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Dog Ordinance Millage, Purchase of Land On Ballot Tuesday in Bloomfield Township

By SAVILLA SLOAN Special Writer

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Registered voters in Bloomfield Township will decide two local issues at the Con-Con general election Tuesday.

The first proposition seeks authorization of the purchase of additional acreage within the township for expanded township operations. It would be financed from the township's general fund and would call for no increase in taxes.

The second proposition asks whether residents approve of a one-quarter of a mill tax levy for the purpose of enactment and enforcement of a dog ordinance and continued police activities.

The passage of the proposition requires the approval of a simple majority of the people voting.

"The first issue has the vigorous backing of township officials, who are looking to the future needs of the township."

"The second proposition has been placed on the ballot by the township board in order to let the electorate decide whether dog ordinance is wanted in the township. It is, necessarily, coupled with a tax increase to cover the cost of enforcement. According to Case, the police department budget could not absorb the additional expense involved in establishing a dog warden division."

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to obtain the land, according to Case. The township treasurer states that there is enough money in the township for the down payment, and that the land would be paid for in entirety from the general fund within a few years.

AMONG FUTURE uses of the land, Case says that "there is the probability that the township will need it for a large DPW building, and the township gets its roads back."

He also pointed out that when "city" water is brought to the township, an enlarged sewer and water department headquarters will be needed. A public safety building is another future need.

CASE CITES township planner George Villan's opinion that the area at Long Lake and Telegraph is ideal for a civic center. He points out that the township would own land for civic buildings, if the purchase is authorized.

The township planners in the master plan have recommended the purchase of additional land. They suggest that the township and the board of education should own a total of 80 acres in the municipality. The present combined total, according to planners, is 40 acres.

At present township facilities are located on four and a half acres, approximately three-quarters of which is now occupied by public facilities.

BEFORE PLACING the question through an enclosure in the next city letter.

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State Foils Sewer Flow Agreement

LATHRUP—The bottleneck created by lack of agreement over rates of sanitary sewer flow from Lathrup into the Evergreen Interceptor remained a problem as council members read a letter from the state health department at Monday's meeting.

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Lathrup Discusses Library, Land Fund

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Wood Creek Turns Down Zone Change

WOOD CREEK FARMS—Turning down a request for a variance to allow office buildings and a service station at the corner of 12 Mile and Middlefield, the Wood Creek council held a hearing at a zoning board of appeals before Tuesday night's regular council meeting.

Francis Brennan presented revised plans for the proposed use of the property which is a part of a large section of land owned by various members of the Uley family. The revision eliminated an earlier proposal which included a new plan provided more office space instead.

In a brief session following the hearing and the council meeting, village officials concurred that such a development was not in accord with the strictly residential character of the village and should not be allowed.

BRENNAN INDICATED that the plan provided a wide green belt around the 219-by-299 foot lot and produced an architectural sketch to show the colonial type buildings his clients propose to build. He argued that commercial ventures across the road, a bar, made the property unsuitable for residential purposes.

However, the council decided against establishing a precedence which might lead to future encroachment by commercial interests in other parts of the village.

THE SANDWICHED in council meeting consisted only of the reading of minutes, payment of bills and a review of present litigation. The village's strict residential zoning code decision is due in October by Circuit Court Judge J. Russell Holland.

THE YOUTHS were held in Toledo and turned over to Township police Tuesday afternoon. The car, a 1960 Chevrolet station wagon, was parked in the lot of Mrs. Wanda Carrier, 7355 Wink Lake Road, Bloomfield Township, Mich. Carrier left the keys in the car while she went inside the store to shop. Both youths will be arraigned in Oakland County Juvenile Court.

MEADOWLAKE—"It's wet but it's worth it" is what Dennis Miesel would say if his mouth wasn't full. He and his pals—Marjorie Locker, Mark and Ricky Lederman and Judy O'Droski—are practicing for the Sept. 10 Ice Cream Social that will be held on Anchor Island in Meadow Lake. Bobbing for apples, motor boat rides, panning for gold, miniature golf, a puppet show and hake sale are among the events that will be staged by the Women's Auxiliary of the Meadowlake Farms Civic Association. The festivities, from 2 to 5 p.m., will be open to the public. The annual event is planned to raise money for civic improvements in the subdivision and island area.

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Franklin Roundup Set for Saturday

FRANKLIN—A flea market, magician and hole-in-one contest will be added attractions at Franklin's annual Barbecue and Roundup this Saturday on the village green.

Planned and managed by the Franklin Community Association as a day-long community event, the Roundup will include the traditional favorite events such as a parade, all-star Little Baseball and Babe Ruth League games, fine arts show, midway, Roundup Queen contest, corn husking, water battle, horse show and concert, square dancing and chuck wagon style dinner.

UNDER THE direction of Dr. John Burger and William Madalin committees have been preparing to cope with about 2,000 neighbors who have enjoyed this customary "homecoming" event each year.

1:30 p.m. Corn husking contest, directed by Dale Caruse. 2 p.m. Magic show by Silly Sullivan. 2:30 p.m. FVFD Water Battle. 3 p.m. Annual Horse Show on Babe Ruth playing field. 4 p.m. Band concert, Franklin Band under the direction of Dr. Conard Lam. 4:30-7 p.m. Barbecue dinner served in tent.

5 Burglaries In Southfield Over Weekend

SOUTHFIELD—Police were alerted over the holiday weekend as burglars broke into five homes in Southfield.

Two of the burglaries occurred Friday in the homes of next-door neighbors.

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B'field Treasurer Hurt In Telegraph Collision

Bloomfield Township—Homer Case, Bloomfield Township treasurer, was injured Friday when he apparently lost control of his car on Telegraph Road. Police said he struck the island and swerved into the path of a Southbound semi-trailer truck driven by William H. Tucker, 46, of Pontiac.

Tucker was also hurt in the accident. A FOUR-CAR, rear-end collision, following on the heels of the first accident, resulted in injuries to four other persons.

Seek Replacement For Councilman In Beverly Hills

BEVERLY HILLS—A committee of Beverly residents met this week to seek a replacement for Councilman Charles M. Dotterer Jr., who was elected to the office in November of 1958.

The committee will present suggestions to the Sept. 18 meeting.

ACCORDING TO President of the committee will investigate persons living in the area in which Dotterer resides—the eastern portion of the village.

Dotterer, 39, led the field of candidates in the March 13 election. In addition to his role as councilman, Dotterer was also chairman of the budget commission.

Franklin Accepts Bid for Remodeling Of Village Offices

FRANKLIN—At a special meeting Monday night to open and consider bids for the repair and remodeling of the real estate building which will soon become village offices at the corner of Wellington and Franklin roads.

Lowest bidder of two, the Green Company offer covers roof repairs as well as electrical, plumbing, well, drain field and necessary structural reinforcement.

Work for Westchester

WESTCHESTER—When the civic improvement committee of the WNFCA suggested a special project to some of the area children, the youngsters really dug in. They did it literally by sprucing up the subdivision entrance at Middlebury and Cranbrook Roads.

Young people earned a special merit award for the work.

After the work session, the children talked about their role in civic improvement. Those who participated were Jill Batchelor, Brad and Brian Gaddell, Vernon and Debra Fitz, Mary Kay Jackson, Billy Yates, Douglas Smith and Randal Bryant.

Practice Teaching

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—A few weeks ago 12-year-olds Nancy Seales and Katie Broderick were sitting on the step of the Seales home on Darcy Drive. They were at a loss for something to do. Both would like to be school teachers some day and their idea to start a nursery school seemed logical.

To Attend Meeting

LATHRUP—City Administrator Jerald Stone will attend the Inter-Township Managers Association Convention at Miami Beach, Fla., on Nov. 20-30.

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Beverly Hills Clerk Resigns Post, Goes To Work in Lathrup

BEVERLY HILLS—Mrs. John T. Krull, general and court clerk for the village, officially resigned Monday night. She took the position as an administrative clerk in Lathrup.

Mrs. Krull, 21890 Hamstead, Beverly Hills, has worked for the village for two years. She began work in Lathrup on Monday.