day. Another teacher is to be engaged for this school and the largest school in the city. It is generally agreed that there are about 300 negative votes in Birmingham on any local election since the two issues on September 17 require a two-thirds majority favoring the measure. It is estimated that the balance of the voters from a partial and often complete apathy and that many residents on the west side of Birmingham, who voted against the tank project in the past, will appear at the polls on the election day. It is estimated that the balance of the voters from a partial and often complete apathy and that many residents on the west side of Birmingham, who voted against the tank project in the past, will appear at the polls on the election day.

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ISSUES WITHIN THE CITY

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REGISTRATION BOOSTED

Organized Effort Will Be Made To Bring Votes To Polls September 17.

With 230 new voters at local voters added to the registration roll last week, bringing the total number of qualified electors in Birmingham to 14,000, the village officials are making every effort to get the voters to the polls on September 17. It is estimated that the balance of the voters from a partial and often complete apathy and that many residents on the west side of Birmingham, who voted against the tank project in the past, will appear at the polls on the election day.

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