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West Bloomfield Studies Bids for New Fire Truck

Bids for the purchase of a new fire truck for the West Bloomfield township fire department are being considered by Supervisor H. G. Thatcher and Fire Chief Dale C. Otmer.

Bids were opened at the township board meeting Tuesday but were referred for study to the supervisor and chief.

Clerk Frank Hallett said the new truck will be placed at the Keego Harbor station and the present apparatus at that location will be moved to Walnut Lake.

In other business Tuesday, the board approved a social security system for township employees.

Edenborough Sidewalk Approved by Commission

Sidewalk construction on the east side of Edenborough, just south of Windemere to a point 149.3 feet south of Buckingham, has been approved by Birmingham commissioners.

Harry Green, owner of the lot at the corner of Windemere and Edenborough, has agreed to install a walk on his property as a part of his building plan, thus eliminating property owners on the south side of Windemere from the special assessment district.

Chamber of Commerce Lists Business Committee

Directors of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce Monday night named a business committee which will act in coordination with the board and Birmingham business places.

The committee will consist of Henry Sellers, Harry Wesch, Tom McDonnell, Jr., Foster Toothacher, Victor Cook, and J. M. Ball.

Police Report Causes Of February Accidents

Police report a total of 31 accidents during February, in which five persons were injured, a slight increase over the previous month. Property damages were estimated at \$8,320.

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley listed right of way violations as the major factor in February mishaps, with a total of 13 recorded. Excessive speed followed closely with 11 offenses.

Other factors included improper turns, following too closely, failure to signal or improper signals to approaching traffic, violations of stop signs and signals and improper parking location.

Named Chairman Of Zoning Board

New chairman of the Southfield township zoning board is Roy E. Grunwell, 20825 Greenwood, Southfield township. He succeeds E. E. Schaffer who has moved from the township.

As zoning board chairman, Grunwell automatically becomes a member of the township board of appeals.

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all news—the society editor said by—

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DR. DWIGHT B. IRELAND, Birmingham school superintendent: "Work is now being done on the 1952-53 teacher program. It appears that we will need at least 15 new teachers in the elementary schools alone. Furthermore, there should be an additional school nurse, since Miss Frances Curtis is handling the health load of nearly 5,000 children. Indications are that every available classroom is being used when school opens in September, starting us off on another 'tight' season."

Southfield Board To Discuss Zoning Ordinance Change

The Southfield township board will meet Friday, March 14, to discuss a proposed change in the zoning ordinance which would set up minimum widths of side yards in the township.

This date was set by the board Tuesday evening. The matter has previously been approved by the zoning board.

In other business Tuesday, the board appointed Robert McKee, 1166 Decatur, as alternate on the South Oakland plan commission. He is also a member of the township plan group.

BIDS WILL BE TAKEN March 24 for purchase of a turbine water pump for the water department, the board decided.

A \$360.87 appropriation to fund a deficiency spread for Southfield's share in the Clinton River Spillway was approved. Last year a total of \$3,730 was paid by the township.

Tentative approval was given a plan called Kenoway Meadows which will be located between 12 and 13 mile roads and Lincoln and Evergreen. The plat calls for 232 lots.

Three Named to Election Board In Bloomfield Hills

Three women were named to the Bloomfield Hills election board for the April 7 balloting by the city commission Tuesday evening.

Appointed were Mrs. R. A. Pearce, East Long Lake road; Mrs. Ann Vaughan, West Long Lake road; and Miss Virginia Richardson, West Long Lake.

City Clerk Robert Stadler also pointed out that the final date for filing nominating petitions for the election is Saturday, March 15 at 4 p. m.

Terms of Commissioners James A. Beresford and Charlton G. Eden expire plus the term of Constable Dominick Vetrano.

No petitions had been filed by Wednesday morning, Stadler said.

Unfinished Home In Village Damaged By Fire Friday

An unfinished brick colonial home under construction at 2150 Yarmouth road, Bloomfield Village, was extensively damaged by fire Friday afternoon. The home was being built for Merton Bell, 1019 Canterbury.

Major damage was caused to the second story and roof before the blaze could be extinguished. Birmingham fire department was first called to the fire, according to Fire Chief Vernon Griffith.

When local firemen arrived at the scene and found it was outside of city limits, they radioed to the proper department he pointed out.

Expect Arrival of New Fire Engine In Southfield Twp.

Delivery is expected within the next week on Southfield township's new fire truck, according to Supervisor William Rosser.

When the new American LaFrance 500-gallon pump arrives, the entire township will benefit from lower insurance rates. Residents living within 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant will be in class A and all others in class B.

Last fall, a new 750-gallon capacity American LaFrance engine was put into service by the department.

Obituary Notices

MRS. IDA M. WARD, 87, of 2804 East Square Lake road, Troy township, died Mar. 6, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph S. Beale, following a long illness.

She was born in Orwell, Vt., June 1, 1864 and on June 9, 1885, was married to William W. Ward who died several years ago. She had been a resident of this area for six years, coming from Grose Pointe.

She was a member of the Congregational church and Order of the Eastern Star of Lakeland, Vt. Survived by her daughter, Mrs. Ward is survived by five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The body was taken from the Manley Bailey funeral home to London where services and burial were Monday.

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Only Routine Matters Listed for B of E Meet

No special business will come before the Birmingham school board at its March 13 meeting in Hill school, according to Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent.

Dr. Ireland announced that he expected the printed copies of Dr. Thomas C. Holly's survey to be delivered within a few days. He said, "and we shall begin a comprehensive study to determine what should be done and what we can do to meet his suggestions for the betterment of our school system."

Pontiac Man Describes African Hunting Trip

Big game hunting in Africa was the topic of the Tuesday luncheon meeting of the Birmingham Exchange club, when J. Lee Voorhes of Pontiac showed pictures he had taken during a recent expedition.

"Junior Exchanges" for the month are Bill DeLonia and Stu Scheifele, Birmingham high school seniors.

Herman Ziskowski, manager of the local Wrigley store, has been accepted for membership into the organization.

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