

This tape is being used for recording of dictation from notes taken on several thousand pages of official minutes of the Village and City of Pleasant Ridge Commissions beginning with first meeting held August 14, 1919 and continuing through meetings held April 13, 1967, a period of almost forty eight years.

While no attempt has been made to cover every detail included in these minutes, I have tried to include everything which I believe might be useful either to the Historical Commission in its assignment or to the City for preparation of perpetual card index of the minutes for future reference and use.

The first meeting of the Village of Pleasant Ridge was held August 14, 1919 in the home of Mr. Charles Staff, the first Village President. Meeting was held at Mr. Staff's home at 28 Ridge Road. The following were present:

Mr. Charles Staff,	President
Commissioners -	John Forrester Russell Symes, President Protem Edward Goodrich James H. McDonald
Clerk -	Lelia R. Kennedy
Treasurer -	George McQuade

Mr. Staff offered to loan the Village \$600.00 without interest to provide interim financing for the municipality, and his offer was accepted.

Dr. Thomas Callan was appointed as Health Officer and C. H. Clark was appointed as Village Assessor.

The firm of Dondero, Howarth & Hoxie was appointed as Village Attorney.

Additional Commission meetings were:

August 18, 26
September 2, 6, 10, 15, 22
October 6, 13, 20, 27
November 3, 10, 17, 24
December 1, 8, 12, 15, 22, 1919.

On October 6, 1919 the Village Commission negotiated a ten year contract with Detroit Edison for street lighting.

On October 13, the Village Commission, by ordinance, declared the necessity of sidewalk construction on Elm and Poplar Park Boulevards and on the west side of Ridge Road.

On November 17 the Commission negotiated a \$1,000.00 loan from First Commercial State Bank of Royal Oak.

During the year 1920, meetings were held on the following dates:

January 1, 12, 19, 26
February 2, 9, 23
March 1, 8, 22, 29
April 6, 12, 19, 26
May 10, 17, 24
June 1, 7, 14, 21
July 6, 8, 12, 19, 26
August 2, 3, 9, 16, 17, 23, 30
September 7, 20
October 1, 4, 11
December 6, 7, 13, 18, 29.

On February 9, 1920 the Village Commission appointed Clarence Hubbell as Village Engineer and ordered plans and specifications for sidewalks on Elm Park, Oakland Park and Poplar Park Boulevards and Ten Mile Road; also, paving plans for Elm and Oakland Park Boulevards; also preliminary studies and cost estimates for sewers for the entire village.

On April 19, 1920 the Village Commission decided that any permanent street improvements would have to await the construction of both water and sewers on that particular street.

On April 26, 1920 the first special assessment was initiated for sidewalks on Elm and Oakland Park Boulevards.

On May 10, 1920 special assessment was levied for cinderizing Elm and Oakland Park Boulevards.

On May 24, 1920 proceedings were taken for calling an election on June 26, 1920 to vote on a \$100,000.00 issue for construction of a portion of the villages water system. This bond issue was approved by vote of 79 - 14. The bond issue carried an interest rate of 6%. On this date, the first private rubbish collection in the Village was authorized and calcium chloride was ordered spread on Ridge Road, Poplar Park, Ten Mile Road and Kenberton to lay the dust.

On June 7, 1920 the Village adopted its first budget of \$27,570.00 and approved a tax roll with tax rate of \$15.00 per 1000 of valuation, and total assessed valuation of \$1,838,000.00.

On June 28, 1920 plans were received for the Village sewer system and were adopted.

Resolution was adopted to call an election for July 24, 1920 to vote on a \$70,000.00 trunk sewer bond issue. This bond issue was approved by a vote of 79 to 14. Authorization was given for water construction bids and to advertise for sale of bonds.

On July 12, 1920 bond and water construction bids were received. Low bid for the water mains was \$82,643.20 by T. C. Brooks & Company. Detroit declined to furnish water at that time. An offer was received and accepted from the City of Royal Oak for furnishing water temporarily. Water was furnished at the intersection of Main Street and Ten Mile Road.

On July 26 report was received on approval of the \$70,000.00 trunk sewer bond issue by a vote of 43 to 10.

On November 11, 1920 water rates were established at \$3.00 per thousand cubic feet.

Village election was held on December 6, 1920. The new Commission was as follows:

John Campbell, President

Commissioners:

John D. Cameron
Frank Plass, President Protem
John Forrester
James H. McDonald

Clerk: John H. Burk

Treasurer: Hildegard E. Winter

At its meeting on January 3, 1921, the Village Commission authorized The Detroit Trust Company to make audit of the Village books.

Meeting on January 29 was held at 16 Poplar Park - the home of John Campbell.

On February 7, 1921 Edward C. Walker was appointed Village Assessor.

On May 16, 1921 the first spraying of Village trees was authorized and the first policeman was hired, - Taylor Matheison, at a salary of \$125.00 per month.

On June 20, 1921 budget of \$22,023.92 was approved with Village assessed valuation of \$2,002,175.00.

Routine Commission meetings were also held on:

March, 7, 22
April, 5
May 21
June 6, 20
July 5, 11, 18
August 8, 11
September 6, 26
October 3
November 7
December 10, 1921.

January 9, 1922 routine Commission meeting.

January 16, 1922 new Commission took office.

A. B. Struthers, President
Frank Plass, President Protem

Commissioners:

William S. Hazelton
John Zimmerman
John Cameron

Clerk: John H. Burk

Treasurer: Hildegard E. Winter

On January 23, 1922 the first Village Commission meeting was at the Wilcox residence, which by that time had been leased by the Township of Royal Oak for township offices.

On January 30 Commissioners were first named to department posts. On this date Edward Walker was appointed Assessor at remuneration of \$1.25 per hour.

Routine Commission meetings were held on February 6, 8, 20 and 28
March 6 and 20
April 3, 4
May 1

On May 8, 1922 the Village Commission offered a reward of \$250.00 for information leading to the arrest of the poisoner of a number of dogs in the Village.

On May 15, 1922 \$250.00 was appropriated for spraying puddles, holes and swamps to eliminate mosquitoes. On this date a weed cutting ordinance was adopted requiring property owners to cut weeds on their property.

Routine meeting was held on May 23, on June 5 and June 22. Street signs were ordered and decision was made to hire a Village Manager.

On June 12, 1922 Mr. G. L. Wessinger was hired as first Village Manager at a salary of \$150.00 per month.

Routine meeting was held on June 19.

On July 3, 1922 the Village Commission adopted its traffic ordinance and adopted an ordinance providing for tapping of water mains.

On July 10, 1922 the Village Commission purchased the first piece of automotive equipment - a Ford runabout.

On July 24, 1922 petition was presented for the construction of lateral sewers west of Ridge Road and the Village Commission ordered the engineer to prepare plans and estimates.

On August 7, 1922 rubbish collection ordinance was adopted.

On August 14, 1922 petition was received for sewers east of Woodward and the engineer ordered to prepare plans and specifications.

On September 5, 1922 the resignation of Police Officer Mathieson was received.

On September 6, 1922 resolution was adopted deciding to join with the City of Ferndale to secure a supply of water from the City of Detroit, with water main to be constructed on Livernois from the Eight Mile Road to the south limits of Pleasant Ridge and with \$30,000.00 as Pleasant Ridge's share of the cost of this joint main.

Election was held September 30, 1922 to vote on \$30,000.00 bond issue which received voter approval of 71 to 2.

On September 6, 1922 Ray E. Dunbar was hired Village Policeman at salary of \$125.00 per month.

On October 2 Village Commission authorized publication of the Commission minutes in the Ferndale Gazette.

On October 16, 1922 tree spraying and trimming was authorized.

On October 23, 1922 the Pleasant Ridge Country Club was granted free water for the purpose of preparation of an ice skating rink. At this meeting discussion was held regarding proposed platting of Wilcox property between Woodward and Ridge Road along the Pleasant Ridge south boundary by the Gillespie Land Company.

Routine meetings were held October 30
November 6, 13 and 20.

On December 4, 1922 Village Commission agreed to rent quarters in the Wilcox house from the township at a monthly rental of \$28.00 including Janitor services.

On December 11, 1922 the City Manager was appointed Acting Chief of Police and on this date a uniform width of 48 feet was established for Ridge Road, with excess widths at various points along the road vacated beyond the width of 48 feet.

Routine meetings were held January 2, and 5, 1923.

On January 8, 1923 the new Village Commission took office as follows:

President - A. B. Struthers

Commissioners:

Edward Walker
Walter Gahrke
William Hazelton
and
John Zimmerman

Clerk: Otto C. Keil

Treasurer: John H. Berk

Routine meeting was held February 5, 1923.

On February 20, 1923 the Village Commission decided to change arrangements for fire protection from Royal Oak to Ferndale.

Routine meeting was held March 5, 1923.

On March 19, 1923 contract was awarded for construction of all sewers east of Woodward Avenue at a low bid quotation of \$156,446.30.

On March 26 a budget of \$33,418.70 was adopted.

On April 2, 1923 the first charter amendment was proposed with vote thereon to be held June 9, 1923. The amendment was for the purpose of making special assessment bonds, also contingent obligations of the City. At this meeting the Village Manager was instructed to have a plumbing code prepared.

Routine meetings were held April 17
May 7, 21, 1923.

By the meeting of June 4, 1923, the Village had 2 police officers.

On June 11, 1923 the report was received by the Commission that Charter amendment relative to special assessment bonds had been approved by a vote of 32 to 13.

Routine meetings were held July 2 and 16.

On July 30, 1923 joint meeting was held with the Ferndale Commission in the interest of expediting construction of the Campbell Road drain - county drain.

On August 6, 1923 bids were received for construction of sewers west of Ridge Road, the low bid of \$45,798.40 being awarded to the low bidding contractor.

Routine meetings were held August 6 and 8.

On September 4, 1923 a \$30,000.00 water extension bond issue was initiated, with election to be held October 1923.

Routine meeting was held September 19.

On October 1, 1923 discussion was held on the advisability of the Village undertaking installation of water connections from the water mains into the homes.

On October 15, 1923 report was received that water bond issue of \$30,000.00 had been approved by 27 to 6. The Village Commission at this time took action to require that all water services be installed by the Village.

On October 29, 1923 the Village Commission authorized a water pump to be inserted in the 10 inch water main at the south boundary of Pleasant Ridge to increase water pressure in the Village.

November 5, 1923 was a routine meeting.

November 12, 1923 the Village Commission authorized the purchase and installation of sewer pumps for the east side and west side sewer systems.

On December 3, 1923 a routine meeting was held.

On December 10, 1923 a new Village Commission was elected.

I. B. Struthers - President

Commissioners:

John A. Cottrell
C. P. Mies
John Zimmerman
Frank Plass

Clerk:

Otto C. Keil

Treasurer:

Edna M. Melpass

Routine meeting was held on December 20, 1923 and January 7, 1924.

On February 1924 salary of Village Manager was fixed at \$3,000.00 per year.

Budget was approved in the amount of \$44,544.65.

At a meeting held on March 3, 1924 the Village Commission received plans from the Telephone Company for extension of telephone service throughout the Village. Mr. Klebba and Mr. Draft, residents of area immediately west of Pleasant Ridge were present to discuss with the Village Commission the possibility of Pleasant Ridge annexing territory immediately west of Pleasant Ridge. No action was taken. As of this date Pleasant Ridge had a police force of three men. Plans were submitted for the new municipal building. It is believed that these plans were prepared by Mr. Arthur Cram, a resident living on West Ten Mile Road. No action was taken on these plans.

At a meeting on March 31, 1924 Mr. Klebba and Mr. Raine appeared before the Commission regarding the annexation proposed at the March 3 meeting.

On April 27, 1924 the Village Commission took action to purchase a road grader.

On April 28, 1924 the Village Commission received from the Pleasant Ridge Country Club the gift of a gavel in recognition of the Commission's good work.

Routine meeting was held on May 5, 1924.

On May 19, 1924 bids were received for central sewers - that is sewers extending from Woodward Avenue west to Ridge Road. Low bid of \$46,034.72 was received and accepted. At this meeting proceedings were initiated for Hanover Road gravelling.

Routine meeting was held June 2, 1924.

On June 16, 1924 proceedings were taken for a \$27,000.00 water extension bond issue and for securing voters' approval on transfer of \$6,500.00 surplus trunk sewer funds for purchase of Lot No. 208 - Stevenson Barber Subdivision as a site for Village equipment building.

On June 30, 1924 the Village Commission approved the first subdivision plat received since Village incorporation. The plat was that of Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision and Pleasant Ridge Land Company addition No. 1.

Routine meeting was held July 7, 1924.

On July 21, 1924 report was received on approval of fund transfer for acquirement of city warehouse site by vote of 77 to 24, and approval of \$27,000.00 water bond issue by vote of 91 to 12.

A meeting on July 28, 1924 Police Officer Ray Dunbar resigned.

On August 4, 1924 routine meeting was held.

On August 18, 1924 Blakely was employed as Police Officer.

On September 2, 1924 motion was made to approve purchase of the north 60 ft. of Lot 320 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision for Village warehouse site.

At meeting on September 15, 1924 authorization was given for construction of police booth on property to be later determined.

Routine meetings were held on October 6 and 27
November 3 and 17 and 24, 1924.

At meeting on December 1, 1924 initial overtures were made regarding extension of Livernois through Pleasant Ridge, through inter-municipal meeting to be held at the Statler Hotel.

On December 8, 1924 the new Village Commission took office:

President -	Walter Gehrke
Commissioners:	John E. Cottrell Louis F. Pickelman Arthur G. Finn C. P. Mies
Clerk:	Otto C. Keil
Treasurer:	Edna M. Malpass

Routine meetings were held December 22 and 23, 1924.

At meeting on January 12, 1925 the first permanent paving petitions were received for the following streets:

Oxford
Cambridge
Oakland Park and
Elm Park

Routine meetings were held January 26 and February 2, 1925.

On February 16, 1925 street lighting for Woodward Avenue and Main Streets were approved.

At meeting on March 2, 1925 Police Officer Carroll resigned and Police Officer Wm. Brown was appointed at salary of \$150.00 per month. The Commission took action to approve the Detroit system of assessing for the Village. Budget was submitted and approved in the amount of \$53,199.75. The Commission ordered construction of sidewalks on Indiana, the east side of Ridge Road and on Oxford and Cambridge Blvds.

At meeting March 16, 1925 ordinance was adopted requiring the construction of sewer and water risers from the mains to the property line prior to any permanent street improvements. This work was to be undertaken by the Village forces.

Routine meeting was held April 6, 1925.

On April 20, 1925 paving bids were received for Oxford and Cambridge and awards made. Petition was received for construction of curb and gravel street improvement on Oakdale Boulevard. The Village Manager was instructed to prepare estimates of cost.

On May 4, 1925 Charles G. Kibby was appointed Assessor.

On May 18, 1925 proposal was received and disapproved for creating a railroad crossing at the east end of Amherst Road. Commissioner Mies resigned at this meeting and Robert H. Crooker was appointed Commissioner.

At meeting on June 8, 1925 the assessment roll was presented with total assessed valuation \$3,316,781.00.

At meeting on June 15, 1925 petition was received and proceedings commenced for paving of Poplar Park Boulevard. Petition was received and proceedings commenced for curb and gravel street improvement on Norwich Road.

On June 29, 1925 routine meeting was held.

On July 6, 1925 employment of two new police officers was authorized.

At meeting July 27, 1925 Elm and Oakland Park paving bids were received and contracts awarded. Report was received on approval by the voters of \$32,000.00 bond issue for City's share of permanent street improvements voted upon at election of July 25, 1925.

At meeting on August 3, 1925 Robert H. Crooker was appointed President Protem.

A routine meeting was held on August 10, 1925.

On August 24, 1925 contract was approved with Detroit Edison Company for installation of Boulevard Street lights on Woodward Avenue. Authorization was given for the purchase of concrete mixer and curb forms for Village construction program.

Routine meeting was held on September 8, 1925.

At meeting on September 21, 1925 the Village Attorney was instructed to prepare a Village zoning ordinance.

Routine meeting October 5, 1925.

At meeting November 2, 1925 Gail L. Wessinger's resignation as Village Manager was submitted, effective December 31, 1925. At this meeting procedure was commenced for Amherst Road paving. At this meeting purchase of snow plow was authorized.

On November 16, 1925 the Village Commission inaugurated regular garbage collection throughout the Village. Ashton J. Berst was hired as Village Manager at \$2,700.00 per year.

At meeting December 7, 1925 purchase of street signs was authorized. Authorization was given for purchase of garbage truck. Action was taken to initiate procedure for construction of Woodward Avenue sidewalks. Authorization was given to Commissioner Finn and Manager Berst to attend the Road Show in Chicago.

On December 14, 1925 the new Village Commission took effect.

President -	Walter Gehrke
Commissioners:	Robert H. Crooker Neil I. McArthur Arthur G. Finn Louis F. Pickelmann
Clerk:	Otto C. Keil
Treasurer:	Edna M. Malpass

Petition was received for curb and gravel on Devonshire Road and proceedings commenced. C. Frederic Stanton was engaged as Village Attorney at remuneration of \$10.00 per meeting.

On January 4, 1926 the subject of gas service to the Village was discussed, with question raised as to the practicability of securing gas through Detroit City Gas Company.

Routine meeting was held on January 11, 1926.

On January 25, 1926 budget in the amount of \$69,141.05 was presented and approved.

At meeting on February 8, 1926 the Village Manager was instructed to attend meeting at the Department of Conservation in Lansing to discuss the problem of sewage disposal. Action was taken to set the Treasurer's salary at \$35.00 per month. Action was taken to establish Detroit numbering system for Woodward Avenue properties.

Routine meeting was held March 1, 1926.

At a meeting on March 19, 1926 program of tree planting was discussed and purchase authorized for a portion of the trees to be planted.

At a meeting April 5, 1926 notice was received from the County Health Department of elimination of requirement of septic tanks east of Ridge Road. Letter was received from George Hartrick requesting municipal representation at meeting to discuss consolidation of the communities in Royal Oak township into a single city. The Village President is to appoint three representatives to attend this meeting. The name of Ohio Avenue was changed to Cambridge Boulevard.

At meeting on April 19, 1926 contract was negotiated with John Engleberts covering the furnishing and planting of 400 2" to 3" diameter elm trees. Action was taken to authorize the printing of Village Commission minutes in the Royal Oak Tribune.

On April 29, 1926 the Michigan Inspection Bureau was appointed as official electric inspector for the Village.

Routine meeting was held May 3, 1926.

On May 17, 1926 paving petition was received for Kensington Boulevard and proceedings commenced. Action was taken to establish salary scale for Police Department.

Starting salary	\$1,800.00
After 6 months	1,950.00
At end of one year	2,100.00
At end of two years	2,200.00 maximum.

At meeting on May 24, 1926 request was received from School Superintendent, Edgar Down, for Village to contribute to budget of Recreation Commission. Action was deferred until the following year. Assessment roll was presented at this meeting with total assessed valuation of \$4,476,301.00.

On June 7, 1926 Kensington Boulevard plans and specifications for street improvement were presented and proceedings initiated. At this meeting special assessment roll was presented and approved for Devonshire street improvement. At this meeting improvement of Woodside Park Boulevard was petitioned for and proceedings initiated. The Village Manager was instructed to correspond with owners of all garage homes in the Village notifying each of plans to condemn these homes.

On June 21, 1926 petition was received and proceedings negotiated for Claudelia (Wellesley) paving. The Village Manager's salary was increased to \$3,000.00 per year.

On July 6, 1926 notice was received from the Sheriff's Department of dog quarantine to be put into effect for the month of August due to the prevalence of rabies.

At a meeting on July 26, 1926 paving bids were received for Kensington paving and contract awarded in the amount of \$20,467.20 to R. D. Baker Company. Authorization was given for the purchase of fifteen tons of calcium chloride for free application upon streets for dust laying.

At a meeting on August 2, 1926 proceedings were taken for initiating construction of sidewalks on the east and west sides of Woodward Avenue. Petition was received for the change of name of Virgil Rose Avenue to Amherst Road.

On September 7, 1926 Wellesley paving bids were received and contracts awarded to R. D. Baker Company in the amount of \$21,932.75. Action was taken to change the name of Claudelia Avenue to Wellesley Drive and Virgil Rose Avenue to Amherst Road. Petition was received for the improvement of Kenberton Road by curb and gravel construction. Petition was received for the paving of Maywood Avenue and proceedings initiated.

At a meeting September 20, 1926 proceedings were taken for widening Ridge Road pavement to 26 feet by addition of 3 ft strips and curbing on each side of center pavement to be constructed to 20 foot width by the County. At this meeting petition was received and proceedings commenced for Hanover Road curb and gravel.

At meeting on October 4, 1926 petition was received and proceedings commenced for curb and gravel street improvement on Norwich Road.

Routine meetings were held on October 18 and November 1, 1926.

On November 5, 1926 action was taken to authorize purchase of \$75,000.00 of Royal Oak Township bonds as investment for surplus funds of the Village.

On November 15, 1926 proposed zoning ordinance was discussed.

Routine meeting was held on November 26, 1926.

On December 2, 1926 a number of residents from Maywood Avenue were present to submit complaint regarding blind pig, etc. operation on Maywood Avenue.

On December 7, 1926 Village zoning ordinance was adopted.

On December 13, 1926 new Village Commission took office:

President -	Louis F. Pickelmann
Commissioners:	Gail L. Wessinger Arthur G. Finn Robert H. Crooker Neil I. McArthur
Clerk:	Otto C. Keil
Treasurer:	Ruth E. Ek

At a meeting on January 11, 1927 the Commission authorized a testimonial dinner to be arranged for retiring Village President - Walter Gehrke.

On February 7, 1927 budget in the amount of \$72,050.22 was submitted and approved. At this meeting the first Village bulletins were authorized to be issued. Action was taken to appoint Lincoln Walker as Village Assessor.

At a meeting on February 25, 1927 Dr. Willard G. Beattie was appointed Health Officer at \$300.00 per year.

Routine meeting was held March 7, 1927.

On March 14, 1927 approval was given to purchase and furnish black dirt for flower and shrubbery beds on Oakdale Boulevard as requested by Oakdale Boulevard Improvement Association. Action was taken to authorize the purchase and installation of traffic signals on Ridge Road.

At a meeting on April 4, 1927 Arthur Ritter was appointed Assessor. At this meeting Commissioner McArthur resigned and Harry D. Chapman was appointed Commissioner. Kenberton street improvement proceedings were initiated. Maywood paving proceedings were initiated.

On April 11, 1927 routine meeting was held.

On April 25, 1927 consideration was first given to resubdivision of the rear ends of corner lots of Oakdale Boulevard to provide additional building sites.

At a meeting on May 2, 1927 Hanover street improvement proceedings were initiated. Proposal was received with respect to re-plat of portion of Oakland Park Subdivision into Wilcox Subdivision. Curtiss Cameron was appointed Assessor.

On May 16, 1927 routine meeting was held.

On May 31, 1927 proceedings were initiated for curb and gravel improvement of Kenberton Road.

On June 6, 1927 Mary O'Brien was committed to mental institution following complaint of Kensington neighbors. At this meeting proceedings were initiated for the improvement of West Cambridge Boulevard by curb and gravel.

On June 14, 1927 proceedings were initiated for a \$13,000.00 bond issue to be voted upon July 9, 1927, for Village's share of permanent street improvement. Action was taken to tentatively improve Wilcox Subdivision plat.

On July 5, 1927 action was taken to extend Kenberton Road and Cambridge Boulevard westerly to Warner Avenue (Maplefield Road) by acquisition and dedication of intervening lots.

July 7, 1927 Eldridge death.

On July 11, 1927 \$13,000.00 highway bond issue approved 27 to 12.

On July 19, 1927 bids were received for sewers on Warner Avenue (Maplefield Road) Low bid awarded to Thomas D. Nolan at \$11,630.15.

On July 24, 1927 Wilcox Subdivision plat was approved.

Routine meetings were held August 1 and August 15, 1927.

On August 24, 1927 report was received on special Village census in prospect of incorporation of the Village as a City. The census showed 2297 residents. Discussion was held of proposed Royal Oak Township water bond issue of \$380,000.00 in which Pleasant Ridge as a Village would be required to participate even though Pleasant Ridge had constructed and solely financed its own water system. Further discussion of proposed City incorporation.

Routine meeting was held on August 27, 1927.

As of meeting September 6, 1927 Pleasant Ridge had four police officers.

Routine meeting was held October 3, 1927.

On October 12, 1927 contract was approved with the City of Royal Oak for right-of-way for construction of 48" water main on Woodward Avenue north to Ten Mile Road.

On October 17, 1927 several Oakdale Boulevard lot re-subdivisions were approved. Proceedings were initiated for construction of sewer along the east side of Woodward Avenue to serve Hedge's Wigwam. Petition was received for City incorporation, - election to be held December 5, 1927.

Routine meeting held November 6, 1927,
December 5 and 12, 1927.

New Village Commission:

President -	Louis F. Pickelmann
Commissioners:	Crooker Chapman Finn Wessinger
Clerk:	Otto C. Keil
Treasurer:	Ruth E. Ek

Report was received on approval of City incorporation by vote of 173 to 30. Report was received on the election of the following charter commissioners for drafting City charter:

William J. Schnitker
Russel W. Symes
A. B. Struthers
Francis Farley
James H. Lobban
Louis M. White
Walter Gehrke
August Seefeld
Dean M. Sharp

Routine meetings were held December 12 and 28, 1927 and January 9, 1928.

At meeting on January 17, 1928 question was raised regarding future City offices, and consideration was given to the Village renting the entire Wilcox house and sub-renting un-needed portions. The building will have to be vacated by the Township immediately after incorporation of the Village as a City.

John Grant was appointed Assessor.
Willard G. Beattie was appointed Health Officer.

Salary of City Manager was set at \$4,000.00 per year.

On January 28, 1928 proposal was received from Ferndale to increase charge for fire protection to \$2,400.00 per year.

On February 6, 1928 resolution was adopted urging the City of Detroit to extend street car service along Woodward Avenue into Royal Oak. Action was taken to approve Ferndale fire charge of \$2,400.00 per year. Budget was submitted and approved in the amount of \$75,070.43.

Routine meeting was held February 21, 1928.

On March 7, 1928 a committee from the Royal Oak Commission attended the Village Commission meeting with regard to widening Main Street to correspond with wider Main Street in Royal Oak. Emerson Brown was awarded contract for spraying trees in the amount of \$300.00.

On March 20, 1928 Warner Avenue property owners were present regarding possible re-subdivision and re-restricting to encourage development of the street. Action was taken by Village Commission to lease quarters at 23904 Woodward Avenue for \$100.00 per month for City offices. Action was taken to contract garbage collection for the Village with Perley Carr.

On April 2, 1928 petition was received and proceedings initiated for curb and gravel street improvement on Sylvan Avenue.

On April 5, 1928 the first meeting of the City Commission was held.

Mayor -	Robert H. Crooker
Commissioners:	Harry D. Chapman
	Gale L. Wessinger
	Neil I. McArthur
	Jas. H. Lobban
Treasurer:	Ruth Ek
Clerk:	Otto C. Keil
Justice of the Peace:	Louis F. Pickelmann
Constable:	Emil L. Pfeiffer

Re-registration of electors for City was authorized.

At meeting on April 10, 1928 James H. Lobban and John Grant were appointed County Supervisors.

As of April 16, 1928 meeting the City had a police department of five policemen. Order was issued to Roy Hedge to remove old barbeque stand immediately south of new Hedge's Wigwam. Action was taken to appoint Walter Gehrke as County Supervisor.

At a meeting on May 1, 1928 resolution was received from the School Board requesting collection of school taxes coincident with City taxes in the summer. Petition was received from Mrs. M. P. Cooper regarding use of property at the southwest corner of Ten Mile and Woodward for a Tea Room. Hearing to be held. Action was taken to appoint Claude H. Stevens as City Attorney on fee basis. Resolution of protest was directed to the Royal Oak Commission with regard to proposed flashing sign to be installed on elevated water tower. Proceedings were taken for Sylvan Avenue curb and gravel street improvement.

At a meeting on May 8, 1928 request was received from City Health Officer for increase in compensation. Justice of Peace recommended flat fee for J. of P. Petitions were received for paving from Fairwood Boulevard and proceedings initiated. Petition was received for street improvement on Kenberton Road and proceedings initiated.

At meeting May 29, 1928 charter amendment proceedings were initiated relative to construction of underground facilities (risers) preceding undertaking of street improvements. Proceedings were initiated for bond issue to be voted upon by the people in the amount of \$15,000.00 for City's share of permanent street improvement with election to be held July 2, 1928. Letter was received from the Oakland County Sheriff's department authorizing shooting of unmuzzled dogs running at large and approval was given by City Commission, with notice to be given to residents. The City Manager was authorized to undertake the improvement of Sylvan Avenue by curb and gravel with City forces. Also, to undertake the construction of sewer and water risers on this street preceding street improvement.

On June 12, 1928 proceedings were taken for paving of Millington Road.

On June 27, 1928 resignation was received from Policeman John McQuater.

On July 3, 1928 report was received on approval of \$15,000.00 water extension bond issue by vote of 64 to 9, and approval of charter amendment by vote of 67 to 4.

At meeting on July 10, 1928 Oral V. Wilson was appointed Policeman.

Routine meetings were held July 26 and 30 and
August 7, 1928.

On August 13, 1928 proceedings were initiated for the paving of Main Street.

Routine meeting was held September 11, 1928.

On October 9, 1928 charter amendment was initiated to make the position of Treasurer appointive rather than elective, with election to be held on this matter November 6, 1928.

On October 17, 1928 the Commission ordered the Oakdale Boulevard curb and gravel improvement undertaken by City forces.

On November 1, 1928 Otto C. Keil submitted his resignation as City Clerk, and Ernest H. Fletcher was appointed City Clerk.

On November 7, 1928 report was received on approval of Treasurer charter amendment by vote of 743 to 199. Ruth E. Ek was appointed City Treasurer at \$75.00 per month. Action was taken authorizing purchase and installation of traffic signals at Sylvan Avenue and Woodward Avenue intersection.

On December 18, 1928 Effie Watt was hired to temporarily replace Martha M. Schmalz on an extended leave of absence.

On January 17, 1929 routine meeting was held.

On February 12, 1929 the salary of the Village Manager was increased to \$4,500.00.

Routine meetings were held on February 19, 1929.

At meeting on March 5, 1929 proposal was initiated for \$5,000.00 bond issue for equipment building addition to be voted on at election April 1, 1929.

On March 12, 1929 Woodland Court street improvement petition was received and proceedings initiated.

On March 26, 1929 Staff Re-plat was approved. Discussion was held regarding proposed removal of poplar trees on Poplar Park Boulevard.

At meeting on April 2, 1929 the new Commission took office:

Mayor -	Robert H. Crooker
Commissioners:	Mc/rthur Chapman Lobban Wessinger
Justice of Peace:	C. Frederic Stanton
City Clerk:	Ernest H. Fletcher

Action was taken to order removal of poplar trees on Poplar Park Boulevard.

April 16, 1929 action was taken to change name of New Hampshire Avenue to Ten Mile Road.

At meeting on April 23, 1929 action was taken ordering the suspending of girdling of poplar trees on Poplar Park Boulevard.

On May 7, 1929 budget was submitted and approved in the amount of \$75,000.00.

On May 28 and June 11, 1929 routine commission meetings were held..

On June 28, 1929 Miller Bailey was engaged as Auditors.

Routine meeting held July 5, 1929.

On August 13, 1929 Addie Maday was present complaining of unfairness created by creation of Lot 27 Staff Subdivision. The Commission authorized securing of bids for removal of poplar trees.

On August 26, 1929 bid was received from Emil Olin in the amount of \$810.00 for the removal of 40 poplar trees on Poplar Park Boulevard.

On September 10, 1929 Charles E. Stephens was appointed Chief of Police.

On October 8, 1929 the Commission ordered Bermuda Avenue sidewalks constructed.

Routine meetings were held on October 22,
November 12, and 26, 1929.

On December 3, 1929 discussion was held on arrest of Chief of Police Stephens by Co. Prosecutor.

On December 5, 1929 Stephens arrest was further discussed.

On December 10, 1929 petition was received from 51 residents with respect to the Stephens case, requesting that the matter be referred to Governor Green for removal of Co. Prosecutor. Discussion was held regarding expenditure of \$500.00 for construction of new police booth.

Routine meetings were held on January 7, 14 and 21, 1930.

On January 22, 1930 final disposition of the Stephens case petition was taken.

On February 11, 1930 Police Lieutenant William Brown resigned.

On March 11, 1930 estimate of \$5,556.58 for City warehouse addition was received and approved, and proposal was initiated for \$6,000.00 bond issue for warehouse addition to be voted on at April 7, 1930 election.

The new Commission took office - meeting April 8, 1930.

Mayor -	Crooker
Commissioners:	Wessinger Chapman Lobban McArthur
Constable:	Lloyd D. Horner

The bond issue of \$6,000.00 for warehouse addition was defeated by vote of 266 to 324. Action was taken awarding contract for tree spraying to Charles Olin for \$660.00.

On April 14, 1930 Grant and Gehrke were appointed Supervisors, and Grant was appointed Assessor.

Routine meetings were held April 22, 1930 and
May 2, 1930.

On May 10, 1930 negotiations were entered into with the City of Royal Oak to secure water from the North Woodward Avenue Water System.

On May 12, 1930 approval of securing temporary water connection from Royal Oak was received.

On May 13, 1930 proceedings were initiated relative to widening Warner Avenue right-of-way.

On May 20, 1930 budget was received and approved in the amount of \$75,000.00.

Routine meeting was held on May 27, 1930.

On June 10, 1930 the City Manager presented final draft of contract with Royal Oak for water connection with North Woodward Avenue Water System.

On July 8, 1930 the Commission ordered vacant garage home in dangerous condition, located on Lot 11 Oakland Park addition, on Elm Park, boarded up.

On August 12, 1930 Royal Oak water contract was approved. At this meeting Dr. A. J. Seaborn was appointed Health Officer at \$25.00 per month.

Routine meeting was held September 10, 1930.

On October 7, 1930 \$150.00 was appropriated for use by inter-municipal committee for registering and seeking employment for unemployed. Letter was received from the Woman's Civic Club offering to register unemployed. City decided to undertake this registration with its own employees.

Routine meeting was held November 11, 1930.

On November 26, 1930 a bank loan of \$10,000.00 for 30 days at 6 % was authorized in view of heavy tax delinquency.

On December 9, 1930 private sale of Warner Avenue bonds was authorized in view of the fact that no public bids had been received.

On January 13, 1931 sale of Warner Avenue bonds to Francis D. Lobban and to Fidelity Trust Company of Detroit at 6 % interest was authorized.

On February 10, 1931 action was taken to abandon proposed \$10,000.00 borrowing as unnecessary.

On February 24, 1931 John Grant resigned as Supervisor.

On March 3, 10 and 17, 1931 routine meetings were held.

On March 28, 1931 Bank trouble arose, with 90 day clause invoked on savings accounts by State Savings Bank of Royal Oak. Surety bond was cancelled.

On April 7, 1931 a \$12,000.00 loan from First National Bank of Detroit was authorized and City Treasurer was authorized to establish City bank account at Woodward branch of the First National Bank.

On April 13, 1931 the new City Commission took office:

Mayor -	James H. Lobban
Commissioners:	Edward J. Gutsche
	Thomas C. Morgan
	Harry D. Chapman - Mayor Protem
	Gail L. Wessinger
Constable:	Frank Eichen

Proposal was received from the City of Ferndale to increase fire protection charge from \$2,400.00 to \$3,600.00 per year.

On May 12, 1931 notice was received of failure of American State Bank of Ferndale. The City had on deposit at the time of closing \$23,625.31. Settlement with Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland (Surety Company) for \$15,500.00 was authorized. Letter and resolution was received from Oakland Wayne Super-Highway Commission regarding Livernois opening. Opposing resolution was adopted by City Commission.

At meeting on May 19, 1931 budget of \$73,000.00 was received and approved.

At meeting on May 27, 1931 resolution was adopted pledging Pleasant Ridge participation in any loss sustained by the City of Royal Oak in the purchase of Eastern Michigan Railway tracks, overhead lines, etc. for \$12,200.00 for extension of streetcar service into Royal Oak.

Routine meeting was held June 9, 1931.

On June 16, 1931 resolution was adopted submitting complaint to Detroit Water Board on double water rates being charged suburban municipalities. This resolution was in accordance with inter-municipal action taken at that time. The Commission authorized notes bearing 5 % interest to be tendered to the sinking fund in lieu of cash.

On July 7, and August 11, 1931 routine meetings were held.

On August 12, 1931 the Commission authorized suit against the Great American Indemnity Company of New York with respect to \$80,000.00 depository bond. Action was taken authorizing \$20,000.00 loan from the First National Bank of Detroit. Action was taken with respect to closing of alley between Devonshire Road and Wellesley Drive, east of Indiana.

Routine meetings September 8 and 29, 1931.

At meeting on October 13, 1931 Commissioner Chapman resigned and H. A. Stevenson was appointed Commissioner.

On October 21, 1931 meeting was held with Royal Oak Township board with regard to township settlement required following City incorporation. Action was taken to appoint Gail L. Wessinger as Mayor Protem.

On November 10, 1931 action was taken with respect to refunding of maturing special assessment bonds.

Routine meetings were held November 24 and
December 9, 1931.

On December 23, 1931 a \$10,000.00 loan from the First National Bank at 5 % was negotiated.

On January 12, 1932 discussion was had in regard to poor relief being transferred to the City by the County as a responsibility of the City, effective January 1, 1933. Means of financing the same were discussed. A \$10,000.00 loan from the First Wayne National Bank at 5½ % was approved.

On January 20, 1932 discussion was held regarding ways and means to curtailing operating expenses. This discussion also extended into meeting January 22, 1932.

On January 26, 1932 resolution was adopted reducing office and police salaries 15 %, dismissing Chief of Police, making City Manager Chief of Police, reduction in Woodward and Main Street lighting by 50 %, and labor payroll reduction from 55 cents to 45 cents per hour. The City Clerk offered voluntarily 15 % reduction in his salary. The Mayor and Commissioners voluntarily donated services until the City's cash position improves.

On February 9, 1932 John Grant resigned as Assessor and Supervisor.

On March 1, 1932 Perley Carr's bid for garbage collection at \$100.00 per month was approved. Offer was received from the Justice of Peace to donate part of his remuneration back to City. Further refunding of special assessment bonds was undertaken.

A. B. Struthers was appointed Assessor at \$20.00 per month.

H. A. Stevenson was appointed County Supervisor.

On March 8, 1932 note was authorized to the Detroit Edison Company in lieu of payment of power bill. City Manager appointed Chief of Police.

On April 5, 1932 the new Commission took office.

Mayor -	Lobban
Commissioners:	
	Stevenson
Raymond G.	Hitchcock
Edward	Gutsche
Thomas C.	Morgan
Constable:	Eichen

On April 11, 1932 special assessment refunding bonds were sold to the Pleasant Ridge Sinking Fund at 5 %.

On April 19, 1932 a number of citizens present protested proposed airport at Ten Mile Road and Coolidge. Gehrke resigned as Supervisor and Wessinger appointed Supervisor.

On Meeting on May 10, 1932 - routine.

On May 16, 1932 budget was received and approved in the amount of \$73,000.00. Bank loan resolutions against 1929, 1930 and 1931 taxes in the amount of \$24,189.67 was adopted.

On May 26, 1932 new City zoning ordinance was adopted.

On June 7, 1932 further special assessment refunding procedure was initiated.

On June 21, 1932 no bids were received on tax anticipation notes in the amount of \$15,017.01 and these notes were purchased by Sinking Fund at 5 % interest rate.

On June 27, 1932 the City Commission voluntarily sets its salaries at 20 % below charter provision.

On July 12, 1932 action was taken to discontinue publication of minutes and monthly bulletins were authorized to be issued as a substitute.

Routine meeting held on July 16, 1932.

On August 9, 1932 negotiations were authorized with the Michigan Municipal Advisory Council for refunding \$30,000.00 general obligation bonds maturing October 1, 1932.

On September 2, 1932 report was received on inter-municipal meeting with County Drain Commissioner relative to proposed litigation to invalidate 26 districts drain assessments due to legal defect. Bank loan of \$7,139.95 against 1931 taxes was authorized.

On September 14, 1932 proposal was made by Commissioner Hitchcock that City offices, Justice Court and Police be moved to the City warehouse as an economy measure. Resolution was adopted for refund \$30,000.00 general obligation water bonds due October 1, 1932.

At meeting on October 11, 1932 report was submitted on cost estimate of \$1,553.00 for remodeling warehouse building for office use. Authorization was given to proceed.

At meeting on October 4, 1932 a number of citizens of Amherst Road were present to protest the office re-location. Motion was adopted to reconsider prior action and hold an open meeting at Roosevelt School to discuss this matter.

On November 1, 1932 meeting was held at Roosevelt School and former action to move City offices was rescinded after very hot discussion.

On November 9, 1932 motion was made to approve \$85.00 contribution to Southern Oakland County Employment Bureau. Motion was made to sign lease with landlord for two years for rent equal to total taxes against building. Resolution was adopted relative to township settlement. City Manager requested to prepare policy resolution relative to welfare work to be commenced by City January 1, 1933.

At a meeting December 13, 1932 resolution was adopted requesting the Governor to attempt to secure for the City a \$500.00 loan from Reconstruction Finance Corporation to supplement City funds for poor relief from December 31, 1932 to February 28, 1933, this \$500.00 to be a loan to be repaid.

On December 30, 1932 resolution authorized the Receiver of the State Savings Bank of Royal Oak to pay 5 % dividend to all creditors and to pay in full the deposits of school children in school savings accounts. Resolutions were adopted with respect to further special assessment bond refunding. Policy resolution was adopted as follows regarding relief administration by the City.

1. Purchases to be made by Welfare Director.
2. Food through food orders on stores rather than through municipal commissary.
3. Fuel through local dealers.
4. Necessary clothing to be secured through donations from all sources before resorting to municipal purchases.
5. City to assume no gas or electrical bills.
6. Arrangements for hospitalization as appear most practical to Welfare Director.
7. City responsible for only such medical service expense as rendered on sanction of Welfare Director and rendered by Physician designated for Welfare cases.
8. City responsible for no private debts contracted by individuals.
9. Individuals required to work out welfare relief on hourly rate with City Public Works Department.

The City Manager was appointed Welfare Director. Health Officer Seaborn was appointed Welfare Medical Officer.

On January 10, 1933 action was taken to pay maturing general obligation bonds with 30 % in cash and 70 % in refunding bonds.

On February 7, 1933 resolution was adopted relative to \$250.00 per month loan by State of R. F. C. funds. Immediately after this meeting, Bank holiday closed all banks.

Routine meeting was held on February 20, 1933.

On March 7, 1933 action was taken on further special assessment refunding. The City Attorney was instructed to handle the M. P. Cooper zoning violation by litigation.

On March 10, 1933 resolution was adopted on loan of R. F. C. funds of \$414.00 for the month of March 1933. Action was taken to designate the Guardian Bank of Royal Oak as City depository. No depository bond because no depository bonds available. Cash disbursements for welfare by City Manager of \$216.35 approved. The Manager submitted a report on necessity of immediate action to control expenses. Funds tied up in First National Bank of Detroit. Resolution adopted suspending all remuneration to employees effective March 16, 1933. City Manager to submit new schedule of salaries and wages for Commission's consideration. Treasurer authorized to pay 25 % cash on payrolls of February 16, 1933 to March 15, 1933.

At meeting March 28, 1933 resolution was adopted reducing pay of all employees an additional 25 % over 15 % reduction put in effect January 26, 1932. Resolution was adopted relative to borrowing \$30,400.00 against delinquent taxes.

On April 4, 1933 the new Commission took effect.

Mayor -	Ernest H. Fletcher
Commissioners:	Delbert R. Robertson James S. Whitcomb Hitchcock Stevenson (as Mayor Protem)
Clerk:	Paul W. Eaton
Justice of Peace:	C. F. Stanton
Constable:	Eichen

Resolution adopted relative to borrowing \$10,000.00 against 1933 taxes.

On April 10, 1933 the Attorney was instructed to file claim against Maryland Casualty Company with respect to deposits at First National Bank of Detroit. The Treasurer was instructed to keep funds of no more than \$1,000.00 in Guardian Bank of Royal Oak and any amounts over that in bank safety deposit box. No surety bond available. Resolution adopted authorizing only two - one of which to be either Manager or Treasurer or four persons (Mayor, Manager, Clerk, Treasurer) to have access to safety deposit box. Report from City Manager on favorable decision on Cooper case by Circuit Court.

On April 18, 1933 request from Roy Hedge for two months to pay delinquent water bills amounting to \$647.39. Approved. Action taken that future interest on outstanding bonds be paid at the City office because bank designated as being paying agent had closed. Clerk instructed to use his best efforts to obtain list of owners of outstanding city Bonds. Approval given of depository security arrangements with Guardian Bank.

On May 3, 1933 smallpox and diphtheria vaccination of school children O.K.'d. Pleasant Ridge's share of cost \$15.00. Amendment was made to safety deposit access resolution, - "one must be Treasurer". Tax anticipation notes given to sinking fund. Cash from Sinking Fund and notes to Sinking Fund. Limitation on cash deposit in Bank lifted. Tax anticipation notes to citizens of \$9,500.00 subscribed and \$6,200.00 in cash collected.

Routine meeting May 9, 1933.

On May 16, 1933 Wessinger resigned as Supervisor. Whitcomb appointed as Supervisor. Action taken to reduce water rates from \$2.25 to \$1.90 per thousand cubic feet.

On May 17, 1933 budget was received and approved in amount of \$66,000.00 with assessed valuation \$3,375,000.00.

Routine meetings were held on May 24 and 29, 1933.

On May 31, 1933 resignation of Ruth E. Ek, as Treasurer, was submitted.

On June 13, 1933 Dora L. Walz was appointed Treasurer at \$45.00 per month. Action was taken to authorized the Treasurer to accept school script in lieu of cash for City and School taxes. Tax anticipation notes were given to Sinking Fund for interest on City bond investment of Sinking Fund. Action was taken to approve Assessor's Oakland Park State Subdivision plat.

June 28, 1933 - Tax anticipation notes to Sinking Fund in lieu of annual cash principal payment. Asphaltic concrete plans for surfacing gravel roads were considered. Manager authorized to apply for Federal funds in the amount of \$35,000.00 to finance this work.

June 11, 1933 - Report submitted by City Manager on investigation of Detroit's asphaltic concrete streets.

June 18, 1933 - Bids received on asphaltic concrete streets rejected because excessive cost.

August 8, 1933 - Petition received protesting proposed brewery to be established in Boettger Baking Company plant. Suit against Maryland Casualty Company regarding bond on First National Bank account.

August 17, 1933 - Salary and wage increase of 10 %. Tax anticipation notes to residents "called".

September 7, 1933 - Special election to be held on October 2, 1933 to vote on \$45,000.00 bond issue to surface concrete streets with asphalt.

September 12, 1933 - Resolution adopted referring to both City Attorney and Attorney General, the question of whether Oakman Brewing Company manufacturing of beer and ale could be declared a public nuisance. Arthur E. Moore appointed City Attorney. Resolution to pay special assessment interest by 35 % cash and 65 % interest-bearing Certificates of Indebtedness bearing 6 % interest. Resolution adopted to accept general obligation bonds and interest coupons (\$307,000.00) in full payment of delinquent taxes and 80 % (with 20 % cash) on current taxes. Mr. Struthers resigned as Assessor. City Manager appointed Assessor. Central police radio system for Oakland County approved with City to participate. Arthur E. Moore appointed City Attorney, at \$50.00 per month.

Resolution of August 17, 1933 re-charter amendment rescinded. Resolution re October 2, 1933 bond issue vote rescinded.

October 3, 1933 \$45,000.00 bond issue defeated 89 to 155.

September 28, 1933 Resolution O.K.ing Oakland Brewing Company because of:

- A. Payment of delinquent taxes against property.
- B. Offer to use local labor and local unemployed both in reconstruction and operation. (Brewery built but never put in operation).

October 10, 1933 Borrowing \$21,539.66 against 1932 taxes authorized.

Routine meeting held on October 14, 1933.

November 7, 1933 City Treasurer authorized to issue checks for 35 $\frac{1}{2}$ and Certificates of Indebtedness for 65 $\frac{1}{2}$ for defaulted interest on general obligation bonds. Resolution ordered City Manager to cover welfare workers under workman's compensation in spite of Supreme Court decision that City is not liable in such instances. Cash settlement approved with Maryland Casualty Company for depository liability on First National Bank account, with cash payment to First National Bank Receiver of \$2,615.83 and assignment of \$10,495.91 to satisfy city's bank loan indebtedness to Bank.

November 23, 1933 C. W. A. project application authorized for:

- A. Extension of 24" sewer on Warner Avenue westerly 1000' to County drain.
- B. Grading and graveling Woodward Heights Boulevard.
- C. Grading and graveling Indiana.
- D. Fencing off Grand Trunk right-of-way on westerly side.
- E. Development of property along westerly portion of Grand Trunk right-of-way as recreation and park center.

December 1, 1933 Suit against Ruth Ek by County Treasurer for State and County funds impounded in State Savings Bank of Royal Oak. George Hartrick appointed to defend Ruth Ek.

December 12, 1933 Claude R. Trombley appeared before City Commission requesting statement on Commission's attitude regarding Livernois extension through Pleasant Ridge. He was advised that the Commission was definitely opposed. Manager instructed to prepare plans for C. W. A. project for pedestrian tunnel under Woodward Avenue at Sylvan Avenue and for recreation center on Warner Avenue. Action taken to vacate public alley paralleling and adjacent to Grand Trunk right-of-way.

January 1, 1934 Policy resolution by City Commission against sale of liquor by glass in the City.

January 19, 1934 routine meeting.

January 26, 1934 Resolution in co-operation with Ferndale to apply for C. W. A. funds to apply for plans and specifications for C. W. A. project for Grand Trunk grade separations between Eight and Eleven Mile Roads. City Manager authorized to expend \$500.00 for material and equipment for two play grounds.

February 13, 1934 Letter from Royal Oak Post Office suggested Pleasant Ridge adopt standard numbering system of Royal Oak for all of Pleasant Ridge. Suggestion rejected by Commission. Re-platting of La Belle Heights Subdivision (with Ferndale) authorized. Lease of Grand Trunk property for playground. Resolution to pay bonding company payment of \$1,883.50 (5 %) and assign all rights in short term bond with Great American Indemnity Company - in full settlement of claim from County on State and County funds impounded in State Savings Bank of Royal Oak closing.

Routine meeting held February 20, 1934.

At meeting February 28, 1934 general salary and wage increase to 15 % was approved. Resolution was adopted relative of general obligation bond interest. To pay first 3 % in cash and balance in 6 % interest-bearing certificates of indebtedness.

March 13, 1934 Berst and Whitcomb to meet with Ferndale officials relative to fire contract. Motion was adopted making it the responsibility of all property owners to repair portions of private sewers in streets right-of-way.

April 3, 1934 The new City Commission convened.

Mayor - Fletcher

Commissioners:

Stevenson
Gilbert
Robertson
Whitcomb

Constable:

Eichen

April 9, 1934 Application for liquor store disapproved. Approval of plat of Assessor's La Belle Heights Subdivision. Stevenson and Whitcomb appointed Supervisors. City Manager reported that Ferndale was asking \$6,000.00 per year for fire protection service. Manager requested to investigate service with other municipalities. Permanent registration adopted by City Commission for City of Pleasant Ridge.

April 23, 1934 Committee of eight appointed to study tax delinquencies and make practical recommendations to City Commission on means of stimulating collection and liquidating aggregate outstanding delinquent taxes.

May 8, 1934 Approval of \$3,600.00 per year contract with Ferndale providing two year contract can be secured. Otherwise, City Manager to investigate advisability of purchasing fire equipment and establishing municipal fire department. Assignment of certificates of indebtedness to County for impounding funds. Resolution urging County home rule. Grand Trunk owned lots leased along Devonshire, Wellesley and Gainsborough for park and playground. Announcement that Grand Trunk Railway had established commuter service.

May 22, 1934 Charter amendment initiated for eight monthly payment on summer taxes with vote to be held June 25, 1934. This charter amendment was approved by an electoral vote of 190 to 7.

May 28, 1934 Motion to apply to State for permission to refund entire special assessment indebtedness \$76,646.26.

May 31, 1934 \$61,000.00 budget submitted and approved.

June 12, 1934 Report received that Supreme Court had reversed Circuit Court decision in Cooper zoning case.

June 15, 1934 Resolution opposing proposed unequalized school debt service rates.

Routine meeting June 26, 1934.

July 10, 1934 Objection received from C. F. Stanton relative to dog kennel maintained at Amherst and Woodward Avenue.

Routine meeting held July 31, 1934.

At meeting on August 7, 1934 letter was received from Hobart Hoyt representing the Wilcox estate proposing to give City property deed for certain property in return for cancellation of all taxes against the estate.

Action taken to increase Treasurer's salary to \$85.00 per month.

September 12, 1934 Ferndale fire contract O.K.'d at \$4,200.00.

September 18, 1934 Hobart White proposal accepted. Deed to be given to City for frontage on Woodward owned by Wilcox estate lying between Oakland and Elm Park Boulevard in return for cancellation and assumption of \$20,230.00 in taxes against all Wilcox estate property.

October 9, 1934 Further special assessment bond refunding.

November 5, 1934 Action taken to secure accident insurance policies of \$2,000.00 principal for each policeman. Resolution adopted prohibiting any employees from engaging in traffic ticket courtesy dismissals. Approval given to ice skating rinks at Ridge and Oxford and on east side playground.

Routine meetings held December 18, 1934.

At meeting on January 8, 1935 Dr. Seaburn resigned as Health Officer. Approval was given to moving of police booth from Devonshire and Woodward Avenue to City owned property at Oakland Park and Woodward.

Routine meeting held January 22, 1935.

On January 29, 1935 Dr. Willard G. Beattie was appointed Health Officer.

On February 11, 1935 letter was received from Royal Oak in the interest of creation of a borough form of government in southern Oakland County. Action was taken to name the Wabeek State Bank, Ferndale branch, as City depository. Collateral security pledged. Bank not connected with F. D. I. C.

At meeting on March 12, 1935 action was taken to re-zone Ten Mile Road property in accordance with the Cooper case. Hearing to be held on the same. Question was raised regarding "referendum zoning ordinance". Discussion was had relative to re-restricting in the case of expiring time limit subdivision restrictions.

On March 27, 1935 action was taken to grant water service to Beck Kolar Company (Reichhold).

On April 2, 1935 the new City Commission convened.

Mayor -	Fletcher
Commissioners:	Robertson Whitcomb Gilbert Stevenson, with Stevenson to serve as Mayor Pro-tem.
Clerk:	Paul W. Eaton
Constable:	Frank E. Eichen

Stevenson and Whitcomb were appointed Supervisors. Agreement approved that in the case of Woodward Avenue traffic signals with State to assume 80 % of cost and City to assume 20 % of cost.

On April 25, 1935 notice received of pending legislation relative to Livernois opening. Fourteen men committee to assist in fighting this legislation.

On May 8, 1935 action taken relative to Police radio on Intra County band. Wilbur Brucker appointed Attorney to handle City's fight on Livernois opening. Action taken relative to applying for Federal grant for hard surfacing streets.

On May 21, 1935 school separation from Ferndale school district discussed.

On May 28, 1935 budget presented and approved in the amount of \$61,000.00.

On June 13, 1935 Whitcomb resignation as both Commissioner and Supervisor.

A. E. Bunting appointed Commissioner.
Paul W. Eaton appointed Supervisor.

July 2, 1935 Application for P. W. A. funds for asphaltic concrete streets.

July 9, 1935 Routine meeting.

July 16, 1935 Approval of \$75.00 donation to Ferndale playground program on condition the Director be furnished for Amherst playground.

Routine meeting held on July 16, 1935.

August 13, 1935 Further refunding with first 3 % on G. O. bonds paid in cash and remainder in 6 % interest bearing Certificates of Indebtedness.

Routine meeting held September 10, 1935.

October 8, 1935 Action taken to continue salary for injured Policeman Pritchard.

On October 22, 1935 routine meeting.

November 12, 1935 Wabeek State Bank designated as depository.

December 10, 1935 Resignation of Commissioner Robertson.
Appointment of Willard V. Gould as Commissioner.

Routine meeting held January 7, 1936.

On January 20, 1936 general refunding of all general obligation bonds considered.

On February 11, 1936 discussion of City policy regarding thawing of frozen water services. Extremely severe winter weather with little snow and very deep frost. Many water services frozen.

March 10, 1936 Action taken requiring that rubbish collectors take empty cans to rear of home and off all streets. Resolution agreeing to contract with the City of Detroit for emergency fire service.

On March 24, 1936 Re subdivision of rear corner lots of Burt E. Taylor's lots with specific restrictions.

April 7, 1936 New Commission convened.

Mayor - Fletcher

Commissioners:

Stevenson
Gilbert
Bunting
Gould

Constable:

Eichen

Tree spraying contract awarded at cost of \$345.00.
City Manager requested to secure proposals for Attorney to serve on bond refunding.

April 13, 1936 Stevenson and Eaton appointed Supervisors.

April 21, 1936 Miller Canfield Paddock and Stone appointed Attorneys for bond refunding at charge of \$200.00.

May 12, 1936 Routine meeting.

May 13, 1936 Proceedings for bituminous surfacing on Woodside Park Boulevard. Action taken to authorize boyscout camporee to be held on City owned property on Woodward Avenue between Elm and Oakland Park.

May 19, 1936 Bids requested for surfacing Woodside Park Boulevard. Discussion held regarding Pleasant Ridge postal listing.

May 26, 1936 Public Works Department authorized to undertake Woodside Park surfacing project. (No bids received). Budget of \$60,000.00 presented and approved.

June 9, 1936 Action taken to re-number houses on Hanover Road, with City furnishing numbers if desired by residents. Petition received for bituminous surfacing on Kenberton Road.

June 23, 1936. Action taken to initiate refunding of \$284,000.00 general obligation bonds.

July 7, 1936 City Manager's written report received relative to inability to salvage any portion of City's investment in joint water line constructed by Ferndale and Pleasant Ridge on Livernois Avenue.

July 14, 1936 Routine meeting.

July 28, 1936 Action taken to leave sinking fund cash in commercial account to avoid danger of possible application of 90 day clause on savings accounts.

August 11, 1936 Notice from FERA that application for assistance in financing surfacing of streets had been rejected.

Routine meeting held on September 8, 1936.

On September 15, 1936 resolution was adopted approving contract station for Post Office facilities in Pleasant Ridge. Resolution was adopted requesting Telephone Company to make separate Pleasant Ridge listing in Telephone Directory.

October 13, 1936 Proposal was made that City establish City Nursery on Maplefield Road for growing tree replacements for City trees. This proposal was later dropped.

October 27, 1936 Routine meeting.

November 10, 1936 Resolution of condolence adopted in regard to death of William A. Jones, Huntington Woods, City Manager.

December 13, 1936 Partial salary restoration.

January 12, 1937 Retirement of \$7,665.91 Certificates of Indebtedness approved.

Routine meeting February 2, 1937.

February 9, 1937 Policy resolutions with respect to water service repairs, etc. Resolution joining with 32 other municipalities to promote natural gas availability.

February 23, 1937 Purchase of 23646 Woodward Avenue for City Offices approved at cost of \$7,750.00. Commissioner Gilbert resigned. Orian N. Yager appointed Commissioner.

March 16, 1937 Garden Court street improvement initiated. Woodward Heights street improvement initiated. Resolution of instructions to "separate" schools committee.

April 16, 1937 meeting of new Commission:

Mayor -	Warren Van R. Gilbert
Commissioners:	Willard G. Gould Merle D. Jones Stevenson Yager
Justice of Peace:	Stanton
Constable:	Eichen

On April 12, 1937 Stevenson and Eaton were appointed Supervisors. Action was taken to change the name of Warner Avenue to Maplefield Road. Plan submitted by State Highway Department for Woodward Parkway improvement was approved.

On May 11, 1937 zoning ordinance was discussed.

On May 18, 1937 budget of \$60,000.00 was submitted and approved. At this meeting consideration was given to City assuming 50 % of cost of Woodward Heights street improvement, 70 % of cost of Indiana improvement and 70 % of cost of Bermuda street improvement.

On June 8, 1937 Woodward Heights street improvement was ordered by City Commission under charter provisions as a necessary improvement. Action was taken on this meeting to retire \$3,010.55 in Certificates of Indebtedness. Action was taken to authorize purchase of Burch Chip Spreader for use on construction and maintenance of bituminous streets.

June 22, 1937 Bituminous surfacing on Hanover approved.

June 28, 1937 East side playground under local supervision, Wallace G. Deacon, Director.

July 13, 1937 \$16,000.00 in general obligation refunding bonds called by lot and retired. Police salary scale increased. Patrolman increased \$1,920.00 to \$2,200.00.

July 22, 1927 Routine meeting.

August 10, 1937 Maplefield Road re-plat approved by Commission and written agreement on City owned lots approved.

September 7, 1937 Routine.

September 28, 1937 Routine.

October 12, 1937 Objection from residents on Oakdale Boulevard that 56 Oakdale Boulevard had been constructed so that it could be used as a duplex. City Attorney instructed to act to correct this situation. Pleasant Ridge Women's Club present requesting Commission to investigate possibility of providing meeting place for City organizations.

November 9, 1937 Consideration of use of south apartment at 23646 Woodward Avenue as organization meeting place. This action was decided to be impractical. Authorization was given for purchase and installation of underground gas tank and gasoline pump for warehouse. Authorization was given for purchase of City sewer cleaning equipment.

December 7, 1937 Consideration of policy for use of City equipment and labor for private residential use. Question of insurance coverage. Alley between Wellesley and Devonshire from Indiana to Railroad, vacation procedure commenced.

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December 14, 1937 Decision by Commission to permit Royal Oak Township settlement issue go to Court for settlement rather than to negotiate further with the Township.

January 1, 1938 Ordinance adopted relative to restricting hospitals for treatment and care of narcotic and alcoholic addicts and treatment of mental patients in City. Advertisement authorized for tender of \$8,000.00 in general obligation refunding bonds.

January 18, 1938. Miller Bailey audit for Township liability ordered. Manager authorized to hire appraiser to establish land values in City.

January 28, 1938 Tax borrowing in anticipation of 1938 tax collection to pay general obligation bond interest authorized. Sealed bids authorized for sale of City owned 50' building site on Maplefield Road with minimum price established at \$940.00. Report received from Ralph Bozell, Chairman of Separate School Committee.

February 8, 1938 Resolution adopted relative to vacating 10 and 11 ft. alleys in the rear of Maplefield lots in return for dedication from these lots of 5' easement along the front of the lots for sidewalk re-location. Charter amendment proposed for City to handle sale of City owned school taxes.

February 21, 1938 Routine.

March 8, 1938 Police Officer, Ray Bowen, resigned.

March 23, 1938 Bus routes through Pleasant Ridge on

- A. Maplefield Road
- B. Ridge Road
- C. Woodward Avenue

requested by Arnette & Son Bus Company.

Residents objection received to items A. and B. Item C - (Woodward Avenue) approved on day-to-day basis.

April 5, 1938 Tax sale charter amendment approved by vote of 304 to 16.

New Commission took office:

Mayor -	Gilbert
Commissioners:	Stevenson Gould Yager Jones
Constable:	Eichen

Report relative to cooperation with Ferndale to eliminate odors from Beck Kohler Company (Reichhold). Resolution relative to Assessor's re-plat and re-restricting to make Maplefield property eligible for F. H. A. financing.

Appointment of "Citizen's Committee" to study community center location.

Members:

Ruby Gripman
Lucy Chamberlain
Alice Bessemer
Carl Pollmar
Joe Shoemaker
C. J. Gillespie

Commissioner: Jones, - Ex-officio

Budget approved in the amount of \$62,175.00.

May 24, 1938 Assessor's re-plat of Woodward Park Subdivision received and approved.

June 14, 1938 Resolution directed to State requesting review of gas rates and question of natural gas.

July 12, 1938 \$7,000.00 general obligation bonds called.
Policy resolution adopted with respect to property owner responsibility for replacement of sidewalk damaged by tree roots. Resolution adopted honoring diamond birthday anniversary of Henry Ford. Calculating machine purchase jointly with Huntington Woods O.K.'d. Cost \$150.00.

August 9, 1938 Resolution approving municipal contribution toward financing intermunicipal South Oakland sewage disposal study. Manager requested to secure information from surrounding municipalities and put into effect a policy on one week vacation for hourly public works employees.

August 23, 1938 Public Works vacation policy adopted by resolution.

September 12, 1938 Routine.

October 11, 1938 Resolution determining to levy tax of \$1.50 per thousand for accumulation of funds toward Township settlement.

November 1, 1938 Routine.

November 7, 1938 Discussion regarding proposed hospital at Oakland Park and Woodward to be constructed by Dr. J. P. Ohlmacher, not indorsed by City Commission. Report submitted by Mayor Gilbert relative to school separation effort. Two instances of proposed legislative defeat.

December 13, 1938 Discussion of purchase of voting machines. Perley Carr garbage collection charge increased from \$1,000.00 to \$1,200.00 per year.

December 20, 1938 \$7,200.25 Certificates of Indebtedness retired. 1939 refunding bonds Series A sold to Crouse & Company.

January 10, 1939 Resolution opposing Airport proposed to be located between 9 and 10 Mile Road west of Coolidge. City Manager called to attention that lease of Grand Trunk-owned property along railroad right-of-way had expired. Offer of Grand Trunk to renew lease with annual real estate taxes cancelled as cost of lease. Resolution re "willow" tree removal on Poplar Park.

Routine meetings held on January 20 and 24, 1939.

February 7, 1939 Ross snowplow authorized to be purchased at cost of \$300.00. Resolution adopted relative to deepening and widening Clinton River to improve County drain outlet. Motion approved O.K.ing State Highway Department plans for improvement of Woodward and Main Street traffic signals.

February 22, 1939 Livernois opening flare-up. Manager instructed to write to State Highway Department and Legislative representatives presenting City's objections.

March 7, 1939 Special assessment approved for cost of preparing plat and recording restrictions with respect to Assessor's Woodward Park Subdivision. \$4,900.00 bank loan authorized from Wabek State Bank.

March 17, 1939 Routine.

April 4, 1939 New Commission took office.

Mayor - Gilbert

Commissioners:

Willard V. Gould
Merle D. Jones
Yager
Stevenson

Clerk: Paul W. Eaton

Constable: John W. Etzler

Stevenson and Eaton appointed Supervisors.

Resolution adopted honoring retiring Constable, Frank E. Eichen.

Purchase of 18" carriage typewriter authorized for simultaneous typing of both copies of tax roll and tax bills - cost \$214.65.

Petition received for bituminous surfacing for Oakdale Boulevard and proceedings commenced. Dr. Charles H. Benning appointed Health Officer to replace Dr. Williard G. Beattie at \$50.00 per month.

April 25, 1939 City Manager requested to investigate and report on existing violations of single residence restrictions in City.

May 9, 1939 Voigt Brewing Company, receivership, discussed with Albert Duquette, new owner of Brewery property.

May 16, 1939 Budget of \$63,195.00 approved.
General revision of City ordinances considered. Resolution adopted setting up a snow removal reserve in a maximum amount of \$1,000.00.
Motion adopted approving construction of badminton courts at Elm and Woodward Avenue and at Grand Trunk playground. Imiti Nadeau appointed City Foreman. William J. McCue appointed City Inspector.

June 13, 1939 Resolution adopted with respect to P. W. I. project for intermunicipal sewage disposal plant.

July 11, 1939 Reichhold odor abatement suit instituted.

July 17, 1939 Resolution adopted determining that special assessment improvement projects should not be commenced before 65 % of assessments had been paid.

August 22, 1939 Dog kennel litigation against kennel located at 24028 Woodward Avenue.

September 12, 1939 Test stretch of seal coating on top of concrete pavement on portion of Oxford Boulevard authorized. Action taken to write off uncollected balance of \$6,625.81 in American State Bank, previously closed.

September 19, 1939 Fifteen miscellaneous ordinances repealed.
Other ordinances to be changed by recodification.

On September 26 and October 10, 1939 Routine meetings.

November 7, 1939 Commission approval given for purchase of two-way
police radios. Critical letter received from Justice Stanton dated
November 3, 1939 with respect to police handling of Shank murder case.

Routine meetings held December 5 and 12, 1939.

December 19, 1939 Bituminous surfacing of Bermuda Avenue initiated.

January 9, 1940 Commissioner Jones' resignation. Bedford L. Embrey
appointed Commissioner. Proceedings instituted for Bermuda bituminous
surfacing with City to assume 30 % of cost. Rank of Police Sergeant
created with salary of \$2,300.00 per year.

January 20, 1940 Proceedings initiated for final refunding of \$249,200.00,
general obligation bonds, to be divided into Series A, B and C. -
Serial maturities, with final maturity March 1, 1966, interest not to
exceed 3 and 3/4 % until March 1, 1943 and 4 % until 1966, to replace 1936
series A, B and C. Sale to be held January 30, 1940.
Report received on fire protection payment formula. Bond bids received
from Braun-Bosworth and H. V. Sattley Company rejected. 3 and 3/4 %
plus premium.

January 31, 1940 Routine meeting.

February 6, 1940 New bids received for refunding bonds and accepted.
Bonds purchased by Campbell, McCarty & Co. and Miller, Kenower & Co.
interest 1941 to 1945 3 %, 1946 to 1959 3½ %, 1960 to 1966 3¼ %.
Aggregate interest saving over 1936 bonds \$48,680.00. Notice of
redemption as of March 1, 1940 to be presented to bond holders. Agent
for payments Detroit Trust Company. Formula for computing fire
protection charge jointly approved by Ferndale and Pleasant Ridge
Commissions.

February 13, 1940 Request of Wallace G. Deacon to be appointed
Summer Playground Director deferred until budget consideration.
Police Board ordinance adopted. Police Board members, City Manager,
Police Commissioner and William Katke. Rules and regulations for Police
Department adopted.

March 12, 1940 Requested erection of national roadside emblem for
Royal Oak Rotary Club in Woodward Avenue parkway approved.

March 20, 1940 Consideration given to bidding at Scavenger Sale for
Lots 135 to 140 Hamilton Wood Subdivision.

April 2, 1940 New Commission.

Mayor - Gilbert
Commissioners:
Stevenson
Yager
Gould
Embrey
Constable: Ned W. Randau

Stevenson and Eaton appointed County Supervisors.
L. S. King and Donald Barnes requested establishment of playground on Maplefield Road. Commission decided this would be against Subdivision restrictions.

April 19, 1940 Meeting held with Health Officer, Charles H. Benning, & Dr. Fredericks, of State Health Department, and Mr. Mason and Mr. A.G. Goetz of Reichholda Chemicals in regard to odor abatement. Company agreed to accept any suggestions of Doctors. Raymond L. Shephard and E.H. Fuller appointed to Board of Review.

April 22, 1940 Mrs. Bacheller, owner of Selma's Dining Room, located at 4 Ridge Road, was authorized to erect sign on property. Resolution adopted authorizing petition to State Land Office Board for title to 47 pieces of property.

May 7, 1940 Petition containing 252 signatures was presented by Pleasant Ridge Women's Club requesting City Commission to consider preparation of plans and cost estimates for Community House and Recreation Center and to submit same to Electors. Recognition was given to 13 Devonshire as a nonconforming two-family use dating back to 1923.

May 14, 1940 A group of about 45 residents appeared before the Commission protesting proposed manufacturing plant to be located on a portion of Lot 320 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision. The group advised that Pleasant Ridge Improvement Association had been organized with Gordon Brown as President, I. G. Winter as Secretary-Treasurer, and Colin Smith as Vice President.

May 21, 1940 Budget in the amount of \$63,125.00 approved. Carl Palmer was present to discuss procedure relative to plans for community center. The Commission appointed the firm of Merritt & Cole at a preliminary expense of \$100.00, and for architectural fee of 6 % for preparation of final plans - estimates of costs and construction supervision in case of voters approval of the project. Discussion of Turnbull Dog Kennel suit. Discussion of legality of placing zoning restrictions on lots 135 to 140 Hamilton Woods Subdivision and lot 320 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision to hinder industrial development. City Manager instructed to submit to the City Commission any plans for industrial development in the City before issuing building permit.

June 11, 1940 Condolence resolution was adopted regarding death of City employee, William J. McGuire. Wallace Deacon appointed Summer Playground Director. Architectural contract with Merritt & Cole authorized to be signed. Police radio contract for one year with City of Royal Oak approved. City Manager requested to be relieved of the duties of Assessor. Action deferred. Letter from Collard, Inc. was received relative to occupancy of part of building east of Grand Trunk Railroad. Manager to visit building and submit report to Commission. Commission met with Citizens' Planning Committee and a number of citizens to discuss proposed Community Center Building. Subpoena served on the Clerk during the meeting relative to Mandamus proceedings by Guardian Industries for issuance of building permit on Lot 320 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision. City Attorney instructed to make appearance in Court and request withholding of Mandamus for building permit because City had plans for acquiring property for City use.

June 18, 1940 City Manager authorized to proceed with general cleaning program on City sewers. Resolution adopted relative to Lot 320 Gardens Subdivision. Acquisition.

1. Competent Real Estate Appraiser to be engaged.
2. Manager to submit report on condemnation.
3. Manager to secure figure on price of purchase.

Commission to meet on June 25, 1940 to receive reports.
Authorization given for engaging Fred Smith as Appraiser in above instance. The Commission authorized spreading $1\frac{1}{2}$ mills on 1940 winter tax roll for Township settlement fund. Consideration was given to splitting City's voting precinct. Negative action taken by City Commission.

June 25, 1940 Lloyd Clawson quoted sale price of \$17.50 per foot for ~~3500~~ Grand Trunk frontage. Mr. Bustomanti and Mr. Cohen of Guardian Industries discussed with the City Commission a sale price of \$2,500.00 for 100 ft. of this frontage. City Commission advised that this figure was not acceptable and asked for the lowest cash price for immediate sale. Recess and officials conference. Owner's agreed to sell property for \$1,500.00. Approving resolution adopted by City Commissioner. Manager instructed to contact other owners of frontage on west side of Grand Trunk to secure purchase options at lowest figures owners were willing to sell to be considered at meeting on July 9, 1940.

July 9, 1940 Letter received from Reichhold Chemicals regarding plans for odor abatement. Suit postponed until Fall session of Court. Raymond L. Shepherd appointed new Supervisor. Zoning ordinance amendment approved limiting industrial property.

August 13, 1940 Manager authorized to purchase leaf shredder. Letter received from Lloyd Clawson relative to Grand Trunk frontage sale. City Manager to advise Mr. Clawson that proposed price is excessive, that City intends to institute condemnation procedure and that no change will be made in property zoning. Resolution was adopted authorizing City Manager to make offer to Mr. Clawson of appraised value submitted by Fred Smith. Report submitted by City Manager relative to proposed special assessment for acquisition of railroad frontage.

August 19, 1940 Pleasant Ridge Improvement Association present in regard to special assessment for Grand Trunk frontage acquisition and cost of same to special assessment district. City Manager submitted report on recommendation in this regard. Total cost \$10,600.00 less 30 % to be assumed by City (\$3,180.00) net to special assessment district \$7,420.00. 15 % to be spread on assessed valuation (\$1,113.00) 85 % to be spread on footage basis (\$6,307.00) Total \$7,420.00. Lyle Cole, Architect, submitted cost estimate of \$100,000.00 for community center building, proposal to be presented to Citizens Planning Commission. Cole instructed to redesign for lower cost.

September 11, 1940 Petition received from Oakland Park residents requesting acquisition by City of Ohlmacher property and special assessment against Oakland Park property owners for the entire acquisition cost. Petition presented by Arthur Kuhn. City Manager was requested to secure tree trimming bids. City Manager was instructed to have Public Works Department make survey of condition of sidewalks needing replacement. Proposal was received from Mr. Clawson of figure of \$2647.94 as the sale price of his property. Proposal accepted. Special assessment resolution adopted for Grand Trunk fronting property acquisition.

October 8, 1940 Condemnation resolution adopted with respect to Grand Trunk frontage property. Fred Smith to make appraisal of Ohlmacher frontage and frontage on west side of Woodward Avenue to Pleasant Ridge south limits. Tree trimming bid of \$1.00 per hour with total maximum of \$400.00 was awarded to Charles C. Olin. Resolution adopted relative to alley vacation of alleys on the east and west side of Woodward Park Subdivision. Merritt & Cole submitted revised plans for Community Center Building. Meeting to be held with Resident Organizations November 4, 1940.

November 4, 1940 Meeting with Resident Organizations. Cost estimate revised to \$50,000.00. Proceedings taken to call election for January 6, 1941 to vote on \$55,000.00 bond issue for Community Center Building. Action was taken by the Commission to place on the ballot for election January 6, 1941 a proposal to sell Lot 67 and 68 Woodward Heights Subdivision. The City Attorney was instructed to prepare appropriate resolution opposing proposed location of Detroit City Airport in Oak Park.

November 12, 1940 Mr. Higdon, owner of Ye Country Store, requested permission to handle beer and wine. Request denied by City Commission. Fred Smith presented appraisals requested by City Commission. Ohlmacher property \$7,320.00, property south to Oxford Boulevard \$16,715.00. Meeting to be held with residents on November 19, 1940 in this regard. Raymond L. Shepherd appointed Assessor at \$200.00 per year. City Manager presented report relative to broken sidewalk and action was taken to approve report and order replacement. Further resolution relative to opposition to Detroit Airport. Special election for Community Center Building to be held January 6, 1941 rescinded. Resolution setting election for December 16, 1940.

November 19, 1940 Ohlmacher submitted price of \$15,000.00 on his property. Appraised by City at \$7,320.00. Ohlmacher revised price offer to \$11,750.00. Accepted by City. Resolution adopted initiating special assessment for acquisition of Ohlmacher property.

November 27, 1940 Routine meeting.

December 10, 1940 Letter received from Bloomfield Hills in support of Airport opposition.

December 17, 1940 \$55,000.00 building bond issue defeated 282 to 309. Sale of Lots ~~67~~ and 68 Woodward Heights Subdivision approved 348 to 256. (Note - it was later determined that the approval of sale of Lots 67 and 68 Woodward Heights Subdivision was erroneously reported inasmuch as the vote did not meet the percentage required by City Charter for approval). Petition was received from 35 of the 51 owners on Oxford Boulevard requesting that the City purchase Woodward frontage north of Oxford Boulevard and create special assessment against the property for this purchase. City Manager requested to determine sale price of property.

December 30, 1940 Special assessment bonds for special assessment district 85 (acquisition of Ohlmacher property) sold to Crouse & Co. at par and 2 and 3/4 % interest

January 14, 1941 Gehrke offer to sell Woodward frontage of 130 ft. for \$4,500.00. G. D. Harris, Jr. appointed assessor. Purchase of fluorescent lights for City office authorized. City Manager appointed Legislative Contact man. Gilbert, Eaton and Attorney Moore appointed as Airport Committee to work with Huntington Woods Commission. Resolution adopted to pay Royal Oak Township \$8,304.24 in payment-in-full of liability in accordance with Circuit Court decree of November 25, 1940. Attorney Moore's fee of \$1,919.35 for legal expense in township settlement litigation approved. Hearing held on Oxford property acquisition. Estimate of \$7,750.00 as cost of purchase of Lots 77, 78 south 40' of 80 and north 30' of 81, Pleasant Ridge Land Company for City Park. Special assessment resolution adopted. Owners of Lots 135 to 140 Hamilton Woods Subdivision sale offer \$4,300.00. City Attorney authorized to offer \$4,100.00 for property.

Routine meeting held February 11, 1941.

March 11, 1941 50' lot on Maplefield Road sold to J.W. Dunk for \$750.00. Airport protest resolution to Detroit Common Council.

March 25, 1941 Lot 135 to 140 Hamilton Woods purchase at \$4,100.00 approved. Pratt parcel north of Reichhold proposed to be purchased for \$2,000.00, increased to \$2,250.00 April 8, 1941. Petition and resolution received for acquisition of Lots 77 and 78 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Sub. division.

April 8, 1941 New Commission.

Mayor - Gilbert

Commissioners:

Embrey
Gould
Stevenson
Yager

Clerk: Ned W. Randau

Justice of Peace: C. F. Stanton
Name of Ridge Court \changed to East Court.

April 14, 1941 Routine meeting.

April 17, 1941 Stevenson, Sheppard and Eaton appointed Supervisors.
Sheppard and Seefeld appointed to Board of Review.
Maurice Kramer appointed Constable.

April 29, 1941 Dr. J. L. Sanderson offer to sell Lot 77 for \$3,000.00
rejected. City offered \$1,950.00. 7 more Scavenger Sale lots
received.

May 13, 1941 Report that Dr. Sanderson had not replied to City
offer. Condemnation ordered.
Equipment rental schedule presented by City Manager approved.
Two weeks vacation for employees ratified.

Meeting held May 27, 1941. Ridge Road Improvement Association
formed. Seven members named. Perley Carr garbage collection
remuneration increased to \$1,500.00 per year. \$6,737.07 yearly
payment to the City of Ferndale for fire protection approved to commence
July 1, 1941. Budget of \$64,926.91 approved.

June 10, 1941 Approval of negotiations with Reichhold Chemical
Company for furnishing the company with a supply of water. Resolution
endorsing proposed South Oakland County Sewage Disposal System.
Approval of offer to sell price submitted by Dr. Sanderson for Lot 77
Pleasant Ridge Land Company approved at \$2,050.00. Approval of
Whirlwind power lawn mower purchase for \$308.00.

June 24, 1941 Detroit Edison franchise ordinance approved by vote
of 38 to 0. Consideration given to limiting parking on 10 Mile Road
east by alternating no parking restrictions on north and south sides
bi-yearly with the City of Royal Oak. Approval of use of Lots 262 and
263 Stephenson Barbor Subdivision owned by the City for industrial
parking. Investigation instituted for proper location of City tennis
courts. Consideration given to fencing of "Gainsborough" property.

July 8, 1941 Discussion of City participation in cost of curbing Woodward Heights. Condition - prepayment of 75 % of assessments. Policy resolution regarding prepayment of substantial portion of any new special assessments unless cost is in excess of \$10,000.00, and feasibility of selling bonds to finance. Resolution relative to billing Post Office Clerk In Charge \$100.00 per year for expense incurred by City in maintaining Sub-Station. Motion authorizing soliciting of bids for tennis courts at Gainsborough and Imberst - - bituminous courts. Resignation of Dr. C. H. Benning as Health Officer. Resolution authorizing City Manager to purchase "priority" materials essential for municipal operation (6 months period).

August 19, 1941 Ridge Road Improvement Association present to discuss with City Commission possible property acquisition.

August 26, 1941 Discussion of difficulties in securing materials for installation of water services into homes.

September 9, 1941 Discussion of soliciting early opinion from Federal Judge O'Brian on Reichhold case. Proceedings instituted for acquiring 4 Ridge Road under special assessment proceedings. Resolution adopted authorizing purchase offer to be made of \$11,000.00 for 4 Ridge Road. Manager instructed to continue to seek Grand Trunk participation in cost of fencing Gainsboro property. Consideration of proposed sliding scale of water rates.

September 26, 1941 Resolution relative to \$5,000.00 special assessment for part of cost of 4 Ridge Road acquisition. Resolution adopting sliding scale of water rates. Resolution determining to bill both Hedge's Wigwam and Reichhold Chemical Company monthly for water furnished. Resolution approving offer of \$12,000.00 to Andrew Malott Inc. for 4 Ridge Road, with notice to be submitted that the alternative will be condemnation.

October 7, 1941 Resolution determining to construct chain link fence along the east side of Lot 320 Gardens Subdivision with Grand Trunk to participate to the extent of cost of standard right-of-way fencing. Resolution authorizing participation with School Board in expense of School Halloween parties. City Manager requested leave of absence for necessary surgical operation. Report of meeting of City Manager, Attorney Cole, and Reichhold representative with Federal Judge O'Brian, resulting in Judge O'Brian ordering Reichhold to pay expense of Professor Allen Foust of Chemical Engineering Department of the University of Michigan for study of odor abatement methods, and to represent the City's interest in odor correction. Report of Mayor Gilbert relative to situation existing relative to race riots at Lincoln High School as of September 30 and October 1, 1941. Pleasant Ridge Police Department cooperating with other law enforcement agencies in this difficulty. Resolution approving reduction in special assessment against Ray Chamberlain, residing at 8 Ridge Road for special assessment for acquisition of 4 Ridge Road. Special assessment approved in the amount of \$4,900.00 for 4 Ridge Road acquisition. Resolution appointing City Manager as Local Contact Man with Oakland County Civil Defense Counsel.

December 9, 1941 Offer of Maurice Gavitt to purchase 23646 Woodward Avenue for \$7,000.00 rejected. Resolution setting sale price of 23646 Woodward Avenue at minimum of \$10,000.00 with 20 % down payment. Motion accepting gift of flag pole for Memorial Park from Ferndale American Legion Post, and flag from Royal Oak American Legion Post. Roy L. Plumb appointed Civil Defense Director for Pleasant Ridge. Dr. Tuck, Health Officer of Oakland County, together with his assistant, Mrs. Mattie Bullard, appointed Pleasant Ridge Health Officer.

January 13, 1942 Manager's action re Public Works hourly rate adjustment endorsed by City Commission. Manager instructed to continue to use his judgment in this respect. Error reported in spreading of winter tax roll. Re-spread of entire roll and refund of over assessment endorsed. Civil Defense ordinance adopted.

February 10, 1942 E. H. Fuller and Roy Fuller appeared before the Commission to explain plan for Police pension system. Authorization given to purchase \$200.00 worth of Civil Defense supplies. Authorization given for construction of two necessary additional sewer manholes on Woodward Heights Boulevard - one additional manhole on Oxford and one additional manhole on Maywood. Civil Defense victory gardens approved, to be located on City owned property. 5 % salary increase approved for Police Department and five other employees.

March 9, 1942 Professor Foust called into Military service. Authorization given to engage Professor Donald Katz as his replacement. Authorization given for purchase of 2 - \$570.00 air raid sirens.

March 19, 1942 Resolution establishing 4 Ridge Road as "emergency medical and civil defense center". Action to sell 23646 Woodward Avenue deferred until end of World War II. Manager's recommendation against construction of air raid shelters at excessive cost (\$570,000.00) endorsed.

New Commission convened on April 7, 1942.

Mayor -	Gilbert
Commissioners:	Yager Gould Embrey Stevenson (Stevenson named Mayor Pro-tem)
Constable:	Maurice Kramer

Commissioners' Yager and Embrey delegated by Commission to make study of possible pension plans. \$1,200.00 appropriated for equipping 4 Ridge Road as emergency casualty station. Stevenson, Eaton and Raymond Shephard appointed County Supervisors.

April 13, 1942 Approval given for Edison installation of air raid sirens at cost of \$578.03.

May 12, 1942 \$1,000.00 in general obligation bond tenders solicited. General public nursing service plan approved, with following participation in cost:

School District	\$4,000.00
City of Ferndale	2,500.00
City of Pleasant Ridge	<u>1,000.00</u>

Total -, \$7,500.00

The Commission requested Mayor Gilbert to serve on Advisory Committee for Nursing Service. New salary schedule approved effective May 1, 1942, effecting 16 employees.

Routine meeting held on May 19, 1942.

At meeting on May 26, 1942 budget in the amount of \$67,140.55 was approved.

Routine meeting held June 9, 1942.

At meeting on June 16, 1942 Mr. I. G. Gabriel appeared before the City Commission to explain municipal employees retirement plan.

July 7, 1942 City Manager authorized to purchase war damage insurance, applicable to City properties.

July 13, 1942 Routine meeting.

August 12, 1942 City Manager authorized to purchase new Police car and used pick-up truck. Resolution adopted relative to charter amendment to permit City Commission to contract for sewage disposal to be voted upon by the people at election to be held November 3, 1942. Approval given at this election. Report submitted by Commissioner Embrey relative to available retirement systems.

September 8, 1942 Discussion of matter of trees killed by gas, and report of City Manager endorsed. Motion adopted determining to close City Offices on Saturday afternoons commencing October 1, 1942. Resolution adopted recommending clean-out of Campbell Road and Red Run drains.

October 22, 1942 Report relative to popularity of Victory Gardens. Additional space to be provided for Victory Gardens in the year 1943. Letter received from Perley Carr announcing intention to discontinue garbage collection. City Manager to investigate all available methods for garbage collection and disposition. Action taken to give 15 % salary increase to eleven employees.

October 20, 1942 Commissioner Embrey and City Manager appointed to negotiate and arrange for garbage collection. Motion adopted discontinuing school crossing attendant at intersection at Woodward Avenue and Drayton Avenue. Ordinance adopted to reduce speed limit on Woodward Avenue in Pleasant Ridge. Offer to privately finance purchase and planting of 100 Chinese elms along Grand Trunk Railroad in Gainsborough Park to shield against view of Reichhold Chemical Company rejected. City Commission to finance purchase and planting.

November 4, 1942 Resolution adopted writing off from "City Assets" \$24,909.21 of obsolete material and equipment. Douglas Harris resigned as Assessor. Discussion of housing shortage and single residence restrictions.

November 10, 1942 Motion authorizing purchase of used garbage truck from Perley Carr.

December 8, 1942 Further consideration of plans for retirement system. Commissioners' Yager and Embrey to meet with City employees for discussion of this matter. Resolution adopted opposing 15 Mile speed limit for trains being considered by the cities of Hamtramck and Detroit.

January 5, 1943 "Emergency housing" zoning ordinance amendment.

January 12, 1943 Request from Police Captain, Katke, that he be appointed Chief of Police. Tabled. Announcement of gasoline rationing for City applying to City equipment discussed. Resolution authorizing signature of sewage disposal contract with Oakland County Drain Commission.

January 19, 1943 City Manager appointed Legislative Contact Man.

February 9, 1943 Resolution appointing William Katke Chief of Police.

March 9, 1943 City Manager appointed Assessor. Resolution adopted establishing addition Victory Gardens on Maplefield Road. Resolution adopted favoring central rationing authority for southern Oakland County. Commissioner Stevenson submitted his resignation in order to run for Mayor at the April 1943 election. Lawrence S. King appointed Commissioner. Orien Yager appointed Mayor Pro-tem.

April 6, 1943 New Commission convened.

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners:

Embrey
Stanton
Yager
King

Christine Jewell declared elected Constable with four write-in votes. Subsequently, Mrs. Jewell refused to serve.

April 22, 1943 City Manager tendered his resignation, due to his receipt and acceptance of appointment of Commission in U. S. Naval Reserve. City Manager requested to accept indefinite leave of absence instead of submitting resignation. Motion adopted granting City Manager indefinite leave of absence commencing April 28, 1943. Mayor Stevenson appointed Acting City Manager. Martha Schmalz appointed Assistant City Manager. Dorothy Boycott granted indefinite leave of absence for enlistment in Women's Army Auxiliary Corps. Resolution authorizing outside work by Policeman (part time 1/4 hours) approved as wartime emergency expedient. Motion extending City Manager's salary four months past April 28, 1943.

May 11, 1943 Harold W. Hathaway appointed Assessor. Report by City Manager, dated April 12, 1943, recommending close scrutiny of State Legislature proposed bills. Martha M. Schmalz appointed to undertake this job. Morris Kramer appointed Constable. Chief Katke appointed local property Officer for civilian defense supplies with \$5,000.00 surety bond. Resolution relative to possibility of discontinuance of garbage collection. 1 and 1/2 ton garbage truck purchase authorized. By motion, authorization was given to correspond with the City Managers Association for assistance in locating a full time City Manager.

May 18, 1943 Motion adopted increasing salaries of:

Ami Nadeau
Roberta Worline
Martha Schmalz
Police Department and Public Works
Department 7.65%.

June 18, 1943 Elmer Kloch announced discontinuance of garbage collection. Hiring of James T. Brown for collection of garbage ratified. Budget approved in the amount of \$68,587.50. Deacon reappointed Playground Director and granted an hourly assistant. Applications for position of City Manager received.

June 30, 1943 Motion approved relative to hiring full time Civilian Defense Secretary at \$175.00 a month. Seymour Justina, candidate for City Manager, was requested to appear before the City Commission for interview.

July 11, 1943 Justina interviewed. No action.

July 13, 1943 Arthur J. Jennings interviewed for application for City Manager. No action taken. Contract approved with the City of Royal Oak for Police radio service - Cost \$245.00.

July 20, 1943 Frederick C. Peitzsch interviewed in application for City Manager. No action taken.

August 3, 1943 Peitzsch hired as City Manager at \$250.00 per month. Motion adopted for City to take over City collection of garbage commencing September 1, 1943.

August 17, 1943 Raymond Floch appointed garbage collector commencing September 1, 1943 at \$3,875.00 per year. Bond for City Manager Peitzsch approved at \$5,000.00. Permanent appointment of William Katke as Chief of Police.

Routine meeting held on September 7, 1943.

October 12, 1943 Salary of Roberta Worline increased to \$150.00 per month.

October 26, 1943 Letter from Ferndale Kiwanis Club soliciting Pleasant Ridge change from Royal Oak to Ferndale Post Office. City Manager to investigate and report on possible advantages.

November 9, 1943 City Manager report submitted on possible Post Office change. Tabled. Mrs. J. L. Pickering appeared before the City Commission relative to plans for Youth Recreation.

September 17, 1943 Civilian Defense officials present regarding opposition to use of Civilian Defense headquarters by other organizations.

December 7, 1943 Action taken to discontinue services of Dora L. Walz as City Treasurer. Martha M. Schmalz appointed City Treasurer. Action was taken authorizing Miller-Bailey to make audit of Treasurer's books.

December 14, 1943 Mrs. Pickering again present regarding Youth Recreation and need for local facilities.

January 11, 1944 Auditors' report relative to Treasurers' financial records - O.K.'d. Endorsing resolution adopted relative to legislation for hospital authority. Curfew adopted for Devonshire Skating Rink at 10:00 P.M.

January 25, 1944 Laura Sharp residence at 58 Fairwood approved for temporary two-family use as war housing emergency. Post War Planning Committee appointed with following members:

A. C. Kuhn
W. J. Norton
Michael J. Sands
Carl F. Pollmar
Max L. Veach
George G. Whitney
Lloyd Rheim

February 8, 1944 Mrs. Pickering again present relative to Youth Activity facilities.

March 7, 1944 Routine meeting.

April 4, 1944 New Commission convened:

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners:

Yager
King
Embrey
Stanton

Constable: Harold B. Sherrill

Routine meeting held April 10, 1944.

April 11, 1944 Stevenson, Randau and Eaton appointed County Supervisors. Yager appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Letter received from Mrs. Pickering regarding appointment of Youth Guidance Director. Tabled. Notice from Drain Commissioner, Earl L. Clark, that sewage disposal system would be put into operation commencing May 1, 1944.

April 25, 1944 Vacant property in the rear of 4 Ridge Road approved for Baseball Park and Playground. Garage to be moved to southwest corner of property.

May 9, 1944 Ordinance adopted fixing sewage disposal rates.

May 19 and 23, 1944 Routine meetings.

June 1, 1944 Budget approved. Tax budget in the amount of \$76,468.08.

Routine meeting held on June 8, 1944.

June 13, 1944 Discussion of increase in Reichhold odors. Letter received from Detroit Edison relative to location of power lines along Grand Trunk Railway.

Routine meeting held on June 27, 1944.

July 12, 1944 Employee salary increases approved as provided for in new budget.

July 14, 1944 Contract approved for use of Detroit City Dump for Pleasant Ridge rubbish at cost of 12 cents per cubic yard.

August 8, 1944 Policy adopted relative to damage to sidewalks by City trees.

September 12, 1944 Engineers estimate to be secured for Woodward Heights curbing. 15 Devonshire requested permission for use of property for two-family residence alteration. Permission denied. Attorney Moore's salary increased to \$80.00 per month.

October 10, 1944 Post-war Planning Commission request for public hearing to solicit public opinion on construction of a Community Center.

October 24, 1944 Request of South Oakland Hospital authority that Pleasant Ridge assume 2.93 % of cost of hospital planning. Tabled. Detroit Edison request for high tension line location paralleling playground at Grand Trunk. Denied.

November 6, 1944 Polling hours extended for election until 10:00 P.M.

November 14, 1944 Detroit Edison high tension line reconsidered. City Manager to submit report. New heating system for City Warehouse approved at cost of approximately \$350.00.

December 12, 1944 Public hearing on proposed location of Detroit Edison high tension line ordered for January 9, 1945. Motion taken approving \$678.20 contribution for South Oakland County Hospital Authority for preliminary plans and specifications. Resolution adopted approving application to Michigan Planning Commission for grant-in-aid for joint Community Hospital. \$100.00 annual support to Ferndale - Pleasant Ridge Community Center approved.

January 9, 1945. Public hearing on Edison high tension line. Plan denied pending consideration of alternate plan. Sand spreader for use on icy streets considered and purchase O.K.'d at cost of \$120.00. Motion to request Post-War Planning Commission to prepare plans for Maplefield Playground.

February 13, 1945 Cambridge Boulevard residents present relative to purchase of frontage south to White House Studio. Gehrke to be contacted relative to cost thereof. Report received from City Manager relative to possible retirement system.

February 27, 1945 Further discussion relative to retirement system. Decision made to await State Legislation in this matter. Purchase of new tractor mower approved at cost of \$207.75.

March 13, 1945 Petition presented for Woodward Heights curbing. Laid on table for public examination. City Engineer instructed to prepare plans and cost estimates for this work presented. First resolution adopted in this matter. City Manager's report received relative to Senate Bill 224 relative to State Highway condemnation powers. Resolution joining with seven other municipalities to form Hospital Authority.

April 3, 1945 New Commission convened:

Mayor - Stevenson
Commissioners: Embrey
Stanton
King
Yager
Constable: George I. Oldham
Justice of Peace: Max L. Veach
Clerk: Moberly.

April 9, 1945 Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly appointed County Supervisors. Oldham declined election as Constable. Harold B. Sherrill appointed Constable.

Irene H. Hillyer appointed Deputy Clerk. Notice was received of County reduction in sewage disposal rate from 55 cents to 45 cents per thousand cubic feet. Manager instructed to make study of possibility of giving residents full benefit of this reduction. Manager reported plans under way for airport in Oak Park. Manager to keep Commission advised of developments. Recommendation received from Civilian Defense Director, Roy A. Plumb, that Civilian Defense organization be dissolved and that drugs, instruments, etc. be disposed of. Approved by City Commission. City Manager to solicit bids. The City Commission was requested to finance the cost of development of a leaf vacuum machine which, when developed, would become the property of the City. Approval was given with cost not to exceed \$1,000.00. Consideration was given to the possible future uses for 4 Ridge Road. City Commission decided to meet with the Planning Commission in this regard.

June 7, 1945 Budget received and approved in the amount of \$77,443.36.

June 12, 1945 Bid of Cooke Construction Company for Woodward Heights curbing received in the amount of \$5,947.89. Contract approved.

June 15, 1945 The City Commission met with the Post-War Planning Commission relative to future uses of 4 Ridge Road. Letter was received from Mr. J. L. Pickering relative to immediate use. Manager to secure written program from Miss Armstrong, new Director for Ferndale, - Pleasant Ridge Community Center.

June 20, 1945 Motion adopted that 4 Ridge Road be made available as meeting place for local organizations, and that City Manager be instructed to draft schedule of use.

June 27, 1945 City Manager, Peitzsch, submitted his resignation, effective July 30, 1945, or earlier, to re-join I. C. M. A. staff. Mayor instructed to direct telegram to Navy Lieutenant, A. J. Berst, to determine possibility of his availability. Letter from Mrs. J. L. Pickering tabled until August meeting. City Manager, Peitzsch's salary extended to August 15, 1945.

August 7, 1945 City Manager, Berst, returned. George A. Sadler and group of citizens present with petition requesting that 4 Ridge Road be established as Community Center. City Manager advised that Special Assessment District had not participated in any portion of cost of the building purchase and that exclusively City funds had been used for this purpose. Manager instructed to secure City Attorney's opinion relative to use of building as Community Center. Meeting with Post-War Planning Commission and Youth Interest Commission set for August 14, 1945 to discuss use of building. Letter received from Shell Oil Company relative to plans for gas station to be constructed on the northwest corner of Cambridge and Woodward Avenue. City Manager to notify Cambridge residents and to invite their attendance at meeting to be held August 14, 1945. Re-roofing bid of \$240.00 for City Office approved. City Manager reported that Civilian Defense equipment and supplies would be disposed of, but that more time would be required to study this matter in order that disposition might be made in a more orderly manner. Action was taken to approve Pleasant Ridge share of School Tax at 19.325559 % of total taxes to be collected.

August 14, 1945 Shell Oil Company plans approved for Cambridge and Woodward Avenue. Mr. Sadler and other citizens were present relative to proposed uses for 4 Ridge Road. Report received from City Manager. Manager instructed to immediately investigate possible floor reinforcing which might be required at 4 Ridge Road and Mayor to appoint study committee:
The following committee was appointed:

L. R. Rhein
George A. Sadler
Mrs. R. M. Partridge
Earl Dermeyer
G. C. Helmig
Mrs. R. T. Fleming

The City Manager reported that long distance call to City Attorney had verified that 4 Ridge Road could be used for any general municipal purpose.

The City Manager reported on operations of Cadillac Bag Company desiring to purchase and develop property on Woodward Avenue between Amherst and Wellesley. Motion denying sale to Cadillac Bag Company. City Manager reported that there was interest in circulating petition for curbing of Indiana, if City would share in the cost. Motion by Commission that City will assume no portion of cost of this improvement.

September 11, 1945 Motion adopted to officially designate 4 Ridge Road as Pleasant Ridge Community Center. Motion adopted to name the following Community Center Board of Trustees:

L. R. Rhein
Mrs. R. T. Fleming
G. C. Helmig
Mrs. R. M. Partridge
G. E. Sadler
Earl Dermeyer
Mrs. J. L. Pickering
Mrs. Jerry Bartz
Mrs. H. C. Richardson

Motion adopted instructing City Attorney to draft ordinance to establish Community Center and its Board. Manager instructed to advise Board that no alcoholic liquors were to be permitted on premises. Motion adopted instructing that Civilian Defense sirens be removed and dismantled. Manager's report received on possible disposal of City-owned real estate. Action taken against disposal. Resolution adopted determining to spread 1 and 1/2 mills on winter roll toward Township settlement fund.

October 9, 1945 Motion adopted to eliminate traffic island in the center of Woodward Heights Boulevard at Woodward Avenue. Manager instructed to arrange special traffic patrol to control speeding on Woodward Heights Boulevard. Mr. Higdon, of Ye Country Store, to request permission for sale of beer and liquor. Request tabled. Community Center ordinance adopted.

October 9, 1945 City Manager submitted report on first meeting with Board of Trustees for Community Center. Janitor requested for Community Center. Manager suggested Mr. Bush, resident on Woodward Heights Boulevard. Mr. Bush appointed. Action was taken to authorize replacement of water service at 14 Oakland Park Boulevard at City expense because original water service had been constructed of faulty material. City Manager was authorized to have printed 500 copies of codified zoning ordinance. Two new traffic signal control boxes were authorized at cost of \$155.00 each. Donation of \$25.00 as City contribution toward expense of Halloween party at Roosevelt School approved. City to haul and furnish firewood for bonfire. City Manager submitted report on hearing before Detroit Common Council on October 8, 1945 on proposed Airport. Detroit acted to provide interim commercial airport facilities at Wayne County Airport.

November 13, 1945 Consumers Power franchise ordinance tentatively adopted and special election for approval set for December 27, 1945. Zoning ordinance printing delayed so that wartime zoning changes could be rescinded. Discussion was had relative to possible changes in Wilcox Subdivision restrictions. Gas furnace ordinance adopted. City Commission discussed Act 135 of 1945 covering Municipal Employees Retirement System. City Manager was instructed to arrange meeting of City employees with City Commission on December 5, 1945 to discuss this matter.

December 5, 1945 Police Department and all other City employees approved City participation in Municipal Employees Retirement System.

December 11, 1945 Recommendation received from Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road that paid Director be hired. City Manager to solicit applications for Director, with City Commission to interview applicants. Letter received from Mrs. J. L. Sanderson relative to establishment of Play and Nursery School on first floor of residence at 249 West Ten Mile Road. No action required by City Commission. Motion was adopted instructing City Clerk to request Royal Oak to move No Parking signs on the south side of Ten Mile Road to the north side of Ten Mile Road in accordance with two year agreement entered into when these signs were installed. City Manager was authorized to engage Mr. Eichstedt, Architect, for preparation of plans for additions to 4 Ridge Road. Resolution was adopted approving Pleasant Ridge becoming a member of Municipal Employees Retirement System under Plan A. Motion was adopted to move east side skating rink to Gainsboro and Amherst locations.

December 12, 1945 Consumers Power franchise vote approved franchise by a vote of 39 to 0.

January 3, 1946 Residents present expressing great dissatisfaction with Reichhold odor abatement program. Attorney Maurice Cole instructed to question Federal Judge as to his willingness to require company to bear expense of additional survey of Chemical Engineer of City's choice.

Routine meeting held January 8, 1946.

January 15, 1946 Resolution adopted pledging the City to allow no commercial uses of Lots 2 and 3 Assessor's Oakland Park State Subdivision without permission of owner of Lot 20 Wilcox Subdivision. Letter was received that Federal Judge and Reichhold had agreed to the City engaging new expert to study odor abatement problems. City Manager authorized to contact and engage expert at expense of Reichhold Chemicals Company.

City Manager submitted report of December 18, 1945 that the City's former action had definitely committed the City to membership and participation in South Oakland Hospital Authority. Letter was received from Judson Bradway, Realtor, giving opinion as to desirability of ranch type homes contemplated for Millington Road. City Manager was instructed to act as the City's representative in association of Wilcox property owners. Remuneration of Mr. L. G. Bush, as janitor of Community Center, changed to \$130.00 per month. City Manager reported that Ferndale was sponsoring an enabling act to permit boundary line alterations to be made by concurring vote of affected municipalities. The purpose of this legislation is to enable alteration of Pleasant Ridge south boundary. Commissioner Embrey submitted his resignation. Harry Monroe was appointed as Commissioner.

February 11, 1946 Petition was received from 64 residents requesting that Ye Country Store permit for sale of beer and wine be approved. This matter was tabled.

City Manager submitted report that Professor Allen Foust was to undertake further study of Reichhold Chemicals odor abatement. Letter was received from Mr. Eichstedt submitting prices for complete plan for 4 Ridge Road. This matter was tabled.
Letter

March 7, 1946 Meeting was held with Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road to interview three applicants.- Miss Mary Ethel Bank was hired as combined 4 Ridge Road Director and Recreation Director at \$225.00 per month.

March 12, 1946 Report was received relative to moving of No Parking signs on New Hampshire. Motion was adopted instructing that conference be arranged between Royal Oak and Pleasant Ridge Police Chiefs and City Managers in this regard with report on results to be submitted at next meeting. Mr. M. M. Youngblood, proprietor of grocery store at 23908 Woodward Avenue, presented a list of names of residents favoring wine and beer permit for this store. Motion instructing Manager to place article in City Bulletin, advising residents that this matter would be considered at next regular meeting. Letter from several residents on Amherst Road was presented relative to purchase of Woodward Avenue corners. Motion was adopted empowering City Manager to secure options for purchase of these corners at option cost of not to exceed \$100.00 each. Motion was adopted to direct letters to Amherst property owners regarding the above.

Motion was adopted to transfer \$2,520.67 in excess sewage disposal revenues to "sewage disposal reserve". City Manager submitted report relative to bituminous treatment of all concrete pavement surfaces. Action tabled until budget discussion. City Manager was authorized to have property east of Gainsboro and south of Amherst prepared for Victory Gardens. City Manager submitted report relative to Ferndale School interest in purchase of Lots 4 and 5 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision for Playground. Motion was adopted requesting School Board to defer action until certain questions had been answered.

On April 2, 1946 the new Commission took office:

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners:

Harry K. Monroe
L. S. King
Wallace Perkins
Edward H. Stanton

Constable: Harold B. Sherrill

At meeting on April 8, 1946 motion was adopted approving construction of snack bar by Teen Canteen at 4 Ridge Road with funds to be raised by Teen Canteen.

Numerous letters were received opposing request for permit to sell beer and wine at 23908 Woodward Avenue. Motion was adopted by Commission deciding to take no action at this time to revise City ordinance prohibiting sale of beer and wine.

Louis H. Walsh of 75 Woodward Heights was present complaining of Reichhold odors. Mr. Walsh was assured that study and steps to remedy this situation were under way.

Petition was received from 23 of 29 owners in first block on Amherst favoring acquisition of corner lots at Woodward Avenue. City Manager submitted report on possibility of exchange of these corner lots for City owned lots between Amherst and Maywood. City Manager was authorized to proceed with attempt to negotiate such exchange of property ownership and to submit the same to the City Commission for ratification.

Petition was received relative to speeding on Maplefield Road.

The Chief of Police was instructed to take actions to correct.

Mayor Stevenson submitted his resignation as representative on the South Oakland Hospital Authority Board. Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly were appointed County Supervisors.

Motion was adopted restricting parking on East Ten Mile Road.

City Manager reported that orders with War Assets Corporation over over five months ago for tableware, chairs and card tables had not been filled. City Manager was authorized to purchase these materials from other sources when available.

City Manager read memo from Ferndale School Board, dated March 19, 1945, relative to Lots 4 and 5 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision.

No action was required. City Manager reported that burning site for papers, etc. east of Grand Trunk tracks was no longer available, that temporary arrangements had been made with Ferndale and that study of type of practical incinerator was being made.

April 23, 1946 Mr. S. W. Reavley submitted plans for extensive alteration of 23928 Woodward Avenue for Beauty Parlor use. The matter was laid on the table. The City Clerk was authorized to issue building permit providing alteration conforms with Ordinance 132 and owner executes restrictive set-back agreement to be prepared by City Attorney. City Manager advised that petitions were on file from Fairwood and Sylvan property owners regarding acquisition of corner lots at Woodward Avenue for Parks. The City Manager was empowered to secure options on purchase of these lots at cost of not to exceed \$100.00 per option. Mrs. R. T. Fleming submitted resignation from the Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road. Mrs. J. C. Blick was appointed to the Board of Trustees. Letter was received from H. W. Hathaway, Assessor, requesting appointment of an Assistant for the summer months to make field check on homes to locate unrecorded improvements. The City Manager was authorized to make this appointment.

On May 2, 1946 the Commission considered the budget.

On May 7, 1946 discussion was had relative to possible purchase from Mr. Reavley of the north 20 ft. of his property. Petition was received from Maywood residents with respect to purchase of this 20 ft. and Lot 5 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision. Special Assessment resolution was adopted relative to this purchase. Special Assessment resolution was adopted relative to Amherst property purchase. Special Assessment resolutions were adopted in regard to corner lot purchases for Sylvan and Fairwood. Motion was taken to appoint Mr. H. L. Stanton as City's representative on Hospital Authority. City Manager submitted a report that Ferndale had discontinued permission granted for burning rubbish from Pleasant Ridge and that material will now have to be hauled to Detroit City Dump at Wyoming and 8 Mile Road. Request of Bernice Sadler for appointment as Assistant Playground Director was tabled. Plans for traffic signal improvement on Woodward Avenue were referred to G. Graydon Snyder for written comments. Budget submitted by the Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road was tabled until City budget consideration. Letter was received from 4 residents proposing closing of Gainsboro from Wellesley to Maywood. Motion was adopted denying this request, due to fire service problem which would be created, creation of additional dead-end streets in the City and limitation on access to City Warehouse.

May 14, 1946 Letter was received from Pleasant Ridge Improvement Association regarding unsightly condition of Amherst skating rink. The City Manager was instructed to have this situation corrected. Tax budget of \$82,402.38 was approved subject to public hearing. Motion was adopted recommending that the City Assessor increase assessed valuations by 6%. City Commission approved a draft of letter to be sent out with the Board of Review notices. Request was submitted to Post-War Planning Commission to summarize all matters now under consideration and to solicit this body's reaction to change in name to Planning Commission.

May 21, 1946 Further discussion of Woodward corner lot acquisitions. The City Manager reported that he had received a price of \$3,500.00 on florist property at Maywood and Woodward and \$4,500.00 from Mr. Reavley. Maywood property owners submitted objections to trade of lots proposed in the case of acquisition of Imherst corner lots. The City Manager was instructed to secure City Attorney's opinion relative to power of the City Commission to negotiate property trades.

June 11, 1946 Bids were received for sidewalk replacement and contract awarded for low bid of 33 cents per square foot. Mr. G. Graydon Snyder was present to discuss with the Commission plans submitted by the State Highway Department for Traffic signal alteration. Mr. Snyder agreed to submit written report.

Action was taken reducing the tax budget to \$81,869.05.

The City Manager reported that there would be delay in summer tax bills due to delay in receiving from the Ferndale School District amount of school taxes to be spread.

The matter of Maywood corner lot acquisitions was discussed again. Adverse opinion was received from the City Attorney on power for property trades. The \$3,500.00 cost involved in property purchase was considered impractical by the Maywood property owners. The City Commission took action authorizing the issuance of building permit for greenhouse on the north side of Maywood. Special assessment resolution relative to corner lot acquisition on Maywood was rescinded.

Action was taken to change the hearings on Imherst, Sylvan and Fairwood corner lot acquisitions to August 13, 1946. Regarding Fairwood

corner lot acquisitions, City Manager reported that owner of Lot 25 Sylvan Gardens will sell lot for \$2,000.00 and that owner of Lot 24 Sylvan Gardens was unwilling to quote price and unwilling to sell.

Complaint, together with pictures, were received from Robert E. Vallin of unsightly condition of leaf dump on the north side of Elm Park at Woodward. The City Manager advised that this property was being used for depositing leaves and grass clippings for decomposition into humus, and bulldozer would be hired to level off the piles of leaves. Mr. Vallin is to be notified accordingly.

June 20, 1946 Consideration of general D. D. T. spray for insects was discontinued due to excessive cost.

Letter was received from George W. Welsh of Grand Rapids enclosing petitions relative to cities' participation in proceeds of State Sales Tax. The members of the City Commission took along copies of the petition for securing signatures.

The City Manager presented report and tree samples to demonstrate the effect of European elm scale. He suggested that the City Commission might be better satisfied to have a report from a tree expert.

City Manager was instructed to contact a forester from the Zoological Park to have him make a survey of elm trees for report to the City Commission.

City Manager submitted a report on previous appointment as bargaining agent for City in hourly wages for Public Works employees. His appointment was reaffirmed and the City Manager was requested to submit any information regarding any wage changes to the City Commission as soon as possible after change had been made. The City Manager submitted report and comparison of mail delivery via Royal Oak as compared with via Detroit. No action was taken.

June 25, 1946 Meeting held with Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road regarding necessity of employment of full time Director. It was Miss Baker's opinion that present activities do not warrant a full time Director. The Board of Trustees were excused at this time. The Commission continued its discussion, and the Manager was instructed to direct letter to the Board asking opinion regarding use of Director for extra clerical work at the City office.

July 9, 1946 City Attorney's opinion received, dated July 8, 1946, relative to the right of the City Commission to discontinue land condemnation proceedings after jury verdict but before confirmation by Court. Opinion placed on file for future reference. The Commission adjourned at 8:40 P.M. to inspect the Community Center. Letter was received from Professor Allen Foust regarding installation of stack gas scrubber for odor abatement of odors coming from Copel Resin plant at Reichhold Chemicals Company. Report was received from Mr. Truxton of the Detroit Zoological Park regarding European elm scale. He recommended spraying portion of smaller trees. City Manager to submit report on feasibility of Public Works Department undertaking the spraying with rented equipment. Resolution was adopted refusing further contribution to the Ferndale Community Center because all available funds would be needed for 4 Ridge Road. Action was taken to defer the Amherst, Sylvan and Fairwood corner lot hearings until September 10, 1946. Miss Baker's resignation as Community Center Director was finally accepted. City Manager was authorized to hire a temporary chaperone for parties until a new Director had been secured. Mrs. Blick resigned from the Board of Trustees. Mrs. H. C. Richardson was appointed to the Board of Trustees. Retainer of the City Attorney was increased to \$108.00 per month. Second letter was received from the Board of Trustees urging installation of outside illumination. The City Manager was instructed to inform the Board that lighting would be installed as quickly as possible.

August 13, 1946 A number of Amherst residents advising that they do not wish the City Commission to proceed with corner lot acquisition. Appropriate action was taken by the City Commission. Similar action was taken by the City Commission relative to Fairwood corner lot acquisition. Mr. C. McDonald was authorized to landscape street parkway along the north side of Maywood immediately south of his greenhouse and was given permission to erect a neon display sign extending over sidewalk. Resolution was directed to State Highway Department regarding inadequacy of Woodward Avenue lighting and request was made that the State Highway Department undertake a traffic survey to determine causes of increasing accidents and pedestrian fatalities. Resolution was adopted approving City participation to the extent of 25 % in the cost of Woodward traffic signal rehabilitation. City Manager report recommended 25 % reduction in sewage disposal rates. This reduction was approved by ordinance change. Levy of 1 and 1/2 mills for Township Special Assessment liability was approved for the Winter tax roll. Letter was received from Aetna Life Insurance Company relative to group life insurance for employees and was tabled.

Further complaint was received from Maplefield residents relative to speeding on this street. The City Manager submitted report re 1947 dormant spray. Motion was adopted authorizing Public Works to undertake this spray with rented equipment.

Mrs. R. M. Partridge resigned from Board of Trustees.

Complaint received from Board of Trustees regarding uncompleted snack bar and no Director. Also, regard to janitor service. The City Manager reported that he had engaged a carpenter who had now completed the snack bar. The City Manager was instructed to secure applications for Community Center Director, and was instructed to attempt to secure a janitor for the Center. The Board of Trustees requested separate petty cash funds for the Community Center. The City Manager was instructed to advise the Board that City purchase orders should be used wherever possible and petty cash spending was to be held to a minimum.

Question submitted by the Board of Trustees on partition removal was referred to the Post-War Planning Commission for recommendation.

Mr. Sadler and Mr. Rhein were reappointed to the Board of Trustees.

September 9, 1946 Candidates for 4 Ridge Road interviewed.
Loretta K. Seivert was appointed Director at \$225.00 per month.

September 10, 1946 Report was received on price by owner for Sylvan corner lot of \$2,500.00. Commission unfavorable. Sylvan owners invited to attend October 8, 1946 meeting for decision.

Sewer flooding complaints received from Oxford owners. City Manager to have Hubbell, Roth and Clark survey for recommendation as to change to relieve flooding.

Letter from Post-War Planning Commission stating that they did not care to pass on desirability of proposed alteration work at 4 Ridge Road and asking that Commission be discharged as its work was completed. Action deferred awaiting Commission's acceptance of July 8, 1946 report.

Motion made to empower City Manager to employ F. Carl Pollmar to prepare plans and specifications and secure bids on 4 Ridge Road alterations desired by Board of Trustees.

Purchase of jute box for \$120.00 for use of Teen Canteen O.K.'d.

September 24, 1946 Plans for 4 Ridge alteration submitted by Pollmar. Copies to Commission so bids may be later authorized.

Discussion of report of Public Works Planning Committee - also possibility of combining Community Center facilities with Huntington Woods.

Considered impractical.

Consideration of Maplefield playground in rear of Lot 37 Bart E. Taylor's Woodland Subdivision. Acquisition of Lot 37 felt unnecessary.

Manager to investigate possibility of negotiating trade of six city Maplefield lots to secure combined playground site of 180 ft. frontage.

Suggestion made of landscaping of City owned Woodward property at this time. City Manager requested to submit recommendation. Regarding removal of Elm Park skating rink, City Commission did not agree. Regarding discontinuance of children's use of southwest corner of Oakland Park and Woodward Avenue, City Commission feels this is not necessary until landscaping plans require such discontinuance. Regarding acquiring east side lot corners City Commission believes cost is exorbitant. Owners are unwilling to special assessment, and, that if acquired, a general bond issue would be necessary. Regarding Woodward business property acquisition, Commission believes that this ties in closely with proposed establishment of City Plan Commission. Manager to submit specific recommendation. Although not covered in Public Works Planning report, City Manager was requested to investigate possibility of installation of crossing gates at 10 Mile Road and Grand Trunk.

October 8, 1946 Anna Demos present in regard to landscaping private property between Maywood and Imherst. McDonald to suspend landscaping. Matter deferred until November 12, 1946 meeting with McDonald and Anna Demos present. Manager's report regarding voting machines tabled. Manager submitted report and was authorized to negotiate with property owners for Maplefield lot consolidation. Manager's report re Grand Trunk gates to be referred to Royal Oak City Commission for expense sharing. Motion to nullify special assessment proceedings regarding property acquisition on the south side of Sylvan. Manager reported having hired colored janitress for 4 Ridge Road. Manager instructed to secure bids for 4 Ridge Road interior alterations to be submitted at November 12, 1946 meeting.

November 12, 1946 Federal Judge insists that Reichhold case be closed unless evidence could be presented to justify active prosecution of case. Attorney Cole to negotiate with Reichhold and then settle case accordingly. McDonald-Demos controversy regarding landscaping settled. Motion for informal hearing to change street name of New Hampshire Avenue to East 10 Mile Road. Voting machine action again tabled. Bids received for 4 Ridge Road alteration. Low bid \$1,048.00. Bids referred to Architect Carl Pollmar.

November 19, 1946 Low bid of Charlevoix recommended by Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road alteration. Approved by City Commission. Purchase of voting machines deferred indefinitely.

December 10, 1946 Formal hearing for New Hampshire name change set for January 7, 1947. City Victory Gardens approved for 1947 and Hathaway requested to again be Garden Chairman. Approval of City participation with State Highway Department to the extent of \$1,500.00 in traffic signal rehabilitation. World War II Honor Roll closed to include service prior to August 4, 1945. City Manager submitted report on 1941 to 1946 City and School tax increases. Placed on file for future reference.

January 7, 1947 Name of New Hampshire Avenue changed to East Ten Mile Road. Whitney Smart of Pascoe-Crosthwaite American Legion Post present regarding proposed World War II memorial for eleven deceased service men. Asked to submit cost estimate. Reavley present regarding alteration curtailment because of excessive cost. O.K.'d with conditions regarding second floor use. Manager's report regarding probability of having to change rubbish dump from Wyoming site to 12½ Mile Road and Southfield. South Oakland Hospital Authority share for Pleasant Ridge of \$1,949.88 approved. Motion to authorize Mayor's appointment of Fathers of boys lost in World War II to recommend appropriate memorial. Dedication services to be held Sunday, May 23, 1948.

January 27, 1947 Board of Trustees letter submitted regarding unsatisfactory services of Miss Loretta K. Siebert. Miss Siebert to be requested to attend meeting on January 30, 1947.

January 30, 1947 Meeting with Miss Siebert. Board of Trustees to meet with Commission February 11, 1947.

February 11, 1947 Board of Trustees felt Miss Siebert should be replaced. Miss Siebert asked to submit resignation. Board of Trustees requested to transmit all monies from benefit donations, refunds, etc. to City in view of the fact that the Community Center was operated almost exclusively with tax supported funds & tax monies. Motion to instruct City Manager and City Clerk to issue no building permits on Maplefield not in accord with Assessor's Replat of Woodward Park Subdivision. Manager reported Royal Oak willing to share Grand Trunk gate expense and he was authorized to petition Michigan Public Service Commission for order to Grand Trunk to proceed with gates. Policy adopted regarding municipal holidays work week and overtime. Motion adopted giving Police Department members one extra day of vacation for each six holidays.

February 18, 1947 Mrs. Pickering resignation from Board of Trustees. City Manager to screen candidates for Director for 4 Ridge Road., submit to Board of Trustees for recommendation and submit to City Commission for final disposition.

March 1, 1947 Motion appointing Miss Virginia Riggs as 4 Ridge Road Director. Miss Siebert dismissed.

March 11, 1947 Motion rejecting Pascoe-Crosthwaite American Legion Post two proposals for memorial. Motion to have City Manager contact E. A. Eichstadt for Memorial Park plans proposal. City Manager requested to secure data for procuring boulder marker and bronze tablet for Memorial Park. Suggested sale of City Office and construction of new building in Memorial Park tabled. Manager authorized to begin assembling historical data on the eleven deceased Pleasant Ridge veterans and preparation of report to be prepared for free distribution. City Attorney's report of February 18, 1947 received regarding division into two voting precincts.

April 8, 1947 New Commission:

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners:

Stanton
Monroe
King
Perkins

Clerk: Moberly

Constable: Sherill

D. S. R. notification of street car discontinuance and bus substitution. City Manager authorized to purchase record player and dispose of juke box for 4 Ridge Road. City Manager authorized to secure prices on electric refrigeration for 4 Ridge Road.

April 14, 1947 Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly appointed Supervisors. Eichstedt proposal for plans and specifications for Memorial Park landscaping on Lot 15 Assessor's Oakland Park Subdivision. Discussion of Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Health program. No action. County Road participation in Grand Trunk electric gates not considered sufficient. City Manager to contact Road Commission for greater participation. Report received re unexpectedly low special county census figure for Pleasant Ridge. City Manager requested to secure data to refute census figures.

May 13, 1947 Nettie B. Smith engaged for east side playground for 1947 summer season. Fence between 4 Ridge Road and 8 Ridge Road to be repaired at City expense. Resolution adopted favoring increasing capacity of Red Run drainage ditch to alleviate flood conditions. Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge health budget laid on table. Tentative gross budget of \$142,552.51 presented. Ordered redrafted to include pay raises.

May 27, 1947 Manager authorized to purchase electric refrigerator for 4 Ridge Road at \$179.95. Eichstedt presented park plans. Report from Reichhold re odor nuisance on May 16, 1947. \$147,510.85 revised budget presented. Approved.

June 2, 1947 Budget approved with tax budget of \$82,709.50.

June 10, 1947 Eichstedt instructed to prepare park plans for Memorial Park as per World War II Committee approval. Nettie Smith's salary as Summer Playground Director set at \$350.00. City Manager authorized to move Elm Park skating rink to Lots 9 and 10 Wilcox Subdivision. City Manager to proceed with double seal-coat bituminous of Kensington and Oxford pavements at City expense.

June 17, 1947 Commission opposed to making Indiana a stop street. Maplefield traffic problem. Chief of Police to meet with Commission July 1, 1947 with written recommendation. Policy established re Police handling of Jehovah Witnesses in accordance with Attorney's recommendation. Motion directed to City of Royal Oak relative to Vogue Cleaners smoke nuisance. Letter and resolution from Ferndale School Board in regard to 1947 school budget.

July 1, 1947 Motion to make Indiana /mherst intersection a four-way stop. Motion to erect 20 mile per hour speed limit signs on Maplefield.

July 22, 1947 Amendment to Police Rules and Regulations. Police Board, - Police Commissioner, City Manager and Chief of Police. Bess Wright appeared before the City Commission regarding a 2" encroachment on Lot 148 Hamilton Woods Subdivision, which was interfering with securing mortgage. Motion to authorize City Manager to cooperate in correction of this encroachment on City-owned property. City Manager report re uselessness of further effort to secure change on special Oakland County census. City Manager report re need for new walks on Maplefield and effort to secure 5' additional street width from property owners on both sides of the street for relocation of sidewalks. City Commission to determine later whether condemnation is necessary.

August 12, 1947 Routine meeting.

August 14, 1947 One and one half mills for Township special assessment bond obligation authorized to be levied. Resolution adopted re emergency fire service from City of Detroit.

September 9, 1947 Waste material policy resolution. Manager authorized to put linoleum on second floor stairway treads at 4 Ridge Road. Consideration of Government bond investment for Township bond liability funds.

September 23, 1947 Consideration of conditions to be embodied in ordinance relative to sale of lands acquired from State under Scavenger Sale. Tentative approval of order of preference for six capital improvement projects totalling an estimated \$27,940.00 for financing with land sale proceeds.

September 25, 1947 Resolution for ballot proposal seeking authority to sell various City Scavenger Sale lands. Resolution re capital improvement preference order:

1. Woodward traffic signals	\$1,500.00
2. Memorial Park	1,200.00
3. Tennis Courts 2 east and 2 west	8,000.00
4. Bituminous surfacing of 10 pavements	12,680.00
5. Asphaltic concrete on Main Street	2,560.00
6. 4 Ridge Road improvements	2,000.00
Total	<u>\$27,940.00</u>

Committee appointed for publicity on land sale authorization vote.

October 14, 1947 Attorney Moore's bill approved in the amount of \$2,127.00 for Supreme Court appeal of Hazel Park Taxpayers Association versus Royal Oak Township litigation. Helmig resignation from Board of Trustees received. Requested to defer. Manager authorized to install directional street signs on Woodward Avenue.

September 9, 1947 Motion to invest \$9,500.00 of Township Settlement funds in U. S. Treasury bonds. Land sale ordinance adopted. City Commission approves publicity regarding vote on land sale authorization. City Manager authorized to purchase gas stove and facilities for kitchen ventilation for 4 Ridge Road. Other suggested improvements deferred. Manager requested to write to Board of Trustees regarding increasing rental charges schedule for 4 Ridge Road. Manager instructed to work with Ferndale in securing proper landscaping of Woodward parkways after tracks and poles have been removed by State.

November 5, 1947 Vote on land sale authorization approved 186 to 73.

November 11, 1947 Resolution denying City liability in maintenance of house sewer connections. Consideration given to appraisal of City owned lands. S. J. Slavens requested to meet with Commission for recommendation. Water service installation charge increases O.K.'d. Lawrence S. King resignation as Commissioner. Ned W. Randau appointment as Commissioner.

November 18, 1947 Lawrence Mauzy and S. J. Slavens requested to submit proposal as to appraisal charge for City owned lands. War housing temporary permits cancelled. Helmig resignation from Board of Trustees accepted. George G. Whitney appointment to Board of Trustees.

Routine meeting held on December 9, 1947.

December 15, 1947 V. L. Jones of Jones Electric Shop appointed Pleasant Ridge representative on metropolitan municipal reciprocal electrical licensing advisory council. Request from Board of Trustees for information to be secured on "4 Ridge Road" floor load capacity. Commission requested Ferndale Fire Chief and Carl Pollmar investigate. New schedule of rates submitted by Board of Trustees. Approved by Commission. Chief of Police submitted request for City to assume cost of Police uniform replacements. Refused.

December 22, 1947 Resolution opposing school acquisition of Lots 4 and 5 Pleasant Ridge Land Company subdivision. Unwilling to close and move Cambridge entrance onto Ridge Road.

January 13, 1948 Charles Staff request for survey of desirability of bus service on Ridge Road. Denied by Commission. Resolution to put charter amendment on ballot to make position of Clerk appointive. Appraiser's report received on City owned land sale prices. Approved by Commission. City Manager authorized to hire qualified auctioneer to handle land sales. Load limit for floors at 4 Ridge Road recommendation received from Pollmar and Fire Chief. Approved and ordered transmitted to Board of Trustees.

February 10, 1948 Clerk authorized to sign restriction extension agreement applicable to Lots 1 to 5 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision now being circulated on behalf of City owned Lots 77 and 78 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision. Manager's report re out-lots B and C of Stephenson Barber Subdivision tabled. Policy resolution adopted relative to thawing frozen water services. Commission authorization for sale of Lots 1 to 4 Sylvan Gardens and north 1/2 of Lot 264 and south 200ft. of Lot 265 Stephenson Barber No. 3 at \$10,000.00 and \$700.00 respectively.

March 9, 1948 Sale of Lots 1 to 4 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision to Anna Demos at \$10,000.00 and parts of Lots 264 and 265 Stephenson Barber to Walker Wire Company at \$700.00 approved. Proceeds of sale placed in "Land Sale Construction account". Herbert Hill granted 12 days sick leave with pay of \$120.96,- injury on job. Motion abandoning further consideration of Maplefield playground. Motion for Manager to continue efforts to negotiate with Walker and Bozell for lot consolidation.

March 9, 1948 Bids received for printing World War II Memorial booklet. Low bid Birmingham Eccentric \$1,695.00 approved. Additional sewer cleaning equipment authorized to be purchased at \$390.65. Resolution altering south boundary line with Ferndale under Act 38 of 1947. Hearing set for March 25, 1948. Nettie Smith hired as Summer Playground Director at \$350.00.

March 25, 1948 Hearing and final resolution re south boundary line change. Flag pole at "4 Ridge Road" authorized to be moved to Memorial Park. Garden projects on Maplefield and on Gainsboro approved for 1948, with Hathaway or Pleasant Ridge Garden Club as sponsor.

April 6, 1948 New Commission convened.

Mayor -	Stevenson
Commission:	Perkins Randau Stanton Monroe
Constable:	Sherrill

The charter amendment to make Clerk's position appointive was approved by vote of 78 to 28.

April 12, 1948 Stanton appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly appointed Supervisors. Moberly appointed Clerk at \$420.00 per year. Rhein resignation from Board of Trustees. Mayor authorized to fill vacancy. Approval given to request of Louis White, 16 Kensington for constructing additional facilities etc, providing he sign agreement that there will be no two-family use of dwelling. Authorization given to conduct tax sales for 148 Hamilton Wood Subdivision at \$2,000.00 minimum, parts of Lots 265 Stephenson Barber at \$400.00 and \$725.00. Manager authorized to purchase east side playground 8 ft. metal slide for \$157.60 and baseball backstop for west side playground for \$77.40. Virginia Riggs resignation as 4 Ridge Road Director - being married. City Manager to secure applicants. Manager authorized to hire Cambridge-Ridge Road school-crossing attendant. Great Lakes Greyhound requested to move bus stop from north-east to south-east corner of Sylvan and Woodward. Petition received for an approval of screen planting along west side of Grand Trunk right-of-way north to 10 Mile Road.

April 27, 1948 Petition received for special assessment tar-gravel surfacing of Woodland Court. City Manager to prepare plans, estimates and specifications. First resolution adopted for Woodland Court surfacing. Garden Court residents present regarding street surfacing. The following property sales were approved:

Lot 148	Hamilton Woods to Bess Wright for \$2,000.00
Parts of Lot 265 Stephenson Barber Subdivision to Walker Wire Company for \$800.00 and \$400.00..	

Parking on the east side of Barber Avenue prohibited. Letter received from Michigan Municipal Employees Retirement System advising that there is no statutory authority under which a municipality may change from Plan A to Plan B.

May 11, 1948 Special Assessment proceedings commenced for Garden Court surfacing. City Manager's report on gauge readings in sewer manholes during heavy storm on May 9 and 10 received and placed on file. Resolution adopted re closing alleys for part of Maplefield lots.

May 25, 1948 Lot 26 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision and 163 to 168 Stephenson Barber Subdivision authorized to be put up for land sale. City Manager authorized to act as auctioneer. Motion authorizing City Manager to complete all work in Memorial Park and charge the same against Land Sale Construction Account. Authorization given to purchase 175 Boleana poplars for planting along west side of Grand Trunk north to 10 Mile Road for screening. Approval of installation of No Parking signs on the north side of Oakland Park, and east side of Maplefield reinstated. Authorization was given for transfer of \$2,112.50 from Sewage Disposal Reserves to meet cost of printing World War II booklets. Raymond Floch, garbage collector, charge increased from \$3,875.00 to \$5,675.00. Approved by Commission. Resolution determining to levy a garbage collection tax of not to exceed 2 mills as per Act 298 of 1917 annually until resolution is rescinded. Motion to alter tentative budget to provide for 9 cents per hour increase for hourly workers and \$205.00 per year for salaried employees.

June 1, 1948 Budget approved. Gross \$154,635.51. Tax budget \$88,575.00.

June 8, 1948 Motion to request City of Detroit to assign a Traffic Engineer to study Zoo traffic congestion problem. Resignation of Commissioner Perkins received.

June 17, 1948 John F. Wood bid of \$2,000.00 for Lot 26 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision O.K.'d. Roy Hedge bid of \$12,800.00 for Lots 163 to 168 Stephenson Barber Subdivision O.K.'d.

June 29, 1948 Wallace G. Deacon appointed Commissioner. Patrolman Detective Connolly raised to salary of \$3,737.00. Motion to Board of Trustees advising that City Commission does not favor hiring an Assistant for the "4 Ridge Road" Director and that unless Canteens can be kept under proper control they should be deprived of use of the Community Center. Mrs. Bartz' resignation from Board of Trustees received. City Manager was authorized to purchase addressograph equipment at a cost of \$895.00.

July 13, 1948 Motion approving Detroit Edison high tension line across public property in northeast corner of Pleasant Ridge providing clear right-of-way across private property can also be secured by the Detroit Edison Company. Oxford Boulevard Improvement Association offer of Lot 5 and south 30 ft. of Lot 4 Pleasant Ridge Land Company, accepted by City Commission and dedicated as a Horticultural Park. Arthur C. Kuhn appointed as Pleasant Ridge representative on Intermunicipal Transportation Committee. Consumers Power Company offer to replace gas killed trees in 41 Woodward Heights neighborhood refused, and City Manager authorized to negotiate for cash settlement. City Manager authorized to hire forester of his choice to collect data on suspected gas leaks to provide basis for claim against Consumers Power for killing of city owned trees by gas. City Manager and Mayor authorized to open bids for and act on park tree bids.

August 10, 1948 Routine meeting

August 17, 1948 Depth of Memorial Park pool ordered reduced 50 % because of potential hazard to children.

Automobile Club sign approved.

Rotary power street broom purchase at \$629.00 approved.

1½ mills levy for Township special assessment bond liability approved.

Resolution relative to organization of Oxford and Cambridge association to take over building plan approval from subdivider.

Andrew Meissner, temporary Policeman, pay increased to \$1.25 per hour.

City Manager report on Maplefield traffic conditions.

2 "Sentinel" type signs authorized purchased for Maplefield.

Motion adopted leaving to the discretion of the Police Board the appointment of Civilian Deputy Police. Motion agreeing for the City to retain all

of Lot 16 Assessor's Oakland Park Subdivision as a City Park permanently, as per opinion of street residents present.

Plans for Shell Gasoline Station O.K.'d.

Regarding five foot strip needed for new Maplefield sidewalks, City Attorney authorized to start condemnation proceedings against those owners not having given right-of-way. Letter received from Reichhold Chemicals Company regarding verbal complaints received by City Manager as to odor increase.

October 12, 1948 Resolution to State Stream Control Commission regarding pollution control policy, prohibition construction of combined sewers.

\$25.00 contribution O.K.'d for school Halloween parties.

Resolution against proposed repeal of constitutional amendment diverting one cent of state sales tax monies to schools and local governments.

H. K. Monroe resignation as Commissioner.

November 9, 1948 Resolution re condemnation of 5' of Maplefield lots in 12 cases. Joseph J. Shoemaker appointed Commissioner. Authority given for sale of Lots 33 and 34 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision at a price of not less than \$3,800.00 and City Manager authorized to act as auctioneer. Petition and first special assessment resolution for tar gravel on Barber Avenue. City Manager instructed to prepare zoning ordinance amendment for Main and Woodward building setback. Legal bill of \$1,236.00 for special litigation on Royal Oak drains O.K.'d.

November 23, 1948 Complaint of leaf deposit at northwest corner of Elm Park and Woodward.

December 7, 1948 Motion to discontinue use of northwest corner of Elm Park and Woodward for leaf deposit, and City Manager instructed to locate deposit site outside of City limits. City Manager to submit estimate of cost on drain tile along east side of Gainsboro Park. Motion instructing City Attorney to prepare proposed Charter amendment regarding length of Board of Review meetings. Notice received that Michigan Inspection Bureau will discontinue electrical inspections. City Manager to provide arrangements for inspection. Trevarrow purchase of Lots 33 and 34 Sylvan Gardens at \$4,250.00 approved. Setback zoning ordinance amendment O.K.'d. Retroactive appointment of Mrs. Dorothy Simons as 4 Ridge Road Director, effective June 11, 1948, inadvertently omitted. Approved by Commission.

December 14, 1948 Motion authorizing Police Board to hire one additional Policeman. Resolution to discontinue City office as Postal Branch providing postal guide listing can be retained.

January 11, 1949 Barber Avenue surfacing special assessment resolution. Royal Oak water rates increased 14 cents per thousand. Ordinance amendment adopted increasing Pleasant Ridge rates 14 cents per thousand. Resolution opposing proposed Consumers Power rate increase. Motion in regard to purchase and free distribution of copper sulphate crystals in City and private sewers. Resolution re charter amendment for Board of Review hours. Motion O.K.ing \$1,550.00 equipment for ultra high frequency Police radio for police cars and City office. Resolution naming James Steele as Electrical Inspector at 50 % of electrical fees. Board of Trustees request received for two flood lights to light parking lot. City Manager to authorize to purchase lighting of a type not objectionable to neighbors. Motion appointing Pollmar and Cole to prepare plans for Police Booth addition.

February 8, 1949 Low bid of Romeo Vachon of \$223.00 for redecorating at 4 Ridge Road approved. Motion authorizing City Manager and City Attorney to take steps to establish claims against Consumers Power for trees killed by gas.

March 8, 1949 Motion that "4 Ridge Road" purchases in excess of \$50.00 be cleared through office and use of purchase orders adhered to. City Treasurer authorized to continue to buy U. S. Treasury notes at $2\frac{1}{4}$ % with Township Liability fund monies. City protest on Royal Oak water bill at increased rate. Rubbish dump at Aggatis pit at Southfield and $12\frac{1}{2}$ Mile Roads at 65¢ per truck load O.K.'d. Offer of Arthur W. Stephens to sell Lot 6 less east 100 ft. Wilcox Subdivision to City for \$250.00 approved. Motion adopted authorizing Police rules and regulations redraft to modernize same. 5 alternate Police Booth plans for addition to Police Booth submitted by Pollmar. Motion to prepare plans and specifications for Plan No. 5.

April 5, 1949 New Commission:
Mayor - Stevenson
Commissioners:
Deacon
Steuernaker
Crosswaite
Randau
Justice of Peace:
Charles Moon
Constable:
Sherrill

Board of Review charter amendment approved 857 to 51. Motion approving over 1000 perennials purchased for \$155.20 from Weller Nurseries approved. These are for Memorial Park. Motion requesting State Fire Marshall's office to inspect Reichhold Chemicals for odor and explosion hazards.

April 11, 1949 Approximately 80 residents present with petitions containing 107 signatures. Reichhold officials present. Wendall Morris spokesman. Morris requested progress report after 30 days. Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly appointed Supervisors. Randau appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Resolution adopted relative to discontinuance of public alley west of Woodward and north of Oxford. Motion requesting Ferndale Commission to meet with Pleasant Ridge Commission on Reichhold situation. Morris present, reported further explosions April 16, 18, 19 and 20th, and unusually bad odor conditions. Lengthy resolution adopted re Reichhold. No Citizens Committee to meet with Reichhold. Reichhold to deal directly with City Commission. City will not hesitate to again institute litigation. Hathaway resignation as Assessor received. August Seefeld appointed Assessor at \$200.00 per year. City Manager report that poplars paralleling No. 1 Wellesley Avenue are causing no sewer trouble. Commission action was taken that no tree removal in this case would be required until damage to sewers was evident. Police Booth plans submitted. City Commission not willing to take bids at this time due to high building cost level. Nettie Smith appointed Playground Director at \$350.00 per year for the 1949 summer season. City Manager directed to present plans for new buildings on Main, 10 Mile Road and Woodward to the City Commission before issuing permits. City Manager authorized to have removable panels installed on 4 Ridge Road rear porch. Stewenson resignation as Health Department representative and Rando appointment to this position. Discussion of traffic signal equipment at Bermuda and Woodward Heights intersection, which was borrowed from Oakland County \$475.00 payment requested from Ferndale. Requested.- Ferndale asked to pay one third of cost. Revised Police Rules and Regulations approved. Report received from City Manager that he is unable to secure right-of-way along front of Leo Kachinsky property on Maplefield Road for construction of sidewalks. Notice to be given to Kachinsky that sidewalk will be replaced within the street right-of-way and assessment made to him. Setback zoning ordinance amendment now approved.

May 17, 1949 Resolution adopted regarding construction of Maplefield sidewalks. Dr. Tuck's services as Health Officer terminated and City Manager appointed Health Officer with authority to hire Sanitarian for restaurant inspection. New budget presented and ordered amended for 3 cents per hour wage increase, and \$65.00 per year salaried employees increase.

Routine meeting held May 23, 1949.

May 31, 1949 Budget approved. Gross general \$85,290.32, Garbage collection \$5,675.00. Total \$90,965.22. City Manager requested to contact Koschinski to determine if he will sell his two 30 foot lots on Maplefield Road.

June 7, 1949 Complaint received from Gordon C. Brown regarding burning combustibles in warehouse yard. City Manager instructed to investigate feasibility of using property City-owned on Barber Avenue as burning site and, if so, to use property immediately. Resolution to join with other cities in employment of Price Waterhouse and Company to audit municipalities responsibility for share of Township's \$465,000.00 special assessment bonds. Previous Consumers Power resolution held up pending Manager's report. George Whitney resignation from Board of Trustees.

Complaint received relative to Falkonbridge Commercial vehicle parking on property on east side of Main Street, north of Devonshire. City Manager to request that Mr. Falkonbridge discontinue parking on this property. Treasurer authorized to charge 25 cents each for tax certificates on deeds. Resolution adopted ordering Maplefield sidewalk construction and Clerk to solicit bids. Mayor and Clerk authorized to execute Police radio service contract. Complaint received about location of "Silent Policeman" signs on Maplefield. Chief of Police to investigate.

July 12, 1949 Tie bids received for Maplefield walks. 25 cents per square foot. Lots drawn and contract awarded. Woodward setback ordinance adopted. Regarding Reichhold nuisance, Ferndale has adopted a neutral policy in this regard. Judge Moore to represent City. City Manager to try to locate expert to replace Professor Allen Foust on Reichhold odor abatement problem. Mrs. J. J. Reid resignation from Board of Trustees and appointment of Mrs. Victor John and Howard F. Neilson to Board. Mayor's appointment of Max L. Veach to Board of Trustees confirmed. Mrs. H. C. Richardson reappointed to Board of Trustees.

July 19, 1949 Consideration of charter amendment to make Constable appointive. City Manager authorized to hire J. W. Bishop to make various repairs at 4 Ridge Road for \$365.00. Chief of Police requested to investigate and make recommendation regarding practicability of a rotary cross-over in Woodward parkway just north of convergence with Main Street.

August 9, 1949 1½ mills O.K.'d for winter tax roll for Township liability. Michigan Mutual Insurance Liability increased from \$50,000.00 and \$100,000.00 limits as recommended by City Manager. Petition and Chief's recommendation regarding No Parking signs on east 315 ft. of Norwich Road approved. City Manager to request State Highway Department to install rotary cross-over in Woodward parkway north of Main Street. City Assessor ordered to make personal property survey with cooperation of Lawrence Mauzy. Chief of Police recommends that Traffic Violations Bureau establishment be tabled. Arthur C. Kuhn appointed member of City Plan Commission as per Act 285 of 1931. The City Manager presented appraisals of three City owned lots on Maplefield Road at \$1,000.00 cash. Approved, and City Treasurer authorized to sell any one of the three lots to Roland Penderall at \$1,000.00.

Planning Commission appointed -

Arthur C. Kuhn	3 years
W. J. Norton	3 years
E. R. Moore	3 years
F. Carl Pollmar	2 years
Max L. Veach	2 years
Judson B. Cornwell	2 years
Harold Hunter	1 year
Russell J. Colette	1 year
J. W. Dunn	1 year

Routine meeting held September 13, 1949.

At meeting on September 20, 1949 the following purchase was authorized:

Hoist and dump body	\$470.00
1½ ton truck	1,220.00
Pick-up truck	963.10
2 door sedan	985.12

Dr. Sterling, representing Oxford property owners, offered \$150.00 contribution toward landscaping of property at Ridge Road and Oxford. This offer was accepted. Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road" reduced to 5 members. Max Veach appointed for 3 year term. Manager's report relative to Clinton River spillway accepted and Manager authorized to represent City at subsequent hearings. City Manager to represent City at Red Run hearings. City Manager authorized to solicit prices on new power lawnmower. Ned W. Randau resignation as Commissioner. Joseph J. Shoemaker appointed Mayor-Pro-tem.

October 4, 1949 Stewart S. Wills appointed Commissioner. Mayor Stevenson appointed to Pleasant Ridge Ferndale Health Board. Further Maplefield Road alley vacations resolution.

October 18, 1949 City Manager authorized to appear before Harbor Beach Council to discuss proposed Municipal Employees Retirement System legislative changes involving Plan A and Plan B. City Manager to represent City at meetings to be held to study formation of authority for rubbish and garbage disposal. \$25.00 appropriated toward school Halloween parties. City Manager authorized to sell to Fons Bros. unused curb forms no longer needed for City construction at a price of \$250.00. City Manager to make study of possibility of municipal tennis courts. City Attorney authorized to file appeal in Mandamus action relative to reassessment of Royal Oak Township special assessment bonds.

November 8, 1949 Oak Park advised that City will not provide property to widen Chapman Avenue east to Maplefield Road. Hubbell, Roth and Clark authorized to prepare plans for bituminous concrete surfacing of Main Street. \$1,500.00 bill from Michigan State Highway Department for traffic signal rehabilitation approved. Woodward crossover plan submitted by State approved, but City will assume no share of cost. City Manager to request City Planning Commission to study proposed amendment to zoning ordinance to control minimum sizes of houses. City Attorney authorized to proceed with appeal on Mandamus suit re Township special assessment bonds, and \$1,000.00 cost of briefs, etc. approved. City Attorney's fee of \$995.65 for services in Mandamus suit approved. Resolution recommending amendment of Municipal Employees Retirement System legislation. Motion asking State Fire Marshall's office to have made a complete investigation and report to Commission on Reichhold hazard to health, life and property.

November 30, 1949 Consideration of minimum sizes to be established for homes. Planning Commission urged to expedite consideration of size control ordinance.

December 12, 1949 Letter from Southfield Supervisor D. P. Frame regarding study of metropolitan water authority. City Commission favorable. Plan for Woodward parkway development from 10 Mile Road south to Main Street received and referred to City Plan Commission. Waste Study Committee request for 2½ cents per capita contribution toward cost of study approved. Resolution regarding survey of Consumers Power system to locate and correct gas leaks.

December 20, 1949 Meeting with Board of Trustees. Discussion of reopening Senior Canteen. Agreement that there should be periodic meetings between the Board of Trustees and City Commission.

January 10, 1950 Five Consumers Power Representatives present. Consumers Power gave information regarding regular services of Heath Tree Service Company every two years and various problems in system operation. City Commission thanked Consumers for attending meeting, but advised that it was in no sense withdrawing request made in resolution of December 13, 1949. Motion to landscape and secure plans by capable architect to be selected by City Manager for the following parks:

Oxford and Ridge Road
Oxford and Woodward
Oakland Park and Woodward
Gainsboro Park.

January 10, 1950 City Manager's recommendation regarding policies relating to application of Municipal Employees Retirement System adopted. Manager's recommendation of January 3, 1950. Resolution. Retirement at 65 unless specific written request by City Manager and employee's immediate supervisor received to the contrary. Deferments granted. William Berryman, Herbert Hill and Matthew Tennant. City Manager report and recommendation relative to rehabilitation of basement at 4 Ridge Road. City Manager instructed to secure architectural proposals for plans and rehabilitation of basement and report to Commission. Mrs. Dorothy Simons resignation requested, received and accepted as Director of "4 Ridge Road".

February 7, 1950 Commissioner Shoemaker appointed Fire Commissioner. Request received from City of Royal Oak regarding sharing cost of maintenance of 10 Mile Road traffic signal equipment. O.K.'d providing Royal Oak shares similar cost on traffic signal located at 10 Mile Road and Ridge Road. Architectural proposals and plans for basement rehabilitation at 4 Ridge Road received. Tabled. Purchase of Whirlwind power lawnmower approved at cost of \$368.50. Planting plans of Ellis Kowinsky for park planting offered free and accepted with thanks. Manager's report relative to Woodward parkway improvement. Planning Commission asked to expedite consideration and recommendation. Letter from Ferndale regarding 10 Mile Road proposal as State highway and widening. Referred to Planning Commission and joint meeting with Commission requested.

R. O. Crosthwaite
Walter Gehrke
Dr. James Connolly

appointed permanent Memorial Committee and requested to arrange services for May 30, 1950 and thereafter.

February 14, 1950 Meeting with Planning Commission relative to 10 Mile widening and taking over as State Highway. Opposed. Manager to attend Intermunicipal Meeting February 23, 1950 and subsequent meetings. Hunter requested also to attend. Plan Commission presented recommendations regarding house size control zoning ordinance amendment.

March 2, 1950 Report regarding February 23, 1950 10 Mile Road widening meeting and Commission's views.

March 7, 1950 Resolution regarding \$5,357.60 obligation for Clinton River spillway and \$23,742.57 Red Run drain obligation and decision on levies. Township liability fund investments liquidated and funds loaned at 4 % interest to "Reserve for Clinton River and Red Run drain Liabilities". Planning Commission report on Woodward parking control. Manager to invite representatives of State Highway Department to next meeting to discuss the same. Plumbing code adopted. Manager authorized to secure bids for purchase of Park nursery stock. Manager authorized to make survey to secure statistics for use in house size zoning amendment.

April 4, 1950 Mr. Bowerly of State Highway present to discuss parking control with Commission. City requested State to make and finance study.

New Commission took office:

Mayor -	Stevenson
Commissioners:	Shoemaker Deacon Wills Crosthwaite
Constable:	Sherrill

Charter amendment approved making Constable appointive 155 to 35. Marcella E. Sandt appointed Deputy City Clerk. Motion made to abandon gardens south of City Warehouse and to plant the area with grass seed. City Manager's report relative to street surface damage in preceding year due to unfavorable weather conditions.

April 10, 1950 Request for Ice-O-Mat at Shell Gas Station at Woodward and Main Street. Plans referred to Planning Commission. Stevenson, Eaton and Moberly appointed to Board of Supervisors. Shoemaker appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Berger and Wild building plans approved pending approval by Planning Commission. City advised by County that City would have to pay drain taxes in full whether paid on local roll or not. Nettie B. Smith was appointed Playground Director for the following summer at \$350.00.

May 9, 1950 Beaverrow plans approved and submitted to Planning Commission and City Manager for approval. Letter received from Board of Trustees regarding basement rehabilitation. Main Street surfacing plans received and City Clerk authorized to solicit bids. Advance Printing Company building plans tentatively approved subject to approval of City Plan Commission and City Manager. Memorial Park sign purchase authorized. Authority given to sell Lot 29 Sylvan Gardens at not less than \$1,900.00. Resolution adopted to pay overdrafts in special assessment districts 85 and 87 in the amount of \$188.22 from Land Sale Construction Account and to refund \$382.83 to owners in special assessment district 86.

May 16, 1950 Resubdivision of Lots 74, 75 and 76 Pleasant Ridge Land Company Subdivision O.K.'d with A. Barak to buy 1/2 of vacated alley for \$400.00, that is, the east half. Resolution endorsing fund drive for South Oakland Hospital Authority. Backstop authorized on skating rink. Ball diamond authorized. Pollmar, Ropes and Lundy authorized to prepare plans for basement rehabilitation at 4 Ridge Road - Fee \$175.00. Paving contract awarded for Main Street surfacing to A. & A. Asphalt Company. \$4,991.46. Budget approved.

General	\$86,215.53
Garbage	5,675.00
Total	<u>\$91,890.53</u>

Sale of Lot 29 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision to Dr. H. A. Schuneman was confirmed, and trade of Lots 27 and 28 for Lots 31 and 32 owned by Dr. Schuneman was approved.

June 13, 1950 Four-way stop corners were ordered for Devonshire and Indiana and Sylvan and Indiana intersections, Fairwood and Bermuda, and three-way stop at Bermuda and Sylvan. Alley north of Oxford was vacated in connection with Barak resubdivision and purchase of east half of alley. 1½" water service for building to be built on Lot 62, 63 and 64 Woodward Heights Subdivision, with owner to pay for cost of line southerly from south wall of City office building. New schedule of charges for water service installation adopted. Berst named City Representative on Intermunicipal Committee to draft papers for creation of refuse disposal authority with 2 cents per capita City's share of cost approved.

July 11, 1950 1½ mills spread on winter roll approved for Township's Special Assessment liability. Sick leave ordinance adopted. Eight Public Works employees placed on salary with hourly rate for overtime. Saturday closing of office approved. City Manager authorized to use City forces to check 1950 official census figures. Bids for Gar Wood load packer, 15 cubic yard capacity, authorized to be solicited. Motion adopted approving Ridge Road basement alterations, figures to be submitted to Board of Trustees with comment that the City Commission feels that the cost is too high to consider. City Manager to secure data relative to heating office by gas.

August 8, 1950 Legal difficulties in property trade with Schuneman. Treasurer authorized to conduct auction sale of Lots 27 and 28 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision at not less than \$3,000.00. Schuneman building plans approved.

August 29, 1950 Sale of lots to Dr. Schuneman at \$3,800.00 approved. Sale of Lots 30, 31 and 32 Sylvan Gardens at not less than \$5,700.00 authorized.

September 13, 1950 Change of City office heating to gas at a cost of \$997.00 O.K.'d South 35 ft. of Lot 27 and all of Lots 28 and 29 Assessors Replat of Woodward Park Subdivision authorized to be sold at not less than \$35.00 per front foot. Action taken in regard to DeCary property at 10 Mile Road and Woodward, Normandy Tea Room. City will neither sell or lease either Lot 1 Wilcox Subdivision or Lot 2 Assessors Replat of Oakland Park Subdivision. Norman Bloom offered to purchase Millington lots. Offer rejected. Offer insufficient. Guttersnipe streetsweeper purchase at \$3,500.00 authorized, to be on rental basis until demonstration is satisfactory. City Manager authorized to have ordinance prepared relative to moving of old homes into Pleasant Ridge.

September 27, 1950 Dermeier and Neilson reappointed on Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road" for three year terms. 7 % pay increase for all employees approved.

October 24, 1950 Dermeier declined reappointment.
\$25.00 donation toward school Halloween parties approved.
Policy resolution adopted relative to alley paving. No City benefit and no City participation. Policy resolution relative to old buildings to be moved into City. Ordinance regarding the same. Bruce E. Osgood appointed to Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road" for three year term. Extra street lights at Woodward Heights, Fairwood and Maywood alley intersections approved. City office heating resolution rescinded.

November 14, 1950 Routine meeting.

December 12, 1950 Letter from Consumers Power regarding survey, repair and replacement in gas distribution system. City Manager to thank and advise Consumers Power that periodic survey is to be continued. Sale of Lots 30, 31 and 32 Sylvan Gardens to Schuneman at \$6,600.00 approved. Plan for warehouse addition presented. Clerk instructed to advertise for bids. Pollmar, Ropes & Lundy architects. Shell Oil station for Woodward and Main Street approved.

January 9, 1951 Representatives of Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road" present. City Manager authorized to have basement floor repaired and basement walls and floor painted. Neilson resignation from Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road". Hedge expansion (storage) plans O.K.'d. William Pinkerton appointed to replace Neilson on Board of Trustees. Ordinance No. 158 in regard to budget preparation etc. in accordance with Act 285 of 1949 adopted. Discussion of Myers, Lewis, Norris and May water report. Report O.K. but cost distribution entirely unacceptable. City will make own study of cost distribution. Russell Bilette and Harold Hunter reappointed to City Plan Commission. Ralph Bozell appointed to vacancy on City Plan Commission. Bids received for warehouse alteration. Awarded to Henry Barock Co., Inc. at cost of \$6,298.00. Police request for extra pay instead of extra days off for overtime not accepted. A. E. Moore retainer increased from \$108.00 to \$125.00 per month.

February 13, 1951 \$4,938.43 borrowed from Township Liability Account at interest for Reserve for Clinton River and Red Run Liability. Resolution requesting State Highway Department to resurface or recap southbound Woodward roadway, and give closer attention to maintenance. Resolution asking County Road Commission to resurface Ridge Road with Pleasant Ridge to assume $\frac{6}{26}$ of cost.

Paul W. Eaton resignation as Supervisor. Raymond L. Shephard appointment as Supervisor. Motion objecting to quality of work done by Consumers Power workmen and contractors.

April 3, 1951 Meeting of new Commission;

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners:

Deacon
Shoemaker
Crosthwaite
Wills

Motion agreeing to sell Mrs. DeCary north 20' of Lot 2 Assessors Oakland Park State Subdivision for driveway use. Robert Robbins appointed Constable. Joseph Vaselak appointed Assistant Foreman at \$4,004.00 per year. Special survey of Ridge Road property valuations for 1952 assessment roll authorized. Request to State Highway Department to investigate and correct very hazardous traffic conditions existing at Lafayette and Woodward. Nettie B. Smith appointed Summer Playground Director. Stevenson, Shephard and Moberly appointed Supervisors.

April 9, 1951 Mrs. DeCary relative to use of north 20' of Lots 2 to 5 inclusive Wilcox Subdivision as driveway. Public hearing called for April 24, 1951. Treasurer authorized to sell part of Lots 27 and 28 (a total of 50' frontage) Woodward Park Assessors' Plat at not less than \$35.00 per foot. City Manager authorized to sell City of Royal Oak discarded traffic signal equipment for \$100.00. Merton W. Harris service of police radio equipment at \$20.00 per month approved. Deacon appointed Mayor Pro-tem.

April 24, 1951 Hearing on DeCary 20' alley proposal. Approved providing DeCary constructs fence along south side of 20' strip. Sale of parts of Lots 27 and 28 Assessor's Woodward Park approved at \$1,750.00. Bonus Greisser, 34 Woodward Heights Boulevard, requested permit for swimming pool. Action deferred awaiting possible neighbors' objections. Government rent de-control was discussed. Discussion was had relative to Walker Wire Company personal property assessment which Ferndale proposed to assess 100%. Protested. Resolution regarding share of responsibility to County for \$30,000.00 to be borrowed from United States Government, for preliminary plans for Twelve Towns relief drains. Motion responding to request for 40' west boundary line adjustment. Approved, providing Oak Park, (City of) closes portions of Chapman Avenue lying east of Sherman Avenue. Formal resolution regarding the above subject to public hearing to be held August 14, 1951. Articles of incorporation of southeastern Oakland County garbage and rubbish authority endorsed.

May 22, 1951 Routine meeting.

May 29, 1951 Budget approved. General \$101,568.59
Garbage collection 5,675.00
Total \$107,223.59.

Proposal from Maplefield Road that north end of street be officially vacated. Public hearing set for June 4, 1951. Tentative agreement reached that similar closing of Oakdale Boulevard at 10 Mile Road have public hearing June 11, 1951.

June 4, 1951 Informal hearing on Maplefield closing. 50 residents present. Motion to close Maplefield for a temporary period of 30 to 60 days to determine effect thereof. City Manager authorized to purchase 2 space cooling units at not to exceed \$500.00 to be installed in City office.

June 11, 1951 Informal hearing relative to Oakdale closing. 28 residents present. Oakdale closed for temporary period of 30 to 60 days trial.

June 12, 1951 Public hearing in accordance with rent de-control legislation of 1951.

June 26, 1951 Rent de-control resolution. Revised articles of incorporation for Garbage and Rubbish Authority adopted.

July 10, 1951 Mrs. John and Mrs. Richardson re-appointed to Board of Trustees for "4 Ridge Road". Letters from nine property owners siding on Indiana were received relative to closing Indiana at 10 Mile Road and at Woodward Heights. Commission wants more time to study. A. A. A. Oil Company request for permit to install oil storage tanks on Schumaker leased property. Tentatively approved. Manager appointed as City Representative on Garbage and Rubbish Authority Board. Resolution adopted petitioning Oakland County Road Commission to re-surface East 10 Mile Road, with Pleasant Ridge responsible for cost of re-surfacing the south 3 feet. W. H. Behenna objection to Oakdale closing. He was advised that public hearing on permanent closing would be held August 14, 1951. Share of South Oakland Hospital Authority budget in the amount of \$407.25 was approved. City Manager submitted estimated cost of tree trimming program. Motion adopted to appropriate \$3,000.00 to commence trimming program with Ellis Kowinsky to do the work on an hourly basis. Motion to instruct City Manager to determine from Consumers Power whether company has again undertaken semi-annual survey as requested by Commission resolution of December 13, 1949.

July 24, 1951 Resignation of Ami Nadeau accepted as City Foreman with pay continuing to August 15, 1951.

August 14, 1951 City Planning Commission requested to undertake as quickly as possible study of Ridge Road, 10 Mile Road, and Livernois problems and make recommendation to City Commission. Ferndale requested to jointly meet with Pleasant Ridge Commission to consider Ridge Road traffic problems. Joint meeting set for September 18, 1951. Andrew Meissner, part time policeman, pay increased to \$1.50 per hour. Mayor and Clerk authorized to sign contract with Garbage and Rubbish Authority. Consideration of 10 Mile Road, Ridge Road and Livernois traffic problems. Formal resolution on Oak Park-Pleasant Ridge boundary alteration. Joint meeting with Ferndale Commission on street traffic problems. City Manager authorized to work with all other municipalities to attempt to work out a lump sum settlement re-assessable Township Special Assessment liabilities. Sanitary Code (restaurants, etc.) adopted. A. E. Moore bill for \$1,227.50 approved for Township settlement litigation.

October 9, 1951 Resolution adopted replying to City of Royal Oak re Ayres report on Lake Huron water supply. Ordinance amending plumbing code fee charges adopted.

November 13, 1951 Affirmative action taken in regard to bookkeeping simplification suggested by auditors, and recommended by Treasurer and City Manager. Waivers of claims presented in regard to closing Maplefield and Oakdale Boulevard.

\$25.00 contribution approved toward school Halloween parties.

Public hearing to be held regarding prohibiting automobile parking on south side of Kensington. City Manager to contact Grand Trunk Railroad relative to constructing additional commuter parking facilities.

City Manager appointed single administrator in regard to Act 51 of 1951 (major highways). Recognition of over-payment on share of sales tax, gas and weight tax, and intangibles tax \$4,133.81. Payment authorized of City's share in the amount of \$1,797.00 of preliminary expense of southeastern Oakland County Garbage and Rubbish Authority.

December 11, 1951 Hearing on and approval of limited parking on south side of Kensington, (commuter parking 7 A.M. to 9 A.M. banned).

January 15, 1952 City Manager's report relative to suggested removal of soft maples in streets rights-of-way due to root interference with City sewers. Resolution relative to Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Health Department. Mayor to be member of 3-man board with City Manager as alternate. Joint meeting with Huntington Woods Commission to be held January 17, 1952 regarding water problems. Sale of parts of Lots 28, 29 and 30 Assessors' Woodward Park Subdivision at \$35.00 per foot and Lot 218 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision at \$800.00 authorized.

January 17, 1952 Meeting with Huntington Woods Commission re water report of Ayres. (Question of 1970 maximum daily demand specified).

February 14, 1952 Cornwell resignation from Planning Commission. Neil Warren appointed to Planning Commission. Meeting with Grand Trunk officials relative to expansion of commuter parking facilities. Steinbeck Construction Company bids of \$1,925.00 each for two 55 foot Maplefield building sites. Approved. Request to Detroit Edison Company to study and recommend method of improving residential street lighting.

March 11, 1952 Walker Wire Company request for permission to build up to front line of Barber Avenue. Approved. E. R. Moore resignation from Plan Commission. City Manager requested to secure information regarding change from Plan A to Plan B in Retirement System. Motion recommending extension of Federal legislation to cover municipal employees under Social Security. Overhead traffic lights for Main Street, 10 Mile Road intersection approved. Resolution asking State to signalize Woodward Heights-Woodward intersection. Motion asking District Supervisor of Robert Hall Company to attend April 2, 1952 meeting.

April 2, 1952 Meeting with Robert Hall representative. Agreed to cooperate in regard to various matters complained of. Elva Trowbridge appointed Deputy City Clerk at \$3,100.00 per year.

April 5, 1952 Dr. and Mrs. Russell complaint regarding Robert Hall sign lighting. Will be extinguished at 11:00 o'clock P.M. Loren White and Lawrence Trevarrow requested time-limit parking in front of their places of business. Consideration of purchase of south 75' of 249 W. 10 Mile Road to make building site on north side of Millington.

New Commission: -

Mayor - Stevenson

Commissioners: Crosthwaite
S. S. Wills
Shoemaker
Deacon

Stevenson, Moberly and Shephard appointed Supervisors. Robert Robbins appointed Constable. Deacon appointed Mayor Pro-tem. City Manager submitted report on Dutch Elm disease threat discussed at inter-municipal meeting on April 7, 1952. No agreement reached on comprehensive program of dormant and summer spray by all municipalities. Resolution relative to trimming out deadwood and removal of dead elm trees. Resolution setting May 13, 1952 as hearing date on proposed formal closing of north 120 feet of Maplefield. Agreement to share with Ferndale the expense of immunization of children through 4th grade at \$1.50 per child. Hunter resignation from Planning Commission. Byron Trerice and J. Joe Wessells appointment to Planning Commission. Question of Robert Hall remaining open on Sunday discussed. Resolution against Detroit City Airport at 12 Mile Road and Dequindre.

April 22, 1952 30 residents present in regard to proposed commuter parking facilities. Public hearing to be held May 13, 1952. Zoning ordinance amendment to permit commuter parking facilities tentatively O.K.'d. Resolution to approve various "no standing" regulations throughout the City.

May 13, 1952 Hearing with 150 residents present regarding additional Grand Trunk parking facilities. Proposal abandoned. Zoning ordinance amendment permanently tabled re this matter.

Action taken to formally close north 120' of Maplefield Road.
 Offer by Catherine Sanderson to sell south 75' of east 90' of Lot 35 and west 10' of Lot 36 Oakland Park Subdivision to the City at a price of \$1,500.00 approved. Motion to instruct City Manager to have landscaping of City Park property on Woodward Avenue undertaken and expense charged to Land Sale Construction account.
 Byron Trerice appointed as alternate delegate to South Oakland Planning Council. City Manager reported that State was prepared to proceed with recapping of the south bound lanes of Woodward Avenue.
 Ordinance requiring Sunday business closing adopted.

May 27, 1952 Approval of Chief of Police of recommendation for No Parking signs 7:00 A. M. and 6:00 P.M. between Woodward and Ridge Road. Parking restrictions put in effect for east side streets.
 City Manager to submit estimate of cost of development of City property on Barber Avenue as parking lot for use of Grand Trunk commuters.
 Official action to change from Plan A to Plan B in Municipal Employees Retirement system. Additional cost \$2,600.00. 5 % salary increases approved. Quarterly City bulletins ordered.
 Resolution of condolence adopted with respect to H. F. Stevenson death.
 Deacon resignation as Commissioner and appointment as Mayor.
 Shoemaker appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Budget approved.

General	\$104,439.97
Garbage Collection	<u>5,675.00</u>
Total	\$110,114.97

Resolution authorizing signature of officials on petition for Campbell Road and Red Run drain clean-out and authorization to advance \$1,100.00 of City funds for this purpose, the same to be later reimbursed.
 Ordinance No. 164 adopted to provide protection for City trees against disease. Harley W. Meissner appointed Commissioner. Mrs. Velma Cady appointed County Supervisor. Motion directed to Reichhold Chemicals relative to excessive noise and odor. Presentation of City Plan Commission and Board of Trustees report on proposed new Civic Center. Copies distributed to City Commission. Motion instructing Manager to correspond with Royal Oak, Ferndale, Oak Park, Berkley and Huntington Woods relative in interest in possible purchase and operation of National Swimming Pool on Republic Avenue in Oak Park for inter-municipal use.
 Request for approval of home plan for Lot 251 Sylvan Gardens by J. A. Peterson denied. Does not conform with side line set back requirements.

July 23, 1952 City Manager's recommendation regarding combating Dutch Elm disease. City Manager ordered to secure immediate information from State Forestry Department officials on various aspects of this program.

August 12, 1952 Approval of two year contract for rubbish dump at Fons Gravel Pit at 25 cents per cubic yard. Critical water shortage reported. City Manager reported that he had temporarily placed in effect as of July 31, 1952, sprinkling restrictions. Ordinance adopted to confirm the same. Motion outlining sprinkling restriction regulations effective June 10th through September 5th or longer. Adopted.
 Meisner, part time policeman, increased to \$1.58 per hour.
 Parks officially named as follows:

Between Oakland and Oxford named	Stevenson
At Cambridge and Ridge Road named	Oxford Park
On Gainsboro named	Gainsboro Park

City Manager instructed to investigate cost of landscaping City property north of the intersection of Elm and Woodward Avenue.

Interim report received from the City of Detroit on Zoo traffic study. Eleanor Chope salary increased to \$3,800.00 per year, (Community Center Director). Tentative Articles of Incorporation for Water Authority tentatively approved.

August 19, 1952 Civic Center report discussed. Joint meeting with Planning Commission and Board of Trustees to be held September 16, 1952 for further discussion.

September 9, 1952 Plan for residence in the rear of Demos store approved. Optimist Club funds for H. A. Stevenson memorial accepted for use in landscaping Stephenson Park, amount of \$130.00. Budgetary and bookkeeping changes recommended by City Manager approved. Kuhn, James Norton and Harris appointed to Planning Commission for three year terms, and Veach reappointed to Board of Trustees for three years. Letter received from Consumers Power Company submitting report relative to gas leak survey. Placed on file.

September 16, 1952 Meeting of City Commission with Planning Commission and Board of Trustees. Civic Center proposal discussed at length. Question of selling various City owned properties to finance the same. Motion approved for expenditure of up to \$500.00 for plans for Civic Center development.

October 14, 1952 \$30.00 appropriated for school Halloween party. Question of 1970 daily water demand referred to Hubbell, Roth and Clark for study and recommendation. City Manager submitted report relative to numerous water gate operation difficulties and recommendation for construction of 57 gate wells to make maintenance easier. Resolution adopted to place \$18,000.00 bond issue for 57 gate wells on the April 6, 1953 ballot. Motion adopted approving new Police radio equipment in City office. No parking signs on Indiana from Ten Mile Road to Amherst ordered.

October 21, 1952 Consideration given to water contract with Reichhold Chemicals Company. Amended Articles of Incorporation for Garbage and Rubbish Authority approved. Subject, voting participation. Automobile insurance limits were ordered raised to \$15,000.00 property damage and \$100,000.00 and \$500,000.00 public liability.

November 11, 1952 Request to be submitted to State Highway Department to mark or remove two large trees in center parkway north of Woodward Heights Boulevard on Woodward Avenue which constitute a serious traffic hazard, numerous accidents having occurred at this point. City Manager submitted report relative to future voting precinct splitting received and discussed. Water contract with Reichhold Chemicals. Discussion of whether maximum daily demand of water in Water Authority contract should be set at 800,000 or 1½ million gallons per day. Articles of Incorporation for water authority approved, with 1½ million gallons per day set as maximum daily demand. Retirement deferrment of Tennant and Berryman terminated.

December 9, 1952 Harriet and Hester Staff and Bedford Embrey appeared before the Commission relative to approval of creation of new building site out of the east 100' of the west 347' of Lot 1 Staff Subdivision. Approved by City Commission providing deed is given to the City for Lot 27 of Staff Subdivision for the purpose of street widening. Max Veach was present to discuss report and recommendations from Planning Commission regarding combined Community Center Building and City offices. To be studied and plans revised. Resolution regarding admittance of part of Birmingham into Twelve Towns Relief Brains district. Harris resignation from Planning Commission received. Resolution adopted requesting Board of Supervisors to appoint an Advisory Committee composed of representatives of participating municipalities in southeastern Oakland County sewage disposal district for consultation with Drain Commissioner from time to time.

January 13, 1953 Approval given to purchase of 16 millimeter sound movie camera for 4 Ridge Road. Plans for A. A. I. building approved. Revised Water Authority Articles of Incorporation approved. Berst appointed as Representative and Crosswaite as alternate on Water Authority Board. City Manager submitted report relative to alcoholic consumption at parties held at Normandy Tea Room. City Manager to request Mrs. DeCaray's cooperation in elimination of this practice. Restrictive resolution on Great Lakes Greyhound routes in Pleasant Ridge on Woodward Avenue, Ridge Road and Main Street. Stephenson Park landscaping plans approved and City Manager to solicit bids for planting stock to be purchased. Combined transmitting and receiving Police radio set authorized for Police Booth with booth set to be moved to City office. Peter Bookless appointed City Electrical Inspector. City Manager requested to secure further information relative to dormant D. D. T. spray for Dutch elm disease. City Manager's proposal for trimming out overhanging and low hanging tree branches dangerous to pedestrians and motor vehicles approved. Question raised relative to tree trimming around street lights for improvement of street lighting. City Manager recommended that this trimming be deferred until foliage had come out far enough so that need for trimming could be ascertained. Traffic study report submitted by Planning Commission. Resolution authorizing official signature on petition for Red Run Enclosure project. Request received from Police Department for five-day week. Tabled until budget consideration.

January 20, 1953 Mayor and Clerk authorized to sign contract between County and Cities for southeastern Oakland Sewage Disposal District. P. L. Shryrock appointed to Planning Commission. Request received from Oakland County for City participation in teletype network. Rejected by City Commission.

February 10, 1953 State Department of Agriculture Representative was present to discuss with the Commission questions relative to treatment for Dutch elm disease. No action taken. Resolution was adopted to place on the April 6, 1953 ballot the following proposals:

- A. Authority to sell 16 pieces of City owned property, including frontage on the west side of Woodward Avenue.
- B. Authorization to borrow \$200,000.00 for construction of combined Community Center and City Hall.

Berst and Crosswaite appointed Representative and alternate to Water Authority Board. Resolution adopted relative to sick leave pay and workmen's compensation total remuneration -- not to exceed one day's pay until sick leave bank is exhausted.

March 10, 1953 Motion adopted to set Ridge Road traffic signals for 30 mile per hour progression if duplicate action is taken by Ferndale. Purpose of this move is to attempt to prevent automobiles from speeding to beat the traffic signals. City Manager appointed as Pleasant Ridge Representative on southeastern Oakland Sewage Disposal Advisory Committee. Deed to Lot 27 Staff Subdivision received and accepted and motion adopted to dedicate the same to the public for street widening. Resolution adopted authorizing sale of a portion of City's investment in United States bonds, and loan of this money to the Clinton River and Red Run Liability Account in the amount of \$4,641.20, the loan to carry 4 % interest rate. Nursery stock for park planting authorized to be purchased from Greening Nursery. Ellis Koinsky authorized to complete elm tree trimming in City. Resolution adopted closing 18' alley in Woodward Park Subdivision paralleling 10 Mile Road.

April 7, 1953 New Commission -

Mayor - Arthur C. Kuhn
Commissioners: Harley W. Meissner
William J. Pinkerton
Crosthwaite
Wills
Justice of Peace: Charles R. Moon

Land sale proposal defeated by 362 to 948. \$200,000.00 bond issue defeated by vote of 218 to 989. \$18,000.00 bond issue for water gate-well construction approved by vote of 777 to 416.

April 13, 1953 City Manager submitted report relative to Harper Woods charter amendment relative to municipal approval for limited access highways. City Attorney requested to study and submit report. Robert Robbins appointed Constable. Kuhn and Berst appointed Representative and alternate on Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Health Committee. Stewart S. Wills appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Fire insurance placed on Police Booth, City Office, Warehouse and Community Center. Resolution requesting State to landscape Woodward Avenue parkway as soon as interurban line poles and tracks had been removed was adopted. Approval was given for purchase of Pitney-Bowes postage machine at \$266.18 and Postage Meter rental at \$7.50 per month. Public Works Department employees request for 5-day week deferred until budget consideration. Elva Trowbridge appointed Deputy Treasurer, with her check signature to have approving endorsement of City Manager, also in the case of deposit slips.

May 12, 1953 Devonshire residents present relative to commuter parking on street. No petition. City Manager will prepare petition for circulation. Motion to advance \$768.00 as City's share of sanitary land fill for garbage and rubbish authority. City Plan Commission requested to study and report on proposed codification of zoning ordinance. Resignation received from Mayor Kuhn from Planning Commission.

May 19, 1953 Dwight L. Grainger appointed to Planning Commission. John R. Noyes appointed to Board of Trustees. City Manager to redraft budget to include the following:

5-day work for Police Department
5-day work for Public Works Department
3 % salary increase for employees except Police and
Public Works Department.
\$1,000.00 to convert side street lamps from 1000 to
2500 lumen.

June 9, 1953 Petition received from 27 Devonshire owners relative to no parking on Devonshire. City Commission adopted "4 hour parking 7:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M."

Budget approved.	General	\$113,585.07
	Garbage Collection	<u>5,675.00</u>
	Total	\$119,260.07

Great Lakes Greyhound bus stop passenger shelter approved. Revised contract with Garbage and Rubbish Authority approved. Weßels, Billett and Ralph R. Bozell re-appointed to Planning Commission. Osgood and Noyes re-appointed to Board of Trustees. Motion approving Detroit Edison appraisal of \$42.00 per foot for sale of Lots 262 and 263 Stephenson-Barber Subdivision. Motion opposing City participation in purchase and operation of swimming pool on Republic Avenue in Oak Park. Lawn sprinkling resolution adopted to be in effect June 10 to September 5, 1953.

June 30, 1953 L. S. King, Civil Defense Director, present, relative to approval of organization of Civil Defense units in City. Approval deferred.

July 14, 1953 39 residents present relative to Reichhold explosion which occurred in Plant D on July 9, 1953. Mayor and Manager authorized to hire qualified Chemical Engineer at City expense to accompany State inspection staff on inspection of Reichhold plant on July 17, 1953. Much complaint regarding trucks, odor, etc. Senior Castlewalk (playground equipment) authorized to be purchased for east side playground at cost of \$153.45. Purchase authorized of warfarin for helping in the eradication of rats in the City. Action was taken to approve the reduction from twice to once a week collection of garbage by Mr. Floch because of extra charge quoted by Mr. Floch for continuing twice a week collection. Salary for temporary policeman, Meissner, increased to \$1.75 per hour. Resolution directed to Detroit Common Council again requesting completion of traffic survey in Zoo neighborhood to determine relief for traffic problem and urging that arrangements be made to have Detroit traffic expert meet with municipal representatives. Resolution adopted permanently closing the north end of Oakdale Boulevard. Hearing set for August 11, 1953.

July 29, 1953 Meeting with Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Protective Association relative to Reichhold nuisances.

August 11, 1953 Further meeting with Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Protective Association. Hearing held and action taken at prior meeting to close north end of Oakdale Boulevard permanently was taken. Letter was received from Drain Commissioner complaining of phenol pollution found in sewage. Letter to be written to Drain Commissioner suggesting that he investigate effluent from Ferndale and Royal Oak plants. City Manager authorized to secure proposals for 4 Ridge Road decorating and painting.

July 8, 1953 Berst and Shoemaker appointed Representative and alternate for Garbage Authority. Berst and Crosthwaite appointed Representative and alternate for water authority. City Manager authorized to purchase two power sewer cleaning bucket machines at cost of \$985.40 each. Resolution adopted requesting Board of Supervisors to install rain gauges to assist Detroit in its rainfall records. City Manager submitted report recommending against combined rubbish and garbage collection. Resolution adopted asking State to exempt Pleasant Ridge from "cooked" garbage requirement where garbage is being fed to pigs. This is the case in the instance of garbage collected by Floch. City Manager report of November 10, 1952 relative to splitting voting precinct again deferred.

October 13, 1953 Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Protective Association officials again appeared before the Commission complaining of "snow" from Thallic and hybrid plant.
Illuminated sign for A. F. A. building approved.
Discussion was held regarding extension of limited parking facilities. City Manager was authorized to use his judgment. Approval received from the State for temporarily exempting Pleasant Ridge from the State garbage cooking requirement. Favorable consideration of Manager's recommendation was given to voting precinct splitting. The Committee decided to take formal action on this matter after the April 5th, 1954 election.

November 12, 1953 Dr. Gordon C. Harrold was present to discuss with the City Commission progress made in Reichhold studies. Protective Association Representatives were also present. Copy of letter from Fire Marshall, Renner, to Reichhold and copy of inspection report were to be included in the minutes.

November 17, 1953 Mr. Walsh was again present complaining of Reichhold nuisances. City Manager reported the commencement of operation of sanitary land fill by Southeastern Oakland County Garbage and Rubbish Authority on 15 Mile Road. Appropriation of \$25.00 was made toward school Halloween parties.

December 8, 1953 Discussion was had relative to establishment of Traffic Bureau. Justice Charles Moon present. The Judge was asked to prepare revised schedule of fines for minor violations. At this time the City Commission received a \$5,000.00 anonymous gift to the City to be applied toward construction of City tennis courts. The City Commission accepted the gift explaining that use would be delayed until funds were available for tennis courts on both the east and west sides of the City. City Manager authorized to offer Miss Mary Cram \$1,650.00 as a price for purchase of south 75' of Lot 34 and west 10' of Lot 35 and east half of Lot 32 and proper officers were authorized to purchase upon acceptance by Miss Cram. Berst appointed City's representative on Wilcox Subdivision Association and on Pleasant Ridge Land Company Property Owners Association.

Routine meeting held December 15, 1953.

January 12, 1954 Further discussion of Reichhold trouble. Advance of \$898.00 to Water Authority approved. Resolution adopted asking Legislature to appropriate for funds for enlarging Agricultural Department Laboratories for study and combating Dutch elm disease. Articles of Incorporation for Garbage and Rubbish Authority amendments approved by Commission. Sale of Lots 65 and 66 Woodward Heights Subdivision at price of not less than \$200.00 per foot authorized for public sale.

February 2, 1954 Sale of Lot 65 Woodward Heights Subdivision to Ernest Dahm for \$4,000.00 approved.

Meeting held February 9, 1954 City Manager authorized to secure prices on and purchase Dutch elm disease mist spraying equipment and to secure formal approval of purchase by the Commission at subsequent meeting. Gordon Harrold report of January 25, 1954 received and copies distributed. \$200.00 ~~minimum~~ minimum sale price established for west 26.65' of east 100' of Lot 32 Oakland Park Subdivision and public auction sale authorized.

City Commission requested that the City Manager include in the next City Bulletin information relative to means of limiting water wastage. The firm of Waring and Johnson was hired at cost of \$200.00 to make study of zoning ordinance amendment.

February 16, 1954 Auction purchase at \$4,000.00 of Lot 66 Woodward Heights Subdivision by Mr. Dahm approved. City Manager authorized to purchase Hardy Aeromist sprayer and trailer for \$2,695.67 for Dutch elm disease spraying. City Attorney instructed to take action to stop dance studio operations being conducted at 28 Wellesley Drive.

March 4, 1954 Waring and Johnson were present, together with Planning Commission, to discuss with the City Commission zoning ordinance redraft. City Attorney was instructed to prepare and submit draft.

Routine meeting held March 9, 1954.

March 10, 1954 Resolution adopted regarding financing purchase of capital equipment, establishing useful life, establishing budget item known as "Equipment Amortization Reserve", establishing increments (purchase price divided by number of years of life) for budget, making direct charge against Current Surplus Fund. Resolution was adopted opposing certain supplementary Zoo parking facilities location. Sale of west 26' of east 1/2 of Lot 32 Oakland Park Subdivision for figure of \$200.00 approved. Public easement running north from Millington vacated and abandoned.

April 6, 1954 New Commission convened.
Mayor - Kuhn
Commissioners:
Wendell Pinkerton
Max L. Morris
Veech
Meissner

April 13, 1954 Meissner appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Velma Cady, Sheppard and Moberly appointed Supervisors. Berst and Veech appointed Water Authority Representatives. Berst and Pinkerton appointed Garbage and Rubbish Authority Representatives. City Manager appointed Highway Administrator (for gas and weight tax distribution). Notice was received from Martha M. Schmalz advising of intention to resign as of September 15, 1954. Elva Trowbridge appointed Treasurer to be effective September 15, 1954. Public auction sale of Lots 262 and 263 Stephenson Barber Subdivision authorized. Action was taken by the City Commission to divide the City into two voting precincts by a east west line following the center of Amherst Road and Elm Park Boulevard. Resolution was adopted requesting the Oakland County Road Commission to resurface the center 20' of West Ten Mile Road.

April 27, 1954 Sale to Walker Wire Company of Lots 263 and 264 of Stephenson Barber Subdivision for \$8,400.00 was approved. Veech's resignation from Board of Trustees and Planning Commission received.

May 11, 1954 Request received from Mr. Rosenblum for sale by the City of Lot 1 Wilcox Subdivision, and the Commission authorized engagement of Don James to appraise this property to fix value. Discussion was had regarding use of Gainsboro Park as playground. Commissioner Veech and City Manager to study and make recommendation. Mrs. S. E. Todd appointed to Board of Trustees. Proposal was made that the Board of Trustees for 4 Ridge Road be expanded into a Recreation Commission with more comprehensive duties. Board of Trustees to meet with City Commission June 8, 1954 to consider this matter. Motion was adopted establishing three weeks vacation for employees of ten years or longer tenure. Motion was adopted splitting Police vacations into two halves - summer and winter. Motion was adopted approving use of Gainsboro Park as playground. City Manager was instructed to revise budget for several items. The City Commission took action to initiate a vote on a charter amendment relative to irrevocable permit in any City, alley, etc. for water mains, sewers and drains. Motion made to change pay of employees from semi-monthly to bi-weekly. Lawn sprinkling regulations put in effect as of May 27, 1954 to continue until rescinded by Commission. Discussion of additional report to be prepared by Dr. Harrold relative to Reichhold problems.

June 8, 1954 Meeting with Board of Trustees regarding transformation to Recreation Commission. Budget approved:

General -	\$116,338.92
Garbage Collection -	5,675.00
Total	<u>\$122,013.92</u>

Berst submitted his resignation as City Manager to be effective July 11, 1954. Letter included with minutes. City Manager requested to contact City Managers Association to advise of his resignation and City Manager to secure applications for this job to be referred to the City Clerk. Appraisal of \$1,500.00 submitted by Don James as value of Lot 1 Wilcox Subdivision. Accepted and public auction bidding authorized. The City Commission authorized an advance to be made to Drain Commissioner of \$608.00 for Twelve Towns Relief Drains study.

May 9, 1954 Joint meeting with Ferndale Commission at Ferndale Library relative to use of Library by Pleasant Ridge residents. Discussion of Pleasant Ridge assuming \$5.00 per year for card expense for children. No action taken at this time.

June 22, 1954 Interview of applicants for City Manager's job.

June 28, 1954 Sale of Lot 1 Wilcox Subdivision to David Rosenblum at \$1,500.00 approved. Approval given for purchase of metal scaffolding for truck for tree trimming at a cost of \$107.78. Notice received from State Health Department that feeding of uncooked garbage to hogs would be prohibited after October 1, 1954. City Manager to contact garbage collector Floch relative to continuance of collection after October 1, 1954. Action taken to hire Frederick E. Wegner as City Manager at \$9,600.00 to commence July 19, 1954.

July 13, 1954 City Manager authorized to negotiate contract for construction of sidewalks on the west side of Gainsboro from Sylvan to Maywood. Cost to be charged to Land Sale Construction Account. Motion appointing City Manager as Garbage and Rubbish Authority representative. Motion appointing City Manager to twelve separate posts. City Treasurer's salary set at \$4,180.00. Industrial National Bank, Pleasant Ridge, branch, named as depository. City Manager appointed Deputy Clerk. Ordinance 178 adopted establishing Recreation Commission. Francis Newton appointed to Recreation Commission. Resolution adopted relative to useful life of five pieces of equipment for amortization schedule. Pollmar, Hathaway and Neil Warren reappointed to Planning Commission.

July 28, 1954 Lawn sprinkling regulations adopted effective
July 29, 1954 and to continue until rescinded by Commission.

August 4, 1954 Charter amendment re granting permits in streets
etc. approved. 779 to 114.

August 10, 1954 Mrs. Victor John appointed to Recreation Commission.
Eleanor Jewell appointed to Recreation Commission. Eleanor Guilioli
appointed to Recreation Commission. Motion adopted authorizing Great Lakes
Greyhound to install bus shelter at northwest of Oakland Park and Woodward
and southwest corner of 10 Mile Road and Woodward. Approval given to City
assuming 25 % of cost of Harrold's inspections at Reichhold Chemicals.
Approval by City Commission of payment of \$5.00 per family for use of
Ferndale Library for children as cards are taken out. Acceptance of offer
of Vera W. Bozell to install memorial sun dial in Stephenson Park.
Proposal to amend Section 2 of Chapter 13 of charter. (Improvement of streets
and alleys by special assessment with provision that City may assume part or
all of expense). City Manager authorized to have Don James appraise
Lots 8, 7 and part of 6 Wilcox Subdivision and submit to Planning Commission
for recommendation to City Commission. Motion asking City Planning Commission
to inventory city owned real estate and recommend disposition and use of
property to City Commission. Resolution approving amendment of Articles
9 and 14 of Water Authority Articles of Incorporation covering voting
representation and 1970 maximum daily demand.

September 14, 1954 City Manager authorized to secure bids for east side
tennis courts. Water Authority contract approved. City Manager authorized
to let contract for painting 4 Ridge Road to lowest bidder. Royal Oak
drain and Royal Oak drain 3 assessments totaling \$2,900.43 approved to be
placed on 1954 winter tax roll. Sprinkling regulations lifted.
Martha Schmalz given \$200.00 for long and faithful service. City Commissioner
Pinkerton's resignation received. Moving from City.

September 28, 1954 Neil E. Warren appointed Commissioner. City Manager
authorized to purchase brush chipper.

October 12, 1954 Mr. West from Pleasant Ridge Protective Association
suggested hiring smoke inspector, Ben Linsky. Motion adopted to have
Dr. Harrold undertake this inspection. Motion relative to division of
possible credit in settlement of suit between Royal Oak Township and
Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge.
\$25.00 appropriation toward school Halloween parties.
Longevity pay plan (2 % for each five years continuous service with maximum
of 10 %) adopted. Neil Warren resignation from Planning Commission.

October 18, 1954 Detroit Concrete Products proposal to build two
108' x 120' asphalt concrete slabs and concrete curbs for \$7,302.50 and two
60' x 40' basket ball courts for \$1,300.00 approved. Royal Oak Fence Company
proposal for fencing two tennis courts for \$3,594.94 approved.

November 3, 1954 Amendment of Section 2 of Chapter 13 of Charter
approved. 948 to 886. Township settlement case decision ratified, with
\$4,000.00 to be divided between Pleasant Ridge and Huntington Woods.

November 9, 1954 Further complaint from West and Walsh re Reichhold nuisances. No action. Maximum reserve for snow removal set at \$2,500.00. Contract of Water Authority for purchase from North Woodward Avenue Water System its entire assets and purchase from Royal Oak of 30" main from Washington to Vinsetta, approved. Resolution adopted providing right-of-way on Woodward Avenue for use of South Oakland Water Authority.

December 14, 1954 Mr. Diezel expressed interest in purchase of southeast corner of Millington and Ridge Road. Walsh, James and Wasey to make appraisal.

January 11, 1955 Resolution adopted asking legislature to amend Chapter 18 A of drain law. Resolution adopted endorsing Drain Commissioners' undertaking of Red Run Drain improvements and Twelve Towns Relief Drains. Loan approved of \$700.00 to Drain Commissioner for Twelve Towns Relief Drains, to be subsequently repaid. Sale of Millington Ridge Road lots at price of \$3,800.00 authorized. Arthur E. Moore salary of \$3,000.00 per year authorized.

January 27, 1955 Resolution authorizing bid together with Royal Oak and Huntington Woods on \$717,000.00 water authority bonds, Pleasant Ridge share \$33,000.00, at interest of $2\frac{1}{2}$ %. Sale of Lots 9 and 10 Wilcox Subdivision to Mr. Diezel for \$3,850.00 approved.

Routine meeting held February 8, 1955.

March 8, 1955 City Manager appointed City Traffic Engineer. Colden retirement resolution. Authorization given for green belt planting along north and east boundaries of Gainsboro Park. Approval given to \$500.00 advance to Twelve Towns Relief Drains for preliminary engineering studies. Dutch elm spray material authorized to be purchased.

April 8, 1955 New Commission:

Mayor - Kuhn

Commissioners:

Bruce E. Osgood
Neal E. Warren
Morris
Veech

Green belt trees authorized purchased north to Ten Mile Road along Grand Trunk Railroad.

April 11, 1955 Wendall Morris appointed Mayor Pro-tem.
Robert Robbins appointed Constable.
Velma Cady, Shepherd and Moberly appointed Supervisors.
Wegner and Osgood appointed Representatives to two authorities.
New schedule of water installation charges adopted.
Lawrence S. King resignation as Civil Defense Director received.

April 26, 1955 Victor Eichorn appointed to Recreation Commission. The bid of Transformer Inspection Company on tennis court lighting was approved.

Routine meeting held April 29, 1955.

May 10, 1955 Motion adopted to settle Hazel Park Tax Payers Association against Royal Oak Township suit for \$24,024.15 liability. Wegner, Dr. Connolly and Walter Gehrke appointed Memorial Committee.

May 24, 1955 Budget adopted, \$125,770.00 levy. Sprinkling regulations were adopted for a period June 13 to September 3, 1955. Osgood resignation. Moving from City. Eleanor Giuliani appointed to City Commission.

June 13, 1955 "No right turn 4:00 to 6:00 P.M." signs O.K.'d for Indiana and Bermuda intersections with Woodward Heights. Wegner and Giuliani appointed to Water Authority, and Wegner and Veech appointed to Garbage and Rubbish Authority. Motion adopted authorizing payment of \$24,024.15 Township liability to paying agent National Bank of Detroit. Motion to pay Attorney Moore \$4,487.50 for legal services on Hazel Park Tax Payers Association case. John Martens appointed to Recreation Commission.

June 20, 1955 Question raised relative to Beckwith Evans electrical sign. Approved, providing no flashing.

June 27, 1955 Alex McLennan made offer and City authorized the holding of sale of west 34.65' of Lot 6 and east 55.35' of Lot 7 Wilcox Subdivision for \$6,300.00.

July 12, 1955 Moberly appointed Supervisor. Approval of purchase of leaf vacuum machine to replace one lost in fire. Mc Lennan bid for property of \$6,300.00 approved.

Routine meeting held July 19, 1955.

August 9, 1955 1/2 mill special County Education Tax approved for winter roll. Auction sale of lot on southeast corner of Oakdale Boulevard and 10 Mile Road, authorized to be held. Sale of city owned property on Millington authorized to be held. Renovation by G. V. Lancaster Company at "4 Ridge Road" approved.

August 29, 1955 Sale of west 70' of Lots 9 and 10 Wilcox Subdivision to Samuel Devenow at \$3,875.00 approved. Sale to Mc Lennan of west 126' of Lot 8 Wilcox Subdivision for \$4,500.00 approved. Also, of east 13.35' of Lot 8 and west 76.65' of Lot 7 Wilcox Subdivision for \$6,300.00. Motion adopted authorizing purchase of electrical speed timing device for Police Department.

September 13, 1955 Line fence restriction applicable to Wilcox Subdivision waived. Contract for installing water gate wells was awarded to Herbert Prangor. Cost \$18,385.00. Resolution was adopted petitioning Governor to take action toward municipal employees being included under Federal Social Security. August Seefeld resignation as Assessor. Dwight L. Grainger, James Norton and P. L. Shryock reappointed to Planning Commission for three years. Chain link fence authorized to be installed along west side of "4 Ridge Road" property.

September 20, 1955 4' masonry wall O.K'd along east side of residential property on the north side of Millington.

October 11, 1955 John Connolly appointed Chief of Police. Resolution adopted authorizing City signature of Twelve Towns Relief Drains petition. Giulioli appointed alternate to Water Authority. 1/2 large Royal Oak drain and Royal Oak drain assessments on winter tax roll approved in amount of \$1,184.76. One mill tax levy for Twelve Towns Relief Drains approved for 1955 winter roll. Lots 215 and 216 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision authorized to be purchased for \$1,700.00 with funds from Land Sale Construction Account. Harold Hunter appointed to fill vacancy created by death of Commissioner Max L. Veech. Letter of sympathy directed to family of Chief, William Katke, deceased.

October 29, 1955 J. G. Penn appointed City Assessor at \$200.00 per year.

November 8, 1955 Mrs. S. E. Todd and Francis Newton reappointed to Recreation Commission. Motion adopted to endorse High School bond issue. Ordinance adopted increasing water rates. Authorization given for liquidation of sufficient S. O. C. Water authority bonds to pay for gate-well contract. Motion adopted opposing proposed northeast airport at 14 Mile Road and Dequindre. Lot 217 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision authorized to be purchased from Land Sale Construction Account.

December 16, 1955 Rezoning to include Lot 1 to 6 Garden Ridge Subdivision in commercial district. Public safety committee appointed.

Members:

Phil Moon
Mrs. Louis Cornwell
A. Heinicke
Mrs. D. Nutt
Charles Pizor

Motion requesting Oakland County Road Commission to widen 10 Mile Road from alley east of Main Street westerly to Garden Court. Motion endorsing sale of City owned property on west side of Woodward from 10 Mile Road to Elm Park, and determining to put proposal on April 1956 ballot. Tarco-Scotsman salt spreader purchase at \$750.00 authorized.

January 10, 1956 Hearing on zoning ordinance amendment 189.
Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. Lamb and Attorney present regarding change of Lots 1 to 6
Garden Ridge to commercial. Others present opposed to change.
Discussion of sale of west side of Woodward frontage owned by City.
A number of citizens were present. Mayor authorized to appoint a
representative Study Committee for recommendation. Charter amendment
initiated to authorize elimination of publication of ordinances and posting
of the same as substitute. Resolution was adopted directed to the State
of Michigan in the interests of better lighting on Woodward Avenue.
Directed to Governor's Safety Committee.

Routine meeting held January 24, 1956

February 6, 1956 Meeting with Citizens Committee re Woodward Avenue
property sale. Meeting at Ferndale City Hall relative to fire service
charges.

February 14, 1956 Plan for special assessment district purchase of
Lots 5 and 6 Garden Ridge Subdivision presented. No action taken.
Resolution adopted relative to municipal income tax legislation by State
Legislature.

February 21, 1956 Ordinance 189 adopted. Lots 1 to 6 Garden Ridge
Subdivision made commercial. Motion adopted to close Gainsboro north to
south side of Maywood.

Routine meeting held February 26, 1956.

March 13, 1956 Robert Robbins reappointed Constable.
Resolution adopted regarding including employees under Social Security.
Motion adopted to rent six voting machines at \$150.00 per year with option
to purchase.

April 3, 1956 New Commission convened.

Mayor - Kuhn

Commissioners:

C. Stanley Johnson
Morton A. Nellis
Richard E. Seed
Warren

Moberly appointed Supervisor.
Wegner and Warren appointed to Water Authority.
Wegner and Seed appointed to Garbage and Rubbish Authority.
Gladys K. Matheson appointed Deputy City Treasurer.

Routine meeting held April 10, 1956.

April 24, 1956 Special assessment proceedings taken regarding
10 Mile Road widening from Main Street to Garden Court.
Berger and Wild appointed City Auditors.

May 8, 1956 Hearing and passage of second resolution on special assessment for 10 Mile Road widening. Offers to purchase 40% of City-owned Woodward frontage rejected.

May 15, 1956 Budget consideration.

May 23, 1956 Budget consideration.

June 12, 1956 Budget approved. \$319,657.00. Rate established \$25.86. Sewage disposal charge ordinance adopted. Curbing tennis courts with Public Works labor approved. Wegner resignation submitted.

July 10, 1956 Discussion of proposed Gulf Gas Station at southeast corner of Ridge Road and 10 Mile Road. Conditions of approval established. Marie Wirthlin appointed Deputy Treasurer. Planning Commission to nominate three candidates, Recreation Commission to nominate two candidates and four student advisors. Action taken to appoint Paul Foxworthy to eight specific jobs, but apparently no specific resolution appointing him as City Manager. Voting machines first used in August 1956 primary. Motion adopted requesting Oakland County Drain Commission to speed up Twelve Towns Relief Drains.

August 14, 1956 Request of Beckwith Evans to open on certain Sundays denied. Sympathy resolution adopted in instance of Ralph Bozell death. This is the first meeting attended by Mr. Foxworthy. Motion adopted suggesting that all residents having basement flooding trouble, voluntarily discontinue downspouts to avoid basement flooding. Elva Trowbridge resignation as Treasurer. Donald Campbell, Hugh Barsanti, and Robert E. Rann appointed to Planning Commission for three year terms. Dr. John W. Derr and Ralph Bozell, Jr. appointed to Recreation Commission for three year terms. Seven members appointed to Student Recreation Advisory Committee. One mill Twelve Towns Relief Drains levy authorized. Neptune Meter Company contract renewed for six months period. Special County Education Tax of one mill authorized for winter roll.

September 12, 1956 Motion authorizing City Manager to secure option on purchase of 8 Ridge Road from DeWilde. Option cost not to exceed \$200.00.

October 9, 1956 Further consideration of 8 Ridge Road purchase. Tabled because of lack of funds. \$12,000.00 transfer authorized from Land Sale Construction Account to 1956 - 1957 Recreation Budget Capital Expenditure Account. Mrs. Bertha Ernst's salary increased \$600.00 per year. Recreation Commission authorized to spend \$150.00 for public reception for new City Manager. \$25.00 school Halloween party appropriation made. Action requiring 50' setback for gas station at Ridge Road and 10 Mile Road.

November 2, 1956 19 residents present in regard to purchase of 8 Ridge Road. Mass meeting to be held at one of school gymnasiums in regard to this matter.

November 12, 1956 Reichhold complaints received. D. P. W. truck purchase for \$3,660.50 approved. Resolution endorsing clean out of Berkley branch of Royal Oak drain. Motion adopted re payment of tax penalties in accordance with Charter provisions.

November 16, 1956 Hearing on 8 Ridge Road purchase. City Manager authorized to negotiate for purchase at \$21,500.00. Resolution requesting definite defining of boundary limits of Twelve Towns Relief Drains. Resolution adopted relative to repairs to 48" water main owned by South Oakland Water Authority. Recreation Commission allotted \$400.00 toward preliminary expense of plans for Recreation Building.

December 11, 1956 Main to Indiana parking restrictions on 10 Mile Road, 7:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M., with sides alternated O.K.'d. Mrs. John's resignation from Recreation Commission tabled. Seefeld, Assessor, resignation. Resolution determining that City-at-large should absorb excess expense of 10 Mile Road widening. Resolution vacating portion of alleys in rear of Maplefield lots.

January 8, 1957 Mrs. John's resignation accepted with resolution of appreciation for services. Motion adopted instructing City Attorney to prepare papers for formation of Pleasant Ridge Community Foundation. Passage of ordinance 194 regarding \$175,000.00 bond issue for Community Center. Referendum ordinance. Anonymous gift received in the amount of \$5,000.00 for Recreation facility purposes accepted by Commission. City Manager authorized to secure bids for sale and/or demolition of 8 Ridge Road house. Amendment to Articles 2 and 9 of Garbage Authority Articles of Incorporation approved. Resolution re granting right to municipalities to acquire surplus U. S. property. Resolution denying Mrs. Constance De Cary license to sell alcoholic beverages at 24381 Woodward Avenue. New Thermofax Reproducing Machine purchase approved.

January 22, 1957 Meeting with Planning and Recreation Commission regarding new Community Center Building. Motion adopted. Commission in favor. Further study by Study Committee.

February 11, 1957 Low bid of C. Weatherby for removal of building at 8 Ridge Road approved. Charles Pizor appointed on Safety Committee. Robbins appointed Constable. City to write to Ferndale soliciting assistance in Pleasant Ridge securing of fire rating by Michigan Rating Bureau. Ordinance 194 (\$175,000.00 Community Center building bond issue) approved for April 1, 1957 election.

March 1, 1957 Neil Warren resignation. Arthur C. Kuhn's death. Warren appointed Mayor until April 1 election. Nellis appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Condolence resolution to Kuhn family. \$800.00 advance to Twelve Towns Relief Drains approved.

March 12, 1957 Doors and hardware change at "4 Ridge Road" for \$200.00 O.K.'d. Commissioner Seed's resignation accepted. Moving from City.

April 2, 1957 Routine meeting.

April 3, 1957 New Commission:

Mayor - Wendall Morris

Commissioners:

Bertram D. Lewis
John R. Noyes
Nellis
Schinkath

Justice:

Charles R. Moon

Community Center bond issue defeated by vote of 322 to 716.

April 8, 1957 Walter Schinkath appointed Commissioner.
Winston Moberly appointed Supervisor. Foxworthy and Schinkath appointed to
Water Authority. Foxworthy and Lewis appointed to Garbage and Rubbish
Authority. Morris Representative Ferndale -Pleasant Ridge Health Board.

April 9, 1957 Mayor exchange approved with Alma. \$250.00 allowed
Planning Commission for expense in zoning ordinance codification. Gas station
at 10 Mile Road and Ridge Road finally disapproved. Mayor to appoint two
representatives each from City Commission, Planning Commission and Recreation
Commission to study plan for construction of combined City and Community Center
Building.

April 17, 1957 Marie Wirthlin appointed City Treasurer. Personnel policy
resolution adopted, to be reviewed each year.

April 23, 1957 Question raised as to whether charter tax limit applies to
State equalization. City Attorney to give opinion. Motion authorizing
City Manager to obtain new contracts for Post Office and submit \$1,000.00 bid.
Marie Wirthlin's salary increased to \$4,500.00 per year.

May 14, 1957 Hearing on zoning change to allow building permit on east
100' of Lots 84 and 85 Burt E. Taylor's Subdivision. Denied. Penn resignation
as Assessor. Eleanor Schope resignation as Community Center Director,
effective September 1, 1957. Dr. Hurst request for approval for selling
and subdividing parts of his property at 11 Poplar Park Boulevard.

May 28, 1957 Budget hearing. Budget approved. Total \$345,504.52.
Tax budget \$149,496.48. City Manager authorized to buy mobile sweeper
from Earl Equipment Company.

June 11, 1957 Request for permission to use portion of city street area
for soap box derby. Denied. Hurst submitted inquiry re subdivision requested.
Hurst requested to contact neighbors as to their attitude and report back.
Resolution determining to spread taxes on State Equalized Valuation.
Motion adopted to place on ballot sale of Lots 2 and 3 Assessor's Oakland Park
Subdivision at special election. Ernest Deller appointed Chairman of special
joint study committee to study all building requirements for City.

June 27, 1957 Motion for charter amendment to permit return of delinquent taxes, school and city taxes to County Treasurer. Walter R. Dennison appointed Assistant City Attorney without remuneration.

July 9, 1957 Letter received from North Woodward Realtors Board promoting closing Real Estate offices on Sunday. Resident request for closing portion of alley between Maywood and Sylvan. Reid and Berst letters received opposing Hurst property resubdivision.

August 14, 1957 Maywood to Sylvan alley, portion vacated, John R. Noyes resignation as Commissioner. Moving. Show-cause action re Ridge Road - 10 Mile Road gas station. City Attorney to defend City's interest. Two shuffle board courts at total cost of \$500.00 approved.

Arthur G. Elliott, Jr.
Harrold W. Hathaway and
F. Carl Pollmar reappointed to Plan Commission.

John C. Martens and
Mrs. D. C. Wright reappointed to Recreation Commission.

Purchase of ranch wagon for office use at \$1,722.40 approved.
Request of North Woodward Realtors withdrawn.
Amendment to Water Authority Articles of Incorporation Articles 7, 10, 11, 12 and 14 approved. Discussion had regarding types of trees to be used for replacement of those lost from Dutch elm disease. "No full basement" houses ordinance repealed and replaced with basement ordinance.

August 20, 1957 Motion complaining to the City of Ferndale of noise emanating from Popular and Special Nut Company adopted. Lennox Falconbridge appointed Assessor. C. R. Vallin appointed City Commissioner.

September 10, 1957 One mill levy for Twelve Towns Relief Drains approved. Motion was adopted advancing \$6,700.00 to Twelve Towns Relief Drains for payment to engineers providing other municipalities take similar action. One half mill Special County Education Tax approved. Mark H. Beech appointed to Planning Commission. Sealed bids for property revaluation authorized.

September 19, 1957 Bids received for property revaluation. E. T. Wilkins and Associates bid of \$8,050.00 approved. Bertha Ernst appointed Deputy City Treasurer.

September 27, 1957 Wilkins revaluation proposal O.K.'d for increase of \$670.00 to cover commercial and industrial properties.

October 8, 1957 \$25.00 appropriated for school Halloween parties.

City Manager instructed to attend Twelve Towns Relief Drains hearing
October 31, 1957.

Asiatic flu shots at 80 cents to \$1.00 per employee approved.

City Manager authorized to invest \$50,000.00 in 90 day U. S. Treasury bills.
\$6,700.00 authorized to be paid Twelve Towns Relief Drains toward
preliminary expenses.

October 19, 1957 Four candidates for City Attorney considered.
\$2,400.00 salary established and fees for special court appearances.

October 24, 1957 Further consideration of City Attorney appointment.

November 5, 1957 City Attorney Moore's resignation as City Attorney
accepted and resolution of regret adopted. James S. Thorburn appointed
City Attorney at \$2,400.00 per year. Resolution adopting amendments to
Water Authority Articles of Incorporation 7, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 20 approved.
Three 6000 lumen lights authorized on Woodward Heights Boulevard.
Motion adopted re Health Department. Pleasant Ridge willing to share
Health Department operating expense with Ferndale but not capital costs
of new City offices.

November 26, 1957 New contract with Garbage and Rubbish Authority approved.
City Manager authorized to redecorate "4 Ridge Road" main floor except
kitchen with D. P. W. labor. Sixty three stop sign replacement purchase
authorized.

December 10, 1957 Walter R. Dennison law bill returned with request that it
be resubmitted by Arthur E. Moore.

January 14, 1958 Resolution approving municipal opposition to Madison
Heights withdraw al from Twelve Towns Relief Drains. Starting salary of
Supervisor of Community Center set at \$4,200.00. Public hearing on Hurst
resubdivision set for February 11, 1958.

February 11, 1958 Waiver of rear yard requirement for parts of Lots 84 and 85
Burt E. Taylor's Subdivision denied by Commission. Nine opponents present.
13 Poplar Park residents present to oppose Hurst resubdivision.
Denied by City Commission. Dr. Eugene Spoehr reappointed City Representative
on South Oakland Hospital Authority. Robert E. Robbins reappointed Constable.
Resolution endorsing additional supply of gas from Panhandle Eastern
Pipeline for space heating. Resolution endorsing no more sewer extensions
in south Oakland County until present inadequate outlet drains have been
amplified.

Charter amendment re return delinquent taxes to County Treasurer.
Proposal to be voted on April 7, 1968 election.

February 20, 1958 Recreation Commission and Miss Joan Kent present.
Interview. Motion to refer back to Recreation Committee. Approved by
vote of 3 to 2. Dr. Derr announced his resignation.

February 25, 1958 Dr. J. W. Derr, Mr. John Martens, Mrs. D. C. Wright
resignations from Recreation Commission accepted with regret.

March 12, 1958 F. J. Newton, Chairman, resignation from Planning
Commission accepted with regret. Residents present objecting to new
assessed valuations.

March 19, 1958 Mrs. Wanda Sadler, 219 East 10 Mile Road, Royal Oak,
appointed Recreation Supervisor at \$3,200.00 per year.

April 8, 1958 Report of Assessor, Lennox Falkonbridge, that 328
people had appeared before the Board of Review in regard to their
valuations. Resignation of Falkonbridge, effective April 1, 1958.

New Commission:

Mayor - Morris

Commissioners:

Ernest Getz
Robert E. Rann
Robert J. Gilman
Bart Lewis

Charter amendment relative to tax return to County approved 397 to 68.

April 14, 1958 Getz appointed Mayor Pro-tem.
Moberly appointed Supervisor.
City Manager appointed to Garbage and Rubbish Authority and Water Authority.
Morris appointed to Health Board.

April 16, 1958 Routine meeting.

April 29, 1958 Appointments to Recreation Commission:

Dr. Dana J. Darnley
William R. Camerer
Carol Wright
Marie Moon

May 6, 1958 Routine meeting.

May 14, 1958 Budget approved. Gross \$318,346.39 Tax budget \$151,385.24.

June 10, 1958 Purchase of floor waxer, durable baseball home plates and drinking fountains for east side shelter authorized.

June 30, 1958 Action regarding Junior and Senior Canteens, hours, eligibility, etc.
Recreation Commission and Junior Advisory Council present.

July 8, 1958 Denial of permit to build on east 100' of Lots 84 and 85 Burt E. Taylor's Subdivision because of insufficient rear yard.

July 31, 1958 Joe J. Wessel present regard zoning and parking ordinance. Consideration to be given August 7, 1958.

August 7, 1958 Wessel request referred to Chief of Police. One half mill special assessment County Education Tax approved. One mill Twelve Towns Relief Drains tax approved. Authorization given for purchase of Gestetner duplicator at cost of \$635.00.

August 12, 1958 Olivetti calculator authorized purchased at cost of \$470.00. Wessel set-back waiver denied. Adoption by resolution of basic building code 1955 edition as per Act 279 of 1909 as amended.

August 28, 1958 Louis C. Andrews, attorney for Michigan Municipal League, present to discuss codification of City ordinances. Motion to enter into contract with Andrews for ordinance codification approved. Motions re certain zoning changes.

September 4, 1958 Motion re certain zoning changes.

September 9, 1958 Routine meeting.

September 30, 1958 Resolution relative to Twelve Towns Relief Drains. South Oakland Sewage Disposal System, etc. supporting drain Commissioner.

October 2, 1958 Letter and minutes from F. J. Berst in support of Joe Wessels' position against whom City contemplated litigation. City attempting to claim title to Lot 70 Woodward Heights Subdivision No. 2 because of position as "squatter". City Attorney opinion supported Berst's allegations.

October 14, 1958 Discussion with 55 residents of suggestions by City of Ferndale for widening of Ridge Road. William Harris Gitilin, Mr. Dana Darnley, Dr. Robert M. Reynolds appointed to Recreation Commission. Two additional speakers, and twenty additional folding chairs purchase approved for Recreation Center.
\$25.00 appropriated toward school Halloween parties.
Letter from Attorney Thorburn in support of Berst's opinion in Wessel's matter.

November 11, 1958 35 Maplefield residents present re tearing up pavement at north end of Maplefield Road and seeding. \$300.00 authorized to be spent for architectural plans for possible addition to "4 Ridge Road". \$1,140.00 authorized for used 4-drawer National Cash Register purchase. James H. Norton and Dwight Grainger reappointed to Planning Commission. Ralph Bozell resignation from Recreation Commission.

November 20, 1958 Written opinion received from City Attorney re referendum matters discussed at meeting on November 11, 1958. Ordinance No. 203 adopted re sale of Woodward property. This matter is to be a referendum issue at election to be held April 6, 1959. Meeting with Planning Commission. Question raised. What is City going to use land sale money for? Civic Center Building and/or Recreation Building. Robert Rann resignation from Planning Commission. Herman Tanner appointed to Planning Commission. Edward Reid appointed to Planning Commission.

December 4, 1958 Berst present representing Drain Commissioner in regard to Southeastern Oakland County Sewage Disposal System and Twelve Towns Relief Drains.

December 9, 1958 Arthur Stephens appointed Assessor. City Manager authorized to contact three Real Estate firms to get opinion as to value of City Hall property and to contact and employ architect at not to exceed \$300.00 for preliminary plan for new City Hall to be located at Oakland Park and Woodward. The matter of post card notices to residents giving agenda for following meeting had been given three months trial and was ordered abandoned by Commission because of apparently disappointing results produced. City Manager instructed to contact Carl W. Pirscher to finish 4 Ridge Road addition plans.

January 1, 1959 Eighty to ninety people present regarding zoning change and regarding prospective sale of Woodward frontage. New zoning ordinance adopted.

January 31, 1959 Sixty people present. Subject, City Hall plans and "4 Ridge Road" addition.

February 10, 1959 Forty people present. Motion adopted to advertise for bids for "4 Ridge Road" addition. Much citizen controversy. Charter amendment to permit ordinance posting instead of publication.

February 18, 1959 Twenty residents present. Consideration of proposed new City Hall. Motion to have architect, Pirscher, prepare final plans for City Hall.

Meeting March 10, 1959 Twenty five residents present. Dr. Eugene L. Spoehr appointed Hospital Authority representative. Initiation of referendum vote for June 1, 1959 for sale of 23646 Woodward Avenue. This action was preceded by Attorney's opinion that the 1940 vote on this matter did not authorize sale of the City office building because an insufficient majority gave approval to the proposal.

April 7, 1959 Canvas of votes. Errors found. Not certified.

April 10, 1959 New Commission convened:

Mayor -	Morris
Commissioners:	Tanner
	Barr
	Rann
	Getz

Woodward frontage land sale proposal was defeated by vote of 590 to 711.

April 13, 1959 Getz appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Moberly resignation as Supervisor. Arthur G. Elliott, Jr. appointed Supervisor. Robert Robbins reappointed Constable. Agreement for Mayor's exchange with Lake Odessa. Manager authorized to proceed with negotiation of best three year contract he can obtain with U. S. Post Office for conducting branch Post Office in City office. Architect, Pirscher, advised that bids for addition to "4 Ridge Road" were being held for forty days but were expiring on this date, April 13, 1959. By vote of 3 to 3 the City Commission rejected the bids submitted March 5, 1959. Recreation Commission was requested to consult with youth and adult groups to ascertain requirements for recreation facilities as of present date and in projected future and recommendation to be submitted no later than April 28, 1959 (report to include required building designation, location recommended, land development and cost estimates). Tanner resignation from Planning Commission. Charles E. Tackles appointed to Planning Commission.

April 23 and April 27, 1959 - Budget discussion.

April 28, 1959 Twenty eight residents present. Initiation of proposal for referendum vote on June 1, 1959 to sell Lot 32 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision, Lots 5 to 8 Assessors' Woodward Park Subdivision and Lot 2 Assessors' Oakland Park Subdivision. Approved by 3 to 2 vote, with motion to add proposal to proceed with \$25,000.00 addition to "4 Ridge Road".

May 4 and May 5, 1959 - Budget discussion.

May 12, 1959 Audience twelve. Motion to participate in Southeastern Oakland County reciprocal Police aid agreement. Motion relative to \$5.00 per night pay for substitute for absent Recreation Supervisor for Junior and Senior Canteen.

May 25, 1959 Budget tentatively approved.

June 2, 1959

Proposition 1:

Posting new ordinance instead of publishing.
Approved by vote of 586 to 201.

Proposition 2:

Sale of Lots 67, 68 and 69 Woodward Heights
Subdivision approved 560 to 228.

Proposition 3:

Sale of Lot 32 Sylvan Gardens Subdivision
defeated 435 to 351. Not a 60 % majority.

Budget approved. Gross \$341,599.42
 Tax budget \$152,235.69.

June 9, 1959 Complaints received relative to Amy Joy store lighting
and odors. No action. Resolution withdrawing from Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge
Health Department, effective June 30, 1959. Resignation of Dr. J. Dana Darnley
from Recreation Commission. Resolution asking for sealed offers for
purchase of 23646 Woodward Avenue.

 Arthur Elliott, Jr.
Commissioner Herman Tanner
 Charles Tackles
 Chief Connolley
 Manager Foxworth

appointed as Committee to work with Planning Commission to secure preliminary
plans and recommendations for site for July 14, 1959 for new City Hall and
Police quarters. Approved by vote of 3 to 2. Getz and Rann opposed.

July 14, 1959 Purchase of new Universal 4-wheel drive Jeep with steel cab
cost \$2,815.00 approved. Purchase of G. M. C. truck chassis with
load-packer body for \$8,885.00 approved. Lake Odessa offer of \$1,210.00
for old load-packer truck approved.

James H. Norton resignation from Planning Commission.

Harold Faucher appointed to Recreation Commission.

Further complaint regarding Amy Joy store odor, etc.

No bid received for purchase of City Hall. Proposal by State Highway
Department of 50 % - 50 % cost split for Woodward Traffic Signals rejected.

Resolution to widows of C. Stanley Johnson and Carl R. Vallin
former Commissioners.

Plans for Pharmacy at Kensington and Main Street approved.

July 23, 1959 Routine meeting.

July 28, 1959 Resolution against soliciting bids for 23646 Woodward Avenue.

August 11, 1959 Mayor authorized to appoint an Appraiser for Lot 32 Garden Ridge Subdivision.
1/2 mill Special Education tax O.K.'d.
1 mill Twelve Towns Relief Drains levy O.K.'d.
Further complaints regarding Amy Joy Company odor.

August 17, 1959 No bids received for sale of 23646 Woodward Avenue.

September 8, 1959 Rex Oldfather and William F. Cook appointed to Recreation Commission.
Six members appointed to student advisory committee of Recreation Commission.
\$348.53 authorized for new drapes for "4 Ridge Road", purchased and installed.
Basil Hunt appointed to Planning Commission.
Charles Tackles appointed to Planning Commission.
Bartram C. Lewis appointed to Planning Commission.
Mark M. Beach and D. Clare Gates appointed to Planning Commission.
Appraisal of \$2,000.00 for value of Lot 32 Garden Ridge Subdivision.
Authorization given for advertisement for sealed bids.
Motion to abandon Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge Health Department and to designate Oakland County Health Department as City Health Department and Dr. Frank J. Condon as City Health Officer.

Routine meeting held September 16, 1959

October 13, 1959 Bid of \$2,111.00 received and accepted from Charles Fillmore for Lot 32 Garden Ridge Subdivision.
\$25.00 donated toward school Halloween parties.

November 10, 1959 Howard Neilson, Dr. Robert Reynolds and John Howell were present to discuss proposed swimming pool on City property.
Question of "right" and "reversionary" value.

November 17, 1959 Water Authority, Articles of Incorporation, amendment to Items 2, 9 and 14 approved.
Gas heating of City Warehouse authorized.

December 8, 1959 Recreation Commission recommends including hockey at Gainsboro skating rink. Approved. Cost of adaption \$444.50.

January 12, 1960 Present twelve students, eleven adults. Consultation with Arthur Elliott regarding means to stimulate sale of 23646 Woodward Avenue. City Manager authorized to buy Underwood Sunstrand Accounting and Billing Machine from Huntington Woods for \$500.00.
First mention of East-West Expressway contained in the minutes at this time.
Motion to give maintenance of 10 Mile Road and Ridge Road to County Road Commission. Discussion re Wanda B. Sadler resignation as Community Center Director. Accepted by Commission. Apparent disagreement with Recreation Commission again.

January 26, 1960 Letter from Miss Marie E. Moon regarding Recreation Director. Male preferable. Full time. Discussion of swimming pool location. City Attorney's opinion solicited. Motion authorizing City Manager to employ a qualified person at not more than \$500.00 to promote sale of present City office.

February 9, 1960 Discussion of Pleasant Ridge Community Pool Incorporated. City Manager and City Attorney authorized to enter into negotiations for leasing 16,450 square feet of pool area, but not with parking area. Motion to hire Dr. Frank Oktavec as Recreation Director at not to exceed \$5,500.00 per year.

March 8, 1960 Mayor's exchange approved with City of Kinde. Dr. Spoehr appointed Hospital Authority Representative. Letter from Mr. Beach, Chairman of Planning Commission, and consideration of alternate route for I 696. Motion approving Senior Canteen for first and third Fridays and Junior Canteen for second and fourth Saturdays, effective March 4, 1960. Charles R. Moon resignation as Justice of Peace. Robert E. Rann appointed to serve until July 4, 1961. Rann resignation as City Commissioner. Betty J. Bonn appointed Deputy Clerk.

April 5, 1960 Canvas of votes.

Mayor - Morris

Commissioners:

Getz
Slavens
Tanner
Barr

Elliott reappointed Supervisor
Mrs. Ethel R. Dingle appointed Deputy City Treasurer.

April 12, 1960 New Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority contract approved. Allen Randall appointed Recreation Director at \$4,500.00 per year. Further pool negotiations.

April 19, 1960 Robert Robbins appointed Constable. Further pool discussion. Tentative approval of lease to Pleasant Ridge Community Pool Incorporated.

April 28, 1960 Budget consideration. East 100 ft. of Lots 84 and 85 Birdie Taylor's litigation and City offered to purchase property for \$3,500.00. Used gang-type lawnmower purchase approved at cost of \$475.00.

May 17, 1960 Budget consideration. Need for new City Hall considered so great that perhaps it should not wait for sale of present City office. Referred back to Planning Commission.

May 27, 1960 Budget approved. Gross \$327,982.99
 Tax budget 155,932.99.

Further discussion of proposed new City Hall. Reference to Planning Commission minutes of May 24, 1960 regarding East-West Expressway.

June 1, 1960 Meeting with Planning Commission. Stevenson Park recommended by City Planning Commission as City office site. Motion to use Stevenson Park for this purpose approved.

June 7, 1960 Special meeting to consider City Hall site plan and receive report of Pleasant Ridge Community Pool Incorporated. Ninety people present. Much discussion. Residents opposed to Stevenson Park site. Letter from Walter Gehrke, dated June 7, 1960, is inserted. Very good.

June 14, 1960 Purchase of new linoleum for "4 Ridge Road" at cost of \$1,063.49 deferred awaiting report of Planning Commission relative to combined City Hall and Recreation Building. Twenty year lease to Pleasant Ridge Community Pool Incorporated approved.

June 29, 1960 Resolution to advertise 23646 Woodward Avenue for sale once again.

July 14, 1960 Dallavo and Bassett present regarding value of 23646 Woodward Avenue. As of June 23, 1959 appraisal of \$28,600.00 was considered fair price. Bid of Indigan Company of Detroit in the amount of \$23,800.00 or \$25,000.00 with rental fee to be paid by City. Motion not to sell west 25 ft. of east 100 ft. of Lots 84 and 85 to Mr. Friesh. Adopted 4 to 1, with Slavens opposing. State Highway Department traffic signal maintenance agreement approved. Resolution adopted re charging City residents for shading street lights.

August 1, 1960 Motion approving Indigan Company bid of \$25,000.00 for City Hall. Motion approving rebuilding leaf vacuum machine at cost of \$837.00.

August 9, 1960 Consideration of desirability of floriding water. Consideration of parking, sidewalks and driveway for Pleasant Ridge Pool Incorporated. Motion approving deed to and lease from Indigan Company, temporarily. One mill levy for Twelve Towns Relief Drains approved.

August 11, 1960 Five architectural firms for City Hall design interviewed.

August 16, 1960 Twenty three residents present. Five more architectural firms interviewed. Swimming pool opened. Complaints from number of members of Woodside residents regarding swimming pool. Committee of seven to study Woodside complaints.

August 30, 1960 Ten residents present. Board of Appeals approval of moving house on to Lots 7 and 8 Wilcox Subdivision. Bids for fencing No. 4 and No. 8 Ridge Road received. Hercules Fence Company asked to hold bid firm until October 11, 1960. Ready-to-serve charge by Garbage and Rubbish Authority approved, in the amount of \$600.00 per year.

September 13, 1960 Routine meeting.
No agreement on Planning Commission appointments.
Marie Moon and Mrs. Carol Wright appointed to Recreation Commission.
Discussion of entrance and exits for 4, and 8 Ridge Road, parking, surfacing etc.

September 26, 1960 Meeting with Librand, Ross Bros. etc.
re audit and recommendation that \$1,200.00 bill be paid.

September 27, 1960 City Manager advised that fence bid extension is expiring. No action. Dr. F. Morse Cooke and Robert Chambers appointed to Planning Commission. Four motions and secret ballot. Rejection of suggestion by Planning Commission that purchase offer be made for Burton Building.

October 6, 1960 Motion adopted approving City Hall-Police Building at northwest corner of Oakland Park and Woodward and Recreation Building at 4 Ridge Road as per Vilikin-Leman report. Motion accepting Planning Commission recommendation to build both buildings for not more than \$120,000.00. Motion approving W. Bradford Edwards as architect for both buildings. Fee 5 % total services.

October 11, 1960 \$25.00 O.K.'d for school Halloween parties.

October 19, 1960 Thirty five present. Public hearing re "4 Ridge Road" parking facilities. Meeting held at Coolidge Gym.

October 26, 1960 Two committees to study and recommend plans for Community Center Building, -

Neilson.
Charles Tackles
Marie Moon
Alan Randall
Grace Welsh
T. M. Barr
Ernest Getz

City Hall, - Robert Chambers
Dwight Grainger
Paul Foxworthy
Chief John Connolly
Harmon Tanner
John Slavens.

Resolution opposing absorption of Carver School District, which is being abandoned.

November 15, 1960 Resolution to amend budget to add \$120,000.00 for two buildings. Hearing to be held December 13, 1960. Amendment to ten articles of Incorporation of Garbage and Rubbish Authority approved. Report received on two building plans. Architect authorized to proceed immediately with final plans for both buildings. Petition with 131 signatures received regarding parking and entrance and exit at 4 and 8 Ridge Road. Fence and landscaping bids rejected until time schedule is available for completion of Recreation Building.

December 5, 1960 Plan for Community Center Building and City Hall accepted and construction bids authorized to be opened December 20, 1960.

December 13, 1960 Hearing on a \$120,000.00 budget amendment for two buildings and approval thereof. Resolution to secure funds from:

A.	Twelve Towns Relief Drains reserve	\$32,039.79
B.	Water Department facility reserve	6,785.32
C.	Contingent reserve	18,239.11
D.	Land sale construction account	24,031.68
E.	Reserve for recreation development	5,050.00
F.	Current account surplus	20,704.60
G.	Capital improvement fund	* 13,149.50
	Total	<u>\$120,000.00</u>

Mrs. John Collins, of 71 Amherst, was present to discuss bus service from Great Lakes Transit Corporation for school children. Approved. Mrs. Collins complimented for her work on this matter. Charles E. Tackles resignation from Planning Commission. 2½ ton dump truck Ford authorized purchased for \$3,827.71.

December 22, 1960 Bids received for City Office and Recreation Building. 14 bids received. Low bid \$98,000.00 of Englehart, Buettnier & Holt approved. Proposal for Ferndale-Pleasant Ridge fire authority O.K.'d for presentation to Ferndale.

January 10, 1961 Planning Commission replacement appointment deferred. Purchase of Olivetti calculator for \$467.50 approved.

February 14, 1961 Disagreement on Planning Commission appointment deferred. Mayor's exchange with Mason approved. Dr. Spoehr reappointed to Hospital Authority Board.

March 2, 1961 Sound equipment for Community Center Building approved at cost of \$803.00.

Routine meeting held March 4, 1961.

March 21, 1961 Counter equipment purchase for new City office in the amount of \$3,091.93 approved.

April 4, 1961 New Commission convened:

Mayor - Morris

Commissioners:

Barr
Tanner
Slavens
Getz

Justice of Peace:

Robert E. Rann

April 10, 1961 Getz appointed Mayor Pro-tem.
Elliott appointed Supervisor.

April 12, 1961 Franchise ordinance adopted for Detroit Edison Company. Election to be held June 5, 1961. Purchase of eight steel lockers for Police Department approved at cost of \$166.28. Parking, planting and entrances for "4 Ridge Road" discussed and action taken. Getz appointed to assist Manager in preparation of 1961 and 1962 budget.

April 28, 1961 Further discussion of parking area for Community Center. Objections from Woodside residents. Motion adopted including Woodside exit and entrance. Motion adopted approving purchase of kitchen equipment for \$1,183.50 for Community Center. Paving bid of \$9,700.00 for Ridge Road parking lot approved. Motion adopted agreeing to vacate rented City office and move to new building June 15, 1961.

May 3, 1961 Motion to authorize supervisor Elliott to appeal County equalization factor for Pleasant Ridge to State Tax Commission.

May 9, 1961 Rules and regulations for Community Center adopted by Recreation Commission May 2, 1961 and approved by City Commission. Mrs. Louise Cornwell appointed to Planning Commission. Action taken relative to maintenance of 10 Mile Road and Ridge Road. \$180.00 received from Pleasant Ridge Foundation for City-owned property sold at auction sale conducted May 6, 1961. Dinner dance planned for Community Center May 12, 1961. \$1,000.00 appropriated for purchase of furniture for new City Hall. Contract awarded to J. J. Wrecking Company in the amount of \$550.00 for removal of old Recreation Center.

May 16, 1961 Contract awarded for janitorial service for both buildings at \$280.00 per month.

May 23, 1961 Budget consideration.

May 26, 1961 Budget approved. Gross \$328,038.05
Tax budget \$155,949.53.

June 13, 1961 Motion to move Police Booth to east Court for recreation uses.

June 29, 1961 Tractor loader purchased at cost of \$1,395.00.
Report of approval of Edison franchise by vote of 58 to 1.

July 11, 1961 Allen I. Randall resignation as Recreation Director.
Recreation Commission authorized to advertise for applicants for Recreation Director at salary of \$5,000.00.

August 8, 1961 Notice received regarding State rejection of County Equalization appeal submitted by Pleasant Ridge. Motion adopted approving expenditure of \$354.00 for alteration of Recreation Center to make adaptable for Nursery School use. Resignation of William Cooke from Recreation Commission. Hercules Fence Company bid in the amount of \$2,165.00 for cyclone fence for 4 and 8 Ridge Road approved. Oak Park residents building fences in enclosed 1/2 alley vacated along west line of Pleasant Ridge. Complaints from Maplefield owners. McKenzie janitorial service cancelled. Standard building maintenance bid of \$317.52 per month approved. Purchase of draperies for City Hall approved in the amount of \$386.00.

August 14, 1961 Resolution adopted deciding against Pleasant Ridge issuing its own bonds to pay up its Twelve Towns Relief Drains assessment.

September 12, 1961 Marie Moon present to introduce Mrs. Elizabeth Perry, applicant for position of Recreation Director. Motion approved employing Mrs. Perry at \$5,000.00 per year. Dwight Grainger, Basil Hunt and Howard Neilson reappointed to Planning Commission. Richard Webb, Charles Wolfe, Earl Pritch appointed to Recreation Commission. Getz no vote on:

- (a) Drain at large spread.
- (b) ~~Special~~ County Education Tax

September 18, 1961 Motion determining not to apply any prior advances of funds to Twelve Towns Relief Drains toward principal payment but to insist on refund so that City may invest money to best interest of City.

October 4, 1961 Motion to defer consideration of 10 Mile Road widening west from Garden Court to limits and east from Main Street alley to east limits. Confirmation of action regarding return of advances made to Twelve Towns Relief Drains.

October 10, 1961 Petition with 99 signatures received requesting stop signs on Woodward Heights at Indiana and at Bermuda.
\$25.00 donation approved toward school Halloween parties.

October 18, 1961 Motion adopted approving stop signs on Woodward Heights at Indiana and Bermuda. Mr. Vanrokel and Mr. Knapp of County Road Commission were present regarding 10 Mile Road widening. Resolution adopted for no financial commitment on 10 Mile Road widening until I 696 Route has been definitely determined. Shirley Cain appointed Deputy City Treasurer. Motion adopted waiving 1 % collection fee on winter taxes to January 20th as permitted under Act 144 of 1961.

November 14, 1961 Routine meeting.

December 12, 1961 Dismissal of Mrs. Elizabeth Perry, Community Center Director, recommended by Recreation Commission.

January 9, 1962 Dr. Spoehr reappointed as Hospital Authority Representative. City Manager, Foxworthy, submitted resignation to accept position at Dover, New Hampshire. Resignation accepted with regret. Resolutions presented and discussed relative to City Manager and Recreation Director being shared with Huntington Woods. Hearing on this matter set for January 16, 1962 at Community Center. Winston Moberly appointed interim Recreation Director at \$400.00 per month.

January 16, 1962 Hearing on joint management of Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge. 300 residents present. There was a preponderant "no" opinion on this proposal.

January 20, 1962 William H. Lange appointed City Manager.

February 13, 1962 Lange appointed as City Representative to Water and Garbage and Rubbish Authorities. Also appointed legislative contact man. Decision that Commission would take no endorsing action on water fluoridation except after referendum vote of people.

March 13, 1962 Action taken opposing municipal income tax by other municipalities on non-residents.

April 3, 1962 New Commission convened:

Mayor - Morris

Commissioners: Getz
Slavens
Barr
Tanner

April 9, 1962 Barr appointed Mayor Pro-tem.
Slavens appointed County Supervisor, Elliott having resigned.
Arthur W. Stephens appointed Assessor.
Moberly appointed City Clerk.
Dr. Frank Condon appointed Health Officer.
City Manager appointed to a variety of posts.
Robert Robbins reappointed Constable.

April 10, 1962 City Manager to have survey made of number of garbage grinders in use in Pleasant Ridge homes and feasibility of ordinance requiring this appliance to be installed in all homes.

April 30, 1962 Routine meeting.

May 1, 1962 Budget consideration.

May 8, 1962 Motion adopted to accept with regret City Treasurer Wirthlin's resignation. City Manager instructed to interview candidates and make recommendation on same.

May 22, 1962 Budget tentatively approved. Hearing set for
June 5, 1962.

June 5, 1962 Budget approved. Gross \$239,787.02
Tax budget \$156,508.62

Motion adopted to hold public hearing at Community Center regarding contribution of public funds to Vigilant Tax Committee litigation regarding 1 % tax income tax on non-residents by Detroit.
Student advisers to Recreation Commission appointed:

Linda Cox
Graham Geraldts
Sue McKenzie
Rod Coffey
Christine Olsen

June 12, 1962 Hearing with 40 present. Majority opposed to Detroit income tax application to non-residents. Approval of payment to Vigilant Tax Committee of Michigan of \$50.00.
Tentative approval of Dequindre Interceptor agreement. Motion adopted re Pleasant Ridge taking over and sub-contracting to the City of Ferndale maintenance of Woodward Avenue. City Manager to contact State Highway Department in this regard.

June 29, 1962 Elva Trowbridge appointed City Treasurer effective
July 1, 1962, at \$5,294.88 per year.

July 10, 1962 Low bid of Packard Maintenance Company of Detroit in the amount of \$190.00 per month for janitorial service for Municipal Building and Recreation Building.

Routine meeting held July 24, 1962.

August 2, 1962 Consideration of "personnel policy and procedure".
Tentatively approved and ordered placed in final form for adoption.

August 14, 1962 Freitch reappointed and Richard E. Bartlebaugh
appointed to Recreation Commission. Action taken relative to appointment
of an Administrative Intern from Wayne University. Report received from
City Manager on garbage grinders. 49 % of homes have operative garbage
grinders. 1 % have auxiliary fired incinerators. City Manager requested
to report back on possible promotional program whereby residents would be
expected to voluntarily install grinders or incinerators.
Notice received of Packard Maintenance Company intention to terminate
janitorial contract on September 7, 1962. City Manager authorized to
engage janitorial services at not to exceed \$250.00 per month.

September 11, 1962 City Manager authorized to proceed with his
proposed plan for Green Belt planting adjacent to 10 Oakland Park Boulevard.
Authorization given to sign janitorial service contract with Clearvu
Window Cleaning Company at \$240.00 per month.
Dr. D. C. Gates, Mrs. Louis Cornwell and Mark M. Beach reappointed to
Planning Commission. Special meeting set for October 1, 1962 at
Community Center to discuss additional 10' of land requested by pool directors.
Approval of contract for Southeastern Oakland County Sewage Disposal System,
enlargement and extension.

October 1, 1962 Hearing in regard to extra 10' of land sought by pool
directors. 14 present. City Manager requested to secure size and location
of additional strip of land desired to be leased. Resolution adopted re
garbage grinders. Not mandatory. Urging installation only.
Trevarrow Plumbing Company will install for \$98.00. Motion was adopted
ordering \$13,241.00 spread on winter taxroll for Twelve Towns Relief Drains
assessment.

October 9, 1962 DeCarey barn condemned and action to be taken.
Action taken to waive 1 % collection fee on winter tax roll.
City Manager authorized to purchase 38 Kensington from Oakland County at
figure of \$3,500.00.

October 11, 1962 Appropriation of \$25.00 toward school Halloween parties.

November 13, 1962 Resolution adopted relative to sewage disposal contract.

November 20, 1962 Meeting called by Mayor Pro-tem, Barr, to announce
Mayor Morris' death at 5:00 P.M. on this date at Ford Hospital. Resolution
of condolence adopted for family.
November 27, 1962 set as Board of Appeals meeting to consider request of
South Oakland Church of Christ use of Burton Abstract Company building.

November 27, 1962 Hearing on zoning change relative to proposed church use of Burton Abstract Building. Attorney advised that there was no basis for appeal, and that church was requesting a change in zoning ordinance which could be accomplished only by action of City Commission. Appeal Board adjourned and City Commission convened. The City Commission was polled. Did not favor change. 45 residents present, nearly all of whom opposed church use of this building. City Manager advised City Commission that it could properly lease 90' to 110' of land 10' wide to the non-profit pool corporation. Approved by City Commission resolution with fair rental to be considered as assumption of paving cost and removal of fence by pool corporation. Approval given to increase in size of Dequindre Interceptor capacity by 80 cubic feet per second. Barr resignation and David W. Camp appointed Commissioner.

December 11, 1962 Barr appointed Mayor and Slavens appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Board of Building Inspectors, numbering four, was appointed to examine church and the matter was referred to the Planning Commission for recommendation.

December 20, 1962 Further consideration of church problem.

January 8, 1963 Church required to deposit \$288.00 for compensation of Board of Building Inspectors.

January 19, 1963 Report received from Vilican Lamen on I 696 Route effect on City. Planning Commission present at this meeting.

February 12, 1963 Zoning ordinance amendment adopted regarding commercial parking spaces required. Resolution opposing Drain Commissioner and Deputy Drain Commissioner increase in salary from S. O. C. Sewage Disposal funds. Dr. Spoehr reappointed as City's representative on Hospital Authority.

February 18, 1963 Routine meeting.

March 4, 1963 Consideration given to proposed acquisition of east 100' of property at 39 Oakdale Boulevard to attach to property previously acquired by City. Hearing on adoption of parking zoning amendment. Resolution adopted approving use by pool corporation of additional 10' by 140' strip of Community Center property. Two spring sprays of elms approved.

April 2, 1963 New Commission:

Mayor -	Barr
Commissioners:	Max Hill
	Camp
	Slavens
	Getz

April 8, 1963

Slavens appointed Mayor Pro-tem
Slavens appointed Supervisor
Stephens appointed Assessor
Moberly appointed City Clerk
Dr. Frank Condon appointed Health Officer
Elva Trowbridge appointed City Treasurer
Shirley Cain appointed Deputy Treasurer

Wilson resignation from Planning Commission. Planning Commission ordinance adopted.

April 22, 1963

Routine meeting.

April 29, 1963

J. W. O'Mera present urging landscaping of Woodward frontage. Appointed Chairman of Committee to submit plan.

May 14, 1963

Budget approved.

Gross \$242,905.24
Tax budget 157,084.25.

Manager instructed to secure sealed bids for underground sprinkling system at Community Center. Sealed bids for sale of Lot 132 Stephenson Barber Subdivision authorized to be received May 24, 1963. Moberly appointed Recreation Director.

May 24, 1963

Pleasant Ridge Foundation purchase of Lot 132 Stephenson Barber Subdivision for \$3,557.00.

June 11, 1963

Report received from J. W. O'Mera regarding Woodward landscaping. Commissioner to discuss with Pleasant Ridge Foundation. Stanley Sherman appointed to Planning Commission.

June 25, 1963

\$500.00 gift received and accepted from Pleasant Ridge Foundation for repair of baseball back stop.

July 9, 1963

\$19,935.10 authorized levy for Twelve Towns Relief Drains installment No. 2 on winter tax roll. Contract negotiated with Trevarrow for installation of underground sprinkling system for Community Center at \$3,080.00. City Attorney Thorburn resignation submitted as of September 5, 1963.

July 23, 1963

Routine meeting.

August 6, 1963

Meeting with State Highway officials regarding I 696 route. Slavens resignation from Commission, and appointment as special counsel on Church and Tile Company litigation.

August 13, 1963

Harmon W. Tanner appointed City Commissioner.

August 30, 1963 Winter tax roll 1 % collection fee waived.

September 10, 1963 Resolution adopted unalterably opposing 10 Mile Road as route for I 696.

Chambers and Cooke reappointed to Planning Commission.

John J. Collins appointed to Planning Commission to replace Harold Hathaway. Getz appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Mrs. Barbara McCoy appointed to Recreation Commission. John Cantu appointed to Recreation Commission.

September 25, 1963 Samuel L. Travis appointed City Attorney at \$2,600.00 per year.

October 6, 1963 Resubdivision of rear portions of Lots 46 and 47 B. E. Taylors Subdivision approved. Richard Webb resignation and Robert S. McKillop appointment to Recreation Commission. \$25.00 contribution to school Halloween parties approved. The following appointments were made to Junior Advisory Committee to Recreation Commission:

Judy McCillok
John Stewart
Gilbert Dunn
Linda Cox
Sue McKenzie
Rod Coffe

October 18, 1963 Resolutions adopted requesting John Mackey to meet with representatives of City, Samuel Travis and Pleasant Ridge free-way Action Committee.

October 25, 1963 Invoice for \$2,500.00 from John Slavens for Church litigation representation approved. Resignation of Thomas B. Mather, Patrolman.

November 5, 1963 Commending resolution directed to Pleasant Ridge Foundation for rehabilitation of 38 Kensington. Mackey offer received to assign other representatives to meet with Commission. City Attorney to again request Mackey to meet with Committee in person. Question of removal of black oak north of Manufacturers National Bank.

December 10, 1963 Planning Commission present relative to apartment and multiple dwelling development in City. Questionnaire to be placed in next quarterly report. Rules and regulations for Recreation Center adopted. Discussion of attempting to save black oak north of Manufacturers National Bank. Authorization to lower water service without charge to Dr. Hurst to prevent further freezing.

January 14, 1964 Policy resolution adopted regarding City responsibility for thawing and repair of private water services. Dr. Spoehr appointed Hospital Authority Representative.

February 11, 1964 Resolution received from Oak Park relative to 10 Mile route for I 696. Received and filed.

February 28, 1964 Routine meeting.

March 10, 1964 Appointment of partisan board of canvassers as per law. Two Democrats and two Republicans.

March 24, 1964 Meeting with seventeen City employees regarding suggested wages and benefits.

April 13, 1964 Minutes of Board of Canvassers included. John S. Slavens and Ernest Getz elected. Hill appointed Mayor Pro-tem. Slavens appointed Supervisor. Moberly appointed Clerk. Dr. Condon appointed Health Officer. Trowbridge and Caine appointed Treasurer and Deputy.

New Commission:

Mayor - Barr

Commissioners:

Getz
Slavens
Hill
Camp

April 27, 1964 Budget consideration.

May 4, 1964 Budget consideration.

May 12, 1964 Fritch resignation from Recreation Commission, and Willard T. Jacob appointed to Recreation Commission.

May 20, 1964 Budget consideration.

May 25, 1964 Budget hearing. Budget approved.

General	\$253,261.63
Water and utilities	88,300.00
Capital improvement	21,925.00

Total \$363,486.63.

Tax Levy \$158,786.63

June 9, 1964 Routine meeting.

July 14, 1964 Low bid of J. R. Miller Corporation of \$8,672.00 for air-conditioning Community Center approved. Low bid of George F. Arlington Company of \$8,706.00 for addition and alteration to D. P. W. Building approved. Low bid of Detroit Concrete Products Company of \$3,415.00 for asphalt seal coat project. O.K.'d.
I 696 route alignment plans received from City Highway Department and tabled for study.
\$20,150.59 Twelve Towns Relief Drains third installment approved to be spread on winter roll.

August 12, 1964 Letter received with 332 residents signatures presented by Bedford Embrey opposing rezoning Ridge Road for multiple dwellings. Referred to Planning Commission for continuing study. Hunt and Sherman reappointed to Planning Commission. McKillip and Ruff reappointed to Recreation Commission. One mill tax spread for Community College approved. 1 % winter tax roll collection fee waived.

September 8, 1964 Stan Henning appointed D. P. W. Superintendent effective September 20, 1964 at \$6,500.00 per year.

October 13, 1964 John R. Kaatz, 15 Maywood, submitted petition containing 197 signatures favoring rezoning Ridge Road for multiple dwellings. Referred to Planning Commission. Dr. Gates resignation from Planning Commission. John Katz and L. T. Martenson appointed to Planning Commission.

November 10, 1964 Pleasant Ridge Foundation pledge of \$2,000.00 toward rehabilitation of Gainsboro tennis courts received and accepted.

December 8, 1964 Report of Special Study Committee for I 696 received. Barr, Embrey, Travis, Moon, Scofield.
Richard Elasmus resignation from Human Relations Committee accepted with regret. Bert Insell and Phil Spelman of Human Relations Committee present.

Robert Grigger
Charles J. Snell
Edward Kakenmaster
Thomas A. Joseph
Philip Baden and
Wallace B. Cleland appointed to Human Relations
Committee.

Manager reported inability to find trees at reasonable price for the 1964 - 65 tree planting program.

January 12, 1965 Tentative public hearing set for I 696 for March 4, 1965 at 7:30 P.M. at Community Center. Human Relations Committee membership set at 18.

February 9, 1965 Resubdivision of westerly 70' of Lots 14 and 15 West Burt E. Taylor's Woodland Subdivision into new building site approved. Dr. Spoehr reappointed to Hospital Authority. John Collins resignation from Human Relations Committee.

March 9, 1965 As a result of public hearing held on March 4, 1965 in regard to I 696 route, resolution submitted by State was disapproved. Bill Buerstella resignation from Human Relations Committee. Mayor's exchange with Standish approved.

April 12, 1965 New Commission:
Mayor - Barr
Commissioners: Hill
Cantu
Getz
Slavens

Justice of Peace:
Robert E. Rann

Slavens appointed Mayor Pro-tem and Supervisor
Stephens appointed Assessor
Dr. Condon appointed Health Officer.

Notice received that Police Department would be discontinuing issuance of drivers' licenses.

April 26, 1965 Meeting with Human Relations Committee. Action taken endorsing non-discrimination resolution. Adopted by Human Relations Committee.

April 27, 1965 Budget consideration. Breakdown of \$5,076.70 legal fees requested.

May 3, 1965 Budget consideration. Manager's salary increased, plus insurance payments.

May 11, 1965 Sundial gift accepted from Pleasant Ridge Foundation in memory of Mr. Ralph Bozell, Sr. to be installed in Memorial Park. Trowbridge and Caine appointed Treasurer and Deputy. S. R. Thompson appointed to Recreation Commission. Mrs. Joanna Link appointed to Recreation Commission. Historical Commission appointed:

Members: Stanton
Mason
Rhein
Berst
Damon

Bids received for tennis courts rehabilitation, and catch basin repairs. Tabled for possible lowering of costs. Two shaded street lights approved for installation at Community Center. Twenty five tree replacements for dutch elm diseased trees approved.

May 19, 1965 Budget considered. Motion regarding hiring Wayne State student for public administration internship.

May 24, 1965 Hearing on use of residential lot for parking for American Mortgage Company. Authority to use lot for this purpose denied by Commission. Budget hearing. Budget approved.

General	\$268,193.50
Water and Sewer	91,500.00
Capital improvement	28,793.50
Tax levy	160,551.36
Oakland Community College	13,583.03.

June 8, 1965 Mrs. Frederick Reinhart appointed to Historical Commission. \$200.00 funds allotted to Historical Commission. Pleasant Ridge-Oak Park dinner to be held June 15, 1965 to discuss I 696 route.

July 6, 1965 Report on visit with Senator McNamara and assurance that no Federal funds would be released until route had been approved and that Bureau of Public Roads would not join the State in condemnation where route had not been approved. Policy resolution with respect to Human Relations Committee Activity. Slavens voting No.

July 13, 1965 A. & I. Asphalt Paving Company bid of \$9,210.50 approved for catch basins and Gainsboro tennis courts.

August 10, 1965 Winter tax roll collection fee waived. \$20,374.54 Twelve Towns Relief Drains levy approved. Beach, Cornwell and Katz reappointed to Planning Commission. Bartelbaugh and Jacobs reappointed to Recreation Commission. Resignation of Harold S. Cohen and Burton Insell from Human Relations Commission.

September 14, 1965 Marian Uren resignation from Human Relations Committee. Fifteen members of Human Relations Committee appointed:

Baden
Clelland
Curtis
Kakenmaster
Peterson
Spelman
Gordon
Greager
Mason
Snell
Barnett
Blair
Brown
Hollingsworth
Stroup

The first three were appointed for three year periods, the second three for two year periods and the last three for one year period. Report was received that State would be discontinuing positions of Justice of Peace after 1968. Justice of Peace and City Attorney to study possibility of establishment of Municipal Court.

October 12, 1965 City Manager appointed as City's Bargaining Representative under Act 379 of the Public Acts of 1965 in regard to public employees and collective bargaining matters. Elva Trowbridge resignation as Treasurer. Mrs. Kathy Pierce resignation.

October 20, 1965 Consumers Power franchise ordinance approved with voter ratification to be sought at election on December 1, 1965.

~~November~~ 9, 1966 Motion adopted re State Labor Mediation Board conducting election November 12, 1965.

December 14, 1965 Phyllis Baden, Republican
Marvin Boskin, Democrat
appointed to Board of Canvassers.
Marie Horle appointed City Treasurer
James B. Gordon resignation from Human Relations Committee.
Metropolitan Council No. 23 D. P. W. Union to work with Lange acting as City's negotiator. Union election vote 8 to 0 in favor of unionization.

January 11, 1966 Discussion of I 696 matters prior to meeting with Southfield and Oak Park on January 15, 1966.
Charles W. Peters appointed to Human Relations Committee.

February 8, 1966 Spoehr reappointed to Hospital Authority.

March 8, 1966 Mayor exchange with Zilwaukee endorsed.

April 11, 1966 New Commission:
Mayor - Barr
Commissioners: Getz
Slavens
Cantu
Hill
Hill appointed Mayor Pro-tem
Stephens appointed Assessor
Dr. Condon appointed Health Officer
Slavens appointed Supervisor
Moberly appointed Clerk
Shirley Cain appointed Deputy Clerk
Travis appointed Attorney.

April 18, 1966 Budget consideration. Commission agreed to accept Governor's invitation to Lansing April 21, 1966 to discuss alternate routes for I 696.

April 25, May 3 and May 7, 1966 Budget consideration.

May 10, 1966 Budget approved.

General	\$292,759.00
Water and sewer	104,500.00
Capital improvement	33,332.28
Tax budget	177,369.00

City Attorney reported that even though County Road Commission have advised that both Ridge Road and 10 Mile Road was 120' in width, County could not condemn property of City. Ferndale Gazette designated as official newspaper for City's publications. City Manager authorized to negotiate with Grand Trunk Railroad for acquiring lots being used for recreation purposes.

June 14, 1966 Representatives of State Highway Department present to present new I 696 route through City. Considerable saving on structures to be lost. No action taken by Commission. Governor's meeting changed to June 30, 1966. Low bid of \$1,658.00 for painting at # Ridge Road approved.

June 22, 1966 I 696 route discussion.

July 12, 1966 Petition received as of June 29, 1966 regarding proposed charter amendment to require 3/5ths majority vote to authorize State Highway Department to take any property in City. 85 residents present. Mayor Barr report to residents on meeting of June 30, 1966 and present status of I 696 project. Motion to study feasibility of I 696 route through Zoo by State Highway Department.

July 29, 1966 Resolution regarding salary increases because of greater salaries for similar classifications in other South Oakland municipalities approved. Manager to advise Royal Oak that Commission will meet with them after receipt of State Highway Department study of Zoo route.

August 2, 1966 Meeting with State Highway representatives relative to route through Zoo.

August 9, 1966 Receipt of letter from Governor soliciting comments regarding message to legislature seeking compulsory route arbitration. Union labor agreement approved. Relative to acquisition of four Grand Trunk lots. City Manager to offer \$4,000.00 with City installing 6' chain link fence. Chambers, Collins, Cooke reappointed to Planning Commission. Retention of Willican Loman to obtain and verify cost data from State Highway Department on obtaining right-of-way for I 696 through parts of Zoo.

August 19, 1966 Motion to place amendment to charter on October 9, 1966 ballot. (3/5ths vote of electors before O.K. to State to establish interstate or feed highway through City). Commission approval of spray of maples for cottony maple scale.

September 13, 1966 Consideration of aerial versus ground spray for Dutch elm disease. New rules and regulations for Community Center approved. Samuel L. Travis resignation as City Attorney accepted with regret.

September 20, 1966 Resolution regarding I 696 route. Charter amendment on November 8, 1966 ballot. S. R. Thompson reappointed to Recreation Commission. Slavens resignation as Commissioner. Camp appointment as Commissioner. Slavens appointed City Attorney at \$2,600.00 per year. Spellman resignation as Chairman of Human Relations Committee, Monroe Boozer, Berkley, appointed Constable.

October 11, 1966 Resolution authorizing \$20,752.99 Twelve Towns Relief Drains assessment spread on winter roll. Oakland Intermediate Schools millage of 1.40 mills approved for winter tax roll. City Manager and City Attorney authorized to close on acquisition of Lots 98, 208 and 207 and east half of 206 Stephenson Barber Subdivision and Lots 47 and 48 Hamilton Woods Subdivision at \$4,000.00 purchase price from Grand Trunk. Pleasant Ridge Foundation apparently contributing toward this cost. The following were appointed for three year terms to Human Relations Committee:

Henry Barnett
Bill Brown
Thomas Lockerbie
Catherine Stroup
Bruce Wright
John Blair

Marian Breskin and Chet Peltier appointed to Recreation Commission. Motion adopted approving repair of 97 catch basins and resurfacing and recurbing of seven streets. Priority schedule on street improvement included. Manager's report on aerial spray for Dutch elm disease.

November 2, 1966 Motion by Getz that Commission endorse charter amendment re: highways failed due to lack of second. Motion to oppose adopted with NO vote by Getz. City Manager advised that Police Officer, Fred Ford, had been placed on extended leave of absence and would be eligible for disability pension after January 1, 1967.

November 8, 1966 Note regarding State Highway Department having failed to confirm meeting on November 15, 1966 relative to route for I 696 and meeting is not to be held.

December 13, 1966 S. R. Thompson resignation from Recreation Commission. Ready to close on Grand Trunk lot purchase. Foundation contribution \$4,000.00. Letter from Michigan State Highway Department offering to meet with City Commission on January 10, 1967 to present data on Zoo route. Resolution regarding Pleasant Ridge becoming member of Southeastern Michigan Council of Governments. Canvassers' report on charter amendment 636 YES 923 NO. Amendment failed.

January 10, 1967 Resolution agreeing to comply with provisions of Act 203 of 1965 making Pleasant Ridge eligible to receive reimbursement from the State for expense incurred in special police training. Four vehicles purchased with funds from Equipment Replacement Fund. City Attorney instructed to develop a brief of possible objections and defenses available to City against legislation nullifying veto power on expressway route. Chief of Police, Connolly, elected President of Southeastern Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.

February 1, 1967 Meeting with State Highway Department representative relative to route through Zoo with four level parking structure for Zoo. Excessive costs indicated, which State Highway Department representatives indicated Federal Bureau of Roads would probably not approve, and hence State Highway Department would not approve either. Motion to consider Highway Departments latest proposal failed for lack of support.

February 14, 1967 Stolaruk Asphalt Paving Corporation bid of \$20,141.50 approved for bituminous street resurfacing and catchbasin work. Ordinance 226 - Minimum Housing Standards, approved on first reading. Second hearing set for May 9, 1967. Resolution adopted setting police qualification standards. Resolution adopted joining with Recreation Commission and Pleasant Ridge Foundation in effort to raise funds for additional Community Center facilities. R. C. Stanaway appointed to Recreation Commission. Dr. Spoehr reappointed to Hospital Authority Board. Joanna Link appointed to Historical Commission.

March 14, 1967 Request of I. I. I. for authority to use for company parking facilities, Lots 150 and 169 of Stephenson-Barber Royal Oak Subdivision which it is proposing to purchase for that use, Hearing on this matter set for April 10, 1967. City Manager's report received on aerial spraying for Dutch Elm Disease, and he was authorized to contract with low bidder. Mayor's exchange with Manistique endorsed.

April 10, 1967 Organization meeting of new Commission:

Mayor - Barr
Commissioners:
Camp
Cantu
Hill
Getz

Getz appointed Mayor-Pro-tem,
Slavens appointed Co. Supervisor,
Stephens appointed Assessor,
Moberly appointed City Clerk,
Marie S. Horley appointed Treasurer and
Shirley Cain appointed Deputy Treasurer.
Dr. Condon appointed Health Officer.
Slavens appointed City Attorney.

A. A. I. hearing held re: parking lot acquisition. Devonshire residents strongly opposed. Hearing set for May 2, 1967 at Community Center. Mrs. Rette M. Thompson, of 37 Wellesley, read prepared statement opposing DDT spraying. Introduced Dr. Watson Gilpin who warned of injurious effects on health, etc. Motion adopted to discontinue spraying.

Yeas: Camp, Getz, Hill
Nays: Barr, Cantu

Thomas F. Gibson appointed to Recreation Commission. "Good Will Card" proposed by Human Relations Committee. Endorsement tabled until May 9, 1967 meeting. New budget considered.

April 13, 1967 Barr out of City. Motion adopted to use \$2,000.00 of tree spraying funds for elm tree pruning. Yeas: Camp, Getz, Hill
Nays: Cantu.