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Council continues to define how it will go about City Hall/police station project

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

General contractor or construction manager? That is the question before the Lowell City Council as it proceeds with the next step of the City Hall/police station project.

Members of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, Inc., the design firm hired by the city to work on the project, approached the council Monday night on the option of having a construction manager versus a general contractor.

"This is something that we got into (construction manager) because several of our clients were looking for someone to handle it all," said Dan Durkee, of Fishbeck.

A general contractor goes along with the traditional design and build, whereas the manager handles all of the construction work after the design phase is completed. A construction manager is a hired professional who works for the city and coordinates the whole project, similar to a general contractor, said Doug Crowley, also from Fishbeck.

"The difference is that with a construction manager, the city would be able to review all of the bids from mechanical to electrical, etc., and would hold all of the warranties on the work done." Crowley explained.

There is a third option which is a construction manager at risk: the big difference being that the construction manager would hold all the warranties and would be liable for any problems, Crowley said. This means the construction manager would be the person tracking down who did the work and getting them to honor the warranty, he added.

Crowley said as construction manager. Fishbeck has an

open policy so its books can be reviewed throughout the construction process. The city would only pay for what the bids came in at; there are no mark-up costs, other than what Fishbeck charges for its services.

Durkee said there wasn't any change in costs, but a construction manager does provide for that end of the

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> Doug Crowley Fishbeck Thompson, Carr and Huber

process, to get involved earlier and offer input.

"What our customers found was that they had the designer and the contractor pointing fingers at each other and through this process you have only one source for the design and construction," Durkee said.

Mayor Mike Blough asked what other municipalities were currently using this construction manager process. Durkee said he believed the Wyoming City Hall project was under this method. Fishbeck is also the construction manager for a dairy company in which a \$5.5 million treatment plant is being built.

The council decided to explore the options further and set a work session for July 9 at 7 p.m. at the Englehardt

RAISING THE BAR

••• Lowell YMCA continues its four-year trend of growing Invest In Youth capital funds.

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Volunteers shared the impact Lowell YMCA's Invest In Youth has had on the community.

The story resulted through another successful chapter in the program's 20-

plus-year tenure.

The 2001 campaign brought in pledges of just over \$55,000. eclipsing last year's mark of \$50.000. In comparison to the other six area Y's, only the Down-YMCA town (\$80,000) raised more money.

"Our proach is not to ask people for money...instead it is to tell the Y story and share the impact the Invest In Youth program has had on the community," said Lowell YMCA executive director. Will Welsh. "The approach is working."

This year, 35 volunteers shared their story with a r e a businessesand individuals.

"The money raised goes toward

scholarships for youth who cannot afford the cost to participate in a Y program. Invest In Youth subsidizes our youth programs and keeps them affordable for all," Welsh said.

With the addition of the Wellness and Teen centers and the additional services they provide, the Invest In Youth revenues raised are critical to the Y's operation.

"The Lowell YMCA branch has a strong base. Individuals in this community have given year after year. This year, 300 people made contributions to the campaign. The support we get from this community is extraordinary." Welsh said.

The Lowell branch service area is made up of approximately 22,000 people. Through participation in Y programs

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HAWKS & OWLS

The West Michigan Appalachian string band performs Thursday on the Showboat.

The fine unfettered acoustic sounds of Hawks and Owls will be showcased in the fourth week of the Showboat Summer Concert

Series on the Lowell usually followed by. 'Where up on their feet. That's be-Riverwalk.

"We're often asked what this music is," said the group's leader, Bruce Ling, "That's can I get a recording?"

When Ling, Nick Kroes and Bill VanVugt pick up their instruments, people get

cause their high energy combination of fiddle, guitar. mandolin and banjo produces acoustic music of the freeflowing, toe tapping variety.

> crisp vocals, showcases tunes drawn from Appalachian, Country Blues, Bluegrass, Swing and Celtic compositions as well as original works. The three musicians first came together as a group in

The clean, tight instru-

mentation, backed up by

March of 1997. Ling booked the group's first show before it even had a name. "I was asked what our group's name was, I thought a moment and then said 'Hawks and Owls.' a tribute to the raptors I rehabilitate in my spare time.' said Ling.

Ling provides the rhythm and flat-picking, Kroes adds punch with banjo and mandolin, and VanVugt picks up the melody on fiddle, mandolin and guitar.

"I approached forming this band in a different way," Ling said. "Instead of looking for musicians, I chose to incorporate the people I played with regularly within my circle of friends. We already clicked when it came to personality, and everything flows from that. It's a groove."



Mem bers of the Hawks & Owls band, pictured from left to right, are: Bruce Ling. Nick Kroes and Bill Van Vugt.

AREAWIDE COMPARISON Downtown YMCA......\$80,000 Lowell YMCA.....\$55,000 Southeast YMCA.....\$44,000 Camp Manitou-Lin.....\$42,000 West YMCA......\$33,000 Visser YMCA.....\$33,000 Ionia YMCA.....\$14,000

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COLLEGE NEWS

Hope College is a four-

year, co-educational, liberal

arts college with an enrollment

of 3.015 men and women and

dean's list at Calvin requires

Steven J. VanLaan, Meghan L. Geer and Tyler J. Southwell, all of Lowell. were named to the dean's list at Hope College for the secschool year.

To be named to the dean's list, a student must have a minimum of 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

is affiliated with the Reformed ond semester of the 2000-01 Church in America. Calvin College has announced its spring 2001 dean's list. To earn a spot on the

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that a student maintain a 3.5 grade point average for the semester and have a 3.3 cumulative grade point average at one of the country's top Christian, liberal-arts col-

Students on the list from this area include: Michael E. Befus, Erin Fields and Helen M. Stroo of Lowell and Nathan A. Ter Beek of

Aaron John Plattner has been included on Kansas 2001 honors list and Brett William Plattner has graduated cum laude with a bachand Kristin Plattner of Low- ceremonies in May.

of Patrick and Dorothy Hoag ing and is the son of Louis of Lowell, has received rec- and Mary Dudeck of Lowell.

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ognition on the dean's list for the spring semester at Bradley University in Peoria, Ill.

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Bradley University is an independent privately endowed, coeducational institution. It has an enrollment of approximately 6,000 students.

Kevin W. Dudeck and Nathan Theodore Lietzke, State University's spring both from the Lowell area. were among the more than 760 undergraduate and graduate degree candidates from elor of science degree from Michigan Technological Kansas State University. University who participated They are the sons of Howard in the spring commencement

Dudeck received a bachelor of science degree in Ma-Beth A. Hoag, daughter terials Science and Engineer-

American Scholar-Athletein Lietzke received a bachelor of science degree in Me-Cross Country and Track and All American Honorable chanical Engineering and is the son of Theodore and Ellen Mention for Track, to name Lietzke of Lowell. a few. He is currently president

Society of Biology. He will

be student teaching at Rock-

ford High School in the fall

and plans to some day teach

VanSpronsen Simkins

Brad A. Simkins, of

Lowell, has been awarded a

departmental honor in mar-

keting from Grand Valley

graduate of Lowell High

School and the son of Rick

of Ada, has been awarded a

departmental honor in math-

ematics from Grand Valley

State University. She is a

To be considered for the

Hillary VanSpronsen,

State University. He is

and Mimi Simkins.

Wojciakowski is a

of the Beta Beta Beta Honor John Wojciakowski graduated from Aquinas College on May 5. Out of 450 graduates, he graduated Summa Cum Laude, at the top of his class, with a bachelor of science degree. A major in Biology and a minor in Chemistry and secondary eduation,

Biology on the college level. graduate and valedictorian of Lowell High School Class he has applied for his Level 1 of 1997. His parents are Ed and Sally Wojciakowski of Track and Field coaching certification through the USA Track and Field.

For the past two years, he has worked on a grant with the National Wildlife Federation through the Wege Foundation. He has helped create and participated in the development of schoolyard habitats for wildlife in the Grand Rapids and surrounding area schools.

At the Senior Awards Night. Wojciakowski was the recipient of awards including: The Academic Biology Award, The Dr. John Poie Science Award, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, Four times Academic All-



graduate of Lowell High School and the daughter of Rick and Helayne Tichelaar. departmental award, the recipient must have senior standing and a 3.5 minimum Free Estimates grade point average.



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ingness to submit to it are possibly the single greatest reason the church is failing to see a lost world change. The world watches and watches and rarely sees change, because believers want a savior, not a master. Men and women of the church and their children utterly hate the concept of submission. Just the word itself makes us cringe and want to cry out at the top of our lungs. "I have my

Yet God's school of the spirit, His University, is called Submission University. As an athlete you will grow very little, if any, by practicing with your equals or with those of

Jonathan C. Walker, better, your superiors - those who can rule over you. Yet when it comes to real life, the issues that matter the most, Authority and the unwill- the race toward eternity, we we deal with it will change don't see the need for superi-

guys are crazy. "No holds of the guys has ended up in a chokehold and the air has stopped flowing to the brain.

needs some air to maintain what little intelligence he has. He knows it too, and so finally he taps out, quits, gives

barred!" They will do almost

But we all know his brain

in, and voila! he has air again. You see God doesn't lose submission matches. When we resist and rebel against God-given authority, which happens to be all authority. lesser skill. You grow by train- (Romans 13:1-2) we cease to ing with those who are grow. Simply said, we cut off



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our air supply, and our potential to grow. We are saying in essence, "God, you don't know what you're doing and I won't submit to it, and that, my friends, is the very reason Lucifer is no longer in heaven." That is why God equates rebellion with witchcraft. (I Samuel 15:23) It is not a phase of life reserved for the years of our youth. It is a

So how do we deal with the authority God has placed in our lives? Because, how the course of our lives forever. How we deal with au-Have you ever watched a thority will either make us the submission match? Those kings of tomorrow, or cripple us for a lifetime . . . we will either become the leaders of anything. At some point one the future, or the leaches of society. You see, your fulfillment of God's destiny for you lies in your response. Will you have the wisdom and foresight to say yes to the Master's Plan?

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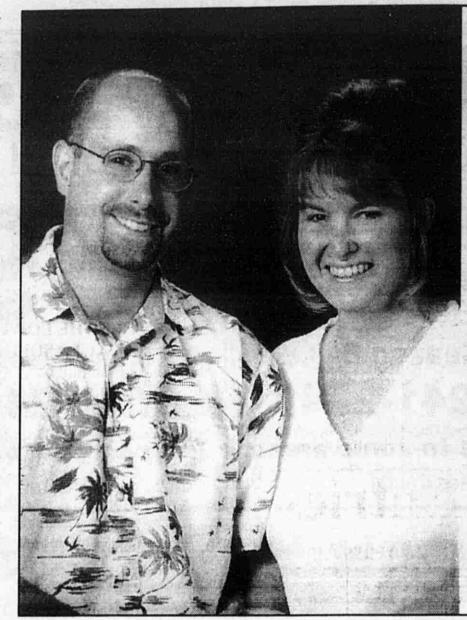
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JUNE 27: Dylan Schneider. Aaron Kroemer.



Ormiston/ Merren

Wedding vows will be exchanged on October 6, 2001 between Heather Ormiston and Pete Merren, both of

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Lowell High School and attended Grand Rapids Community College. She is the daughter of Cathy Ormiston of Lowell and Jon and Connie Ormiston of Lake

The future groom is a graduate of Greenville High School and is the son of Mike and Candy Merren of Sheridan.

Jackoboice to give workshop in pastel at Franciscan Center

Sandra K. Jackoboice will be to pastel materials and techteaching a two-day workshop in pastel at the Franciscan Life Process Center Tuesday and Wednesday, July 10 and 11,

from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

niques. The artist, also president of the Great Lakes Pastel on display at the center's gallery July 2 through the 30th. Jackoboice offers a be-

July artist-in-residence ginner friendly introduction Limited to 10 participants, the cost is \$55 for both days and \$35 for one day.

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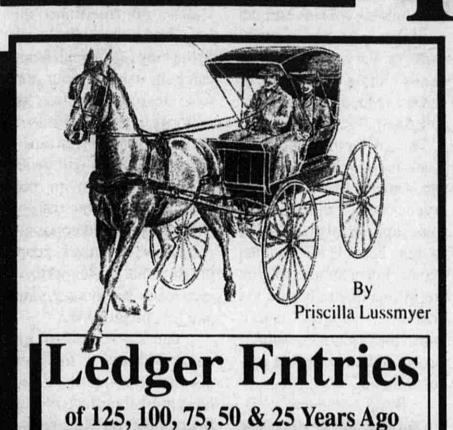
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Viewpoint..



125 YEARS THE WEEKLY JOURNAL JUNE 21, 1876 Eight successive days of heavy rain have the Grand and Flat rivers rising rapidly

Lavern Thompson and John Smith were seriously injured during the barn raising at Russell Smith's in Bowne last Friday. The Republican convention has been held in Cincinnati.

and Rutherford B. Hayes of Ohio and William A. Wheeler of New York are the presidential candidates. J. C. West and Wooding & Looks are both offering

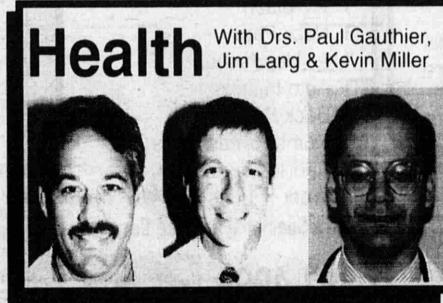
genuine rubber paint, the best and cheapest paint. A new National Party with the slogan, "Freemen Arise" draws a crowd of 15 at its meeting at Music Hall.

100 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER JUNE 20, 1901

Publisher Frank M. Johnson publishes his affidavit for the June 13 issue at 1.123 copies, all but 10 circulated, 87 issues go out of the state.

A class of seven high school seniors graduated last night at Train's Opera House. Olive Nash was valedictorian; Lenna Yeiter, salutatorian,

The West Side Businessmen's Base Ball Club forms, to challenge the "well-known ball cranks from the East side" a benefit game for the Boys Union. "Said game to be umpired by any good competent man; rules of the umpire to govern.



SUNBURN

Summer finally is here. The summer solstice marks the highest point in the sky the sun will reach and the longest day of the year. Outdoor activities naturally follow this weather improvement, so it is a good time to review the effects of sun exposure.

warming rays of the sun, so people, if they are going to be outside, need to protect themselves adequately. One burn from the sun has the potential to lead to skin cancer later in life. The likelihood of a cancer forming is in part dependent on the severity of exposure, but genetics as well plays a role. Fair skin is known to be a risk factor for damage caused by sunlight. though significant prolonged exposure leaves anyone vulner- do you have any better suggestions? able to skin disease.

Sunburns are usually either first- or second-degree burns. First-degree burns are characterized by the familiar red color the skin develops along with the sting to the touch. These burns are mild depending on the extent over the body and resolve over a week with reduced pain and perhaps some peeling of the skin surface. A moisturizer is usually sufficient to provide relief for the symptoms of first-degree sunburn. A seconddegree burn from sunlight exposure may initially appear to be a first- degree burn, but this more severe burn develops blistering of the skin and is more painful for a longer time. Treatment of a second-degree burn may need to be instituted by a physician, as use of an antibiotic cream is common. Daily dressing changes are performed in an effort to minimize the risk of infection while the surface heals. A couple of weeks are not uncommon to recover from a second-degree burn.

Prevention of sunburn is key to healthy skin in the summer. Clothes which protect us from the harmful rays of the sun and use of a sun block cream (minimum SPF 15) are the easiest routes to prevention.

display from the deadletter office at the Pan American Exposition at Buffalo: toads, artificial teeth, wire bustles, dynamite,

Mrs. Hooker and Mrs. Davidson of the Lowell WCTU ask Village Council to have slot machines in the village removed. The matter is referred to committee.

75 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER AND THE ALTO SOLO JUNE 17, 1926

The Chase Furniture Co., recently sold by the Board of Trade, is sold again and probably will be the new and larger site of L.E. Johnson's Ford Garage.

Supt. McVean and eight junior high and high school teachers have made other plans for this fall.

W.B. Rickert names the 103 business people of 1876 in a group photograph that hangs in the Council Room of City Hall. He is the sole local survivor of the group. The list is in the paper, including occupations.

Household hint: Hats with brims are most becoming on vomen who wear glasses.

Also on the Ledger Special Page for Women: an article about how to tell hard wheat flour from soft wheat flour.

50 YEARS THE LOWELL LEDGER JUNE 21, 1951

Amateur radio interference with radio and television reception, and someone shooting out a street light, are on Frank Stephen's two-week report for the Police Department.

Multi-flora rose hedges, fast-growing and impenetrable even by large cattle, are endorsed in the Kent Ag Topics. Michigan's two largest industries continue to be automo-

biles and agriculture. Campfire girls will take the school bus to Townsend Park two days a week for six weeks for day camping.

Tuberculosis is still the leading cause of death from communicable disease. Since there are no early symptoms, be sure to get your chest X-ray.

25 YEARS THE GRAND VALLEY LEDGER JUNE 17, 1976

Lowell voters renew current millage but vote down a one mill increase, while Saranac and Forest Hills voters approve increases.

The last two weeks have been 80-90 degrees hot, wit more of the same promised. (And how many residents had air conditioning then?)

Reading lab students have a simulation on earning a living Editor Johnson tells of the amazing variety of things on and paying the bills in the real world, and discover the mportance of a balanced budget.

F.H.A. is the only bidder for bonds for the new water

Chief Hazy Cloud Park at Ada gets extensive riprapping dong the bank, to prevent its disappearance in the next floods.



DEAR JONATHAN: My health is failing and I am told that I may end up needing nursing home care some time in the next year. I am afraid that everything that I have worked so hard to Ultraviolet radiation is an unfortunate component of the "accumulate over my life will be used to pay for my care. Consequently. I am thinking of transferring the title on my house, as well as certain investment accounts to my son with the understanding that if I need those assets for any reason, he will transfer them back to me and that upon my death, he will divide those assets with his three brothers. I trust my son and I would be very comfortable with this arrangement. Do you see any problems with my doing this or

> JONATHANSAYS: Yes, I do see several problems with this strategy. First of all, if you transfer the title on your house and your investment accounts to your son, you will have in effect made a taxable gift to him for that amount which is in excess of \$10,000 in value. This gift tax will be charged to you and although you do not have to pay it now, it would serve to reduce the amount of your available credit against estate and gift taxes at the time of your

The second problem with your strategy is that once you make the gift to your son, there is no guarantee that he will live up to his promise to share those assets with his brothers at your death. Although he may be morally bound, he would not be legally bound to do so since he becomes the owner of those assets once you

Even if your son intends to make good on his promise to share with his brothers, he will be taxed on any earnings off those investments once he receives them. This would not be fair to him do need to enter into a nursing home. especially if he agrees to hold those assets on your behalf during your lifetime without having a right to the use of those assets. Further, upon your death, he would continue to be taxed on the earnings off those investments until he actually divides and

Sharing BERT R. BLEKE **Lowell Schools** Superintendent

It is always difficult to say thank you at the end of a school year because there are so many people responsible for successful schools.

By most measures the past academic year has been particularly productive and exciting for Lowell. Significant events that come immediately to mind:

the successful passage last fall of our \$29 million bond

 the opening of the unique Wittenbach Agriscience Center and Wege Natural Area

· successful athletic and extracurricular activities

• the recent passage of the 18 mill renewal

• the excellent Standard & Poor's rating of our schools

Yet the real backbone of a successful year is not the headline events. What truly makes a school system good for students is the quiet and steady day-to-day dedication of parents and staff.

Basic to the success of our schools are parents and family members who are dedicated to the growth and well-being of their children. We are truly thankful for your on-going support

In addition to our parents, the community of Lowell continues to embrace and nourish our kids and our schools. Businesses, churches and citizens daily give to our schools and our children. Many communities discuss community support but in Lowell it remains a daily fact of life.

The Lowell Area Schools are also blessed to have a dedicated staff of teachers, support staff and administrators who truly care about children. A critical piece of the success of our schools are these professional educators who go beyond the expected to assure that children earn and are respected. We owe a great deal to these individuals who dedicate their lives

It is only when our families, our community members, and our staff work together that we can be successful. Our world even in this small community is too complex to be successful if we do not cooperate. On behalf of the Board of Education. we thank you for your daily dedication to our kids and to our

Your comments about this concern or any issue would be greatly appreciated. Send to Bert Bleke, Lowell Area Schools, 300 High St., Lowell, MI 49331 or bbleke@remc8.k12.mi.us. (check out our web page at www.lowell.k12.mi.us)

distributes those assets to his brothers and when he does that, he will be deemed to have made a taxable gift to each one of his

brothers for any amount which is in excess of \$10,000. In the event your son were to die prior to gifting those assets to his brothers, then those assets would be part of his estate and would pass pursuant to state law if he does not leave a will or pursuant to his estate plan if he has one. If this were to happen. your other children may end up getting no part of those assets.

Another potential problem would be if your son were to get divorced while those assets are in his name. Those assets could end up being determined as part of the marital estate and get tied up in the divorce proceedings.

Finally, the act of your making these transfers to your son now would be deemed to be a divestment under the medicaid rules and all such gifts to your son would be brought back into your estate if you attempt to apply for medicaid within 36 months of those gifts. In other words, even though your son would be the legal owner of those assets, for medicaid purposes you would be deemed to be the owner of those assets. Any such divestment would result in a period of ineligibility from medicaid qualification. This is known as the divestment penalty period and it begins to run on the date that the gift was made. The period of ineligibility is determined by dividing the uncompensated value of the transferred asset(s) by the average monthly cost to a private pay patient of a nursing home in this state, which this year is around \$4,500.

I encourage you to make an appointment with an attorney who specializes in medicaid planning to review in more detail how the medicaid rules work and what steps you can take to help preserve as much in the way of your estate as possible in the event you ever

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High-quality Bonds Can Smooth Out Portfolio

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many investors became too enthused and put nearly all their investment dollars into stocks. This proved to be a costly mistake when the stock market declined in 2000 and early 2001. That's when the real value of portfolio diversification became clear. And one of the best ways to diversify a portfolio is through highquality bonds.

In 2000, these bonds provided more than diversification - they also achieved very good returns. In fact, longterm Treasury bonds - those with maturities of 20 years or longer - returned 21.5 percent for 2000. Other fixed-income investments also did well. Municipal bonds returned 11.68 percent, and U.S. agency bonds - those issued by government-sponsored corporations such as the Fed-

eral National Mortgage Asso-

ciation ("Fannie Mae") - re-

turned 12.18 percent.

Of course, you can't always count on stellar returns from high-quality bonds. However, their values typically won't fluctuate nearly as much as stock prices. And that's why high-quality bonds are so useful: they'll help diversify your portfolio and ease some of the volatility caused by large swings in stock

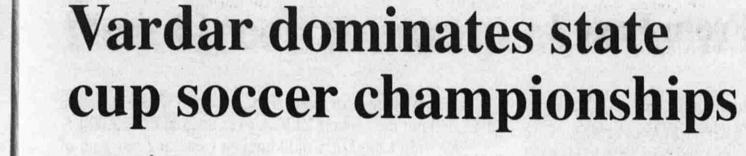
Before you invest in bonds, however, consider these suggestions:

·Look for quality - The major rating agencies - such as Moody's. Standard & Poor's and Duff & Phelps evaluate a bond's quality by looking at the creditworthiness of the corporation or governmental agency that issued the bond. These agencies assign ratings such as "investment grade," "speculative," "extremely speculative" and "default." But there are variations even

falling market rates will drive within these ratings categories. Generally speaking. the price up. To protect yourhowever, the higher the qualself against this volatility. ity of the bond; the less its you may want to create a return will fluctuate. So, if "bond ladder." To build a you're particularly interested ladder, you simply invest in in stabilizing your investment short-, intermediate- and long-term high quality bonds. portfolio, you may want to look at very high-quality In the long run, a bond ladder bonds - those rated AA+ or can help stabilize your port-AAA (Moody's uses Aal folio income, because the majority of your portfolio re-· Look for the right "fit" mains invested. Over time, a Your individual investment bond ladder also will generally provide you with more needs are not the same as evincome than if you just pureryone else's. Consequently. some high-quality bonds will chased short-term bonds and certificates of deposit - a combe more suitable for you than others. For example, if you bination that causes portfolio are in one of the higher tax income to be more volatile

> You can't control the stock market's ups and downs. But you can take steps to diminish the effects of these fluctuations on your portfolio. And high-quality bonds

and less predictable.



The Vardar finalists

games, with 27 of those games

ing of the U13 ('88) team that

came away from the recent Michigan State Cup Soccer Championships with victoracked up 35 victories in 35 ries in five of nine age divibeing shutouts. Collectively, sions. Seven teams represented the club in final games they gave up only 10 goals in for the U12, U13, U14, U16, those 35 games, while tally-U17 and U18 age divisions. ing 156 goals against their opponents. Notable was the The final events were held in Livonia at Founder's Park on strong defense and goal tend-Saturday, June 2. swept all six of their state cup

Vardar's U14 ('87) and U18 ('83) teams returned triumphant this year to defend titles earned last year, while Vardar's U13 and U17 teams clinched the titles for their respective age after return ing as finalists from last year The U12 Vardar team records their-first visit to the State

The Varder Soccer Club Cup finals in the youngest team in any of the age divi-

The U13, U14, U17 and U18 teams now head to Springfield, Mo., on June 22 to represent the state of Michigan in the 2001 Snickers Midwest Regional Cup Champi

Vardar U14 ('87) player from the Lowell area includes Matt D'Agostino. He is the son of Louis and Melinda games with shutouts - the only D'Agostino of Lowell.

1847 - Julia Moore, writer of homely verse and ballads, is born in Kent County.



Thief suspect being Purse-ued

Lowell Police Department received a complaint of stolen purses out of a business in Lowell. An ATM card located in one of the purses was used at an ATM in Ionia and Grand Rapids. Lowell PD is requesting assistance in finding out the identity of the above suspect. If you know who this is or have information regarding this case, please contact the Lowell Police Department at 897-7123 or Silent Observer at 774-2345.

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Invest In Youth, continued... From Page 1

and with Invest In Youth, the Lowell Y has received \$3 per person on average.

Over the last four years, Lowell has enjoyed a 16 percent increase in revenues raised through Invest In Youth.

"We are extremely thankful to all the volunteers who have worked on Invest In Youth and to all of those who have contributed," Welsh said.

Along Main Street

Rick Seese chaired the campaign for the fourth consecutive year and also served as the chair for the advanced gifts campaign. Lynn Wolbers was the chairperson for the team's committee. Between the two of them they raised just over

Invest In Youth volunteers' Liz Baker and Jim Bosserd each brought in over \$4,000.

It was Wolbers' company (PPC Electric) whose donation of \$2,000 put the Lowell YMCA over its goal of \$55,000.

"We didn't think it would happen (reaching our goal of \$55,000). But we went into overtime and won. The people of Lowell stepped up. In a year when fund-raising is down all over - Lowell hit a home run. This community has always given, especially when it involves youth," Seese concluded.

VISITORS NIGHT AT VEEN OBSERVATORY

Tour the James C. Veen Observatory, located at 3308 Kissing Rock Rd., every 2nd and last Saturday through October and visit the moon, planets, galaxies and other celestial objects through powerful telescopes with local astronomy

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COVERED BRIDGE BIKE TOUR

The Fallasburg Historical Society will host the 7th annual Covered Bridge bike tour on Sunday, July 8. Registrations begin at 7:30 a.m. at the historic Fallasburg Schoolhouse for the 12-, 28-, 50-, and 100 mile routes. The event benefits the society and its efforts to restore the village of Fallasburg.

Harreld finishes 2nd year of tennis at Cedarville

SUMMER CONCERT SERIES CONTINUES Hawks and Owls, Michigan's premier Appalachian string band, will be on the Riverwalk this Thursday evening, June 21 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this free concert.

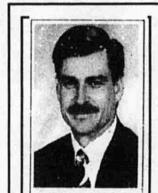
Ben Harreld, a Warren Mott High School graduate. recently completed his second season as a member of the men's tennis team at

Cedarville University in Ohio. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Harreld of Lowell.

Harreld, a sophomore playing the #4 slot. The Yellow Jackets finsecondary math education ished the 2001 season with a major, was one of eight returning players for the Yelthe NAIA Region IX Tourna- Tournament low Jackets this spring. He

won his first varsity singles ment runmatch with a 6-0, 6-0 decision ner-up and against Thomas More (Ky.) partici-NCCAA 16-6 overall record. They were National





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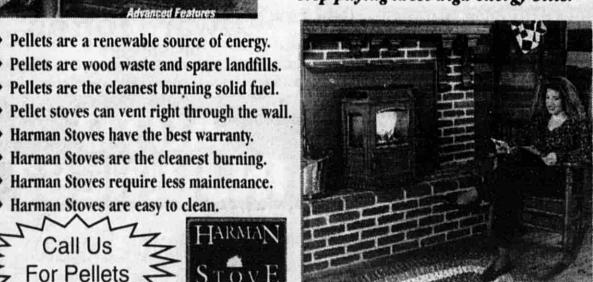
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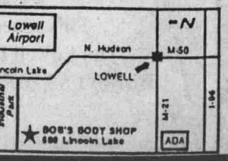
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Don Green announces he will not seek another council term

By J.N. Boorsma Contributing Writer

Citing his family's decision to go into missions work, councilmember Don Green announced at Monday night's city council meeting that he would not seek another term on the council.

Green has served Lowell by being on its city council for the past 10 years.

made no secret of the fact that I believe this to be a minis- ture try," Green read from a prepared statement. "The Bible says that God establishes all governmental authority. The Lord leads some into government. He leads some back out again."

Green stated that his wife. Lynn, and he believe their

work through Moody Bible Institute and is presently serving as a deacon in his church. During his tenure as a councilmember, the Green family has increased from three children to six, with three more expected through adoptions from Romania.

"I said the first time that I was running to help build my children's future," Green said. "As you know, I have "Now I am not running to help build my children's fu-

Green went on to praise all of the people he has worked with over the years including councilmembers, past and present, the various people on the boards with which he has served, and the number of volunteers he has been in contact with. He also praised current calling is in missions work. city manager, David Pasquale He already has begun course for putting together a staff

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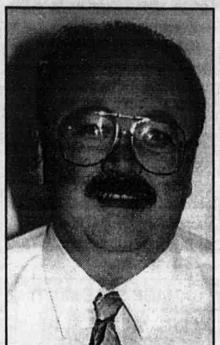
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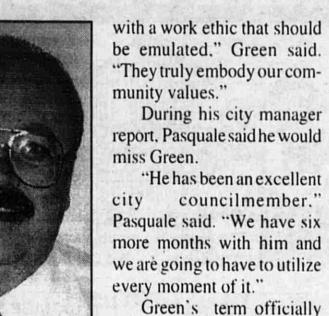
Evelyn (Ford) Benbow and Eleanor VanTol. They have



Don Green

"that is second to none."

"From police and fire to DPW, from the Finance De- Myers and Jeanne Shores have partment to Light and Power. we have an awesome group of employees who take an incredible pride in this city and



in Monday. June 18 by 4 p.m. There are three four-year seats Councilmembers Chuck

ends Dec. 31, 2001. City elec-

tions are November 6. Can-

didate applications were due

filed for re-election. Al Mathews and James Pfaller have filed as candidates also.

Councilmember Dan Brubaker was appointed earlier this year to fill the term of Ray Quada. Brubaker is the only one who has filed to fill the remaining two years on

"To conclude, let me say that I feel privileged that God has allowed me to serve you for so long," Green said

fore God."

IN THE SERVICE

Ann-Marie Townsend has been commissioned as a second lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force after completing the Air Force ROTC (Reserve

Jack Fonger, who came back to city government at least twice, so I won't rule out anything for the future, but for now I will end my council term on Dec. 31, 2001, grateful to you and thankful be-

"While there is a tinge of

sadness, there is also a com-

forting sense of peace that we

are making the right decision

for our family. I served with

gram and graduating with a bachelor's degree from Virginia Technical University. Blacksburg.

She is the daughter of Robert and Peggy Townsend of Ada and a 1997 graduate Officer Training Corps) pro- of Lowell High School.

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Petition enables property owners to state preference on M-21 water and sanitary sewer special assessments

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

In response to requests for sanitary sewer and water main service for the south side of M-21 west of Bowes Road, Lowell Charter Township will petition property owners in the district.

A water and sanitary sewer service district can only proceed to the initial steps of a special assessment and bonding process provided the township receives petitions from a majority of property owners.

If there is a majority interest, Lowell Township will proceed to first secure detailed estimates from the township engineer (Gary Voogt of Moore and Bruggink) and then proceed to a public hearing of necessity.

The petitions allow for property owners to state whether they are in favor or opposed to one or both assessments.

"With special assessments, not all property owners are always interested at the same time. Sometimes some are eager while others do not find the timing right," Voogt said. "The hearing of necessity determines if the township goes ahead or guits. Property owners can say they are in favor on the petition and then change their mind at the hearing. By signing the petition, property owners are not signing a blank check."

Voogt noted that the special assessment charge would be based on something other than land area.

Because of economy purposes, the township would prefer to install both water and sewer at the same time; however, that will only happen if they are petitioned to do so.

Property owners will be asked to have the petitions back to the township by July 2. Depending on the result of the petitions, the township board could take up discussion of the project at its July meeting.



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ORDINANCE NO. 01-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND **TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN ORDINANCE** NO. 95-29, AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ISSUANCE OF CITATIONS FOR CIVIL INFRACTIONS AND TO PROVIDE THE PROCEDURE THEREFOR

THE TOWNSHIP OF GRATTAN ORDAINS: Section 1. Authority to Issue Citations Section 3 of Grattan Township Ordinance No. 95-29 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

Section 3. Township Zoning Administration Officer. The Township Zoning Administration Officer is hereby authorized to issue citations for violation of any Township ordinance which is designated to be a municipal civil infraction if the Zoning Administration Officer has reasonable cause to believe an infraction has occurred, based upon personal observation or the report of a person who has allegedly witnesses said infraction, except that if the citation is to be issued based on such a report, the Township attorney must give prior written approval for the issuance of the citation.

Section 2. Publication/Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective the day after its publication or the publication of a summary of its provisions in a local newspaper of general circulation.

Residents asked to compare and contrast their world of the Lowell community

A template sheet can also

Search for Community

be found in this week's Led-

runs from July 24 through

Aug. 30 at the Lowell Area

Arts Council, 149 S. Hudson.

Summer gallery hours are

Tuesday - Friday from noon

ger on page 12.

Search for Community plate questions. is an exhibition comprised of visual and literary responses to questions asked on a questionnaire template. The questions focus on participants' immediate surrounds and the community in which they

Each of the questionnaire templates have the same questions with blank areas for the participants' re-

Participation in this exhibition is open to residents (all ages) living in the Greater Lowell community (comprised of a 10-mile radius from the city of Lowell). This exhibition offers the viewer an opportunity to compare and contrast the individual interpretations of the tem-

Fallasburg will come alive

on Sunday, July 8 as the

Fallasburg Historical Soci-

ety again hosts the Covered

Bridge Bike Tour. This an-

nual event was started in 1995

to benefit the society and its

efforts to restore the historic

have 12-, 28-, 50-, and 100-

mile routes and an end-of-

the-line party for all who pre-

register. Registrations start

at 7:30 a.m. at the historic

Fallasburg Schoolhouse

Wonderful homemade cook-

ies at rest stops await partici-

Fallasburg Historic Vil-

lage has been placed on the

National Register of Historic

Places. The one-room

KDL goes

Kent District Library

gets up close and persona

with the animal world and

goes on a Wildlife Safarithis

summer with Nelson

Pearson, a wildlife biologist

who presents exotic animal

Children will get a

chance to see, touch and learn

about fascinating creatures

such as the Siberian lynx, the

armadillo, the yellow python,

the Fennec fox and other

mammals, birds, reptiles and

Nelson Pearson, a

wildlife biologist will

present an exotic animal

The Alto Branch, 607

Linfield Ave., will offer the

program on Wednesday, June

27 at 1:30 and 2:30 p.m. Call

868-6038 to register for this

popular program for ages 6

200 N. Monroe, will offer the

program later this summer

on Saturday, July 21 at 1 p.m.

To register call 897-9596.

The Englehardt Branch.

shows all over Michigan.

on wild

safari

This year's event will

village of Fallasburg.

Covered Bridge

Bike Tour, July 8

school days.

Kent County.

anything they would like in any combinations. LAAC by July 19.

YMCA. All participants must

The template format: has five boxes on it of varying Template sheets can be sizes (overall layout is on 11" picked up at the Lowell Area by 17" sheet of white paper). Arts Council, Lowell Area The boxes are labeled with Chamber of Commerce, Hunthe following questions: tington Bank - Lowell branch, Lowell and Alto libraries, Franciscan Life Process Cen-

What is in your garden/ ter, and the Lowell Area Who is in your neighbor-

your window? Who is your best friend(s)?

What do you see through

What do you see close to

All participating individuals are asked to fill in each square by responding to the questions above the squares. Participants can use drawings, photos, newspaper or magazine cutouts, words -

RASCH BROS. MARKET

Please call for availability. market number 897-8212

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOWNE TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE TO **ADD NATURAL RESOURCE REMOVAL AS A SPECIAL** LAND USE IN THE R-1 RURAL RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

Public notice is hereby given that the Bowne township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Thursday, July 12, 2001 at 7:30 p.m., in the historic Township Hall located at 8240 Alden Nash Avenue, Alto, Michigan, to hear public comments regarding a proposed amendment to Section 6.04 of the Zoning Ordinance to add natural resource removal as a special land use in the R-1 Rural Residential District.

The proposed zoning amendment may be examined at the Township Hall Wednesdays or Fridays between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m.

> June 15, 2001 Sandra Kowalczyk, clerk Bowne Township

"Preserving Our River of History" Capital Campaign To Establish The Lowell Area Historical Museum



Howard & Ruth Thurtell Bruce Walter L. Michael Miller John R. Bergin David & Katherine Alexand Alyn and Gladys Fletcher Charles & Dolores Doyle **Ruby Christiansen** Rodney Kropf **Todd & Annette Pearson**

Eileen & Timothy McLaughlin

PPC Electric

Richard & Nancy Misne Dr. Thomas & Josephi Hill Stephen Peckham Curt & Luanne Kaeb Bob & Lu Green Roger Chapman State Farm Ray & Deb Hoag Showboat Automotive, Inc Dan & Sharon Vosovic

Leo & Madelyn Pfaller **Dolores Dey** Peter & Catherine Haefner

Bill & Judy Vriesema Lowell Women's Club Sandra Graham Daniel & Jenean Hoffman David & Janice Thompson Oscar & Shirley Peckham Charles & Noreen Myers Dean & Deb Lonick oger & Rose Roberts D & D Trucking Grainger, Inc.

Gaylord & Betty Heaston Matt & Lois Tomasiewicz Alan & Delores Stowell **Bob & Lanie Rice Thomas Richmond** James & Barbara White Carlton & Brenda Bloug Duane & Jenett Patrick Fred & Beverly Apel

Marjorie Weekes-Prieb

Mathew & Cozette Borgerson

Bank of America Found Biggs & Dickinson Financial Ser tonald and Karen Thomure Donald Leeman Mike & Susan Doyle William Serne & Sons

Robert & Amy Harasir

Taylor Koetje Amanda McGuire Madeline McGuire Michael and Jana McGuire John and Jackie Mucinski Joshua Mucinski Justine Mucinski

RIVLOOD

6/22; Sat., 6/23, 9 - 5 pm. **GARAGE SALE**

Fri., June 22, 9-4 p.m. June 23, 10-4 p.m.

GARAGE SALE MULTI

FAMILY '87 Ford pick-up 4x4, rebuilt engine with plow: antique coffee pot, Teddy Bears, clothes all sizes lots of misc. 14311 Oberley Dr. Fri., June 22 & Sat., June 23, 9-6 p.m.

FRI.-SUN. 5501 Gavin Lake Rd. mile N. of 5 Mile. Multifamily pre-moving sale Lots of kids clothes, furni ture, 255 BTU

Rediheater, horse tack, many pair western boots. power washer, exercise equipment, etc. Lots of free stuff. It all must go.

6 FAMILY GARAGE SALE Kid thru adult clothes, toys, furniture & misc. Sat., June 23, 8:30 a.m. 3 p.m., 4737 Morse Lake Rd. off Cascade.

BIG SALE women & kids clothing sectional w/ queen sleeper, TV stand, kitchen table & chairs, much more. Thurs. & Fri., June 21 & 22, 8 - 4 p.m., 2907 Segwun. Reasonably

GARAGE SALE Everything half price. 3289 - 36th St., between Segwun & Pratt Lake, Fri., June 22, 9-5 p.m.

3 FAMILY GARAGE June 21 & 22, 9-5. Lots of kids clothes, toys &

Lots of goodies, Wed. Fri., June 20 - 22, 8-5 p.m. 6124 Lincoln Lake some furniture. 216 Riverside, across from Light & Power.

3 FAMILY GARAGE

Furniture, Little Tikes, household, antiques/collectibles, infant items, clothes-infant girls to teen boys and girls, small wedding dress. Tons of stuff. Come and check it out! 7334 48th St. (W. on Cascade Rd. to S. on Whitneyville Rd. to 48th St.) Thurs., 6/21; Fri.,

Clothes, movies, CDs, etc Lots of misc. 3012 Fallasburg Park Rd., Sat.

Search for Community - A Visual & Literary Questionnaire

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ing Events" are free of charge Weigh-ins at 5:45 p.m. to any nonprofit organization and to be submitted by mail, but will accept notices by come. phone at 897-9261.

EVERY MONTH: The Flat AD/HD at Calvin College, 7-River Snowmobile Club 9p.m. No cost. All welcome. meets at the clubhouse at For info. call Gary Engle at 11841 Potters Rd. just east 897-6325 or 248-2423. of Montcalm Ave. To check are welcome.

EVERY MON.: Lowell Christian Athletes and Friends - meets from 7-8:30 p.m. in members' 676-1355 for details.

SECOND MON. OF EACH 7:30 p.m. MONTH: Fallasburg Histhe meeting room of Engle-Public invited.

SECOND MON. OF EACH MONTH: The Lowell Runciman Elementary. 300 High Street.

MONTH: The Bowne at St. Luke's Lutheran Nash, 7:30 p.m.

E. Main St. at 8 p.m.

Troop 102, for boys 11 & up or completing the 5th- WED.: 8 p.m. ALANON EVERY 2ND THURS.: 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. grade, meet 7 to 8:30 p.m. the Scout Cabin at the end of N. Washington St. En- EVERY WED .: Rotaryjoy activities like hiking and camping and learn skills Masonic Temple. that can last a lifetime. For

meets at Key Heights Mo- Bowes Rd. bile Home Park

in the Lowell, Ada, Alto, and TUES .: Flat River Intergenerational program

1ST TUES.: Adults with the Franciscan Child De-

meetings on even months. Rapids. Call 897-9794. Open to any interested

EVERY SECOND & Forest Hills Presbyterian FOURTH TUES.: Knights Church, 7495 Cascade Rd. of Columbus #7719 meet- (at 36th St.) No fees, no in Ada. Please call 752ings at St. Mary School, dues, no weigh-ins.

torical Society holds its EVERY SECOND TUES .: Pounds Sensibly Tops MI, monthly board meeting in Lowell Masonic Lodge No. 333, Saranac, meets regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. at the Saranac Public Lihardt Library at 7 p.m. at the Masonic Center, 119 brary. Weigh-ins at 6:45 Lincoln Lake, Lowell. All p.m. Masons are welcome.

ents of children with AD/ time. Questions? Call 1-SECOND MON. OF EACH HD Issues Group meeting 800-651-6000. Sarah 281-6588.

Scouts for boys in 1st - 5th with AD/HD Issues Group Mondays from 5:30 - 8 grades, in Alto or in Lowell. meeting at Calvin College p.m. Phone 897-9393. Contact Terry Amidon at Rm. 206 of the Commons 897-8751 for more infor- bldg. For information call Connie 942-6887

Girls ages 8-13. 897-8694. 897-1502 after 5 p.m.

EVERY MON.: Boy Scout Call 897-5894 for details.

meets at noon at Lowell

Club meets at 12 p.m. in ell. TUES .: Take Off Pounds the community room at Sensibly Tops MI#372 Schneider Manor, 725

EVERY FOURTH WED.:

1:45 p.m. Call Sister Colleen Ann Nagle, F.S.E. at

meeting dates and times 1ST TUES.: WINGS Par- EVERY FOURTH WED:: Lowell. Dinner at 6:30 p.m. call 897-5015 for a re- ent Group meetings from Support group for Periphcorded message. Guests 7:30 to 9 p.m., usually in eral neuropathy meets at 4 EVERY THIRD THURS.: Bridge Bike Tour, spon- Logic" from 1 - 3 p.m. or Board Room at 300 High p.m. at St. Paul's Anglican LaLeche League of Ada, St. Business meetings are Church, 2560 Lake Michion odd months & program gan Dr. N.W., Grand 6:30 p.m. for socializing; efit the society.

EVERY THURS.: Take Off

meetings. New members p.m. EVERY 3RD TUES .: Par- are invited to join at any

Township Historical Soci- Church, 32156 4 Mile NE EVERY THURS. - St. Observatory (3308 Kissing ety holds its regular (& E. Beltline) at 7 p.m. For Mary's Pregnancy Crisis Rock Rd.) Visitors Night meetings at the Historical info., call Linda at 874-5662. Center, 402 Amity St., non-from 9-11:30 p.m. if the Museum at 84th and Alden For teen group info., call denominational help for night is clear. \$2 adults; \$1 pregnant women and adolescents at the school. MON. OR TUES .: Cub EVERY 1ST TUES: Adults From 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.; on

FIRST THURS.: 4-H drama club examines theater-re-FOURTH MONDAY OF EVERY OTHER WED.: personal development EACH MONTH: American 6:45-8:45 p.m. G.E.M.S. skills. Meetings held at system. Legion Clark-Ellis Post 152 Girls Club - Calvary Chris- Lowell Middle School choir at Lowell V.F.W. Hall, 307 tian Reformed Church: room. For information call

EVERY 1ST MON .: V.F.W. EVERY WED .: Pioneer FIRST AND THIRD Headley is open from 1 to 4 Post #8303 meets at Clubs 6:30-8 p.m. Ever- THURS .: The Alto Lions p.m. V.F.W. Clubroom, 307 E. green Missionary Church, Club meets at Bowne Cen-Main St., Lowell, 7:30 p.m. 10501 Settlewood Dr. Chil- ter Fellowship Hall, corner dren ages 4 thru 7th grade. of 84th & M-50 (Alden Nash) at 7 p.m.

meets at Lowell Congre- N.A.R.F.E. meets 1:30 p.m. during the school year in gational Church basement. at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2700 E. Fulton.

EVERY THURS .: Lowell V.F.W. infor call Terry Cavanaugh, EVERY SECOND WED .: 3:30 p.m. at the V.F.W. COUNCIL: Open Tues. G.F.W.C. Lowell Women's Post, 307 W. Main St., Low-

Parents Supporting Par- Keen Agers meet at ents is a support group at Franciscan Life Process Center offering a variety of Bring a dish to pass and topics and discussion

Royal Arch Masons regu- 11:30 p.m. if weather 7842 to register. ter, 119 Lincoln Lake,

meeting at 7 p.m. Mother to Registration begins at mother support for preg-EVERY WED.: Overeaters nant & breastfeeding Anonymous, 7:30 p.m. at women. Nursing children current location is a church 7524 for more information

> SECOND THURS. OF EV Historical Society meets at seum of Ada, 7144 Headley at 7 p.m.

THURS.: Weight Watch- SECOND THURS. OF EVERY 1ST & 3RD TUES .: ers meets at Lowell EACH MONTH: Geneal-Board of Education meets Lowell Lions Club meets at Nazarene Church, 201 N. ogy - The Alto Family Tree at 7:30 p.m. in the Admin- 6:30 p.m. at Look Memo- Washington, at 7 p.m. Reg- Club meets at Alto Public istration Building, former rial Fire Station, S. Hudson. istration is 1/2 hour before Library from 6:30 p.m. - 8

> **EVERY SECOND & LAST** SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH: James C. Veen children to 18. For info. call Starwatch at 897-7065.

SECOND SAT.: Lowel Amateur Radio Club meets at the west end of Lowell High School. 9 AM social gathering; 10 AM meeting. lated topics, creative and LARC sponsors the 145.27 MHz area radio repeater

> THURS., FRI., SAT. & SUN .: Averill Historical Museum of Ada at 7144

> **ENGLEHARDT LIBRARY** HOURS: Mon. - Wed.. Noon - 8 p.m.; Thurs. & Fri., 9:30 a.m.- 5 p.m.; Sat.,

WOMEN OF THE MOOSE: Business meeting is held the third Mon. of each SECOND month at 8 p.m.

1-4 p.m. 149 S. Hudson.

odist Church at 10 a.m. TUES. & WED., JULY 10 your own table service.

C. Veen Observatory permits. \$2 adults; \$1 children to 18. For info., call Starwatch at 897-7065.

& 11: Artist-in-Resident Sandra K. Jackoboice will teach a workshop in pastel all ages. Call SAT., JUNE 30: James at Franciscan Life Process Center from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (3308 Kissing Rock Rd.) Cost: \$55/both days; \$35/1 EVERY THIRD THURS .: Visitors Night from 9- day. Contact John at 897-

BEGINNING THURS.. JULY 12: Franciscan Life Process Center will offer SUN., JULY 8: Covered "Parenting with Love and sored by Fallasburg 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Contact Cascade & Lowell meets at Historical Society to ben- Beverly or Melissa at 897-

LOWELL CHARTER **TOWNSHIP PUBLIC HEARING**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Lowell Charter Township Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 27, 2001

at 7:30 p.m. at the Lowell Township Hall. 2910 Alden Nash, S.E.

Michael and Stacie Barnes have requested a variance for property located at 13289 36th Street S.E. (PP#41-20-14-400-029) which would allow insufficient side yard setback.

> Linda S. Regan, Clerk 616-897-7600

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

LOWELL SENIOR NEIGHBORS CALENDAR 897-5949

MON.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

TUES.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall; 10:30 a.m. Armchair Exercise.

WED.: 12:30 p.m. Shop at Family Fare.

Condon's Cottage. 10 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Nails.

Auxiliary #8303 meets at LOWELL AREA ARTS Wed. & Fri. noon - 5 p.m. Thurs., noon - 7 p.m.; Sat.,

THURS .: 9 a.m. Walk/ Shop at the Malls: 9:30 · a.m. Crafts; 1 p.m. Euchre.

FRI.: 8:30 a.m. Walk at Woodland Mall.

SPECIAL EVENTS

WED., JUNE 20: 9:30 WED., JUNE 27: 8 a.m. Women's Breakfast. 10 a.m. Advisory Council at

THURS., JUNE 21: 12:00 p.m. Dance at West Side Complex.

FRI.. JUNE 22: 12:40

p.m. Bingo. MON., JUNE 25: 12:40

p.m. Surprise Shopping

Experience.

FRI., JUNE 29: 12:40 p.m Farmers' Market, Grand Rapids and ice cream.

THURS., JUNE 28: 7 a.m.

a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Nails.

Trufant Flea Market

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOWELL

For the Regular Meeting of MONDAY, JUNE 4, 2001.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Blough and the City Clerk called Roll.

Present: Councilmembers Brubaker, Green, Myers (arrived at 7:32 p.m.), Shores and Mayor Blough, Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager David Pasquale, City Clerk Betty Morlock, Public Works Director Daniel DesJarden. Chief of Police James Valentine, Planning Commission Chairman Jim Hall, City Treasurer Suzanne Olin, Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer Char McNab. and Lowell Area Historical Museum Boardmember Jim If support is not received from all branches, the project Doyle.

IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by GREEN to approve the minutes of the May 21,2001 regular meeting as written.

YEA: 4. NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1 MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES that the bills and accounts payable be allowed and the warrants issued. YEA: 4.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 1 MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE (06/04/01)

GENERAL FUND	\$109,689.55
MAJOR STREET FUND	1,231.45
LOCAL STREET FUND	456.44
DDA FUND	31,195.27
AIRPORT FUND	51.02
WASTEWATER FUND	7,964.47
WATER FUND	43,478.22
EQUIPMENT FUND	396.74

Item #1. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

A. 903 N. HUDSON - DAVID STEFFEN - SETBACK YEA: 5. VARIANCE FROM A MAIN BUILDING FOR A PRO- NAY: 0. POSED GARAGE - PUBLIC HEARING. At the previous ABSENT: 0. meeting the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) scheduled a MOTION CARRIED public hearing to determine a setback variance from a corner of Hudson and Foreman. David Steffen wished to construct a 24' x 36' garage to the rear of his property. The proposed accessory building will be seven feet from an adjoining garage (rather than house) which intrudes onto the Steffen property.

During the course of the May 29, 2001 Planning Commission meeting, it was discovered the seven-foot distance had been between two accessory buildings. Section 4.08F.1. of the Zoning Ordinance states there must be a 10-foot distance from a main building. Thus, the Commission recommended to the ZBA a variance for the garage setback was not necessary. Further, the application fee should be refunded.

Zoning Board Chairman Myers stated a public hearing should be held considering such a meeting was established and publicized.

No public comments were received.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by BRUBAKER to dismiss the setback variance and refund the application fee to David Steffen of 903 N. Hudson for consideration of a setback involving a proposed garage. YEA: 5.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0.

MOTION CARRIED.

Item #2. PRESENTATION ON THE UNIFIED KENT **DISTRICT LIBRARY TELEPHONE SYSTEM.** Assistant Kent District Library Manager Pamela VanderPloeg proposed the district take over the Englehardt Public Library phone system as part of a unified phone system for the entire Kent District Library and Service Center. It was noted the project would be at no cost to the City.

VanderPloeg explained the District would install T-1 lines • Dare contributions higher than anticipated in all branches. These lines would be used for both the • Revenues received from Showboat Corporation

computer and phone system. She believed the patrons would benefit from the new system by allowing the ability to receive services, while a branch is closed. If an individual was to call the Englehardt Public Library during non business hours, the phone system would roll over to another library, which happens to be open. VanderPloeg noted the customer would not receive any long distance charges.

VanderPloeg indicated the District would also be able to eventually provide a Centralized Reference Service. This would be a 24-hour/7 days a week service allowing a user to call one number and provide quick answers to easy questions.

The entry in the phone book, monthly maintenance and upkeep on the phone system would be handled by the

would be dissolved.

The Wyoming branch would be the first to be updated. After this, branches would be added as soon as possible with completion in 2002.

VanderPloeg was unsure when the Englehardt Public Library would be updated.

Councilmember Myers inquired if the phone number would change. VanderPloeg responded yes. However there will be a window of time where residents can call the Englehardt Public Library and receive a message which would refer them to the new number.

Mayor Blough asked Librarian Jane Aronson if she had any concerns or questions. Aronson responded no.

Myers questioned if the new phone system had any cordless capabilities. VanderPloeg responded this is being reviewed.

Myers believed the system would improve the service for

No public comments were received.

IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to provide a resolution to create a unified telephone system for the Kent District Library.

main building for a proposed garage at the northeast Item #3 ADOPTION OF THE 2000-2001 BUDGET AMENDMENTS. As required by State Law, the City Council must review and approve final adjustments to the City's operating funds.

The following amendments to the 2000-2001 Budget were proposed:

GENERAL FUND

REVENUES:	CURRENT	AMENDED	AMT OF CHAN
Property Tax Real	\$874.025	\$861,000.	(\$13,025)
Property Tax Personal	\$168,469	\$157,700	(\$10,769)
Industrial Facilities	\$0	\$10,700	\$10,700
In lieu of taxes	\$150,000	\$160,000	\$10,000
Sales Tax	\$502,000	\$515,000	\$13,000
Special Use App Fee	\$0	\$750	\$750
Fire Rescue Service	\$50.000	\$70,000	\$20,000
Sales of Yellow Bags	\$44,000	\$34,000	(\$10,000)
Interest	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$5 000
Sale of Fixed Assets	. \$0	\$4,252	\$4,252
Reimb. Utilities Chambe	er \$0	\$1,800	\$1,800
GR Foundation Grants	\$0	\$15,500	\$15,500
Contribution for Dare	\$300	\$1,100	\$800
Showboat Fees	\$0	\$7,300	\$7,300
TOTAL:		To His	\$55,308

- · Reduction due to DDA's ability to capture more tax than
- · State of Michigan's distribution of state revenue sharing payments higher than anticipated
- · Increase in the number of fire runs to townships.
- · Sale of yellow bags less than anticipated. Higher than expected interest income received.
- Sale of Two police cruisers
- month for utilities) · Grants received for fire department breathing apparatus (\$9519) and school resource position (\$5500 this fiscal year
- and \$17,500 next fiscal year)

EXPENDITURES:

Council Conference	\$8,000	\$5,000	(\$3,000)
Elections Salaries Temp	\$4,000	\$3,000	(\$1,000)
Elections Printing	\$600	\$150	(\$450)
Cemetery R&M	\$4,000	\$3,000	(\$1,000)
Attorney	\$10,000	\$13,400	\$3,400
General Office Printing	\$20,000	\$25,000	\$5,000
General Office Sal. Temp	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500
Police SalariesTemp	\$27,750	\$29,750	\$2,000
Fire Salaries Custodial	\$4,000	\$3,500	(\$500)
Fire Salaries Temporary	\$78,000	\$89,000	\$11,000
Fire Repair & Maint.	\$4,500	\$2,000	(\$2,500)
Fire Office Supplies	- \$50	\$800	\$750
Fire Building Maintenance	\$8,750	\$13,000	\$4,250
Fire and Rescue Vehicles	\$0	\$1,000	\$1,000
Planning Salaries	\$2,950	\$2,425	(\$525)
Planning Prof. Svcs	\$2,000	\$1,200	(\$800)
DPW Building Imp.	\$2,500	\$5,570	\$3,070
Repair& Maint. DPW	\$2,000	\$4,500	\$2,500
Showboat Ins.	\$0	\$1,200	\$ 1,200
Showboat Repair & Maint.	\$0	\$2,000	\$2,000
Historic District Prof. Svcs	\$2,300	\$50	(\$2,250)
Unallocated Misc.	\$15,000	\$30,000	\$15,000
Unallocated Ins.	\$15,000	\$16,250	\$1,250
City Hall Bldg Imp	\$1,000	\$500	(\$500)
City Hall Contractual	\$11,000	\$5,000	(\$6,000)
Contractual Building Insp	\$6,500	\$5,000	(\$1,500)
Sidewalk Land Improv	\$7,500	\$2,500	(\$5,000)
			\$28,895

 Fire/Rescue salaries increase due to higher than anticipated fire/rescue calls.

- Fire/Rescue office supplies increase a result of my own data input error last spring.
- Fire/Rescue building maintenance increase due to costs involved with burying overhead electrical lines. Unanticipated purchase of fire water rescue vehicle
- DPW building improvement increase also due to costs involved with burying overhead electrical lines as a result of S. Hudson project.
- DPW repair and maintenance increase due to furnace problem and installation of rear drive from fire station to Broadway for access during S. Hudson construc-
- Showboat liability insurance.
- Necessary repairs to Showboat including painting and
- Increase in unallocated miscellaneous due to unanticipated cost of Lowell Light and Power and Cable TV
- · City Hall contractual costs including cleaning and window washing less than anticipated.
- · Sidewalk land improvement less \$5,000 due to S. Hudson sidewalk now a part of the construction con-

TOTAL REVENUES AS AMENDED: \$2,085,692.00 TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED: \$2,162,471.00

STREET FUNDS

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E	FUND REVENUES:			The Paris of the Paris	
	Interest \$5,	000	\$11,000	\$6,000	
	Trunkline Maintenance \$1,	500	\$2,800	\$1,300 \$7,300	
	MAJOR STREET			Ψ1,000	
	EXPENDITURES: \$205,	000	\$15,500	(\$189,500)	
	Construction				

· City share of S. Hudson/Bowes Rd. project will be in fiscal year 2001/2002

TOTAL REVENUES AS AMENDED: \$173,900 TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED: \$169.030

DDA FUND

DDA REVENU	ES:		
Tifa Revenue Interest	\$305,000 \$10,000	\$329,199	\$24,199
Misc.	\$10,000	\$60,000 \$5,049	\$50,000 \$5,049
DDA EXPEND	ITURES:		\$79,248
Capital Outlay		\$125,000	(\$187,000)

• Chamber of Commerce agreement with City of Lowell (\$120/ • DDA construction project costs anticipated next fiscal

TOTAL REVENUES AS AMENDED: \$394,248.00 TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED: \$505,386.25

CITY HALL CONSTRUCTION FUND

EXPENDITURES: Capital Outlay	\$0	\$13,000	\$13,000	increase 6.38% from this year's (\$515,000 to \$547,900). It was no midst of revising the revenue of crease due to a slowing economy
TOTAL EXPENDITUAS AMENDED: • Expenditures for two		\$108,310.00 ty acquisitions.		several sources, it is recommender remain the same. It is figured the significant decline. It can be reduted the extent it would impact the over
WA	STEWAT	ER FUND	of add he	The Local Street Fund has dele Drive since this is now classified.

\$665,245.00

CURRENT AMENDED AMT OF CHANGE **WASTEWATER REVENUES:**

Industrial Treatment \$30,000 \$50,000 \$20,000 Charges · Industrial treatment charges higher than anticipated.

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES

WATER FUND

er Sandil in	CURRENT	AMENDED AM	T OF CHANGE
WATER FUND F Metered Sales	\$286,000	\$263,000	(\$23,000)
Service on Fee	\$2,000	\$3,000	\$1000

Lower than anticipated water usage

TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES AS AMENDED:

AS AMENDED:

AIRPORT FUND

AMENDED AMT OF CHANGE

AIRPORT FUND EXPENDITURES:

Repair & Maint. \$2,500 \$10,000 Payment to Great Lakes Paving for airport improvements to be reimbursed with bond proceeds.

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED

> LEE FUND CURRENT AMT OF CHANGE AMENDED

LEE FUND EXPENDITURES Park Improvements \$7,000 \$1,500 (\$5,500)· Pavilion project postponed

TOTAL EXPENDITURES AS AMENDED:

City Treasurer Sue Olin noted the funds can be amended if necessary.

Councilmember Green asked if the figures were rounded off. Olin responded yes.

City Manager Pasquale explained amendments are usu ally completed toward the end of the budget year

Mayor Blough stated City Staff updates the Council on a regular basis concerning the budget.

Pasquale noted the Showboat fees have been included in the revenues which have been discussed many times.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to adopt the 2000-2001 budget amendments as pro-YEA: 5.

NAY: 0. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #4. CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE RATE AND HOLD PUBLIC HEARING ON THE BUD-GET. The Council considered the new budget in addition to setting the millage rate during this meeting. This was the second of two public hearings held.

n response to comments from the Council, as well as the public, the following information was provided:

A presentation was made at the previous meeting by Judy Straub of the Lowell Historical Museum requesting an operating budget of \$20,000 from the City to operate the museum. The museum provided a budget to the Council. Currently, the City allocated \$5,000 for operating expenses. In reviewing the budget with City Treasurer Sue Olin, it is felt the \$20,000 operating allocation can be accommodated and is recommended.

A current listing of industrial tax abatements was provided to the Council.

ded the current number large. there should not be a duced, however, not to overall budget.

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- leted reference to Gee ed as a Major Street.
- In response to the recently approved Payment in Lieu of Taxes document with Lowell Light and Power, \$214,000 is anticipated to the City based on 4.5% of total L&P operating revenues (\$4,754,403). The City is estimated to pay \$178,045 for electric usage as well as streetlights. This provides a net revenue of \$35,955 to the City.
- A millage increase from 13.85 to 15.60 (1.75 was proposed in order to accommodate bond payments for the library and the City Hall - Police Station project. The meeting voted to allocate \$132,000 to the General destination in the downtown area. Fund from tax increment financing revenues specifiallocation was provided conditioned the millage would not be raised.
- After a city staff review, charges for trash bags are a package of twenty. This would increase revenues and Vergennes Townships. \$7,400.
- Water Treatment Plant Superintendent George Regan and Water Distribution Supervisor Bob Robinson provided a proposed listing of capital improvements based on need:
- Clean lime ponds at plant (\$15,000)
- Construct a water main on Hunt from Beech to Lincoln Lake (\$25,000)
- Water Reliability Study (\$10,000)

This totals \$50,000 as opposed to the \$60,000 originally proposed.

- The staff recommended the proposed \$2,500 for sidewalk repair and construction match be retained to maintain this program.
- In order to accommodate needed street improvements, a Transportation Bond of \$500,000 for 15 years is Main to Donna (\$261,860) and North Division Street from East Main to Grindle (\$230,796). A Local Street Fund contribution of \$13,000 this coming budget year would provide initial payment. In the succeeding years, the General Fund would provide the majority of pay- owners and residents in the downtown area. ments along with the Local Street Fund.

Pursuit of federal funding for Gee Drive and Foreman Road improvements will be carried out over the coming Saturdays. years. Foreman Road is already on the urban aid system, which enables it eligible for future federal funding up to 80 percent. The City will still pursue Gee Drive to seek this penditures beginning in the year 2002. He found the

Planned expenditures in the General Fund amount to Doyle responded this is coincidental. \$2,222,596.55. A fund balance of \$342,825.12 has been provided.

Jim Doyle, president of the Lowell Area Historical Mu-2001-2002 OPERATING BUDGET, SET MILLAGE seum, explained the museum is seeking \$20,000 in operating funds.

> A letter from Jim White, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction for Lowell Area Schools, read as follows submitted to Jim Doyle:

Please accept my apology for not being able to attend tonight's meeting. If permissible, I would ask that you express my thoughts by reading the following:

On behalf of the teachers and staff of Lowell Area Schools, I would like to express my strong support for the new Lowell Area Historical Museum opening this fall. I'm extremely pleased with the volunteer museum board's interest in linking the museum with our educational curriculum at all levels, and see unlimited opportunities for students to interact with actual artifacts from our area as well as knowledgeable docents.

 Correction to State Shared Revenues was projected to This facility is another example of how our entire commu-'s anticipated revenues nity is growing the right way. It adds to an impressive noted the State is in the array of non-profit opportunities available here locally, charts, which may de- not only for the benefit of students and learning, but also ny. After consulting with as a learning tool and a location for the community at

> Lowell Area Schools committed \$1,000 this past school year as an indication of our support to assist in promoting the museum as a valuable part of our educational program and community. I would urge you to consider the inclusion of the museum as you develop your spending priorities and budget for next year. The museum will be only as strong as the community will support it, and it takes all organizations within our community to make sure that it first survives, and then thrives.

> > Sincerely

Jim White Assistant Superintendent Curriculum and Instruction Lowell Area Schools

Downtown Development Authority at its May 24, 2001 Doyle also noted the Museum provides support as a

cally for those projects located in the DDA district. The Councilmember Myers referred to the statement in the letter concerning the school providing one thousand dollars to the museum. He asked if the school has secured any other financial commitments. Doyle explained the \$1,000 was for fifth and sixth grade programproposed to be raised from \$6 to \$7 for a package of ming. He was unsure of any future commitments. It was ten. Yard waste bags would increase from \$5 to \$7 for noted other funding would also be sought from Lowell

> Myers inquired if the Museum would request \$20,000 on a continual basis. Doyle explained the museum would not be seeking an additional \$20,000, but rather increase the amount of \$5,000 provided from the City to \$20,000 per year. The City is also responsible for payment of utilities and maintenance. The museum provides lease payments for utilities of \$100 a month to the City

> Pasquale noted the budget shows \$1,800 for utilities, \$475 for insurance and \$4,000 for maintenance.

Myers questioned the Council's thoughts regarding non-profit funding. Mayor Blough believed the issue is maintaining a building structure owned by the City. The City supported the Historic District Commission and its establishment. The building is located in the HDC. Therefore, it behooves the City to not only maintain it, but also to find a business or use which will benefit the community. The City is desperately seeking reasons for individuals to come to the Central Business District. Anytime the proposed to reconstruct Valley Vista Drive from West City can establish a well-run organization, with much volunteer and revenue (over \$200,000) generated, the City should find a way to show support. Blough believed an additional \$10,000 to \$15,000 in the budget would be a very good way to demonstrate this to the business

> Doyle stated the building is a wonderful asset and it would be a shame to only have the museum open on

> Myers questioned the comparison of revenues with exgovernment school portion of \$39,000 matches the projected payroll expense, as does the following years.

> Councilmember Green stated just as the library, the City owns this building and should maintain it. He believed the City would benefit from individuals coming into the Central Business District.

> Councilmember Shores asked if the museum would receive federal or state funds once it opens. Doyle responded the Michigan Council for the Arts will not allow funds to be sought until there is a full time staff person.

> Myers wanted to help start the project, but did not feel the need for continued financial support, if the government and schools are expected to provide a salary. He questioned why the City wouldn't then provide financial support to the staff of the Chamber of Commerce, which also brings individuals into the Central Business District. Doyle explained many communities believe somewhat differently about their history. He referred to the museum as being similar to the library or the Arts Council. Doyle noted many communities do support their museums.

> Councilmember Brubaker shared Myers' concern. He wanted the Museum to receive the money this year.

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However, he suggested the Council review the issue every year. Doyle agreed. Pasquale noted non-profit organizations receive money on a yearly basis.

Past Treasurer of the Museum and Boardmember Marj Harding believed the Museum was very important to the community.

Pasquale read a letter into record from Dave Austin of 908 Lincoln Lake as follows:

I had planned on attending this evening's meeting to present my comments in person, but I now have a conflict and cannot attend. Therefore, I ask that the following be entered into the public hearing for your consideration.

First, I offer these comments not in criticism to the Council or Staff, but as positive food for thought for this budget discussion and for future community planning.

1. I would ask that the Council be aware of our overall tax and utility rate position relative to neighboring communities and to other communities of our size. While we cannot always compare "apples to apples," it is one factor that residents and businesses take into account when looking to relocate to our area.

Recently, I conducted a survey of millage rates and water rates for a client of mine. The results are provided on the following pages for your information. In summary, with the proposed millage increase, the City of Lowell appears to fall within the levels seen by other communities of similar size. It should be noted however, that the current rate does not include road improvements or the final amount required for the construction of the new City Hall.

2. Regarding water rates, the City of Lowell ranked the more. highest by far of the 30 communities included in our survey. As shown, a customer using 4,000 gallons per month (a relatively small amount) has a water bill of only, not including wastewater. (My last water/ sewer bill for 6,000 gallons was \$50.13). and why we have high water and sewer rates is another discussion. I bring it up now to highlight a few

a. As the areas surrounding the City develop, there will be increased demand on the existing system. We need to make sure that expansions to the system are paid for by the new customers and not subsidized by

b. Has the City performed a recent "Cost of Service" study to make sure the rates to outside customers are sufficient to handle current costs?

c. The cost of utilities should be taken into account when looking at the overall millage situation so that the Council considers all property owner costs. For example, compare two similar residences in different communities with the same millage, but different water rates.

	Community A	Community B
Millage Rate 15.0 m	ills	15.0mills
Taxable Value	\$50,000	\$50,000
Millage Amount	\$750	\$750
Annual Water Bill	\$360 (\$30/mo)	\$240 (\$20/mo)
Water Bill in Equivalent Mils	s 7.2 mills	4.8 mills
Total Equivalent Mils	22.2 mills	19.8 mills

In this example, the residence in Community A pays the equivalent of 2.4 mils more than the residence in Community B based on a \$10/mo. Increase in water bills. A \$20/mo. Difference would equal 4.8 mils.

Again, we have to pay the bills to support our utility systems, but let's make sure that we understand the magnitude of these bills and the need to seek outside funding for expansions.

- 3. I highly recommend that a portion of the millage be set aside for annual road improvements. We cannot depend totally on bond issues and special assessments for funding of local street improvements. This method is used successfully in other communities (Portland is a good example). We then need to establish an annual road improvement program (based on your street masterplan) to implement these improvements.
- 4. Last, we have been pleased with the direction the City has taken to improve itself in the short time we have businesses to pay back the loans.

lived here (since 1994). Most of these have been involved with the downtown area and the library. that has remained a constant evesore in our community is the accepted practice of parking vehicles and trailers (operating and non-operating) in front lawns. To many outside of Lowell, that is what we are known for. Not the library, not the Showboat.

While not a millage issue directly, I will say that I will be much more willing to support and pay higher millages and make improvements to my property if the quality of life and my surroundings increase as well. Let's use the ordinances we have or adopt stricter ordinances to clean up behind the scenes.

> Thank you for the opportunity to comment and for your consideration of my concerns

Dave Austin Brubaker congratulated City Staff for finding areas within the budget to cut.

Brubaker questioned if \$132,000 was sufficient to make the bond payment for the library and City Hall. Pasquale responded yes.

Brubaker asked if the cost of maintaining the trash and yard waste program increased. Pasquale responded there was a concern regarding the amount of funds the Distribution. Green believed each item was very impor-City provided. This would ease some of the burden, but tant still allow free recycling.

Shores inquired if there had been an increase in the program since it started. Pasquale responded a few vears ago. Shores believed the program was a real bargain. She noted surrounding communities pay much

Green was excited to have some repairs done throughout the streets. He also liked the idea of an ordinance \$24.97. A customer using 7,000 gallons per month enforcing sidewalks building or repairs upon sale of the

> How Blough raised some concerns. He commented on the proposal of avoiding a millage increase, based on DDA funding of two line items in the budget. He made note the original DDA proposal was to generate funds which could be used in the downtown area. Blough referred to the letter from Austin and believed until the City takes some responsibility for the infrastructure and starts to apply the millages and budget, the City will be faced with the line item in obtaining a transportation bond. It is not that he is not appreciative to the DDA for offering the line items, but believed the City is not facing the infrastructure needs, which will require a millage increase. At some point, the YEA: 5. Council needs to have the courage to increase the NAY: 0. millage and line item some dollars in order to avoid bond

Blough believed Austin had some legitimate concerns regarding the utility rates. As was pointed out previously, there seems to be a surplus of funds based on some of possibility of reserve funds being accumulated to either offset some of these water rates or simply save for a rainy

Olin noted the water fund has an equipment replacement reserve of \$80,000

Green agreed with Austin's comment concerning the accordingly.

of improvements in the downtown area in the near future. This would not impede the DDA from carrying out its auditor can be chosen next year.

projects as well. Pasquale responded yes.

Lowell Area Community Fund which then solicits businesses to undertake improvements. The Commission typically grants 25 to 30 percent of the project cost. There have also been some long-term, no interest loans. The Larkin project (301 W. Main) is currently being done by using a combination of funding. Dovle noted the Commission is seeking additional grant monies in order to continue rehabilitating these buildings.

Blough mentioned the HDC and the Lowell Area Community Fund have been very creative in allowing the

Green commented on the water rates and the list provided by Austin. He did not believe it was a fair compari-Looking beyond the main streets, however, one thing son because the City's water is user based, while other cities may have used a millage. Pasquale noted other cities do not have water and wastewater treatment plants either. They simply have wells and a lagoon system, which is much cheaper.

> Blough inquired if the Council had any last comments regarding increasing the operating budget line item from \$5,000 to \$20,000 for the Historical Museum. Myers requested a note be made that this is to facilitate start up operation costs for the new museum.

> Blough questioned Council's thoughts regarding a millage increase. Shores felt it would assist the businesses in Lowell, by not having a millage increase. She believed the City would see a great amount of marketing from the Chamber within the next few years which would also encourage businesses to come to Lowell.

> Blough asked about Council's thoughts concerning the increase of yellow trash bags from \$6 to \$7 for a package of 10 and \$5 to \$7 for yard waste bags. Brubaker was unsure of this increase. However, he was willing to accept the recommendation.

> Blough questioned Council's thoughts concerning the Capital Outlay for the Water Treatment Plant and Water

> IT WAS MOVED BY SHORES and seconded by BRUBAKER to adopt the 2001-2002 City Operating Budget including:

> Providing \$20,000 for the Lowell Area Historical Museum giving assistance for operational costs · Setting the millage rate of 13.85, same as last year's

> Accept the Downtown Development Authority's allocation of \$132,000 in tax increment revenues to the General Fund for projects in the DDA district (bond payments for the library and City Hall- Police Station

· Increase charges for trash bags from \$6 to \$7 for a package of ten and yard waste bags from \$5 to \$7 for a package of twenty

· Include the following water system capital improvements: Clean lime ponds at plant (\$15,000), construct a water main on Hunt from Beech to Lincoln Lake (\$25,000), and a Water Reliability Study (\$10,000)

 Keep \$2,500 for sidewalk repair and construction match in the General Fund

• Pursue a Transportation Bond of \$500,000 to reconstruct Valley Vista Drive from West Main to Donna and North Division Street from East Main to Grindle.

ABSENT: 0 MOTION CARRIED.

Item #5. AUDIT AGREEMENTS FOR THE CITY, LIGHT AND POWER AND CABLE TV FUNDS. Agreements for auditing services from Biggs, Hausserman, Thompson the projects proposed. However, he wanted to see the and Dickinson were presented. The proposal outlines a maximum charge of \$19,600 (\$18.975 last year). It is assumed no Federal Single Audit will be required.

> Also, audits for Light and Power (\$8,600) and Cable TV (\$6,400) are included by Biggs, Hausserman. City Manager Pasquale recommended the Council approve these proposals with the various funds audited being charged

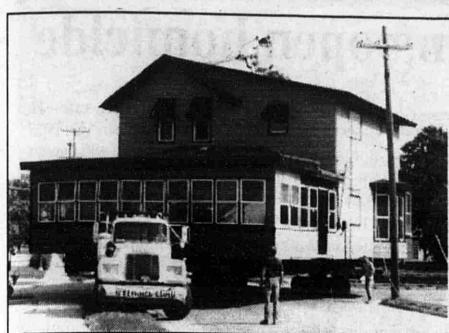
In consultation with Light and Power and Cable TV Pasquale stated DDA will be undertaking over \$700,000 Manager Tom Richards, Pasquale recommended the proposals be sought from various firms so that one

Councilmember Myers believed seeking proposals for Blough asked if the DDA could use the \$132,000 for other the City's outservicing was fine. However, he suggested a review of City Attorneys services be done.

Blough guestioned the steps taken to receive funds Brubaker asked if Light and Power would be considering relative to Historic District improvements. Doyle re- another auditor as well. Pasquale stated to the best of his sponded the Commission has sought grants from the understanding Biggs, Hausserman would be undertaking all of the audits for this coming year.

> IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by MYERS enter into an agreement with Biggs, Hausserman, Thompson and Dickinson not to exceed \$19,600 to perform the audits for the City funds, \$8,600 for Light and Power and \$6,400 for Cable TV with the respective funds being charged accordingly for the audits. YEA: 5.

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED



Moving out of the neighborhood

Roll Away Movers, of Grand Rapids, moved this house from 318 Avery to Marble Road on Tuesday morning. The house was purchased by Jeff Brown. Some east side residents and businesses were without electricity for two hours and 15 minutes while the house was being moved. Movers, left, negotiate a turn from Avery Street onto Monroe Street.



Fire doused before heavy damage occurs

Lowell firefighters were able to extinguish a bedroom closet fire before much damage could occur at 610 E. Main St. Monday night. The house is owned by Walt and Delani Vandenhout. A firefighter, left, tosses out smoky clothing from the second floor. Fire chief, Frank Martin said kids playing with a lighter was the cause of the fire.

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Item#6. PROPOSED 2001-2004 POLICE CONTRACT. After several months of negotiations with the Lowell Police Officers Association, a three-year agreement, subject to City Council approval, has been reached. The new contract would extend from July 1, 2001 through June 30,2004. The following are the major items of the contract renewal:

- A. 3.5% wage increase for the Police Officer and Sergeant positions during the first year of the new contract. Wage re-openers would be in place for the Department Addition project. second and third years.
- B. Increase from \$20 to \$25 per shift for those officers manager. who are assigned as field training officers who function to train and evaluate new employees.
- . Increase longevity payments to \$65 per year, maximum \$650 (previously \$60 and \$600 respectively).
- Provision of tuition reimbursement (up to 6 adult education or university credits per term 12 per year) elevations. of job related course.
- E. Mileage allowance at current IRS rate.
- F. *Provision of City paid short and long term disability

*Pay out and elimination of current sick day bank.

'Allow 96 hours of sick leave effective July 1, 2001. As At the end of this phase, FTC&H will be in a much better of July 1, 2002 and hereafter officers will accumulate receive pay at the end of each June for sick leave ment. unused for one-half of the remaining amount over 96

*An employee may accumulate no more than 192 hours (currently 720) of sick leave.

*Accrued sick leave will be paid on one-half of hours accumulated, but no greater than 96 hours upon termination of employment.

G. For purposes of the Contract, an irregular employee is considered one who is scheduled for less than 80 hours bi-weekly.

some type of a sick bank is the provision in the Police Officers Contract as well as City employees which provides the sick time to be taken for immediate family

Councilmember Myers questioned the length of time between the injury and when the disability payment begins. Valentine responded an injury is one day and an illness is after seven days.

Councilmember Brubaker questioned if a bank of sick days currently gets paid out upon termination. Pasquale responded yes.

Brubaker asked if the short and long term disability was reviewed in such a way that the benefit was not taxed. MOTION CARRIED. Assistant Finance Director/Investment Officer Char McNab responded the Officers were informed the premium would be taxed on the W-2 rather than the benefits.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by SHORES to ratify the proposed 2001-2004 Contract with the Lowell Police Officers Association. YEA: 5.

NAY: O. ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

Item #7. PROPOSAL FOR PROFESSIONAL ARCHI- Councilmember Green thanked City staff for making the TECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES INVOLV- changes quickly in the budget. ING THE CITY HALL RENOVATION AND POLICE DEPARTMENT ADDITION AND CONSIDERATION OF Councilmember Shores commented on the article printed PRELIMINARY DESIGN FOR PUBLIC WORKS STOR- in the Grand Rapids Press on Monday, May 28th con-AGE AND CEMETERY OFFICE/STORAGE BUILD-INGS. Architects Dan Durkee and Tom Smith of Fishbeck, cated the largest crowd ever held at the Showboat was Thompson, Carr and Huber, Inc. (FTC&H) presented a 7000 in 1939. proposal for professional architectural and engineering services involving the City Hall Renovation and Police Shores attended the concert held on Thursday, May 31,

Durkee introduced Tom Smith who will be the project figure out how to place more bleachers.

The phases of the project would include data collecting fices. Representatives from the National Park Service information which was not gathered when the prelimi- and National Hiking Society were present. The North nary study was done, site survey, soil borings and review Country Trail Association Headquarters is located in the of the existing building in terms of its structural components, refinement of the design and the study of the Through the HDC, Planning Commission, Council sup-

FTC&H has also involved Dan Redstone who will be the ness consultant for public safety/police design. FTC&H would be the primary refiner of the City Hall and common

There will also be discussion and decision about how A. The following meetings minutes were provided: best to move forward during the construction phase. A refined cost estimate will then be assembled.

position to determine fees for completion of the construcone sick day per month. An employee is entitled to tion documents, bidding phase and then their involve-

> City Manager Pasquale also discussed including the B. The Third State of the City address will be read at the cemetery operation/storage building and the Department of Public Works garage addition into the project. These could be included in the overall bond.

The project is scheduled to begin next spring (2002) with completion the following spring (2003). The VFW building could be utilized for City offices allowing for renovation and construction to happen at the same time.

Councilmember Myers questioned the cost schedule. Durkee responded when completed the cost will be between nine and eleven percent of the total construction Valentine explained part of the rationale for allowing cost. Pasquale noted the conceptual design indicates an amount of 11 percent, which is approximately \$283,800.

> IT WAS MOVED BY MYERS and seconded by GREEN to accept the proposal from Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr and Huber, Inc. to undertake the first phase of profes- IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN and seconded by MYERS sional architectural and engineering services for the City Hall and Police department addition at a cost of \$66,500 and further to initiate preliminary design for the Public Works Garage Addition design (\$8,900) and Cemetery Operations/Storage building design (\$5,400). Also, the General Fund will advance the monies for these services and be subsequently reimbursed by a bond issue. YEA: 5.

NAY: 0 ABSENT: 0

Item #8. CITIZEN COMMENTS. No comments were

Item #9. COUNCIL COMMENTS. Councilmember Myers commented on the wood burning stoves in front of a business along Main Street. City Manager Pasquale responded this was reviewed at the Planning Commission meeting and was found to be allowed within the ord-

cerning the Showboat Concert Series. The article indi-

2001 at the Showboat. It was great and the public should take advantage of it. She noted Ron Wenger is trying to

Mayor Blough stated he, Shores and Pasquale attended Durkee referred to the letter presented to the Council. the opening of the North Country Trail Association Ofnewly remodeled building at 219 East Main Street. port, City Staff support and a businessman who came in and renovated the facility, we now have a viable busi-

> Item #10. MANAGER'S REPORT. City Manager Pasquale reported on the following:

- · Look Memorial Committee meeting of January 17,
- Downtown Development Authority meeting of April 19.
- Planning Commission meeting of April 30, 2001
- next meeting.
- C. Last date to file nominating petitions for Lowell City Council is Tuesday, June 19, 2001 at 4:00 p.m.
- D. The proposed budget for Light and Power and Cable TV was scheduled for review during the City Council meeting held on June 18, 2001. General Manager Tom Richards wishes to be present during the presentation. However, he will be in Washington D.C. Pasquale suggested the budget presentation be delayed until the July 2, 2001 meeting. By general consensus the Council agreed.

Item #11. APPOINTMENTS. The following appointments

to appoint Will Welsh of 504 Lincoln Lake for the fiveyear term (to June 30, 2006), Roger LaWarre of 681 Birchwood Ct. for a four-year term (to June 30, 2005). Teresa Beachum of 924 Riverside Drive for a three-year term (to June 30, 2004), Barb Zandstra from 423 King Street for a two-year term (to June 30, 2003) and Barb Vezino of 504 N. Monroe for a one-year term (to June 30, 2002) to the Local Officers Compensation Commission. YEA: 5. NAY: 0.

ABSENT: 0. MOTION CARRIED.

IT WAS MOVED BY GREEN to adjourn at 9:39 p.m.

DATE APPROVED: Monday, June 18, 2001

Michael K. Blough, Mayor Betty R. Morlock. Clerk

Lowell's Lawande plays key role in solving open homicide

the assisting inmate.

provided critical assistance to Verne Read, Lansing Police Department.

death of Burns, investigators

were unable to identify indi-

viduals responsible for the

task force was formed in

Ingham County between the

Lansing Police Department.

the Ingham County Sheriff

Department and the Michi-

was formed. Lawande notified the Lansing Police De-

partment that he received in-

formation about the homicide

from an inmate at the Michi-

gan Training Unit. An inmate

(Averill Williams) confessed

to another inmate that he killed

McCall and provided details

Upon hearing the infor-

nation, Lawande forwarded

it to investigators. He then

Shortly after the task force

In November of 1998, a

murder of McCall.

gate the murder.

of the murder.

place between Williams and should be shot down in their mit a crime, you will eventu-

Pictured above, from left to right, are: Inspector Tom Lawande, Det./Sgt. Doug

Barrett (Michigan State Police; Steve Harshberger, Michigan State Police; and Det.

"Cases like the McCall family. The killer was locked Lawande concluded.

murder can sometimes turn up on another charge and

own home in front of their ally be held accountable,"

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell resident Tom Lawande was awarded the Michigan Department of Corrections Meritorious Service Award.

Lawande was nominated by Inspector Henry Tyler for his hard work and his performance above and beyond the call of duty in solving an open homicide case that resulted in the conviction of those in-

Lawande, inspector, was honored at a ceremony held at Handlon Michigan Training Unit on May 23.

"This award is a multijurisdictional award as Lansing Police, Michigan State Police, Ingham County Sheriff Department and Michi-

Although I never knew the woman, no one should be shot down in their own home in front of their family. The killer was locked up on another charge and thought he was safe. He learned that when you commit a crime, you will eventually be held accountable.

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Lowell's Lawande plays key role in solving open homicide

By Thaddeus J. Kraus Lowell Ledger Editor

Lowell resident Tom Lawande was awarded the Michigan Department of Corrections Meritorious Service Award.

Lawande was nominated by Inspector Henry Tyler for his hard work and his performance above and beyond the call of duty in solving an open homicide case that resulted in the conviction of those involved. on a previous date.

Lawande, inspector, was honored at a ceremony held at Handlon Michigan Training Unit on May 23.

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In November of 1998, a task force was formed in Ingham County between the Lansing Police Department, the Ingham County Sheriff murdered his mother Department and the Michigan State Police to investigate the murder.

Shortly after the task force was formed. Lawande notified the Lansing Police Department that he received information about the homicide from an inmate at the Michigan Training Unit. An inmate (Averill Williams) confessed to another inmate that he killed McCall and provided details

Upon hearing the information. Lawande forwarded it to investigators. He then provided critical assistance to

place between Williams and the assisting inmate.

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Pictured above, from left to right, are: Inspector Tom Lawande, Det./Sgt. Doug Barrett (Michigan State Police; Steve Harshberger, Michigan State Police; and Det. Verne Read, Lansing Police Department.





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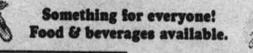
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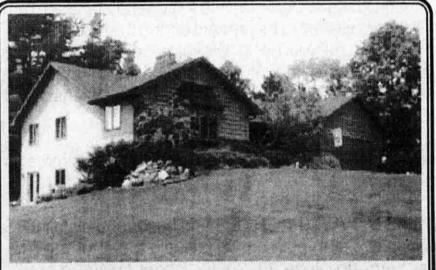


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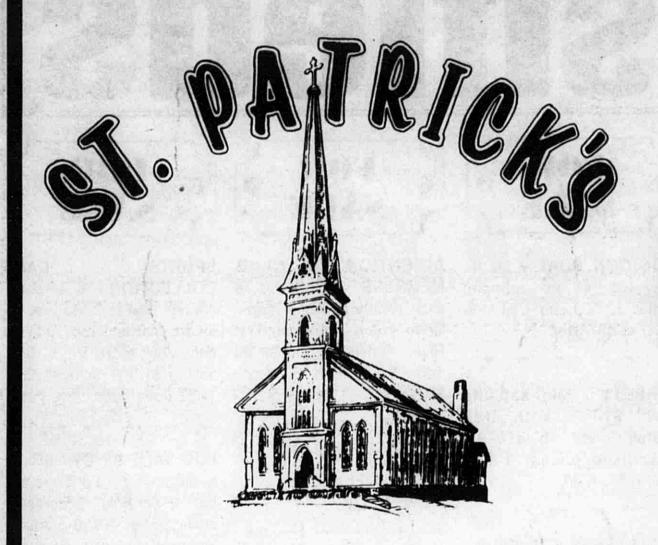


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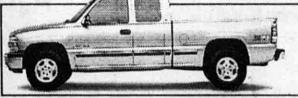
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