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Council votes to support regional budget

By R.R. Fazzarelli

The other committee in the district are Governor, Clerk, and Board of Education. The Board of Education met on March 25 to discuss the district's budget for 1980-1981. The Board of Education voted 4-2 to support the \$110,000 figure originally set by the district's School Board.

According to Mayor Bernard G. Yarnagoroff, only Councilman Joseph P. Fazzarelli, Jr. and Joseph B. Fazzarelli voted against supporting the original 1980-1981 amount to be raised by local taxes in support of the district capital outlay tax.

The district includes Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark. Four votes on the budget portion in two other municipalities had helped to add in district-wide vote-down.

According to a report of the Board secretary, Joseph B. Fazzarelli, the Board of Education has not had to vote on any official action on the outlay tax for several years. The Board of Education has taken the place of a school board and \$200,000 engineering estimates for each of the district's four school buildings.

\$50,000 cut informally voted in school budget

By R.R. Fazzarelli

The Board of Education in the Township of Clark has agreed to a \$50,000 cut in the district's School Board current operating budget for 1980-1981.

A proposed \$1,200,000 budget to be raised by taxes in support of current operations was defeated by a 75-70 vote margin at the March 25 Board of Education meeting.

After a meeting between the Governing Body and the school body on April 10, it was decided the Board would informally accept the 1980-1981 operating budget of \$1,150,000.

Commissioner Fazzarelli said, however, the Council was expected to hold a special session this past Monday to formally adopt a resolution calling for the Board of Education Secretary Philip A. Miller, the Board will meet today to take formal action on the matter.

Miller said he didn't know what effect the cut will have on school programs until the decision is made by the Board members.

Although Superintendent of Schools Dr. John T. Fattella had agreed before the meeting the Board had done all it could to keep the district's current operating budget at \$1,200,000, a 2.5% increase for 1980-1981 on some state aid and some federal programs had to be eliminated.

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Seven teachers cut for 1980-1981 year

By R.R. Fazzarelli

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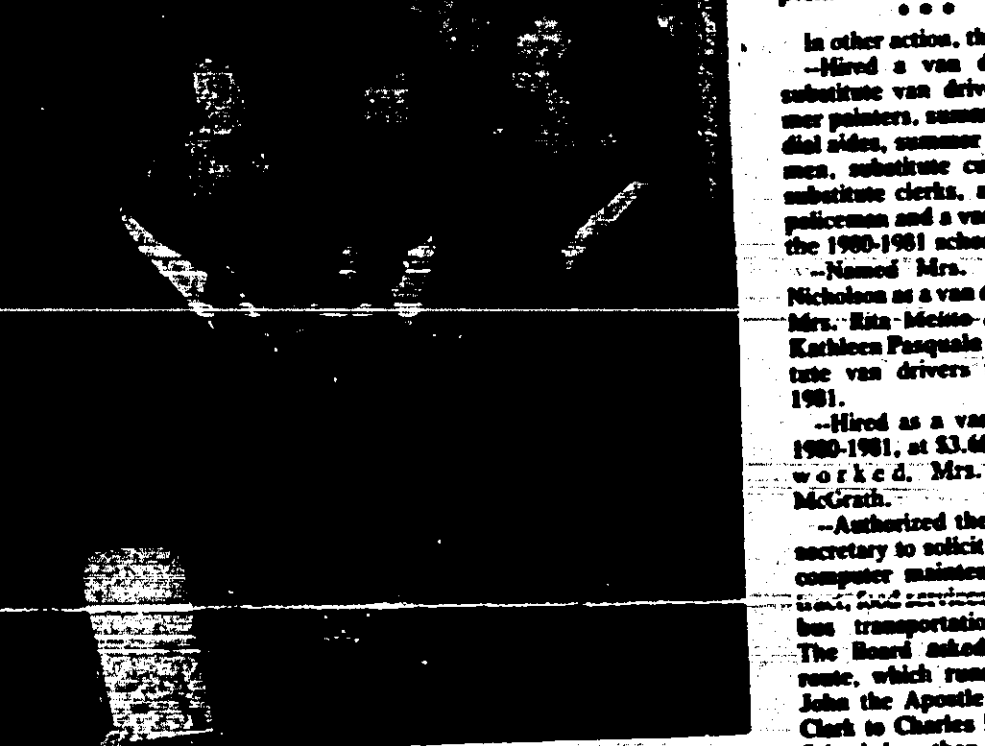
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Education Board tables salaries, secretary hiring

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