

Commission Sights Insurance Saving
 A possible saving of \$1,119.45 annually is foreseen by Birmingham city commissioners if the city's liability insurance premium is paid on a three-year basis, rather than annually. They have asked the insurance advisory committee to submit a recommendation concerning the proposal.

Lathrup School Traffic light Sought by PTA

A traffic light will be installed on Southfield in front of the Anne Lathrup school between Eleven and Twelve Mile roads, if the Lathrup PTA and the Southfield board of education have their way about it.

"We have been very lucky that some of our children have not been killed on Southfield as yet," said Richard M. Coogan, secretary of the Lathrup PTA. "It would only cost \$900 to install a light—one funeral would cost more than that."

SUPERINTENDENT of Schools Glenn Schoenhals said, "Crossing Southfield is very dangerous for the children of the Lathrup school

and anything we can do to diminish the danger should be done."

The board agreed to back the project and will contact the Oakland county road commission to see if the light can be obtained.

The PTA has offered \$500 dollars toward the cost of the light, which it thinks should be a switch controlled light that can be put into operation as a stop and go light wherever it is necessary for children to cross the busy highway.

IN OTHER business Monday night, the board approved final plans for an addition to the Southfield elementary school. Bids for construction of this addition are due Nov. 16.

The board also voted to receive bids Dec. 14 for an addition to Anne Lathrup school. This addition will consist of nine rooms on two floors.

Proposed school sites for an elementary school in the southeast corner of the district were also discussed. The board gave particular attention to the possibility of a site on the south side of Nine Mile east of Berg.

The board also approved an increase in the daily rate paid to substitute teachers from \$18 to \$15

Study Services To Troy Parcels

An agreement to provide water and storm and sanitary sewer facilities to a parcel of Troy township land adjacent to the city of Birmingham met with many questions from city commissioners Monday night and the matter was referred to City Manager Donald C. Egbert and City Attorney Forbes Hascall for further study and recommendation.

The agreement, drawn up by Troy township attorney Malcolm M. Heber for the township, would provide services to property north of Derby and East of Eton which four parties wish to develop.

Under the terms of the contract, Troy township would advertise for and receive bids, let contracts and supervise construction of water mains and storm and sanitary sewers in the area but not join in any of the project's expense.

COSTS OF THE installation of the water and sewer lines by the Birmingham school district, the Birmingham Development company, the Presbyterian church and the Frank Goebel Corporation, all owners of property within the parcel.

City Manager Donald C. Egbert reported that the city should have joint ownership of the sewers and pavement in Eton road for maintenance work.

Commissioners also agreed that the city should contract with Troy township for those services the city will provide of the project's expense.

Commissioner Lance C. Minor reiterated his stand that the city should only concern itself in helping the school district in the construction of the Pembroke road and not be concerned with whether a certain developer or church is able to construct buildings in the area.

COMMISSIONERS finally decided that the city should study the terms of the township contract in an attempt to include some of the city's objectives in serving this portion of township land.

Total cost of the services to be provided has been estimated by Troy to be near \$200,000, with the Birmingham Development company paying the largest share of this figure.

Troy officials learned Monday night that Arthur Necham, head of the Birmingham Development company questioned whether the township would reimburse him for the extension of the water main from the township system to his property. Troy officials stated that no repayment would be made by the township.

MEANWHILE, commissioners tackled a second project involving city services to township land when they studied a proposal of the Birmingham Development company asking both sanitary and storm sewer facilities and water service for a triangular piece of property bounded by Adams road, the Grand Trunk Railroad and the city.

The tentative agreement, as submitted, is in two parts. One agreement concerns property north of Derby road, the second that property south of Derby.

The agreements are proposed on the supposition that the triangle will be within two years, annexed to the city of Birmingham.

The firm intends to construct terraces on the portion north of Derby and single homes on the southern section. Birmingham school district officials still are negotiating for a possible elementary school site within the property.

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Troop B-4 Scouts Face Rough Weather

"A campout under the most adverse conditions I've ever experienced" was the remark of Robert Engelhardt, Troop B-4 Scoutmaster, about the troop's past weekend Canadian campout near Ft. Pelee, Ontario.

Forty-two members of the troop braved 10 inches of snow that later turned to slush. Assistant Scoutmaster Ned Landis was in charge of the campout.

New Patrolman Approved

A new policeman will be added to the Bloomfield township police department, the township board decided at its meeting Monday night. The board voted to approve an appropriation for wages for an additional patrolman and instructed Supervisor David Anderson to hire one.

A number of the scouts visited the Miner bir sanctuary while in Canada.

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