

Accept Water Pump Bid In Southfield
 Contract for a new water pump to be placed in the Beverly Hills cause of failure to meet advertised specifications.

lin. Pontiac, at a cost of \$3,293.60, by the Southfield township board Tuesday night.
 The Corso company, low bidder, were denied the contract because of failure to meet advertised specifications.

Southfield: Costs Upped, Income Down

Southfield township board members are trying to figure out how to meet the coming year's budget with expected revenues.

Tuesday night the board reviewed the budget that will be submitted to the electors at the annual meeting, Monday, April 7, and wondered how the township could possibly give residents the services they demand with income revenues expected to drop.

The budget received by the board is still highly tentative. Many items must be met and figured into the 1952-53 finances before the April 7 meeting.

Largest of these unmet figures is the county drain-at-large cost. The county has not as yet given townships officials any amount to go on.

THE ESTIMATED budget totals \$224,265. This is lower than last year's approved budget of \$297,188, but added items will surpass this figure, according to Supervisor William Roeser.

Largest department increase is found in the fire department's operating budget. The department calls for \$30,590 as compared with \$48,210 during 1951-52.

Roeser told board members that "I am trying to hold the line on last year's budget wherever possible. The state is trying to cut down our revenues, and additional services the township has been called on to make makes the proposed budget a headache."

Roeser added that the township was forced to spend some \$10,000 more last year than the budget called for.

"We cannot afford to go into debt and whatever cuts must be made in the proposed figures will have to be met somehow," Township Clerk Fannie Adams explained to board members that a township tax levy of one mill may have to be resorted to in meeting expenses.

Roeser stated that the township

did not want to levy the tax but demanded services have outgrown funds.

No meeting place for the annual electors meeting has been set as yet.

No Action Taken On License Bids

The Southfield township board Tuesday night decided to let Michigan Liquor Control Commission make the regular investigation of liquor applicants and study the character of the applicants before passing on any of the bids.

The commission sent a letter with names of 18 applicants for new licenses to the board, asking them to select the six most desirable men for licenses.

Southfield already has six liquor licenses in its township.

BOARD MEMBER Glenn C. Hague said that it was the duty of the commission to survey the neighborhood of the proposed liquor licensee before asking the board to pass on their qualifications.

"All we have is a list of names. We don't know where these applicants want to locate their licenses or anything about them," Hague said.

Flood Control Not Serious Problem Here

Although the River Rouge occasionally overflows its banks here, flood control in Birmingham is not a serious problem, City Manager Donald C. Egbert said this week.

He stated that about the only point in the Rouge which causes much difficulty is the Woodward-Harmon intersection, where the water sometimes overflows after heavy rainfalls.

"The Army engineers initiated a hearing a few years ago on the bill on the flood control project and we sent representatives to it. Nothing much developed from it, although flood control is a major problem to some of the down-river communities."

EGBERT SAID that any River Rouge flood control project would probably be a very expensive matter.

The U.S. Geological Survey constructed a gaging station near the West Maple bridge a few years ago and data is recorded monthly which can be used for future flood control research in the Rouge river district. The city paid \$1,600 for construction of the building and contributes \$250 annually.

Four years ago, the Rouge river through Birmingham was cleaned by the city. Dead trees, branches and debris from the river channel were removed.

The city manager said that this has helped facilitate the flow of water and reduced the level of the stream.

Second BB League In Organization

Little Bigger League baseball has its charter.

The four-team league will play two games a week through the months of July and August, promoters of the intermediate league decided at a meeting Tuesday night.

Donald Chaffee, president of the newly organized league, explained that this intermediate league will answer the problem of boys 13, 14 and 15, who are no longer eligible for Little League baseball and not old enough for Legion play.

The Birmingham charter, received from national headquarters in Trenton, N. J., was the seventh charter to be given in the United States and four foreign countries.

A GENERAL MEETING of Little Bigger League supporters will be held Wednesday, April 16, at 8 p.m. Chaffee urges all fathers with boys in the intermediate age group to attend to organize the four teams. The teams will be sponsored by local merchants.

Two of four managers have already been signed for the season. They are C. M. (Red) Stewart and C. R. (Bub) Thompson. Persons interested in managing a team are asked to contact Hugh Loveland at the Birmingham Recreation commission.

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Employment Bill Unfair, Estes Says

Representative Howard R. Estes of Birmingham, in voting against the Fair Employment bill in the state legislature last week, defended his stand by saying "that legislation of this kind has no legislative basis."

Estes stated he believed that such a bill brought to a referendum vote would "create racial hatreds and foment personal antagonisms and possibly violence."

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"In my opinion, it is equally unjust to require an employer, whatever his size, large or small, to pay a worker wages whom he has been forced to hire against his will as it is to require a worker to work for an employer against his will."

"... IF A MAJOR condition of discrimination exists in Michigan, and I greatly doubt that it

does, it will not be cured by legislating an employer to hire an individual against his will, nor will it improve racial relations to force an employer to work along with an individual whom he does not care to work with."

Estes added that there were points of the bill that would demand a great deal of thinking, but that he was against the passage of the whole bill as it was introduced.

Girl Remains In Hospital

Lynn Hannah, 14-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Hannah, 18217 Beverly, remains in fair condition at St. Joseph Mercy hospital, Pontiac, today, from injuries suffered in a traffic accident Saturday.

Miss Hannah was involved in a collision with a truck at Thirteenth Mile road and Telegraph.

Driver of the truck, Kenneth E. Walker, age 17, 785 Tyrone, Pontiac, was not held.

Birthdays, anniversaries, guests, births, parties are all new-catalog the society editor about them.

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List Locations Of City's New Street Lights

Installation of 61 new street lights for Birmingham has been approved by city commissioners. Locations were selected by Police Chief Ralph Moxley and Earl Sandusky, who completed a city-wide study of accident reports and general city development.

In commenting on the installation of lights, to which some residents have objected, Commissioner Frank Rising said, "I believe we should have a light on every corner in town. Those who don't want one should be ridden over. One of the new lights will be shining right in my eyes, too, but I'm all for them."

Locations for the new lights are spread all over the city. Sandusky, assistant to City Manager Donald C. Egbert, said street accidents for the past three years have been studied and it is the belief of traffic safety experts that proper lighting can greatly lessen traffic hazards.

EGBERT said the additional lights would increase the present street lighting costs about \$2,142 a year. He added that a proposed survey on Birmingham street lighting by the Detroit Edison company would probably be ready for study in about two months.

Ravale at Westwood, Lyonhurst and Brookwood; on Oak, midway between Glenhurst and Chesterfield and at Fairfax and Pflieger.

The Melbourne-Chesterfield and Pine-Fairfax intersections are also to receive lights as is Cranbrook, midway between Lincoln and Midvale.

On Lincoln lights will be placed at Golfview, Arden Lane, Larchton, Arlington, Shirley, Latham, Eton and Taunton; on Greenlawn at Fairway; Northlawn at Cranbrook, Greenlawn and Latham; Latham at Wakefield.

SOUTHFIELD at Worthington and 14 Mile; Northlawn at Maryland and Pierce; Pierce at Catalpa, 14 Mile at Bates; Southlawn at Maryland, Edgewood and Grant; Catalpa at Edgewood; Grant at Humphrey, Southlawn and Smith.

Adams at Kenesaw, Madison, Forest and Howers; Worth at Madison; St. Andrews at Manchester, Buckingham and Dorchester; Taunton at Humphrey; Melton at Sheffield, Danstable, Bradford and Clawson.

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