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Sewer Bills Road Firm Issued
Are Worry Beverly Ultimatum
For Beverly

BEVERLY HILLS—Water and sewers, and how to pay for them, took up most of the discussion time at the Beverly Hills village council meeting Monday night. The session ended with a step taken toward enabling the Valley Woods-South Beverly area to tap into the new Evergreen interceptor sewer as soon as it is completed.

The work would be paid for through the creation of a special assessment district by the village, if 60 per cent of the residents of the subdivisions petition for the project.

Representatives of the two subdivisions have met with village officials in an attempt to remedy drainage problems in the area and make adequate road maintenance impossible.

"We don't want to go through another winter like the last one," one resident told the council.

The residents want to hard-surface roads, but have agreed that surface drainage problems which allow water to flood the roads should be solved first.

THE AREAS are also faced with a health problem, according to Dr. Douglas J. Wood, councilman who heads the committee on public health.

"Septic tank and drain fields are functioning properly," Dr. Wood said, advising that underground connections to the big Evergreen interceptor sewer should be installed at the same time road and drainage work is done.

"Putting in a sanitary drain means tearing up the road plenty," Dr. Wood said.

Monday Valley Woods association president Jack Bush asked for a village policy decision on how village assessments should be financed.

After hearing a recommendation from Village Attorney Tom Dillon that the lot benefit method was in his estimation the most equitable way to split costs, the council and the Valley Woods group they chose to use whatever method they chose.

THE LOT benefit method gives each home owner an equal amount to pay, in contrast to the front foot method where costs are apportioned according to the lot frontage.

Rush said a questionnaire his association is sending to home owners has resulted thus far in a 70 per cent vote for a complete program of black-topping roads, installing storm sewers and sanitary sewers. The cost would be approximately \$100 per lot owner, his association estimates.

In other business, the council reviewed methods for meeting its (See BILLS, Page 6-B)

Meadowlake Women
To Cook Luncheon,
Then Sell Recipes

MEADOWLAKE — A French outdoor cafe atmosphere will be lent to the June 24 potpourri luncheon given on the island by the Women's Auxiliary of the Meadowlake Farms Civic association.

Delicacies served at the luncheon will be prepared from the favorite recipes of auxiliary members. Bound in book form, the favorite recipes will be on sale at the affair which starts at noon.

The luncheon chairman is Mrs. Richard Burkhardt and on her committee are Mrs. John Holmley, Mrs. Victor Beer, Mrs. Stanley Turner, Mrs. William Long, Mrs. Robert Davidson, Mrs. Vera Her, Mrs. John Greenishield, Mrs. Edward Hufnagle, Mrs. Vincent Johnson and Mrs. M. A. Hayden.

Lathrup Near
Settlement
On Quit Claim

LATHRUP—Mayor Richard N. Cogger told council members Monday evening that the city is once again very close to obtaining the quit claim deed to the city's sewers.

For three and a half years the disputed deed has bounced violently between the present council, previous councils, subdividers Charles D. and Louise Lathrup Kelley and attorneys representing both sides.

GENERALLY A SIMPLE one-page document, the Kelley quit claim deed has been hard to run to more than six pages full of restrictions and reservations that the city has been unable to accept.

Cogger said that the newest deed has been changed slightly from language previously agreed upon.

However, he expressed the hope that the Kelley would approve the deed form for presentation at the next council meeting.

BEVERLY HILLS—Either the Beverly Hills roads will get them next 11 working days, or the arrangement with the firm, it was a showdown meeting.

The ultimatum was issued to the Berkley asphalt paving company at a session between the village council and Paul Hoover, owner of the road contracting firm.

Village President Marvin Cline said after the session that Hoover had agreed to have all dirt roads, finish graded and ready for clearing, by June 15, by the end of the next 11 days in which weather permits work.

"WE MADE it very clear that unless these conditions are met," Cline said, "we couldn't go along with the outfit any longer."

The special meeting was called after Councilman Robert Reed reported to the council Monday night that "we are very unhappy about our road contractor."

"A lot of roads are going to pot," Reed reported on his return from a three-week vacation. "We spent a lot of money fixing up major roads and told our contractor that a lot of heavy material should be cut under. They spent all month filling in a few holes and now the roads are in worse shape than ever."

THE CHLORIDING necessary to cut down dust on many of the roads has been impossible to carry out because preliminary grading work was not completed.

Cline said Tuesday night that Hoover was optimistic. The grading could be completed according to the agreement arrived at with the council.

Hoover told the council he would resurface Beverly and Pierce for chloriding Friday.

"We had a real open, down-to-earth discussion," Cline said.

HE ADDED that both contractor and village representatives reached a better understanding about operating relationships at the session. They established a program for constantly re-grading the village's major roads, such as Pierce, Beverly and Evergreen.

The village hired the firm last fall as its first road contractor, after finding road maintenance provided by the Oakland county road commission unsatisfactory to residents.

Driver Killed
In Auto Crash
In Franklin

FRANKLIN — A 22-year-old employee at Franklin Hills country club died last week in an auto accident on a long curve in Franklin.

Vernon L. Lindsey of Detroit was killed instantly when his car hit two utility poles and a tree just south of 13 Mile road at Franklin road.

REDFORD STATE POLICE were unable to determine why Lindsey lost control of the automobile.

The young man was found about 2:30 a.m. pinned under the wreckage.

It was the first fatal in Franklin this year. There was one fatal in the village last year.

Overheated Furnace
Causes Beverly Fire

BEVERLY HILLS — An overheated furnace caused approximately \$600 damage in a fire Monday at the Roman Grubba home.

The fire started in the kitchen, according to Beverly Hills Director of Public Safety Robert Murphy.

Former Beverly
Police Member
Becomes Momma

Whether to be a momma or a sonar is often a difficult decision for young ladies. But a Southfield lass proclaimed the momma title recently to the tune of seven of springs.

Shane, former Beverly Hills police dog, has stopped guarding for the village and is now keeping watch over her German shepherd pups.

Shane is owned by Richard Voorries, 27363 Lahar, Southfield, former Beverly Hills police officer now with the Southfield police department.

Lathrupites
Want County's
Ditch Plan

LATHRUP—A petition, signed by 25 residents whose property abuts the Evans ditch, has been handed to the Lathrup city council.

The petition requests immediate action by the county drain commission on an extensive plan to widen and deepen the drainage stream that runs along the western edge of the city.

At the same time the attorney for a Lathrup group called a "stream clean-out committee."

Checked briefly Monday evening for legality by City Attorney Herbert Hayes, the petition will undergo further verification by city Clerk Frank Derby before the council acts upon it.

Attorney James G. Hartick, who represents the stream clean-out committee, told council members Monday evening that his clients were preparing a contract for a proposed lease of \$500,000 cleanout and straightening of the stream.

COUNCILMAN Frederick Johnson recalled that the council had voted earlier to produce drawings and plans for the proposed lesser clean-out.

Monday Mayor Richard N. Cogger said, "We have nothing to show what you are talking about. We want to know how wide and how deep your plans will make the stream, and where it is to be located."

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With plenty of plans can be expected more than they were going to get. Although the stream clean-out commission plan would give quicker relief from mosquitoes, weeds, and stench, he said, the work would not be lasting.

Mrs. Charles D. Kelley, Lathrup subdivider, explained to the council that before definite plans can be presented for the smaller stream plan, a survey must be made. She told council members that the time allotted was not adequate to do the work, but that plans would be presented as soon as possible.

Hartick asked the council for notification before a final decision is made so that the stream clean-out committee can present their plans.



Cornerstone Laid at Marian High School

The Queenship of Mary was celebrated Sunday in Birmingham when the cornerstone was laid at the new Marian High School for Catholic Girls, Lincoln and Lahar roads. The Rev. Francis Slack of St. Hugo of the Hills and the Rev. Lucian Herbert of Our Lady Queen of Martyrs took part in the ceremony of the \$4,000,000 project.

Monsignor Eugene Padock and Sister Ludwina of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Monroe were key figures at the celebration. For related story see page 6-B.

S'field Hints Good Turn-Out
For Millage, Candidate Vote

(See related story inside this section)

SOUTHFIELD—With last week's heavy flood of 200 registrations right up to the deadline Friday, Southfield school elections clerk Audrey Mather anticipated a good voter turnout Monday. School district voters will fill two vacancies on that day and decide on a proposal to increase the system's operating tax millage by three mills.

7 o'clock will be open Monday for the three-year school board term. The election will be held at 8 p.m. at the regular voting places in the school district.

TWO LATHRUP MEN are running for the remaining portion of the three-year school board term. The election will be held at 8 p.m. at the regular voting places in the school district.

The two are John G. Campbell, and incumbent Ernest J. Coverdill. The seeking the four-year term are Kenneth Carakostas, Gordon C. Henderson, incumbent Lew Larson and Sol Siegel. When Huber was disqualified last year because he was not a school district property owner, the board appointed Coverdill to the post. Both Coverdill and Campbell were unsuccessful candidates in last year's race. Campbell being third-place vote-getter, while Coverdill ran fourth in his bid for re-election to the board.

VOTERS WILL BE asked to approve a three-mill increase in the district's operating levy. The increase would be applied to two mills, since one mill of the present binding debt retirement millage will be dropped from tax bills this year.

Below are the candidates, listed in alphabetical order:

JOHN G. CAMPBELL, 58, of 18441 Glenwood, Lathrup, industrial construction superintendent, G. K. Newberg construction company, Chicago; self-educated; married, two sons; member of Lathrup school PTA; resident of Lathrup, second and third mayor of Lathrup village, on charter commissions for both communities.

WAS first mayor of Hazel Park, second and third mayor of Lathrup village, on charter commissions for both communities.

KENNETH CARAKOSTAS, 39, of 25075 Coral Gables, Lathrup, Detroit school teacher; B. S. from Eastern Michigan college, M.A. from Wayne State university; married, one son, two daughters; Lathrup resident five years.

WAS council delegate, historian, scholarship representative of Southfield Area Council; president of Angling Road PTA.

He is a member of the Detroit Education association and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters.

LEE, 58, of 1100 Pembroke drive, Bloomfield Hills and is 49.

Hills Schools
Seek Vote
Of Confidence

BLOOMFIELD—With David W. Lee unopposed for re-election to a three-year term on the board of education, a light turnout, despite the fact that voters is expected in the school election Friday, June 5.

Seven precincts are at each school in the district — will be held from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Absentee ballots may be procured at Bloomfield Hills board of education.

School Assistant Superintendent Irving Menucci said this week that he is interested in their schools that we will have a pretty good turnout, despite the fact that there is only one man running.

Lee, a Ford Motor company executive, is completing his sixth year on the board. Prior to that he was an appointed member of the school building and site committee. He lives at 1100 Pembroke drive, Bloomfield Hills and is 49.

New Postal Building
Planned in Franklin

FRANKLIN—Plans have been drawn up for a new post office for Franklin and bids on it are now being taken. It was announced Monday by Congressman William S. Broomfield (R.).

Charter Night
Set for Hills
High 12 Club

BLOOMFIELD HILLS — The newly organized High 12 of the Hills club will be presented with its charter from International High 12 President Hicks Griffith tomorrow night.

Accepting the charter at a 6:30 dinner at Devon Gables will be Arno L. Hulet, Bloomfield township supervisor who is president of the new group.

Also 150 representatives of other Michigan High 12 clubs and special guests will attend. Thomas Campbell, of Birmingham, state president of the men's service organization, will install the 31 charter members.

The members are business and professional men from Bloomfield Hills, Bloomfield township and Franklin.

The club meets for dinner at 7 p.m. at Devon Gables the first and third Wednesdays each month. Members must be Masons.

A probable site, he said, is on Franklin road between German Mill and Maple.

He added that post office department specifications for the building are to be used as a guide, but bidders "don't have to follow it 100 per cent."

The second-class Franklin post office, which services about 6800, has long outgrown its facilities for 1860.

PRESENTLY housed in a building shared by a cleaners and a gas station, the post office has had a crying need for more room and better parking. Postmaster William Jones said Tuesday.

Specifications for the proposed building are available for examination at the Franklin post office.

Requests for further information and bids should be sent to Paul C. Bridgeman, post office department; P. O. Box 2656, Detroit.

Two Autos Collide
On 13 Mile Road

BEVERLY HILLS — Auto damage was slight Monday in a rear-end collision on 13 Mile road west of Greenfield, according to Beverly Hills Director of Public Safety Robert Murphy.

Involved in the accident were Evelyn Arnold, 20150 Plantation, and Philip Diesel, 30025 Stellmar, both of Beverly Hills.

The Melvin Beckners of 4132 Telegraph road, Bloomfield township, reported that a tornado funnel swept around the rear of their home and picked up a 10-foot doll house, carried it 40 feet and dropped it in the yard.

The Beckners said, picked up a large slide and dropped it, burying the hand rods and the bottom of the slide a foot and a half into the ground.

A set of monkey bars, the clothes line embedded in a cement base and two trees were also uprooted from the yard.

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