

12 Town Assessment To Be Meeting Topic

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Special Writer

BEVERLY HILLS — A special meeting to discuss procedure and manner of payment of the Twelve Town Drain Assessment will be held Monday at Groves High School, the council announced at the regular meeting Tuesday.

Several petitions to rezone also came up at the meeting. Thomas G. Cavanaugh, attorney for the McInnes-Desmond Funeral Directors, requested that property just west of Lahser on the north side of 14 Mile Road be rezoned from residential to business 2 in order that a funeral home might be built there.

Nancy M. Pulte is owner of the property. Business 2 zoning is for retail establishments such as grocery stores, dry cleaning and drug stores, funeral homes and such buildings.

The petition was referred to the planning board for study and recommendation.

ALSO REFERRED to the board was the request of the Alger F. Quast Co. to rezone property on 14 Mile Road just west of Southfield to business 2 from residential to business 2.

Meeting

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Mrs. Willett with a huge rubber gavel so she can call family meetings as she can to order.

Mayor Pro-Tem William H. Burgh gave her a shiny gold police badge in case "some of the rookie policemen didn't recognize her" as she traveled about Birmingham.

Ralph A. Main gave the mayor the key to the City; only it was the oldest, dirtiest key Main could find.

On the more serious side, Robert W. Page presented Mrs. Willett with a real gavel in honor of the many meetings she had presided over.

Ingraham then presented the miter with an official key to the city.

NOT TO be outdone, Charles A. Renfrew came forward with a present for Mr. Willett.

Twink accepted the tarnished loving cup filled with red roses for her husband (it was reported he was at home finishing his usual Monday night chore—the dishes). The cup had been won by the City more than 25 years ago for a float it had entered in a parade. Someone commented that the City had been trying to get "rid of the thing for years."

VISIBLY TOUCHED by the proceedings, Mrs. Willett expressed regret at leaving the commission. "It has been a real privilege and honor to serve on the commission," she said.

She praised the members of the commission and all of the City's employees for their co-operation during her years in office.

"Without each of the employees and commissioners we couldn't be the city we are today," she said. "Thank you again, from the bottom of my heart," she concluded.

She received a standing ovation from the commission and members of the audience.

—by LARRY EVOE

construct a nursing home. A report requested by the council on the definition of a nursing home was that it is a hospital without emergency facilities, operating room or laboratory.

Mrs. J. B. Harkce, 18196 W. 13 Mile Road, requested that since her property is being surrounded by business and commercial zoning, she be permitted to rezone her property to business 2. Her lot is approximately one-and-one-quarter acres. She does not have plans at present to sell it, but would like it rezoned for future sale. The council referred her request to the planning board and waived submitting of drawings and plans, provided Mrs. Harkce complied with the \$100 fee stipulation.

THOMAS KAUCHEK of Stafford, brought to the council his question: "When am I going to get water?"

Kauchek explained this question is now officially perennial since he first made his request for water last March. Council members have water mains which will eventually reach Stafford has been held up by bad weather and for other reasons.

Philip Hampton, representative of Johnson and Anderson, village engineers, stated that the line was now under the Rouge River by only about one-tenth of a mile, or 500 to 600 feet, to go to reach Kauchek's residence.

KAUCHEK WANTED some assurance that the water would be in a certain date but Councilman Claude A. Shepherd objected to naming a tentative date, since he feels the council has been giving Kauchek dates all year.

In connection with the main construction, the council reviewed a request by Coolidge Excavating Co. to have a 90-day extension of their contract time. The council gave them 50 days from the day of resumption of full-scale operations, when weight restrictions on gravel roads are lifted, providing no other work be undertaken until work on the Kauchek property is completed.

Rehard

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election. There were 4,220 votes cast.

The new constitution received 2,861 supporting votes to 928 opposing.

OTHER LOCAL offices filled were those of clerk, Dorothy Chamberlain, 3,057; treasurer, Sue Warner, 3,025; trustee, Charles Forbes, 2,880; trustee, Walter Whitmer, 2,838; justice of the peace, Robert Scott, 2,916; board of review, John Doherty, 2,886; constable, Joseph Nephew, 2,880; library board (6-year term) Laura J. Benton, 2,684; library board (6-year term) William Devers, Jr., 760; library board (2-year unexpired) Carol Sader, 814.

Write-in votes determined two offices. Donald Hayes was re-elected highway commissioner with 71 write-in votes. Ray Sullivan was made a constable with 24 write-ins.

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Comb 2 Townships for Boy

Hundreds of police officers, firemen, Boy Scouts and innumerable citizens turned out March 23 to help Bloomfield Township authorities in the search for little Bobby Grinnan.

VTC Keeps Within Bounds At the Polls

Representatives of the Vigilance Tax Committee appeared at several polling places in Birmingham Monday but stayed outside the 100-foot boundary.

The VTC has been gathering signatures over the past few months opposing Detroit's non-resident income tax.

As a matter of policy two weeks ago, city commissioners asked the VTC to stay 100 feet out of the polling area on election day so as not to "harass" voters. The next week commissioners amended an ordinance to prohibit solicitation of or interference with persons at polling places.

IN A LETTER To the Eccentric VTC Chairman George W. Kuhn said it was "not surprising to learn once again the official attitude of the Birmingham City Commission relative to opposing Detroit's income tax on nonresidents."

City commissioners have repeatedly said they were not against the VTC but believed a person should not be interfered with when he is about to vote.

No incidents were reported at any of the polling places by election officials.

Country Day Sets Entrance Exams

Detroit Country Day School will give entrance examinations for the 1963-64 school year at 9 a.m. April 20, according to Dr. W. Rodman Snelling, headmaster.

The college preparatory school for boys, now in its 48th year, is located at 22395 W. 13 Mile Road, corner of Lahser, Beverly Hills.

Feud

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program intended. It is unfortunate that the Babe Ruth fund-raising letter reads boys 8-15, instead of 13-15, and that a few letters went to parents of Little League players instead of merchants per the agreement by the two organizations in 1958."

THE ONCE-a-year fund-raising drive by Little League, directed to parents of players, will be conducted around the first of June.

Wheeler said the fund-raising letter was obviously intended to show that Babe Ruth and Little League had worked together in the past and that Pony & Colt baseball is new.

"There should be no fight between Babe Ruth League and the formation of the new Pony & Colt organization," said Wheeler. "From my standpoint, I firmly believe there is room for both in this community."

"Babe Ruth can only remain in its proper status in each community by the will of the local people. The local groups do have the right in deciding what program they wish their boys to enter, but Babe Ruth cannot and will not concur with the destruction of the existing program and pitting of boy against boy."

THE STATE director added that if half the 450 boys who graduate from Little League each year continued their baseball careers, there would be ample personnel for expansion in the two competing programs.

"We have a job to do in providing the opportunity for these youngsters to play ball, Little League, I'm sure, will cooperate with both Babe Ruth and Pony & Colt in getting this job done."

"This is the time to cut out the bickering and to correct a situation that has been blown out of proportion," Wheeler said.

Window Breakers Plead Guilty In Circuit Court

Three youths who went on a \$4,000 window-smashing spree in the Birmingham area Dec. 10 will be sentenced April 16 in Oakland County Circuit Court.

The trio, Walter H. Riley, 19, Robert E. Rose, 19, and David A. Staudt, 20, pled guilty Friday to a charge of malicious injury to property.

The guilty plea was entered for the boys during their trial before Circuit Judge Arthur E. Moore.

Bloomfield Hills police had arrested the boys for speeding Dec. 10 at Lahser and Quanton. Police had been alerted to be on the lookout earlier in the evening after Bloomfield Township authorities had observed the boys leaving a home on Burning Bush Road after breaking several windows.

Turned over to Birmingham Police the boys later admitted about 20 instances of window breaking in this area. The boys gave police no reason for their actions.

Riley lives at 573 Westchester, Birmingham, Ross, 559 Merritt Road, Birmingham, and Staudt, 5339 Kellen Lane, Bloomfield Township.

Stamp Club Hosts Collectors at Show

The Birmingham Stamp Club was host to 1,450 stamp collectors from out-state, Ohio and Canada at an exhibition of stamps and covers Saturday and Sunday in the Birmingham Community House.

Two Birmingham residents were among award winners. They are Clark Stevens, blue ribbon, for "Caradrama," and Leonard N. Worthley, red ribbon, for "U.S. Mint Regular Issue 1908-38."

Telephone Books Being Distributed

The Michigan Bell Telephone Co. began delivery of its 1963 telephone directories in the metropolitan area this week.

Included in the distribution are 366,000 north area directories, weighing nearly 375 tons. The 416-page directory covers 49 Oakland County communities.

It will take two weeks for some 600 distributors to complete the delivery.

At Newport News

Richard L. Kyker, seaman, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin G. Kyker of 2206 W. Lincoln Street, Birmingham, is serving aboard the dock landing ship USS Lindenwald.

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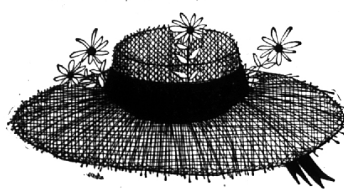
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