

Calls Attention to Hearing On Proposed Zoning Change

To the Editor: This letter is being written to notify Bloomfield Township residents of another request for a zoning change which is more in the interest of profit than it is in preserving the single-family residential character of our community.

This coming Monday, Oct. 1, 1962, at 8 p.m. a public hearing will be held at the Township Hall, 4200 Telegraph Road (south of Long Lake Road), to determine whether or not R-3 residential properties just east of Woodward between Manor Road and Big Beaver should be reclassified to multiple dwelling.

FIRST, WITH all the vacancies existing in nearby multiples, and all the multiple-zoned properties still undeveloped in the township, we question the need for further zoning changes.

Secondly, we wish your readers would take a drive this weekend. Follow this route: Go east on Quarton Road toward Woodward. Notice the many handsome new residences.

Then compare the quality and appearance of the old gas station and all the billboards on the west side of Quarton and Woodward with the fine office buildings across the street.

NOW JUDGE for yourselves whether the area to the rear of the attractively-landscaped Gleaner's building, with its giant completely-obscuring evergreen screen, is really more objectionable for single family residences than the already-developed lands on the other side of Woodward.

Continue driving east on Big Beaver (Quarton), if you will, and consider that if all the vacant land here was ultimately rezoned to multiple, it could bring in 90 or more additional families, in two-story units, to a now sparsely populated area of homes all on acre-plus lots.

NEXT, TURN right from Big Beaver onto Brookdale. Enjoy the rural scenery, relax near the winding Rouge River with its old stone bridge (lots of bikers and hikers do!).

Turn right onto Manor Road and look around at the neighborhood: part old, part new, but totally effective as a luxurious country setting just a minute away from the convenience of the city's main artery.

With the realization that the township's new zoning ordinance permissively allows convalescent homes and general hospitals in multiple dwelling areas, muse to yourself about the future of the very large old homes along the way.

THEN, TOO, study the evergreen forest on the vacant properties along the north side of Manor Road and determine, if you can, why the owners have decided

it is useless to offer the property for single residential use (especially when local realtors have assured us that all the acreage here in question would be highly saleable if properly developed into single family residences).

Some time ago, The Birmingham Eccentric carried an article mentioning the depreciative effect of multiple dwellings on surrounding residences. We fear the future of our neighborhood and the value of our individual properties, both actual and aesthetic.

OURS IS NOT a declining neighborhood. Eleven substantial new homes have been built in the last 10 years; one right near Woodward ave. is only two years old, and two of the older homes have undergone extensive remodeling.

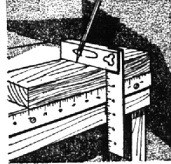
We further fear such potential problems as increased traffic, inadequacy and contamination of water supply, resulting pressure from other land developers, out-

Township Passes Safety Patrol Law

WEST BLOOMFIELD—A new township ordinance permitting appointment of safety patrol officers to guard school crossings was passed by the township board last week.

The ordinance empowers appointment of a Safety Officer by the township supervisor after nomination and request for the officer by any superintendent of the seven school districts lying within the township.

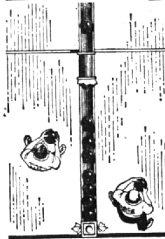
All officers must be adult. Any compensation is to be borne by the school district or other related organizations.



Side Measure

The best place to measure materials is on the side of the workbench. Inches and fractions of inches could be marked and cut into the workbench, or a yardstick could be nailed along the edge for more accurate measurement.

Better Bowling



Three or Four?

Which is the best approach to the foul line? Three steps or four?

The answer is that it is up to the individual bowler's preference. Whichever feels most natural should be the approach settled upon.

Best advice for the beginning bowler is to try the three-step approach. Later, four steps can be tried. If the result is more rhythm and control stick to it.

In the 14 months following World War II, the U. S. Marine Corps was reduced from 485 thousand men to 100 thousand. Today, the regular Marines on active duty number 100 thousand.

door parking, all-night outdoor lighting, etc.

We, the members of the Rouge Manor Improvement Association, have voted to vigorously oppose the proposed rezoning. We will be at the Township Hall on Monday, October 1. Will you be there?

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Calls Attention To Dog Week

To the Editor: This brief period in September has been set aside for "Dog Week" to honor one of our noblest friends.

He will probably know nothing about it except for an extra pat on the head but we all know that no tribute to his faithfulness and loyalty can be too great.

Let us see if we can make not only our dogs lives happier but by studying their outstanding qualities make our own lives happier and help create between all nations the same spirit we find in "Man's best friend" the dog.

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