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**WAITING LINE**—A large turnout of Dallas area residents turned out for the Swine flu shots, Sunday, at the Dallas Township Elementary School. Many of them stood in long lines for an hour or waiting their turn.

## Lake-Lehman board to seek business manager

By Shawn Murphy

Director Gilbert Tough told the Lake-Lehman school board last week that qualifications for the district's new business manager are to include a college degree in business or accounting and four years' experience in budgetary or office management.

The new position, approved by a 6-2 vote with Director Ellis Hoover not voting, will carry a salary of \$10,000 to \$18,000.

In outlining the qualifications for the position, Tough informed the board that it was his committee's hope that "a top-notch individual" would be retained for the job. He stated that the opening will be advertised, and he encouraged prospective applicants to submit resumes and references to District Secretary Eleanor Humphrey.

An extraordinarily long list of proposed per capita tax exonerations sparked discussion about the reliability of the list. Director Tough pointed out that he "had no problem" with exonerating the deceased and those taxpayers who were doubly assessed, but that the list included persons named as "non-residents" who were in fact still residents of the district.

He then moved that the board exonerate the deceased and doubly assessed, with consideration of non-residents to come at a later time. He also recommended that a list of per capita tax delinquents be turned over to tax collector Calvin McHose.

A job description for Anthony

### Seeks municipal building

Harveys Lake councilmembers regathered in their recessed monthly meeting last Thursday and reached a compromise selection for the location of a proposed municipal building.

Members who had previously favored a Sunset location, agreed with those previously favoring a lakeside Sandy Beach site, to hold special session and solicit public opinion on the sites and alternatives.

The result was an overwhelming

preference for land already owned by the borough located adjacent to but not including the local little league baseball field. The site is one that was already listed on borough applications for federal grants as an expedient, since the original intent was to apply for the grant based on land already owned and then change when preferred land could be selected.

Marchakitus, assistant to the superintendent, was settled upon after lengthy discussion. The vote to adopt the job description came only after a move to table the matter was defeated by a 6-3 vote, and an attempt to amend the proposed description was similarly defeated by a 6-3 vote.

Contending that it was impossible for one person to perform all of the duties listed in the job description, Director Angelo DeCesaris suggested curtailing the description. His proposed amendment would have involved the assistant to the superintendent in transportation, plant maintenance and the coordination of Federally-funded programs.

Voting in favor of the amended job description were Directors Donald Jones, Ed Mark and DeCesaris; voting against the amendments were Directors Ellis Hoover, Gilbert Tough, Kenneth Williams, Peg Anderson, Paul Crockett and Arnold Garinger.

The vote was reversed when the original motion was introduced stripped of DeCesaris' amendments and, despite Director Mark's contention that Marchakitus was "wearing too many hats," the job description was approved.

Following adoption of the job description, Marchakitus' salary was increased retroactively to \$24,800. This figure represented an annual increase of \$300, an amount Director Williams voted against "because it's too little." All other directors voted

for the increase.

Building and Grounds Committee Chairperson Paul Crockett expressed concern about recent vandalism on school property which included a sign's being torn down and damage to a playing field from tire tracks.

School Board President Arnold Garinger noted that the Lehman PTA had expressed dismay at the incidents, pointing out that Lake-Lehman is one of the "very few" school districts in the area which has not had to concern itself with major acts of vandalism.

Director Mark stated that a review of the bills found "duplication and alleged irregularities" on items submitted by the superintendent and his staff.

"When these alleged irregularities are reviewed by the local and state auditors," Mark opines, "they may cause the board to be cited—the onus is on the board, not the superintendent."

When pressed for specifics by President Garinger, Mark suggested that he review the bills.

In an effort to get the issue off dead center, Tough moved that the bills be paid subject to a review after the meeting. The motion passed 8-1, with Mark dissenting.

As part of a continuing effort to hold the budget line, the directors voted 5-4 against paying \$6.50 for each of three teachers to attend a conference on parenting at Genetti's Hotel. The board, in adopting its budget this year adopted also a moratorium on sending teachers, administrators and board

members to meetings and conferences.

A request from high school Principal James Nicholas for permission to attend the National Association of Schol Principals' meeting in New Orleans was approved when it was learned that Nicholas would pay for the trip himself.

Teacher Mary Lamoreaux, who had requested \$50 from the Board as payment for educational credits earned during extensive travel to Egypt, was turned down by a 5-4 vote.

President Garinger set Dec. 6 for board re-organization and noted that the next regular meeting of the board will be held Dec. 14 at 8 p.m.

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**Ecumenical Thanksgiving service Weds.**

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The Rev. Nolan Kennedy, pastor of the Dallas Baptist Church, will preach the Thanksgiving message.

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The public is cordially invited to attend.

## Dallas to evaluate resumes

Members of Dallas Borough Council will meet Monday, Nov. 22, at 7:30 p.m., to open the applications for police chief, evaluate them and determine the applicants they feel are qualified to fill the position of chief in the Borough.

At Tuesday night's council meeting, President Jerry Machell explained that this meeting would merely be for the purpose of studying the applications and that no action would be taken.

Machell also stated that he wanted to meet with the police committee and patrolmen prior to a Nov. 27 meeting with the Dallas Fire and Ambulance and Library.

Tuesday night's council meeting

was recessed until Nov. 17 at 9 p.m. for general purposes. The meeting may be necessary to take action on the acquisition of property concerning the application for the \$800,000 grant by council for the construction of a new municipal building.

Ralph Garris, secretary, reported that the state has started working on the drainage problem at the intersection of Lake and Church Streets and Route 415.

Garris also reported that he had received a letter from Rep Frank O'Connell concerning a housing unit for the elderly in the Dallas area and asking for information on possible locations. Council was asked to indicate whether or not they were interested in such a project. Garris was instructed to ask the housing representative, Schlier, to meet with the council members to give them more details about the program.

The Rev. Nolan M. Kennedy, pastor of the Dallas Baptist Church requested permission from the council to park an available custom designed mobile chapel on the rear of the property which they now lease in order to accommodate their growing congregation. He explained that this would be a temporary accommodation until the church began construction of a new building in the middle of 1977. Council granted permission for use of the mobile chapel for one year with a renewable multiple three-month extensions if needed.

Harold Brobst stated that he, William Berti, Ralph Garris and Rep. O'Connell met with a state official to

discuss the flooding problem in the area of the Agway, Brown and Bulford property.

O'Connell sent correspondence to Congressman Daniel Flood suggesting that one of the following be done:

Dallas Borough rezone the area as flood way; the borough request an easement or right to purchase property from federal government and clear the channel. He stated that the Pennsylvania DER and FDAA are considering work in this area. If this problem is not cleared up, DER and FDAA will not do anything for the borough.

Borough solicitor Charles Lemmond recommended that council include the planning commission in seeking a solution since rezoning the area would involve the commission as well as council.

Gus Shuleski, resident of West Center Hill Road, asked that patrol of borough streets be improved. He said that he does a lot of walking up and down the hill and that the speeding is outrageous. He also said that it was not only teenagers but adults as well.

A woman in the audience requested that something be done about the children who will not move out of the way of motorists. She mentioned several occasions when they refused to move from the road when she was driving up or down Sterling Avenue. Several other residents seconded her request. Machell said that the police would be ordered to take care of the problem.

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## Lake council agrees on site borough owns

Thursday meeting, showed a strong preference for bypassing the additional expense of land acquisition for such a building—since land acquisition costs are not included in such a grant. Of 46 residents attending, 33 preferred the borough land; nine the Sunset site; and four abstained.

An earlier meeting by the borough planning commission attended by nearly 60 residents, had resulted in a preference poll with 55 favoring the

Sunset site. But the planning commission preference was only a recommendation to the council, which retained final selection prerogatives.

The unanimous vote favoring the property adjoining the little league field was 6-0 with Councilman Robert DeRemer not present for the meeting. Council president Guy J. Giordano, elected to head the council during an earlier municipal building site controversy, said he felt obliged to defend the Sunset preference because of his earlier poll as chairman of the planning commission. Councilman Robert Wintersteen, Jack McManus and William Sherksnas previously favored the lakeside site at Sandy Beach and spoke in opposition to the Sunset site.

Giordano acknowledged that with present funds available in the Public Works Act council hopes to tap for the building, the odds that the Harveys Lake's municipal building project is funded are about 10-1 against.

The consensus of townspeople present appeared to be that it was not a good idea to use borough funds to acquire the land in that kind of speculative situation. It appeared likely that condemnation proceedings would become necessary for the borough to obtain the Sunset site, land owned by William Heck and reportedly priced at \$9,000 per 100 feet section. Borough appraisers valued the Heck property at less than \$16,000.

The accepted site would house the municipal building, presently projected for a total cost of \$401,000 and including a maintenance structure to house borough equipment

## Kingston Twp. cable customers not appeased

Angry residents of Terrace Avenue and Trucksville Gardens areas of Kingston Township did not appear to be satisfied with the explanations and promises made by Robert Barni, owner of Back Mountain Telecable Company, at the second public hearing held Monday night at the township's municipal building.

Barni and Murph Hislop, company technician, represented the cable company and attempted to answer questions and appease the irate group of 35 or more citizens at the meeting.

The common complaint of the residents was that they had little or no reception from the past two weeks to as long as the past three years. They expressed their annoyance in having to pay six dollars per month rental fee without receiving anything in return.

Barni stated reasons for poor reception, including the possibility of blown fuses, interference from citizen band radios, and the construction on Carverton Road. He also suggested that as much as 85 percent of the problem might be directly linked to the viewer's individual set. He did

admit, however, that this factor was probably not the case due to residents from an entire area submitting complaints.

Barni explained that within two or three weeks, the company plans to have their antenna relocated to the vicinity of the Dallas High School. New equipment will be installed and the improved system is expected to rectify present problems.

The residents were not satisfied with these explanations and mentioned the fact that previous complaints had gone unanswered. Barni was accused by them of talking in circles.

Barni offered to make adjustments and also offered credit on future billings if the viewers were willing to file statements as to exact dates their cable connection had failed them. He stated that if the weather permits, the first part of the new section should be completed within one week. He promised to check that area and each consecutive area as completed. If the problem continues to remain

unsolved, Barni stated the company will look to outside sources for assistance in a solution.

### Public meeting

### for UGI consumers

An important meeting will be held Thursday, Nov. 18, 7:30 p.m. at the public meeting room of First Eastern Bank, Dallas Shopping Center, for the recording of the UGI consumers bill records for the past two and three years.

Atty. David Saba, solicitor for the Back Mountain Protective Association, has prepared special forms for the consumers to record excessive UGI electric bills. The association has passed a resolution in favor of a consumer advocate in Harrisburg to protect the interest of all public consumers.



**WE WON**—Mountaineers Mike Culver and Steve Asby carry Coach Jack Jones off the field after defeating Valley West last Friday night 16-14 in the closing second.