

Says 'No' To Queries On Zoning

FRANKLIN — Franklin's village council is standing pat on the zoning laws.

Straight across the board, requests for variances and rezoning were turned down at Monday night's meeting.

No exceptions will be made to accommodate the present non-conforming plans for a branch bank office by the Detroit Bank and Trust company, the council agreed.

"WE HAVE no objections to a bank in Franklin," several councilmen said. "We just insist that any proposed buildings must meet the zoning ordinance and building code requirements without alteration."

According to bank representative James Bramwell, the present plan is for a 3,300 square foot building in a 2,500 square foot zone. The bank also proposes to have out-sized signs. According to their present plan, the bank would also require 46 additional feet to be rezoned from residential to commercial for off-street parking.

"We held a public hearing on this zoning before its adoption in September, 1956," said Councilman Robert Mitchell. "That was the time for objections. We had the very best opinions working on it. The highest caliber of talent contributed many months to provide Franklin with the kind of protection a good zoning code can give. Our job as councilmen is to see that it is adhered to."

THE COUNCIL denied the Granville Construction company's request to rezone the southwest corner at Telegraph and 13 Mile from residential to commercial. The company wanted to build a shopping center.

A request for a re-hearing on a sign on the Franklin Village Drug store was also denied. Lot 50, at the southeast corner of Franklin road, owned by Edmond F. Webb will not be re-zoned from residential to commercial as requested.

WOODCREEK FARMS — Plans for the second annual election to be held in Woodcreek Farms village March 10 were made at the village council meeting Feb. 5. Voting will take place in the basement of the home of the road administrator, Donald Wells, 2447 Eastbrook. Six members of the Woodcreek Ladies association will act as election inspectors. Mrs. William Weightman was named chairman of the group, which will serve without compensation. Assisting her will be Mrs. Everett Billie, Mrs. H. E. Dobson, Mrs. Richard Norvall, Mrs. Roy Nelson and Mrs. Gilbert Spillman.

Registrations of voters is being held these days at the home of village clerk Arthur Bunch, 25706 Millbrook.

COUNCILMEN were asked to present their recommendations for the 1958-59 budget at the March 4 meeting. The fiscal budget is to be ready by April 21. President Alger Clark reminded his colleagues to give special consideration to future police protection which must be included in the expenses for the coming year.

A quarterly financial report was presented by treasurer M. W. Davenport. He said that the village had received \$1,860 from state sales tax, gasoline and weight taxes, building permits and other sources from October thru January.

About \$900 was spent on the village's two major roads and about \$360 on local roads. With other disbursements, the village government has cost \$1,068 in three months, leaving a balance of \$772.

CRANBROOK MAPLE — Seventy-seven members of the Cranbrook-Maple association broke out their fine feathers for their annual association dance at Forest Lake country club Feb. 8.

Jimnie Stevenson's orchestra presided over the musical rites from 9:30 p.m. till 1 a.m., which was preceded by dinner at 8 p.m. Arrangements for the dance were under the direction of George Houle, Jr., president of the association, and Jack Tuckfield, social chairman, together with members of his committee: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hillier, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith, and Mrs. James Dowdell.

A series of cocktail parties were staged throughout the neighborhood prior to the dinner. Those entertaining friends and neighbors at home were Mr. and Mrs. John Hurd, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Belding McCurdy, and Mrs. and Mrs. Fred Pant.

Fire Loss Is \$600

SOUTHFIELD — About \$600 worth of damage resulted from a fire Sunday at the home of Mrs. M. L. Jargensen, 31100 Marlin avenue. Southfield firemen said the fire started in an overhead fireplace. In order to put it out, they said, they had to tear down a wall.

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Meeting to Study Poisoning of Dogs

FRANKLIN — Determined to end the dog poisonings which have plagued the families living on Tudor lane, Franklin volunteer police have called in out-side help.

Residents from Tudor lane, Haverford and Bloomington roads in Franklin will meet Feb. 19 with representatives of the state and county police departments and the Michigan Humane society. The meeting will be at 8 p.m. at the Franklin Community church.

Village marshal Richard Ford said, "We're going to try to get to the bottom of this before an innocent child is victimized or more family pets lost by poisoning. Whoever is responsible for placing poisoned meat scraps where neighborhood dogs can get them is a menace and should be stopped."

Road Law Change To Be On Ballot In Franklin Vote

FRANKLIN — Voters will decide March 10 whether to give the village council more freedom in road improvement and construction.

The council drafted the amendment to the charter at its meeting Monday. It would permit village officials to spend money on road improvement without petition of the people without requiring a referendum.

The present charter requires a 2/3 vote of the electorate before a special assessment district for road funds can be created. The change would allow the council to work within a new state law.

A letter to each registered voter is being drafted by road administrator Robert Vingling and Jack Roberts. It will explain the council's reasons for urging this amendment.

\$5,300 Damage Set In Fire at Foxcroft

FOXROFT — Smoke caused extensive damage in a fire Friday at the home of Richard Carter, 5750 Crabtree road. Mrs. Carter told firemen that Terry Carter, 3, had been playing with a cigarette lighter and started the blaze which burned a davenport, toys and den draperies.

Fire damage was estimated at \$500, but smoke damage was estimated at \$5,300.

Lathrup Gets Final Word On Sewers; Vote Is Next

LATHRUP — Once again on Tuesday evening the Lathrup council explained the city's sewerage situation to a group of 25 residents from south of 11 Mile road.

This was the last of three public meetings held in the Lathrup school before the city votes Tuesday on the \$200,000 bond issue and the downspout ordinance.

FOR THE THIRD TIME, the members of the council evinced the Evergreen interceptor, the widening and deepening of the Evans sewer and the separation of the sewage and storm sewers.

Miss Katherine Freyerheisen, who resigned from the city council last year, accused the present council of "trying to sell the city a bill of goods." Mayor Mackey replied that if that was true, "we are selling the 'bill of goods' to ourselves, because we are just as much involved as you are."

The council's decision on the sewerage situation is to be voted on Tuesday night at the Lathrup school before the city votes Tuesday on the \$200,000 bond issue and the downspout ordinance.


Decorating Shop Asks Zoning OK

FRANKLIN — Plans to use the present home of Mary Glass of Franklin as an interior decorating studio were submitted to the village council Monday.

Norman McBride, proprietor of the Chik-in-Gallery in Birmingham, which was destroyed by fire in January, requested a "use" approval from the council.

The council agreed it had no objection to such a business providing McBride complied with all village zoning and building regulations.

Water takes nearly a month to travel from the source of the Blue Nile to where it becomes the Nile River.



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Re-Assessment Of Property in Bloomfield Done

BLOOMFIELD — Re-assessment of Bloomfield township property has been completed. Supervisor Arno Hulet told the township board Monday night. Cards will be mailed to property owners this month to tell them the value placed on their property.

The board of review will meet at the township hall March 10 through March 14 from 9 to noon and from 1 to 5 p.m. each day to review assessments of dissatisfied taxpayers.

Hulet said the township had been completely reassessed, the new assessments being based on approximately 25 per cent of the market value. Hulet said the reassessment was needed to standardize the percentages.

Rabbits can run faster up hill than down because the hind legs are longer than the forelegs.

Shopping Center Meeting Planned

SOUTHFIELD — The township board Tuesday suggested a special meeting of Mrs. Pearl Liberwitz, Thomas Ellis, the board of directors of Bedford Village Improvement association and the township planner, Gordon Hunter.

The meeting was planned after Mrs. Liberwitz made her third plea to the board to rezone property on Southfield road and 12 Mile road to allow her to build a million dollar shopping center there.

Ellis owns neighboring property and favors rezoning to commercial. Bedford Village spokesmen opposed it.

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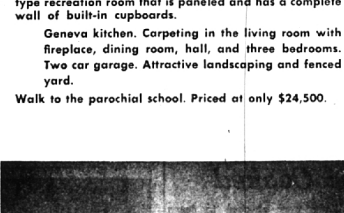
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This Early American Ranch has an acre and a half of land—beautiful grounds with many fruit trees.

Four bedrooms, Cedar paneled family room, 25' screened porch, Thermadore range and oven, carpeted.

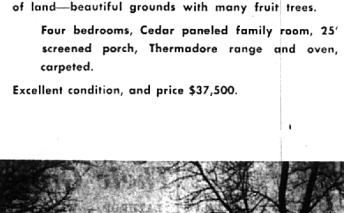
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Paneled family room, Two car attached garage, carpets and drapes, full basement.


All on a quiet residential street that is close to everything. Full price only \$19,900, and terms are available.



This three year old Colonial is of the traditional architecture, but inside it has the wonderful "freedom" of contemporary design.

The first floor lauderale room has a beamed ceiling. There are three bedrooms, and the large den could double as a fourth. Two baths and a first floor lav are all enriched by colored tile. A breakfast room measures 12 1/2 x 8. The kitchen has a built-in oven and range. Large dining room. Patio, living room fireplace, 2 1/2 car attached garage (plenty of room for bikes and garden equipment).

All the tacked-down carpeting and drapes are included at \$46,500. A fine buy in the Quarten School area.




A Magnificent Ranch Home! If you like close-in country living if you like a hilltop of nearly 2 acres; if you need four bedrooms and three baths; if you want quality in construction and equipment; then this house should interest you.

Built in 1957 by Paulson, this house is loaded with many fine features. All baths are equipped with the best in standard fixtures. All windows are Glidemaster insulated type, set in heavy aluminum frames.

Fireplaces in both living room and family room. Splendid kitchen and first floor laundry. Insulated garage.

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Brand new—ready to move into—complete with thick pile carpeting in all three large bedrooms and the living room, which also has custom draperies. Hand chipped white brick compliments the living room fireplace, visible from the impressive entrance-way.

Kitchen—family room, paneled in birch and also with a raised-hearth fireplace has a built-in TV and Hi Fi. G.E. refrigerator, dishwasher, range, and oven. In the utility room G.E. washer and dryer. The two baths and powder room with deluxe features are beautifully tiled. Heated garage, electric door opener.

Tastefully decorated, with huge closets and built-in storage areas. The large country site, north of Quarten Road, is framed in the back by towering trees. All this at \$44,800. Bloomfield Schools.

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