

GOP Candidates In Troy Township State Objectives

Republican candidates for Troy township offices were questioned regarding their stands on various matters concerning township government by a group of citizens at a meeting Friday, March 9.

Norman R. Barnard, GOP candidate for supervisor, stated he feels the most important thing a supervisor can personally do for each township citizen is to correctly assess each citizen's property.

He pointed out that each taxpayer is entitled to advance notice of any increases in assessment so that opportunity may be had for discussion of the matter with the board of review.

Accorded to Barnard, Another Important Duty of the Supervisor is to Serve Each Citizen in Day to Day Matters.

He stressed that if elected, his office would be open to the people of Troy township, and all citizens should feel that the town hall is their office.

Cliffon Trussell, Republican candidate for township clerk and Barnard both stated that a fine groundwork has been laid in township building and zoning ordinances, but it is important that they be kept up to date with respect to new building practices, increasing industrial development and residential zoning protection.

George W. Ford, candidate for re-election as justice of the peace reported that the township will face many important matters in the next decade, and that the answers and solutions will be available when needed only if the new township board takes immediate and thorough steps to plan in the right direction.

He stated that roads, water and sewers are among the greatest physical improvements needed in the immediate future.

Commission Denies Rezoning Request

A request from Frank C. Newell for the rezoning of Lot Five, Waterfall Lane subdivision, from single residence classification to multiple family residence was denied by the city commission Monday evening.

The property is located immediately north of the city owned property on West Maple opposite Hawthorne road.

Petitions and letters protesting the proposed change were received at the special hearing. In addition, the city plan commission recommended the request be denied.

MRS. KATHRYN T. LOOMIS, chairman of the plan commission, gave the following reasons for asking that the request be denied:

1. Topographic conditions in this area make the use of lot five with ingress and egress from the Maple

right of way a hazardous traffic condition. Rezoning to permit use by greater number of families would serve only to increase this hazard.

2. Such a classification would be clearly an instance of "spot zoning."

3. The present park property constitutes a logical and definite transition area between the multiple family classification further to the east, and the single family to the west.

4. If LOT five were rezoned to multiple family, future requests for additional multiple family zoning of large land parcels to the west would be made indefensible.

5. The records show that over a period of several years, residents of the area have consistently opposed any change from the present single family classification.

Royal Oak City Attorney Provides Meaning of Word

Two weeks ago the city commission sought advice on the meaning of the word "public" as used in Senate Bill 209. Commissioners wished to know what it meant for money supporting the bill to be turned to the Oakland hospital authority problem.

The amendment would permit a hospital authority to "convey its property or any part thereof without monetary consideration to a non-profit corporate organization for the purpose of owning, maintaining and operating a public hospital."

IF THIS BILL is passed it would be possible for the South Oakland hospital authority to provide its site and funds to the Oakland hospital group, if the building is erected at the 13 Mile and Coolidge location.

A request for the classification of the word "public" was sent to W. C. Hudson, city attorney for Royal Oak.

Hudson said that in the present hospital act, the term "publicly owned hospital" is used to indicate that a hospital authority operating under a law authorizing the levying of a tax for its support would own and control the hospital as well as operate a hospital open to the public.

He pointed out that the proposed amendment gives the Authority power to convey its property to any non-profit corporation operating a public hospital open to the public generally.

Hudson also explained, that generally the word "public" means "open to common or general use."

The city commission is also awaiting an interpretation of the meaning of the word from the attorney for Oakland hospital.

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North Chevrolet Wins 'Y' League Playoff Title

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The game was closely contested throughout and the margin of six points at the end was the greatest in the entire contest. The first quarter ended at 11 points each and at half time "Y" Phalanx led 22 to 10.

WITH BOB FOLIN racking up points in the third quarter, North Chevrolet moved into the lead and held it in the final minutes of play, controlling the ball and making each shot count.

Folin's 22 points led both sides in scoring while Skip Halpin paced "Y" Phalanx with 15 markers. This contest included the local basketball season except for the "Y" play-offs at East Lansing April 14 and 15.

Members of the winning and losing quintet will combine to represent Birmingham in the "Y" Sports festival at Michigan State College.

In the preliminary game, "Y" Married Men overcame a 15 point deficit and defeated Mulholland's quintet 48 to 40.

Bud Olmstead and John McCormick staged a fourth quarter uprising to score 23 points as Mulholland's was held to 10.

The win gave the "Y" Married Men consolation place in the play-offs.

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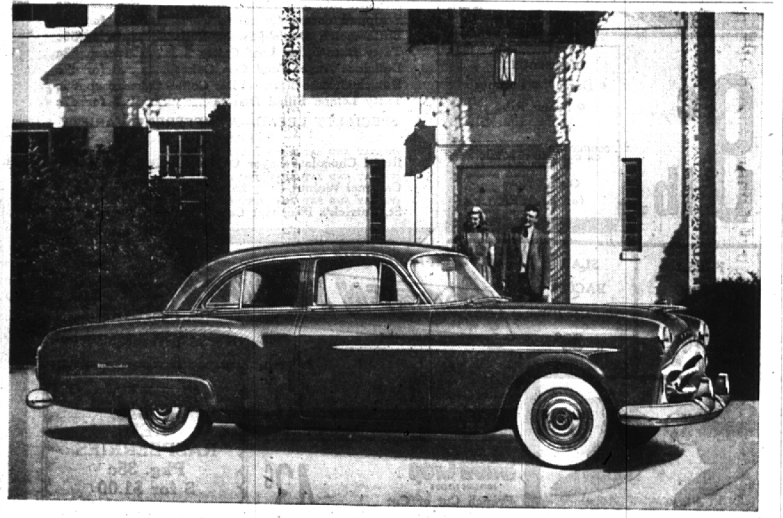
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