

# Sewering of boathouses deemed necessary at Harveys Lake

A letter from the Pennsylvania attorney general to Harvey's Lake Authority Solicitor Donald McFadden will require sewer hook-ups for the estimated 29 residences constructed over Harvey's Lake.

Contents of the letter was discussed at the March 12 meeting of the Harvey's Lake Municipal Authority. The letter came in reply to an authority letter questioning the legality of the "boathouse" residences prompted by an inquiry from William Hoblak at the authorities February meeting.

The attorney general's letter said the residents were not in violation of Pennsylvania Legislative Act 607. The state law that had been cited at the February meeting as probable grounds for declaring the residences illegal reportedly covered only residences over bodies of water used for drinking purposes.

A vote on a motion from William Gunster approved by a 3-1 margin, authorization for the contractors to install is into "boathouses" where lines had not yet been installed. Secretary Albert Gultius cast the dissenting vote.

Gunster stated that Somerset Company, contractors and the authority will have to discuss measures to be taken for backtracking where laterals have already been installed.

Hoblak questioned the basis of determining residential boathouse. Although the Authority could explain no definite basis of determination in the matter, Oscar Renda, owner of Somerset Construction, was called upon to explain the large difference in price in installing Y's into the residences in question if it becomes necessary to backtrack to complete installation.

George Alles, authority chairman,

said at the February meeting that the legality of the residences was not a matter for the authority to decide, their main concern was sewerage the Harvey's Lake residences in the best and fastest way possible.

Renda's estimate showed that installation of the Y's where lines had not yet been installed would cost \$18 each. Backtracking where lines are installed was estimated by Renda as costing as much as \$1500 per lateral or rate of time and material.

He advised the authority it was better to spend the \$18 now and install the Y's rather than wait until the "boathouse" legality question was answered and risk the \$1500 expense later.

Hoblak explained his position on the matter was based on the fact that the system was designed to exclude the boathouses due to a 1971 borough law prohibiting boathouse residences over the lake.

At the February meeting Hoblak asked the commission to contact the

attorney general on the matter as he feared sewerage the homes might grant approval for more "boathouse" residences to be established. Chairman Alles had at that time consented to await the attorney general's decision, which was received and acted upon.

The general consensus of those present appeared to back the authority's decision. Several people in the audience spoke in support of the authority and Robert Winterstein, borough council member, commended the authority for "taking the step forward to install the Y's" and commented on the financial benefits. He also stated he felt that council "would back the authority 100 percent" in the matter.

Tom Cadawaller estimated that 75 percent of the boathouses had already been passed. He was informed by the authority that they will go back and install where living quarters exist. Later residents will have to pay their own costs.

## Jackson Township Supervisors employ planning consultant

Marlene Pawlowski, Wilkes-Barre, was hired by Jackson Township Supervisors as planning consultant for the township, at a special meeting held March 17, at Jackson Fire Hall. Ms. Pawlowski will work with the Township Planning Commission on the revision and updating of existing zoning map.

Mrs. Richard Hogoboom, Sutton Road, secretary for the planning commission, asked if the supervisors had received no answer. Mrs. Hogoboom recommended that he contact them by telephone to determine

their answer.

Following the special meeting of the supervisors, members of the Planning Commission met with Ms. Pawlowski to review the zoning map and to discuss possible revisions and exclusions. Ms. Pawlowski presented a revised zoning map for their study. Members of the Commission will do research on proposed changes and make recommendations to the supervisors at a later date.

Mrs. Hogoboom also presented a list of township residents as possible prospects to serve on the Citizens Advisory Board to the planning commission.

Members of the commission are Edward Chesnovitch, chairman; Mrs. Hogoboom, secretary; Guy Llewellyn, Oscar Schnell, and John Fielding.

## Area residents win first in Festival of Music

Three area musicians and groups won first prize awards during the recent Festival of Music sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Dallas.

Competing with 18 other musicians, the winners were selected by a panel of independent judges. In addition to cash awards, they also received special trophies.

Ken Adams, festival chairman and Leo Nauroth, Dallas Kiwanis president, presented trophies to the winners; Mary Rita Stuckhart, Scranton, placed first in the Classical Vocal division. The Shalom Singers from Gate of Heaven in Dallas placed first in Popular, Vocal, High School competition. And Patrick

Wright, Wilkes-Barre won the Popular, Vocal Open trophy.

The Shalom Singers were Grand Prize winners in last year's Festival. Net proceeds from the music competition will be used by the Kiwanis Club for its various civic activities in the Back Mountain area.

## Six seek three Lake Lehman School Board seats

Six candidates have filed petitions to vie for three seats on the Lake-Lehman School Board in the upcoming election. The three Lake Lehman openings, one in Region two and two in Region three, are for six year terms.

The Region two seat had only one petitioner, Paul Crockett, Broadway. Crockett, a maintenance man at Ricketts Glen State Park, has been a school board member for close to 30 years starting on the Rosspoint board and then continuing on when his district became a part of the Lake-Lehman Schools.

Although his children have graduated he does have grandchildren in the district.

The two region three seats are sought by five Back Mountain residents. Two, Richard C. Ide and Michael Slimak are seeking re-election. Ide, a nine year board member, is employed by Air Product and Chemicals, Wilkes Barre. He has one child presently in the second grade and has had four children already graduated from the district.

Slimak, Shavertown RD 5, a retired service station and garage owner has been a board member 12 years. His children have graduated from the Lake-Lehman district.

Of the three remaining candidates, two are members of the newly formed citizen's advisory committee for the school district. The committee was formed in January to act as a liaison between the board and public.

Angelo De Cesaris, also Shavertown

RD 5, is a teacher at Kings College. A member of the advisory committee, he has two children attending the Lake-Lehman Schools.

Edward Mark, RD. 2 Hunlocks Creek, also seeking one of the region three seats, is president of the advisory board. Mark has four children presently attending the Lake-Lehman Schools. He is a psychologist licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of State and is working with the Luzerne County Intermediate Unit, an

educational unit that covers 12 county school districts.

Mrs. Joyce Hrabowski, Dallas RD 4, also seeking a region three seat, is a secretary for the Luzerne Intermediate Unit. She has three children currently enrolled in the Lake-Lehman District.

All candidates cross-filed except Ide who willed on the Republican ticket only. The petitions were filed at the Luzerne County Election Bureau for the May 20 primary election.

## Township grants variance

The Dallas Zoning Hearing Board granted a variance in zoning ordinances on a portion of Lower Demmonds Road in Dallas Township during its Tuesday meeting. The variance was granted to the Pen Fern Oil Company in order to allow the insertion of underground fuel storage tanks in the A-1 area.

Little discussion was held on the granting of the variance. However, before the vote was taken Township Solicitor Frank Townend did caution board members James Alexander, Dan Meeker and Eleanor Baines to consider "stumbling blocks" in the zoning code before coming to a decision. The "stumbling blocks" included questions concerning the use of the property; "is

this the best use for the property, will it change the type of neighborhood, does it represent the minimum variance etc.?"

Townend's main concern was over a question as to whether the granting of the variance and placing of the storage tanks would change the "type" of neighborhood. Since other businesses are already established in the area this was ruled out and the variance to a B-1 passed.

The property was described by Jay May, Pen Fern representative as sloping, unsuitable for farming or any other practical use, except lumbering. It was stated that the site was possible for a residence, but that it was highly unlikely one would be built there.

## Dallas school board

Seminar on Vision, Scranton, Mrs. Marilyn Klick, Mrs. Doris McCain, Mrs. Mary Alice Blazes, Mrs. Beverly Bunney, Mrs. Margaret Collett, Mrs. Joyce Youren, Kathleen Reiss.

Reading conference and workshop, Wilkes-Barre, Mrs. Florence Gauthier; Eleventh Reading Conference, Bloomsburg, John Wega; Penna. Council for the Social Studies Annual Conference, Hershey, John Turner.

Pennsylvania Association for Safety Education Conference, William Baran; Eighth Annual Convention of Student Athletic Directors, Hershey, Edward Brominski; Conference on use of printed and non-printed media, Luzerne Intermediate Unit, Mrs. Ann Marie Gries. Middle States Association State Advisory Committee, Robert Dolbear.

Pennsylvania Association of School Administrators Executive Committee Meeting, Harrisburg, ddr. Linford

Werkeiser; School Conference, Jennie Hill RN.

In other action Mrs. Andrea Fulton was added to the list of substitute professional employees.

Added to the list of available volunteer aides were Mrs. Evelyn Farrell, Mrs. Rosemary Paterson, Mrs. Pat Smaka, Mrs. Alyce Ritts, Mrs. Diane Wenrick, Mrs. Judy Augsburch, Mrs. Marlene Hoffman, Mrs. Cloteen Ross, Mrs. Diana Dreher, Mrs. Alice Niskey, Mrs. Kathi Orvitz, Mrs. Sharon Randolph, Mrs. Jean Hillard, Mrs. Martha Andrusis, Mrs. Marcia Ebert, Mrs. Janet Thrasher, Mrs. Sheila Bonawitz, Mrs. Jane Stair, Mrs. Marsha Landis, Mrs. Theresa Thompson, Mrs. Rita Lyons, Mrs. Jan Brady, Mrs. Peggy Thomas, and Mrs. Martha Butler.

The resignation of Philip Zachary, building coordinator of Trucksville Elementary School, was accepted

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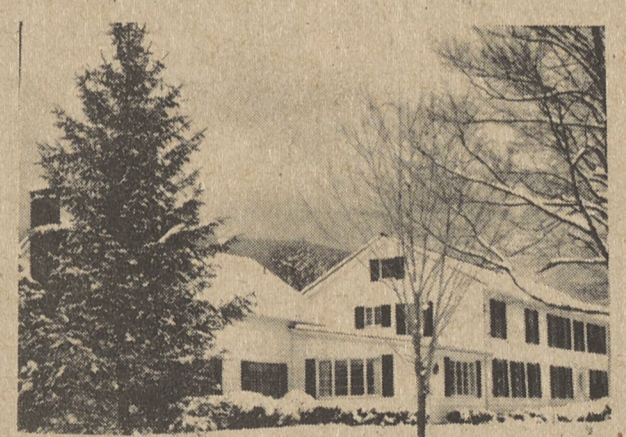
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The change in the speed limit from 50 mph to 40 mph is effected to help reduce the number of accidents.

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