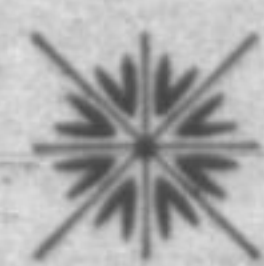


City Council



Calendars

Your City Government: What It Is Doing

Discuss Pension Status of Civil Service Employee
Draftees With Chairman Howes; Representative
Paddock Pledges Support to Harbor Project

By ELMORE J. MURPHY

Even though Officer Wilson Richardson's call to the colors has been deferred for the time being, the pension status under Civil Service of draftee Wilson and all others like him came up for considerable discussion at Monday evening's Council meeting.

On hand to contribute to the conversation was Byron C. Howes, chairman of the Civil Service Commission serving this area.

As readers of this column will recall Officer Richardson had petitioned the council to protect him both in regards to seniority rights and future pension payments during the term of his service for the Federal government. The council took the position for the time being at least that under existing regulations it was powerless to do so.

Chairman Howes stated that seniority rights of draftees in several communities were being protected by the appointment of a temporary employee, usually for sixty days with subsequent renewals, to take the place of the drafted man.

While this procedure protected the draftee's term of service under Civil Service it did not solve the pension problem. Under the present law pension fund payments can not be made by anyone unless he is on the city's payroll. Again, as in Officer Richardson's case, the hazards encountered in his proposed work of loading bomb racks and flying in military planes are a great deal greater than found in police work.

Council action on Officer Richardson's case was again deferred until some precedence in the matter is set by the various Civil Service bodies.

Commissioner Swanson reported on a recent safety meeting held in conjunction with the Ridgewood Drive association.

Members of this group had expressed some concern as to the advisability of widening Green Bay road when viewed from the safety angle. They were fearful that widening the street would increase the speed of motor cars using this road and consequently adding to the pedestrians, particularly school children, in this area. A nationally known safety engineer who was in attendance at the meeting assured this group that widening the road would decrease rather than increase danger from this source.

Upon the suggestion of Commissioner Bowes a second meeting will be held for the purpose of continuing the discussion on safety and on other factors, such as the effect on property, brought about by this project. Mr. Bowes is of the opinion that it would be wise to clear up any misunderstandings concerning this work so that its start will not be delayed.

From a report made by Commissioner Sharp it appears that the

residents in the south end of town are not in favor of all night street lighting with the 100 watt lamps as recently suggested by the council. A survey recently taken in this area reveals that it favors retention of the 250 watt bulbs and turning them off at 2 p.m.

The subject of alleys came in for one of its periodic "days at court" on Monday evening. It appears that in the days when alleys were considered just another place to dump refuse the city ordinance which stated that 10 feet on the back of every lot line must be left vacant for a thoroughfare, was repealed. At that time, however, the cluttering up of the main streets of the city by delivery trucks and the additional obstacles placed in the way of the fire department by lack of ingress to the back of buildings, was apparently not considered. To cure this situation, Commissioner Swanson obtained the council's approval to have the corporation counsel look into ways and means of reviving this old ordinance.

Commissioner Swanson also suggested the local dog pond problem could be solved by entering into a contract with Orphans of the Storm to take care of Highland Park's wayward canine population. The council authorized an investigation into the matter for future action.

Commissioners Sharp and Bowes reported that the incinerator and fire station will shortly be ready for official dedication.

In an interview granted the conductor of this column by George A. Paddock, newly elected representative from the Tenth Congressional district, the latter stated that he would do all in his power to see that Highland Park's harbor project would not get lost in the shuffle.

However, as recently indicated in this column, he stated that immediate action by the government on this project was rather remote. With the country drifting nearer and nearer towards war with the Axis powers it's practically a cinch bet that every dollar available will be spent for defense purposes. Representative Paddock promised, however, when the time came when the government was expending funds for such purposes, he would leave no stone unturned in his efforts to obtain approval of this very well worth while project.

Chief Andrews To Address Auxiliary

On Thursday evening, January 2 at 9 p.m. Chief of Police Rex Andrews will address members of the American Legion Auxiliary of Dumaresq Spencer post.

Highland Park Events for Coming Week

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2—

8:00 p.m. North Shore Yacht Club Meeting.
8:00 p.m. American Legion Auxiliary Meeting.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3—

10:30 a.m. Ravinia Garden Club Board Meeting.
7:30 p.m. Campbell Chapter 712, O.E.S. meets in Masonic Temple.
7:45 p.m. Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts.
8:00 p.m. Rifle and Pistol Club.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4—

8:00 p.m. Saturday Evening Club at the YWCA.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5—

Services in all local churches (see church page)
3:30 p.m. 20 men nominating committee for the young men's club

MONDAY, JANUARY 6—

All schools in Highland Park and Highwood reopen.
12:15 p.m. Rotary Club Luncheon at Sunset Valley Club.
7:00 p.m. Park Board Meeting.
7:30 p.m. Sheridan Rebekah Lodge Meeting, followed by Installation of officers in Masonic Temple.
8:00 p.m. Highland Park City Council Meeting.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7—

10:00 a.m. Collectors Study Group at Highland Park Woman's Club. Catherine Gordon Balmer to speak on Figurines.
2:00 p.m. Highland Park Woman's Club Meeting, Emily Taft Douglas speaker.
8:00 p.m. Choral Club meeting at Community Center.
8:00 p.m. Men's Garden Club meeting at H.P. Woman's Club
8:00 p.m. American Legion Board Meeting.
8:15 p.m. West Ridge Community Club Meeting
8:30 p.m. Highland Park Lodge No. 1362 B.P.O.E. at Club House.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8—

9:30 a.m. Hospital Auxiliary Board Meeting.
9:45 a.m. Girl Scout Council Meeting at home of Mrs. Nereim.
10:39-2:00 a.m. Hospital Auxiliary meeting at Trinity Parish House.
3:00 p.m. Green Bay Road School and Elm Place School P.T.A. Joint meeting at Green Bay school. Dr. Morley McNeal to speak.
7:45 p.m. Boy Scout Board Meeting.
8:00 p.m. Highland Park Library Board Meeting.
8:00 p.m. Royal Neighbors.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 3—

1:00 p.m. St. Paul's Sodality
2:00 p.m. Holy Cross Altar Rosary Society
9:00 p.m. Presbyterian Bowling League

MONDAY, JANUARY 6—

3:30 p.m. Girl Scouts — Troop 1
7:00 p.m. Business Men Bowling
7:30 p.m. Girl Scouts — Troop 2
7:30 p.m. Boy Scouts — Troops 51 and 52
7:30 p.m. Sea Scouts
8:00 p.m. Bank Board
8:00 p.m. Bethlehem Mother's Club
7:00 p.m. Holy Name Meeting.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 7—

2:30 p.m. Wilmet Mother's Club
2:30 p.m. Bethlehem Women's Missionary Society
7:00 p.m. Women's Bowling League
7:30 p.m. St. Paul's Young People's League
8:00 p.m. Masonic Temple
8:00 p.m. Ladies' Guild, O. E. S.
8:00 p.m. Townsend Club
8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Service
8:00 p.m. Holy Cross Choir
9:00 p.m. C of C Bowling League

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8—

St. Paul's Annual Meeting
1:00 p.m. Judy's Social Club
1:00 p.m. St. Paul's Evangai Daughters
7:30 p.m. St. Paul's Choir
8:00 p.m. Presbyterian Choir
8:00 p.m. Bethlehem Midweek Service
8:00 p.m. Badminton (at school)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9—

12:15 p.m. Rotary Club Meeting at Phil Johnson's
1:00 p.m. St. Paul's Sewing Circle
7:00 p.m. Job's Daughters
8:00 p.m. Bethlehem Fireside Club

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