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## VBPS students all qualify for free lunches for 5 years

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

Starting this fall, all the students in the Van Buren Public Schools qualify for five years of free lunches and breakfasts.

This was part of the report at Monday's district budget hearing. Finance Director Priya Nayak said because of the number of free and reduced lunches in the district they will get everyone eating free next year. This will be reimbursed by federal funds, she said.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak said they still will be asking parents to fill out the paperwork for free and reduced lunches so that the district can qualify for another grant for the future.

After the public hearing on the budgets, the board approved the amended 2022-23 budgets and the 2023-24 budgets.

Total revenue expected for the 2023-24 general fund budget is \$66,504,162 and total expenditures expected are \$69,529,771, with the difference of \$3,025,609 being taken from the fund balance. The projected fund balance on June 30, 2024 is \$4,493,479.

Director Nayak said there are assumptions on how many students there will be in the fall and how much the state will pay for each, so the numbers are only good guesses at this time of the year. They have assumed a student count of 4,250 and possible state aid of \$9,450 each, but they also have enough set aside enough for 50 students if that many less show up.

Besides the general fund, also passed were amended and new budgets for the funds for special education, food service, sinking, capital projects, debt, and student activities.

In other business at the two-hour meeting, the board:

- Approved the May 15-17, 2024 trip for eighth graders to Washington, D.C. Cost to

student for the bus trip is \$818 each and there will be fund raising and scholarships available;

- Approved the resignation of Richard Shafer from Edgemont after 11 years of service as of June 30 to become a social worker in another district; and the resignation of Anna Algulov, a teacher at Rawsonville, after four years of service as of Aug. 14;

- Approved the hiring of speech

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## VBT board agrees to add extra paid-vacation day: Juneteenth

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
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Clerk Leon Wright and Trustee Kevin Martin introduced an agenda item at the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees' regular meeting on June 20 that would give employees an extra paid day off with pay.

After lengthy discussion, and a vote to call the motion, the board unanimously added Juneteenth on June 19 every year, as the 12<sup>th</sup> paid holiday.

At first the motion was to just recognize the holiday, which now is a federal and state holiday, but then it turned into a push to make it a paid holiday.

Trustee Martin explained the history of the holiday, starting with late August, 1619, before the Mayflower, when the first slaves were brought to America. He said for 246 years Africans were enslaved and Juneteenth came two and a half years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued when on June 19, 1865 freedom for slaves in Texas was ordered.

Clerk Wright said it was on the

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Independent photos by Bob Mytych  
Belleville Lakefest and the Thrill in the 'Ville power boat races filled the city of Belleville with visitors all weekend long. The American Powerboat Race on Belleville Lake was videocast live on YouTube.

## Belleville Lakefest

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## VBT Board

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negotiation table and AFSCME turned it down. He spoke of the horrific treatment endured by his ancestors. Wright said the holiday is observed by the State of Michigan, Wayne County, Canton, Ann Arbor, Romulus, Lansing, Howell, Pontiac ... and many more places. He said 25% of private companies have it as a paid holiday.

Wright said to be a premier community, "We not only talk the talk, but also have to walk the walk."

He said unions don't run the township, "We do."

Wright said he wanted the board to shut down any regularly scheduled workday for the holiday. He said this would cost \$22,400 a year for public safety.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara said Wright has changed the motion. It was put on the agenda as recognizing the holiday, he said.

Trustee Don Boynton said the board could act to celebrate the holiday and then decide how to recognize it.

"It's already recognized by the federal government and the state," Martin said.

Supervisor McNamara said the motion needed to be amended and Martin said he changed his mind and amended the motion, asking for Juneteenth to be a paid day off. Boynton seconded the amendment.

Treasurer Sharry Budd said AFSCME always negotiated the set holidays and the rest went along with that. The union gave up Columbia Day for Martin Luther King Day.

She said it could be recognized as a holiday, but not a day off. She said AFSCME didn't agree to this as a paid holiday and this sets a whole different process.

"We are the managers," Martin said, referring to the board members. "You wanted them to give up a day for this."

"If you tell the union they have another paid day off, they'll take it," McNamara said, adding Wright did not add in the fringe costs of about 30%. He said those in the fire, water and sewer, and public services departments will have to work and they will be paid time and a half and double time. He said it's a \$40,000 expense for the township.

"It's an admirable holiday," McNamara said. "It should be celebrated. I'm against the way it was handled. They already have an abundance of holidays, along with a four-day work week."

"That has nothing to do with it," Martin said.

"They already have a lot of days off," McNamara said, suggesting the board tell him to go back to the union and negotiate.

Trustee Bryon Kelley suggested it could be a floating holiday to save overtime and there are a couple of ways to work it out, rather than discussing it in an open

meeting.

"It's a federal holiday that happened in 2021," said Trustee Sherry Frazier. "It's a valid holiday. A major milestone in American history, regretfully."

"We have a year to decide," McNamara said.

"What's the big deal?" Trustee Frazier asked.

Resident John Delaney called out comments from the audience and was called out of order.

"I know one township that doesn't close and gave everyone a floating holiday," said Treasurer Budd. "Just a thought."

Wright said he wants the township to recognize it as a holiday and something has to be done significantly.

"Something that's showing we recognize what may be more significant to me and others ... It's something I need to cheer ... It shows I can change the course of the future."

McNamara said he could negotiate with the union and Wright replied, "I don't need to negotiate. I'm not negotiating anything!"

Martin said his motion stands.

Frazier added, "It's a federal holiday. Come on, get with it."

Martin said he thinks it should be on June 19 because otherwise it detracts from the day.

"I'm not against June 19," McNamara said, adding, "We're saying, here take another day off. The cost to taxpayers is \$40,000 and we've got a community center to staff."

Wright said the township just approved a four-year contract with AFSCME.

"I don't want to negotiate at the table," McNamara said noting the motion was "Day off with pay on June 19."

Martin called the question and there was a roll-call vote on whether to vote on the question. It passed 6-1, with McNamara voting no.

Then they voted on recognizing June 19 as an official township holiday with a paid day off for employees.

"I am not against the holiday," McNamara said. "I'm appalled at how it's being done. I don't know how anyone can vote no now."

The motion passed unanimously.

"We have many, many issues with the union," McNamara said.

"I don't have a problem with the union," Wright said.

McNamara said he didn't have a problem with the union, but the township does.

Boynton said he would volunteer his time to work on this and McNamara replied, "It's done. It's done."

In other business at the two-hour-31-minute meeting on June 20, the board:

- Heard a report on the 2022 annual audit on all township funds from Dave Helisek and Katie Alestra of Plante Moran and then approved the audit. Helisek said the township received an unmodified opinion,

the highest level of assurance. McNamara said the township has a double-A rating like Livonia and Canton, which impacts the interest rate. "You've got a terrific team," Helisek said.

- Held a one-minute public hearing at which nobody spoke to comment on the Homestead Condominium Special Assessment District and then approved the assessment role for the SAD. Homestead is borrowing \$1,686,710 to improve its roads. There are 637 properties and each will pay a total of \$6,701.31 each over five years with 2% interest to repay the township;

- Approved use of a pump station to route wastewater from the proposed 44-acre, 132-unit Brookwood Multifamily Independent Senior Housing Project south across Tyler Road to the existing sanitary main. The development is near the northeast corner of Morton Taylor and Tyler roads. The pump is needed because of the wetlands at the north end of the property. The company will pay for everything and there will be capital charges set aside for maintenance of the pump station in the future. McNamara asked if the Water and Sewer Commission looked at the proposal and was told they hadn't. He asked Water and Sewer Director Kevin Lawrence to speak with him about it in the morning;

- Approved a variance from the Van Buren Township Engineering Standards Manual to allow construction of stormwater detention ponds that will have a permanent pool of stormwater less than four feet deep for Brookwood. The board asked the planning commission to look at fences for safety and mosquito prevention;

- Approved an agreement with the City of Romulus to provide water service to 13560 Hannan Rd.;

- Approved buying all new metal voting booths at a cost of \$48,335 from Election Source. This is to replace the more than 10-year-old plastic voting booths that have deteriorated and are hard to handle. The new booths will be easier for staff to set up, since the school district has stopped putting up the booths for elections and has required the booths to be both set up and removed on election day. In the past the school district allowed the township to set up the day before and take down the day after. Clerk Wright said the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) balance will pay for the purchase;

- Approved a five-year Collection and Management Contract with Waste Management for residential trash, yard waste, and recyclables which begins July 1. The cost will increase about 5% per year;

- Approved a special land use request from the Belleville Yacht Club for a Marina at 831 E. Huron River Dr. The board voted 4-1, with Frazier voting no, to recuse Councilman Kelley and Supervisor McNamara from the vote because they are members of BYC. Both left the board

table and the room until that agenda item was over. The dock plans now go to be reviewed by the Michigan Department of Energy, Great Lakes, and Environment (EGLE) and then the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) before any construction can be recommenced. Dock expansion stopped in 2021 after a VBT stop-work order;

- Viewed two, 30-second videos that were made by the township's Communications Department to play on a simulcast of the American Power Boat Association races at Belleville's Lakefest;

- Heard resident John Delaney speak both before the agenda and at the end. He addressed an additional holiday, repurposing the old voting booths for another community, BYC members on the board, restructuring of the agenda to allow comments by the public throughout the meeting after board discussion, and the poor condition of the roads when water ponds and large vegetation along the sides keeps the water from going into the ditches;

- Heard resident Reg Ion tell about the dead deer on Tyler Road just 100 yards from township hall. He said board members wear fancy shirts and ties and talk about how much they love this township, but let the dead deer lie there. He said it is on a Wayne County road but it's the township's deer and should be picked up. He said on election day he picked up a dead faun and had to bring it himself to the police department, where he was finally allowed to put it in their dumpster. Later, Ion said he put a balloon on the deer that was on Tyler Road and somebody took off the balloon, but didn't move the deer. Then, he said, somebody else put four balloons on the deer and they were removed. After talking with Larry Luckett at the meeting, the deer was picked up by morning; and

- Heard Trustee Martin request that the township formulate a letter to the county requesting a left-turn traffic signal at Tyler and Belleville roads and have it signed by all the board members. He said the county did a traffic study, but he didn't see it. McNamara said there is a definitive plan for Belleville Road and money set aside for that. Akers said it is scheduled for 2025 and McNamara said the county has to agree. Martin said 2025 was too far away and he wanted the letter sent and then if there is no response, another letter signed and sent, to do it again and again. "I'll do whatever you want," McNamara said. He said he tried to get it done twice, but failed. "I don't care how you do it," Martin said. "It's a dangerous intersection." Wright said he had an accident there and Martin said he had two.

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# OPINIONS

## Editorial

### Fourth of July is more than just a day off from work

The July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday, Independence Day, is coming up on Tuesday and many will have Monday off, as well. It's the 247<sup>th</sup> birthday of the United States of America.

Independence Day is a federal holiday marking the Declaration of Independence of the United States, which was ratified by the Second Continental Congress on July 4, 1776.

The Second Continental Congress declared that the 13 American colonies were no longer subject (and subordinate) to the monarch of Britain, King George III, and were now united, free, and independent states.

The Congress had voted to declare independence two days earlier, on July 2, but it was not declared until July 4.

And, now here we are struggling to keep our country on the right track and to keep our freedoms.

These days, we see people refusing to pledge the flag. Some will stand politely at local meetings, but not say the pledge. It is always mystifying to us that they don't believe in our country.

The American flag that members of our military fought and died under is a symbol that should be honored. VFW Post 4434 has a flag chairman who will give you a free flag if you just stop by 48 S. Biggs St. in the city of Belleville. He'll also take your old flags for proper disposal.

Fly your American flag on the Fourth of July and consider what it stands for. We are very blessed to have this country, as flawed as it is.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

A reader said he was pleasantly surprised to see the cranes at the Denton Road Bridge last weekend. He said he thought work to replace the bridge was starting. Wrong. The cranes were there to lower the race boats into the water for the Thrill in the 'Ville event.

Those who weren't able to watch the boat races in person could watch it on YouTube live, presented by the American Power Boat Association. It was interesting to see Belleville Lake in those pictures and the people lined up on the Denton Road Bridge to watch the show.

A resident of Fret Road in Van Buren Township said he could hear the roaring motors at his home on Saturday afternoon. We could hear the sound at our home on Haggerty Road. Very loud.

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The rainstorm on Saturday night took down some trees and put the power out for some people. A portion of Belleville went out Sunday and it was expected to be back on Tuesday.

Sumpter Township deployed all 14 of its emergency sirens since there was a tornado warning, as well, on Saturday night.

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Janet Millard, our *Independent* office manager, worked at the Central Business Community's Kids' Zone tent on Saturday at Lakefest. She hadn't been feeling well last week and missed a day of work. By nightfall Saturday, she was in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital with pneumonia. She hoped to be out by the time you read this.

We thank Lee Herrmann for filling in on Monday and Tuesday, our deadline days.

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There was quite a crowd at Lakefest and many vendors on Main Street, with music and food and items being sold and free things



being given away. The district library booth was giving away buttons with a special design created for the event.

The cement on Main Street was hot and that heat reflected up into the booths. I saw a man pouring a bottle of water on his dog to cool it off.

At the city council meeting last week there was some discussion on whether bicycles and dogs should be banned from the festival. Since it was too late to pass a rule on this for Lakefest, they decided to see if bikes and dogs turned out to be a problem.

There were lots of dogs, and a few got into a skirmish that I saw. Nothing major. We'll see what the city wants to do for next year's event.

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We are really missing Andrea VanDenBergh from the school board meetings. She retired recently after seven-and-a-half years of using her Smart phone to live stream school board meetings to the public.

At Monday's meeting of the board of education, there were no cameras present and the microphones at the board table weren't working. It was explained there was a problem with the cameras. Usually, the meetings are recorded and then played on the district's cable channel.

Several people tried to get the microphones working without success. It seems that Debbie McWilliams, assistant to Supt. Pete Kudlak, was the one who got them working. But, the board members have to speak into them for them to work and most of the time they don't.

The school board meetings are held in the BHS cafeteria (which is called "the Commons") and the acoustics are very poor. I know a few people who stopped coming to the meetings because they couldn't hear what was going on.

The school board will be meeting in the administration building in July and August and those meetings are cozier and people in the audience can easily hear board members. There is only one meeting scheduled in July - July 17.

Of all the meetings I attend, the school board is the hardest to hear. I'm getting old and I'm sure my hearing isn't what it used to be, but I attend about four meetings a week, or more, and every other meeting is easy to hear.

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At Monday's school board meeting, James Williams said that they are reinstalling the "Boots" at Owen Intermediate School, which recently was renovated. He said the "Boots" were installed all over the district after Supt. Kudlak came. The "Boots" are now regulated by the state and there is a lot of paperwork, Williams said.

The "Boot" is a piece of metal, stored in a case near each schoolroom door. The students are trained to take it out of the case and slide it into a spot in front of the door to keep someone on the other side from opening the door.

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## Letters

### Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows needs help

To the editor and the community:

The Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows need your help with finding a building for our program. My name is Pam Fleming and I have been the coordinator for this program for the last 28 years.

Over those years, our program has gone from using the Senior Center at the township hall to using the old Van Buren Fire Station 2 building on the Ecorse Service Drive for the last 11 years. This worked out perfectly. We only used the building each year the first three weeks of December. Our residents were able to pull up to the building and we loaded their cars with food and toys. No traffic problems occurred. Once we were done with the program, we were able to store all of our supplies (tables, boxes, signs) in the back of the building until the following year. Like I said, it worked out perfectly!

This past November, I was informed that the township was selling the old Fire Station 2 building to DTE (which they have done). DTE plans on tearing the building down. We had to move all of our supplies out of the building after our program this past year. With no place to go at the last minute and during the holiday yet, I moved the supplies to my parents' pole barn (temporarily). Now the time has come that I have to move the supplies (again) as we are selling my parents' house by the end of July. I will have to pay (out of my pocket) for a storage unit if we do not get a building.

We are looking for a good size building that has heat and running water (bathroom) as we work on our program in the evening in December. Our program does not have the funds to lease a building. All our proceeds we get donated through local businesses and residents in the City and Van Buren Township each year go to purchasing toys and food for registered families.

We are asking the building be within the City of Belleville or Van Buren Township since our program covers this area.

If we do not find a building, we will be left with no alternative but to suspend the Goodfellows program.

PLEASE! PLEASE! Don't let this happen. If anyone wants to contact me regarding this, please contact me at (734) 260-4150.

Pam Fleming, Coordinator  
Belleville/Van Buren Goodfellows

### Time to call upon the 'Better Angels' in city

To the editor:

At times, silence is not golden and, in turn, to call upon one's "better angels."

This is what I wish to do now in regards to several things/people/incidents. To the Better Angels I write openly to two neighbors who have a fence: one a wire fence and the other a "decorative" fence. Please do the right and proper and respectable thing: to the one I had written to a couple time and even enclosed a SASE... wash the side facing our yard, please. I thank you, again, in advance.

Other neighbor and fence: please know that what was told to you 2 1/2 to 3 years ago was incorrect and decided upon illegally. Please realize how terrible it is having plant growth growing over, through, and under the fence without our permission ... ruining the way our yard looks. Of roots, trunks, limbs intruding on our property and pushing the fence on/into our property. All being asked from time ago to now is that you do what is proper and respectful and stop the growth coming through, over, and under... Thank you in advance.

Now, to City Officials and their constant silence and ignoring – nearly three years. Mr. Rutherford came to look at the wire fence and, I thought, work out a solution. Pretty much his first words to me were, "Well, we really don't know where the property lines are, do we?" ... This telling me nothing was to be done? Favoritism to that fence owner? Since you made this the issue ... OH ... and these near three years I have not heard back from you. It is for you, Mr. Rutherford, to (1) have an independent company come out and stake out all the property lines of our house; (2) to publicly make known that the original property owner who put in the fence did so legally that a license is available, etc. (or was this done illegally; not according to City Charter/ Ordinances and you and Mr. Robinson know this?); (3) you publicly explain why you have ignored me and all my attempts of contacting you and in what way am I wrong in any of the Ordinances I quoted re: the wire fence.

Please remember that back in 2021, late summer, at a City Council meeting, Mr. Fielder openly stated that many illegal things had been done regarding the charter and ordinances. (Interesting is that no one ... NO ONE ... argued that point or wanted to look into such a claim.)

Also, for why the Mayor and then City Council ignored my emails and letters ... please explain openly, thank you. Lastly ... back in July of last year a now-City Council member (recognized him by photo of his being sworn in) ... drove an ATV up and down West Columbia ... on the sidewalk and speedily ... no license plate ... this was much, much larger than any golf cart ... agree, Mr. Beebe? After the joy ride ... parked in the yellow-colored back garage (behind the yellow-colored house) of 371 Church St. Is for you to publicly explain.

SILENCE IS NOT ALWAYS GOLDEN ... and is ignoring citizens for years, blatantly ignoring city ordinance and creating own (illegal as was such city council vote by meeting not being made publicly notified and no minutes taken ... I would like to know exactly what was said by each member and the City Manager, as well as how each voted and why.) BETTER ANGELS, ANSWER THE CALL!

I thank you, I thank you, I thank you.

Joseph Haynes  
Belleville  
June 24, 2023

**Editor's Note:** Regarding the last full paragraph, the writer explains he contacted City Manager Robinson, who emailed him in reply. He said Robinson wrote that he contacted the entire city council and they took a vote and agreed with him. He said Robinson said there is no ordinance saying what people can grow. The writer questions how council members can vote without a meeting, so there must have been one.



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## Obituaries



Craig Aaron Beaubien

### CRAIG AARON BEAUBIEN

(January 29, 1980 – June 18, 2023)

Craig Aaron Beaubien was born January 29, 1980, in Monroe to Donald F. and Rita M. (Roof) Beaubien. Craig attended Monroe High School, graduating with the class of 1998. While at MHS, he was a varsity letterman in wrestling, football, and track and field where he threw shot put and the discus. Craig enrolled at Adrian College in Adrian, where he played football for the Bulldogs.

On October 14, 2017, in Belleville, Craig married the love of his life, Whitney McWilliams. The couple was blessed with their son: Beau. To provide for his family Craig worked several years at Charter Communications, now known as Spectrum. He also worked as a heavy equipment operator at Consumers Energy, but Craig's ideal job was that as a stay-at-home dad taking care of the daily household duties and his son Beau.

Craig was a member of Maybee Sportsman Club and the Belleville Yacht Club. He was president of the Monroe County Gentlemen's Pool League for the past 16 years and enjoyed shooting his recurve bow and arrow at the Monroe Gun Club.

Craig Aaron Beaubien, age 43, of Van Buren Township passed away peacefully on Sunday; June 18, 2023, at his home. He was surrounded by his loving wife and family and under the care of Hospice of Michigan. His passing was preceded by his father, maternal and paternal grandparents, two uncles, and one aunt.

To cherish his memory, he leaves behind his loving wife Whitney Beaubien and son Beau Beaubien of Van Buren Township; his mother of Maybee; one sister Carrie (Martin) Ritchie of Milan; two brothers Scott (Greta) Beaubien of Monroe and Bradley (Jessica) Beaubien of Carleton; his brother-in-law Matt (Lauren) McWilliams of Brighton and sister-in-law Jacalyn (Devin) Rugenstein of Belleville; father- and mother-in-law Peter and Kelly McWilliams; five nieces; and five nephews.

Friends gathered on June 21 to share memories at Merkle Funeral Service in Monroe and for the Mass of the Resurrection on June 22 at Divine Grace Parish in Maybee. His cremated remains will be buried at St. Joseph Cemetery in Maybee at a later date.

Memorial contributions in Craig's memory are suggested to his family for Beau's college fund. Online guests may leave words of inspiration and comfort or share a photo by visiting [www.merklefs.com](http://www.merklefs.com).

### JOSE M. ROCHA

(June 28, 1932 – June 25, 2023)

Jose M. Rocha, 90, passed away at his home in Van Buren Township on June 25, 2023. Cremation rites have been accorded. He treasured his friends.



Anthony Stanley  
Jurewicz

### ANTHONY STANLEY JUREWICZ

(June 19, 1947 – December 4, 2022)

Anthony Stanley Jurewicz, 75, of Houghton Lake passed away on Sunday, December 4, 2022 at Wellspring Lutheran Services in Fairview. Anthony was born on June 19, 1947 in Los Angeles, CA to Stanley Anthony and Mary Anne (Binicki) Jurewicz.

Moving back to Michigan in his early years, Anthony graduated from Belleville High School in 1966 and spent his working life as an Assembler for Ford Motor Company. Anthony was married on August 4, 1984 in Belleville to Susan (Lemanski) Jurewicz. Upon his retirement, they moved to the Houghton Lake area to enjoy the rest of their days together. Anthony loved music, antique cars, woodworking, and spending time with his family. In his free time, he would make handmade walking sticks and canes, listen to his vast music collection, spend time with his loving wife, and attend car shows. He was one of the founders of the Rawsonville Street Cruisers and a member of the Jackson Street Cruisers and the Chelsea Classic Cruisers to further appreciate American-made automobiles. Surviving Anthony are his loving wife of 38 years, Susan Jurewicz of Houghton Lake; brothers James Jurewicz and Ronald Jurewicz; and niece Heather (Jurewicz) Tenorio. Anthony was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m., July 11, at St. Anthony Catholic Church in Belleville. Those who plan to attend are asked to call (734) 417-5496.

Memorial contributions in memory of Anthony are asked to be directed to the Make-a-Wish Foundation, 4742 N. 24<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 400, Phoenix, AZ 85016, 1-866-880-1382, <http://www.wish.org>.

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• **Sunday, July 2** – Bugles Across America starts at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street on the lake in the city of Belleville. The brief ceremony honors all veterans, living and dead, with a pledge to the flag, National Anthem, and Taps. Everyone welcome.

• **Monday, July 3** – Belleville Farmers Market at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Monday, July 3** – Egan's Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets

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## Obituaries



Janet Rose Lampinen

**JANET ROSE LAMPINEN**

(June 16, 1939 – June 24, 2023)

Janet Rose Lampinen, age 84, of Westland, MI, formerly of Belleville, MI, passed away Saturday, June 24, 2023, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born June 16, 1939, in Birmingham, Alabama, daughter of Nash & Birdie Mae (Sons) Antonio. She retired from Van Buren Public Schools, at Belleville High school, after 28 years of keeping the district schools spotless. She enjoyed playing Bingo and riding 4-wheelers. She loved her family and had a big heart. She loved watching mystery shows, and everything Scooby-Doo. Mrs. Lampinen is survived by her loving companion of more than 34 years, Joseph Grant, Jr. of Westland, MI; daughter Celeste Wright of Westland, MI; son Norman (Tracy) Lampinen of Belleville, MI; 6 grandchildren: Jason (Joyce) Wright of Pickney, MI, Janina Wright of Oscoda, MI, Chrystal Lampinen of Belleville, MI, Jessica (Bobby) Shevrovich of Romulus, MI, Norman (Alexandra) Lampinen of Canton, MI, and Samantha Lampinen of Romulus, MI; 6 great-grandchildren: Daniel Wright of Canton, MI, Shaylynn Shevrovich of Romulus, MI, Zoeylee Shevrovich of Romulus, MI, Jason Wright and Kaylee Wright, both of Pickney, MI, and Matthew Lampinen of Canton, MI; one great-great-granddaughter Elaina Wright of Canton, MI, also several nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Frederick Lampinen in 1974, a son Frederick Lampinen in 2010, a sister Francis Perkovich, also a brother Joseph Antonio.

Visitation will be 5-8 PM on Thursday, and 1-8 PM on Friday, and 10-11 AM Saturday, July 1, 2023, with an 11:00 AM Funeral at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI (734) 697-4500. Rev. Robert J. White will officiate. Interment will be at 1:00 PM at Cadillac Memorial Gardens, 34224 Ford Road, Westland, MI 48185.

Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family.

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Four-year terms are expiring in December for Mayor Kerreen Conley and Councilmembers Kelly Bates and Kenneth Voigt.

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# Belleville City Council interviews sixth city manager candidate

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

At a special meeting before the regular June 20 Belleville City Council session, the sixth candidate for city manager was interviewed.

And, when that interview was over, the council set interviews starting at 6 p.m., July 10 before the regular meeting with one or more as-yet-unnamed candidates

who had just applied for the position.

Ryan Madis, currently the village manager of Ortonville, was interviewed June 20. He had experience in several different fields, including in 2019-20 when he worked in the New Hampshire Field Office to help get Mayor Pete Buttigieg's message out to voters. He also worked on a Capstone Project through Western Michigan University on Cybersecurity in

Local Government.

The council kept Madis "in the bucket" with Victor Marsh and Jason Smith, finalists who were interviewed with others on June 13.

The former city manager who was also police chief, David Robinson, resigned from his position as of May 31 to become city manager of the City of Monroe.

The council named projects manager Steve Jones as acting city manager and Sgt.

Kris Faull as acting police chief. The city manager recommends the police chief to the council so the council is concentrating on finding a city manager first.

The council advertised an \$84,000 to \$94,000 annual salary for the city manager and noted it would accept applications until the position is filled.

The police chief position will pay from \$72,500 to \$80,000 and interviews for that position are on hold.



Ruth and Eugene Duda, formerly of Belleville, celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on June 22. They were married in 1963 and now live in Port Richey, FL.

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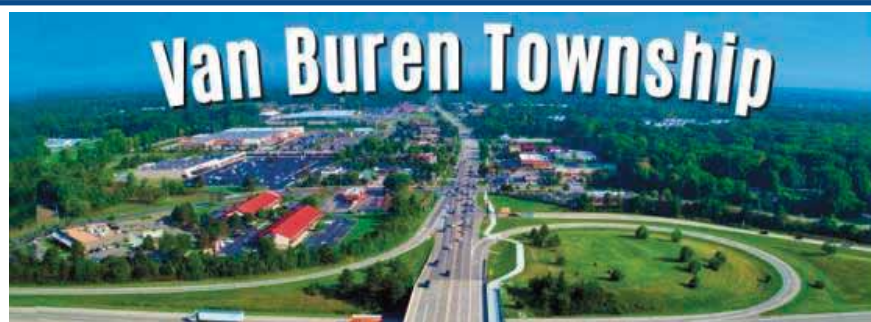
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Briana Hootman  
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# Canton Concert Band Performance



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with Bob Mytych



The Belleville Area District Library will be holding a Comic Fest on Aug. 5 and there's a call out for local comic creators to fill their artist's row. Artists 10 years old and up will be able to present their works, even sell them, and interact with the public. Artists 14-18 years old and artists 10-13 will be given 2-hour time slots along artist row. All items that are sold by the artist must be appropriate for all ages. Booths are free and registration is required and can be done on the library's website at [www.belleville.lib.mi.us](http://www.belleville.lib.mi.us). Deadline to register is July 9 and artists will be notified of their acceptance by July 17. The event will feature games, prizes, and fun workshops.

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Congratulations are in order for Bob Goike of Canton, the owner of Lodge Lanes here in Van Buren Township, who recently made his 50<sup>th</sup> appearance at the United States Bowling Congress' Open Championships at the National Bowling Stadium in Reno, Nev. The USBC is the governing body of bowling with more than a million members of professionals that serve the bowling industry and its standardized rules, regulations and benefits that make bowling fair and fun for everyone.

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Faith Community Church at 894 East Huron River Drive in Belleville is holding open registration for its Summer Day Camp coming up July 24-28, from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

each day. The camp is for participants from Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade and costs \$75 per camper. The camp will feature a lot of outdoor time, crafts, games, lunch and snacks, science experiments, t-shirt tie-dyes, daily devotion, and more. See their ad in today's paper and scan in the QR Code for more information. You can also call (734) 697-6704. Pastor Doug Valentine would also like the community to know that their Sunday church services are now held outdoors under the big tent and the tent is also available to the public to rent for parties, weddings, family reunions, etc. Call for info.

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The Belleville Area Council or the Arts' Music Lakeside Concert Series at Horizon Park continues on Thursday, June 29, at 7 p.m. featuring the Bobby Murray Band with special guest Tosha Owens. Next week's band is The Motown Eagles. The free concerts are held rain or shine and will move into the Belleville First United Methodist Church across the street in case of bad weather. Food trucks will also be there. Be sure to check out the lineup for the entire season on a postcard inserted into today's paper. Didn't get one? Stop by our office lobby here at 152 Main St., Suite 9, during our office hours, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. or visit Music Lakeside on Facebook.

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The Canton Concert Band will be performing on Saturday, July 8, at 7 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church at 417 Charles St. in Belleville. Music will include Western tunes, Beach Boys and Stevie Wonder selections, and other songs of espionage and intrigue. Admission is free.

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pathologists Olivia Campbell for McBride Middle School, Rachel Lott for the Early Childhood Center, and Brooke Westover for Savage Elementary; and Rebecca Parise as a social worker at Savage, all as of Aug. 23;

- Approved the retirement of Linda Martin from food service after 17 years as of June 19; and the resignations of Tina Carter as secretary at Belleville High School as of June 26 and two years of service, and Amanda Seng as bus driver after one year of service as of June 23;

- Approved the hiring of the following non-instructional employees: Antionette Streater and Anita Fahey as custodians; Zachary Schneider as mechanic in the bus garage, Gregory Martinez in maintenance for Building & Grounds; and full-time secretaries Dawn Spicer at BHS and Kelli Suvada at McBride;

- Heard the spring building presentation for Owen Intermediate School from Principal Jason Salhaney;

- Approved the two-year union agreement with the Van Buren Food Service Association, with a 50-cent raise each year and attendance and longevity bonuses. The agreement is already ratified by the union;

- Approved the three-year union agreement with the Van Buren Association of Educational Secretaries with an adjusted

payscale to competitive rates with a focus on starting salaries, which went up \$2. The agreement already is ratified by the union;

- Approved purchase of Security Camera Upgrades and replacement at BHS and the Transportation bus yard at a cost of \$223,476.20 which includes contracts with Security101, Infinity Technology Group, and a 10% contingency;

- Approved the 2023-24 resolution for L-4029, spelling out the millages to be levied on tax rolls;

- Approved the agreement for 2023-24 with Stepping Stones Group, a special education services provider that furnishes special services the district doesn't have and is only used as necessary; and

- Heard parent Racquel Bean, who had been at the last school board meeting with the same problem, ask for information on the hacking of her daughter's cell phone. She said on Dec. 21 someone sent an email under her daughter's name and she didn't send it. She spelled out information she had obtained identifying the woman who sent it. She said this woman not only hacked into her daughter's phone but has attacked Racquel's network and phone. She said this is a crime and she can't understand why the Van Buren police department immediately closed the case. "I know this woman. I know who she is," Bean said, adding because the woman is tied to Owen School she doesn't know if the board feels a liability. "It seems like a merry go round ... I don't want anything from the school. I want information." A July 5 meeting has been set up with Supt. Kudlak and Bean was asked to bring all her evidence. She said her daughter missed the last three weeks of school at Owen and will be going to the high school this fall.

## City of Belleville Public Notice

### CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Tuesday, June 13, 2023 – 6:00 pm**

A Special Meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Conley at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall, 6 Main Street, Belleville.

#### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Beebe	Arrived at 6:09 p.m.
Council Member Fielder	Arrived at 6:02 p.m.
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

#### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

##### A. City Manager Candidate Interviews

- The following City Manager candidate withdrew his application prior to his scheduled interview:

i. Collin Mays

- The following City Manager candidates were interviewed:

i. Scott Wincowski

ii. Debbie Nogle

iii. Victor Marsh

iv. Jason Smith

v. David Wise

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to adjourn at 9:05 PM.

No objections were noted.

**Motion Carried.**

Submitted by Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: 6/20/23

Posted: 6/21/23

Published: 6/29/23





June 29 – Eric Partridge  
 June 30 – Brenda Sohoza  
 July 1 – Angela Netro, Helen Wylie  
 July 2 – Linda Ann Mitchell, Caleb Howard, Rebecca Roberts  
 July 5 – Joe Sixbey, Donna Meyers, Anthony Richendollar, Don Johnson  
 July 6 – Vivian Litchard

Do you have a birthday soon? Does someone you know have a birthday? Let us know and we will print the name as soon as possible. For more information, call (734) 699-9020.

## Upcoming Meetings

- Wednesday, July 5 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, July 10 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m., with interview of city manager candidate at 6 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 11 – Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority, 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.



### CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, June 5, 2023 - 7:30 pm**

The regular meeting of the City Council was held via a hybrid of in-person and virtual access through ZOOM.

The regular meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Conley at 7:30 p.m.

#### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Beebe	Present
Council Member Fielder	Absent - Excused
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

- A. Presentations
  - None
- B. Council Follow Up List
  - Council Member Bates inquired about the status of a potential left-turn light at the intersection of N. Liberty, Denton, and Main St.
  - Randy Priest asked if there were any updates regarding the City’s Senior Transportation “Wheels for Independence” program.
- C. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items
  - Randy Priest presented information regarding upkeep of City sidewalks and explained to Council while he feels that regular maintenance of them are important.
- Therese Antonelli stated that she would like to see the length of the kayak docks at Horizon park extended.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of Item I: Extending the Area Serviced by Goats.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. May 11, 2023, Special Meeting of the City Council
  - B. May 15, 2023, Regular Meeting of the City Council
  - C. May 22, 2023, Special Meeting of the City Council
- MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to approve the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting held on Thursday, May 11, 2023, and the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on Monday, May 15, 2023, as well as amended Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting held on Monday, May 22, 2023.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to open the Public Hearing at 7:45 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. FY 2023-24 Budget Discussion
  - Kelly Howey of Plante Moran presented the Fiscal

Year 2023-24 Budget to the Council.

- Resident Randy Priest inquired if there was any funding in the budget to address the condition of the sidewalks within the City.

Seeing no additional comments, Mayor Conley called for a motion.

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to close the Public Hearing at 8:01 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

A. None.

#### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A. Resolution # 23-014 – FY 2023-24 Budget Approval

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Beebe to approve **Resolution # 23-014**, authorizing the FY 2023-24 Budget as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

B. Amendments to FY 2022-23 Budget

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Bates to approve amendments to the FY 2022-23 Budget, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

C. Fee Schedule Rate Update

- Acting City Manager Jones updated Council on the progress by City Administration in regards to updating the City’s current fee schedule, noting that most of the fees are in line with other communities, with a few changes slated to be made.

D. Lake Fest Thrill in the Ville

- Hillside Cemetery Closure

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt approving the Thrill in the Ville event as an addition to Lake Fest, as well as the closure of Hillside Cemetery on June 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 6 pm, in order to deter spectators from viewing in that area.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

E. Council Selection and Approval of Bids – Repaving Hillside Cemetery

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Bates approving the lowest bidder, Cadillac Construction, per recommendation of Hennessey Engineers, and authorizing the City Administration to proceed with securing funding for and scheduling of the project.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

F. Resolution # 23-015 – Social District Permit – Baan Padthai and Gloria Jean Café

**MOTION:** Motion by Beebe, supported by Voigt

to approve **Resolution # 23-015**, authorizing Social District Permits for Baan Padthai and Gloria Jean Café.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

G. Resolution # 23-016 – Approval of Millage Rate for 2023

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to approve **Resolution # 23-016**, approving the millage rate for 2023.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

H. Timeline for Review of City Manager

- City Council Members discussed a timeline in the process of interviewing for the City Manager position and determined the following:

-- Council Members will individually submit their prospective choices to the City Clerk by 12 pm on Tuesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>.

-- The City Clerk will contact the selected individuals to set up interviews, which will take place in 45 minute intervals, beginning at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13<sup>th</sup> in City Council Chambers. Candidates will also be made aware that their names will become public at this stage in the process.

-- A questionnaire for the interviewees to complete will also be sent to the City Clerk for her to forward on to those candidates. Questionnaires completed by the interviewees will be due to the City Clerk’s office by 10 a.m. on Monday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, and will subsequently be sent on to the City Council for review prior to the interviews.

I. Extending the Area Serviced by Goats

**MOTION:** Motion by Beebe, supported by Bates approving extension of the area currently serviced/landscaped by the goats at Horizon Park to include the southwest and northwest embankments at the intersection of Belleville Rd./Main St. and Denton Rd.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Beebe to approve authorizing Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 10. ACTING CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

- Acting City Manager Jones noted that there was a very large attendance at the Egan’s Pub Car Show taking place that evening.

• Stated that the City staff is continuing to function efficiently throughout the temporary changes in administration.

#### 11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Council Member Bates

- Wednesday, July 12 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.

- Thursday, July 13 – Keystone Academy school board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.

- Monday, July 17 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building

- Tuesday, July 18 – Van Buren Township work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m.

-- Thanked attendees for coming to the meeting.

-- Noted that she loved seeing N. Liberty busy as a result of the Farmer’s Market and Egan’s Pub Car Show.

-- Expressed that it is great to see Rusted Crow open for business.

-- Thanked Scott Jones for his planning of Thrill in the Ville.

- Council Member Beebe

-- Recognized Jim Warring of the Redemption Bible Church for his efforts in organizing a cleanup of Horizon Park.

- Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt

-- Recognized the Rotary Club for their cleanup of Victory Park.

-- Recognized Redemption Bible Church for their cleanup of Horizon Park.

-- Noted that the first Music Lakeside of the year will take place before the next City Council meeting.

-- Stated that the Belleville High School Class of 2023 Commencement Ceremony will take place at the Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center on Thursday evening.

-- Stated he is happy to see that the roads in Hillside Cemetery will be repaved.

-- Informed DPS Supervisor Rutherford that he has received complaints regarding overgrowth of brush surrounding the Angel of Hope memorial, in addition to the condition of grave markers in the Babyland section, in Hillside Cemetery.

-- Asked City Administration to have brush trimmed surrounding the Municipal parking lot on High St. near Johnny’s, to allow more room for spectators during the Thrill in the Ville event.

#### 12. MAYOR’S COMMENTS

• Mayor Conley stated that she echoed previous comments made by Council Members.

• Inquired about the status of the Summer Youth Employment Program for this year.

• Asked Therese Antonelli, of the Chamber of Commerce, if there was a need for volunteers during this years’ Lake Fest.

• Thanked the Fire Department for providing the Council with information regarding their plans to renovate the kitchen in the Fire Station.

• Thanked all of the volunteers and donors who have helped the City with various events and projects over the years.

#### 13. CITIZENS COMMENTS

- Julie Kissell

-- Stated that the Fire Auxiliary sold \$1,200 worth of tickets, with \$600 of those funds going back to the Auxiliary.

- Therese Antonelli

-- Stated that the next City Council meeting will take place just days prior to Lake Fest.

-- Noted that the City’s Summer Youth Employment Program did a great job on making the City look great for last year’s Lake Fest.

-- Noted that the grass at Horizon Park was not mowed prior to last year’s first installment of Music Lakeside.

#### 14. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

- None.

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to adjourn at 9:17 PM.

No objections were noted.

#### Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: 6/20/23

Posted: 6/21/23

Published: 6/29/23





# Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES JUNE 20, 2023

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Zoom Meeting ID for public participation: 894 2765 4392. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Boynton, Trustee Martin, Trustee Frazier and Trustee Kelley. Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Selman, Recording Assistant Beaudry, Director of Community Services Renaud, Deputy Director of Community Services Dohring, Director of Parks Locke, DDA Director Coburn, Director of Water and Sewer Lawrence, Director of Public Services Lockett, Director of Municipal Services Akers, Director of Planning and Economic Development Power, Assessor Stamper and an audience of twenty-two (22).

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:** Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Frazier moved, Budd seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

**ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:** Martin moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Work Study Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2023, Board Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2023, Special Board Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2023, Closed Session Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2023, Prepaid List of June 8, 2023, Prepaid List of June 15, 2023 and Voucher List of June 20, 2023. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** Boynton moved, Frazier seconded to open the public hearing at 6:03 p.m. to receive comment on the assessment roll for the Homestead Condominium Special Assessment District. Motion Carried.

Budd moved, Frazier seconded to close the public hearing at 6:04 p.m. Motion Carried.

**C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:** The VBT Communication Team presented videos that will be played at the Hydroplane Boat Race simulcast during Lakefest, advertising Van Buren Township and the Van Bure Township Downtown Development Authority; Crane's Detroit printed an article highlighting Van Buren Township and the Our Next Energy electric vehicle battery facility; and the 2022 Financial Audit Results were presented by Plante Moran.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business):** A person commented on the AFSCME holiday schedule, inquired as to what will be done with the Township's old voting booths and made comments on Board of Trustee's membership in the Belleville Yacht Club as it pertains to voting on BYC items in the agenda.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Budd moved, Boynton seconded to approve the 2022 Annual Audit of all Township funds. Motion Carried.

Boynton moved, Kelley seconded to approve Resolution 2023-14: to approve the assessment roll for the Homestead Condominium SAD. Motion Carried.

Frazier moved, Kelley seconded to approve the use of a pump station to route wastewater from the proposed 132-unit Brookwood Multifamily Independent Senior Housing Project south across Tyler Road to an existing sanitary main. Motion Carried.

Kelly moved, Boynton seconded to approve a variance from engineering standard VI.A.I.b of the Van Buren Township Engineering Standards Manual to allow construction of stormwater detention ponds that will have a permanent pool of stormwater less than four feet deep. Motion Carried.

Frazier moved, Boynton seconded to approve Resolution 2023-15: an agreement between the Charter Township of Van Buren and City of Romulus for the provision of water services at 13560 Hannan Road. Motion Carried.

During discussion on New Business Item #6: To consider approval of recognizing June 19, also known as Juneteenth, as an official holiday in Van Buren Township, Martin moved, Boynton seconded to Call the Question. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Wright, Budd, Martin, Boynton, Kelley and Frazier. Nays: McNamara. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Boynton seconded to approve the amended New Business Item #6: recognizing June 19, also known as Juneteenth, as an official holiday in Van Buren Township with a paid day off for Township Administrative Employees. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Kelley seconded to approve all new voting booths for Van Buren Township Elections at a cost of \$48,335.00 from Election Source. Motion Carried.

Frazier moved, Wright seconded to approve a Collection and Management Contract for Residential Trash, Yard Waste, and Recyclables between Waste Management and Charter Township of Van Buren. Motion Carried.

Budd moved, Martin seconded to recuse Trustee Kelley and Supervisor McNamara from New Business Item #9: to consider approval of a special land use request by Belleville Yacht Club for Planning Case 22-059: Marina special approval for 831 East Huron River Drive. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: Martin, Boynton, Wright, Budd and Frazier. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Frazier seconded to approve a special land use request by Belleville Yacht Club for Planning Case 22-059: Marina special approval for 831 East Huron River Drive. Motion Carried.

**REPORTS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** A person made comments on the Township Administrative Building being closed, the structure of Board Meetings in regards to public comments, vegetation on the side of the road and the public "seeing how the sausage is made" referring to government transparency. A resident informed the Board of a deceased deer on the side of Tyler Road.

**BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** Clerk Wright agreed the vegetation on the side of the road and deceased animals are an issue, he also reported a fellow clerk has already asked for some of the old voting booths for her municipality. Treasurer Budd said that she has called for deceased animals to be cleaned up by Township DPW employees in the past. Trustee Martin informed the Board a resident notified him of brush and tree branches on the side of Belleville Road south of Ecorse that need attention. The Board had a discussion with Department Directors on the dangers of the Belleville Road and Tyler Road intersection and what can be done to encourage Wayne County to install a left turn light there.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Budd moved; Martin seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Leon Wright, Township Clerk  
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor  
Published: June 29, 2023

## Rawsonville Road closed for month-long ditch project south of Willis

Starting June 20 the Washtenaw County Road Commission began a drain improvement project with the ditches along Rawsonville Road between Talladay and Willis.

The closure on Rawsonville Road is south of Willis Road to just south of Rawsonville Woods mobile home park.

The project is slated to take approximately one month, resulting in periods of alternating lane closures resulting in delays to other periods of outright road closure to all through traffic.

Alternative routes are required, and Washtenaw has marked its primary detour route in the link below.

Sumpter Township Police advise that during times of outright closures to "through traffic," which are vehicles that do not reside or have a specific purpose for traveling to a location within the closed zone, violators risk being cited. The penalty is three points and a \$180 fine.

Below is the link to the advisory from the Washtenaw County Road Commission: <https://www.wcroads.org/road-closure-with-detour-rawsonville-rd-augusta-twp/>

Those with questions may contact Scott Miller, project manager, at (734) 222-6818, or via email at [millers@washtenaw.org](mailto:millers@washtenaw.org).

# Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

On July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023, the Van Buren Township Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at **J&T Towing and Storage**, 287 Industrial Dr. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2017	JEEP	SW	1C4NJCEB5HD199811	22-9312
2013	DODGE	4D	1C3CDFBA4DD336893	22-12869
2017	JEEP	SW	3C4NJDBB8HT646331	23-3938
2017	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1105S31H9163338	23-4555
2017	FORD	4D	3FA6P0H7XHR197820	23-4887B
2003	GMC	SW	1GKET16S436100832	23-4331
2017	CHEVROLET	4D	2G1105S31H9163338	23-4222
2013	DODGE	4D	1C3CDFBA4DD336893	22-12869
2009	CHRYSLER	SW	2A8HR54129R629585	23-0228
2006	CHRYSLER	SW	3A4FY58B56T357976	23-5718
2005	FORD	4D	1FAFP34N45W312832	23-6437
2006	DODGE	SW	2D4GP44L86R746249	22-11545

At 11:30am, the auction will move to **Great Lakes Towing** and storage, 42350 Van Born Rd. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following vehicles, are offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2017	CHEVROLET	SW	2GNALCEK0H1522903	23-3279A
2015	TOYOTA	SW	JTDKDTB37F1581117	23-3108
2019	DODGE	PU	1C6RRFFGXKN882022	23-3627
2008	CHRYSLER	4D	1C3LC56K98N219388	21-6105
2002	PONTIAC	4D	1G2WP52K62F292226	23-4362
2003	SATURN	4D	1G8AJ52F63Z168204	23-4771
2004	FORD	4D	1FMZU62K14ZA96442	23-4744
2001	CHRYSLER	4D	2C3HE66G01H541353	23-5303
2007	NISSAN	4D	1N4BL21E07C159251	23-5056
2020	LAND ROVER	SW	SALCP2FX1LH858097	23-5541
2015	FORD	4D	3FA6P0H71FR303147	23-5497
1995	FORD	PU	1FTEX14H1SKC08888001	23-5464
2010	FORD	4D	1FAHP3GN1AW270795	23-6623
2004	YAMAHA	MC	JYARJ06E44A013529	23-6070
2011	DODGE	SW	3D4PG1FG5BT554499	23-6540
2003	FORD	SW	1FMFU18L73LA84979	23-1908

All vehicles are sold in "as is condition." Bidding on all impounded vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,  
Published: June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023



## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*There were 330 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.*

### Sunday, June 18:

0002 – suicidal person, Parkwood Dr.  
0006 – misc. complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0025 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.  
0118 – noise complaint, Bemis Rd.  
0253 – property damage accident, E. I-94/Haggerty  
0426 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.  
0840 – hospice death, Hoeft Rd.  
0918 – civil matter, W. Adams/Bog Rd.  
1020 – assist other dept., Van Buren Ln.  
1035 – animal complaint, Ash Dr.  
1137 – motorist assist, Ecorse/I-275  
1152 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.  
1219 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1224 – disorderly, Michigan Ave.  
1228 – assist fire dept., Birch Dr.  
1257 – domestic, Denton Rd.  
1308 – 911 welfare check, Spruce Ln.  
1326 – road hazard, Haggerty/I-94  
1328 – animal complaint, Jackson St.  
1333 – domestic, McKinley St.  
1353 – trespassing, Michigan Ave.  
1453 – assist citizen, Ecorse Rd.  
1627 -- 911 welfare check, Dellor St.  
1627 – family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1706 – disorderly, Haggerty Rd.  
1719 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1735 – private property impound, S. Bellridge Dr.  
1754 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.  
1802 – larceny from auto, Dellor St.  
1833 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Wheeler St.  
1902 – domestic, Edison Lk.  
1912 – retail fraud, Michigan Ave.  
1946 – domestic, Lighthouse Dr.  
2033 – misc. complaint, Haggerty Rd.  
2100 – animal complaint, Savage Rd.  
2101 – vehicle lockout, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2211 – family trouble, McBride Ave.  
2219 – fireworks, Greenbriar

### Monday, June 19:

0026 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.  
0026 – juvenile complaint, W. Adams  
0155 – fight, Brandi Dr.  
0403 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Timberview Dr.  
0452 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.  
0606 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
0642 – animal complaint, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0757 – welfare check, Lancaster Dr.  
0904 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service  
0937 – civil matter, Bemis Rd.  
0937 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.  
1005 – intrusion alarm, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1035 – disorderly, Price Rd.  
1037 – property check, Purple Sage Ct.  
1043 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1142 – animal complaint, S. Bellridge Dr.  
1143 – disorderly, Denton Rd.  
1211 – vehicle lockout, Ecorse Rd.  
1307 – harassment call, N. Ponderosa Trl.  
1403 – assist fire dept., N. Ponderosa Trl.  
1544 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR Codes, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1613 – harassment call, Savage Rd.  
1629 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tyler Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.  
1711 – fraud, Chatsworth Dr.  
1901 – property check, Belleville Rd.  
1959 – intrusion alarm, Martz Rd.  
2057 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.  
2136 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.

### Tuesday, June 20:

0001 – noise complaint, Ashbury  
0114 – property check, Belleville Rd.  
0142 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.  
0241 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0438 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Oak Ln.  
0441 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.

0602 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.  
/ Bog Rd.  
0749 – abandoned auto, Morton Taylor Rd./Ecorse  
0846 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.  
0918 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1236 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.  
1242 – parking complaint, Stamford Rd./Colonial  
1256 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler  
1346 – private property impound, Denton Rd.  
1352 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.  
1353 – private property impound, Denton Rd.  
1406 – vehicle lockout, Anna Dr.  
1538 – road hazard, Belleville Rd.  
1549 – domestic, Oak Ln.  
1637 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.  
1719 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1726 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
2019 – neighbor trouble, Sandlewood Dr.  
2125 – private property/property damage accident, Parkwood  
2146 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.

### Wednesday, June 21:

0140 – 911 welfare check, Holly Ln.  
0257 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.  
0629 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.  
0759 – road hazard, Van Born Rd.  
0835 – property damage accident, WB I-94 / Water's Edge Ln.  
0843 – mental subject, Rawsonville Rd.  
0851 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
0908 – repossession, Edison Lake Rd.  
0955 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1043 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1108 – animal complaint, Pond Bluff Dr.  
1127 – civil matter, Truman Dr.  
1134 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.  
1137 – assist citizen, Dewitt Rd.  
1139 – repossession, Parkwood Dr.  
1203 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1259 – missing person, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1300 – assist fire dept., Denton Rd./Michigan Ave.  
1405 – welfare check, Lake Crest Dr.  
1447 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR Codes, Savage Rd.  
1453 – harassment call, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1501 – assist fire dept., Westlake Cir.  
1510 – missing person, Sumpter Rd.  
1541 – threat, Westlake Cir.  
1543 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Oak Ln.  
1546 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.  
1606 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Venetian Ave.  
1632 – larceny from auto, W. Huron River Dr.  
1804 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.  
1822 – suicidal person, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1838 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1933 – juvenile complaint, Savage Rd.  
2007 – welfare check, Michigan Ave.  
2108 – threat, S. Bellridge Dr.

### Thursday, June 22:

0015 – assist citizen, Rawsonville DNR boat launch  
0130 – domestic, W. Archwood Dr.  
0140 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
0149 – repossession, Village Green Ln.  
0658 – property damage accident, Jeremy Rd.  
0832 – animal complaint, Pond Ridge Dr.  
0959 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
1010 – private property impound, S. Industrial  
1013 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / SB I-275 ramp  
1018 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
1048 – neighbor trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1048 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.  
1120 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1200 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr. / Edison Lake Rd.  
1259 – weapons violation, Belleville Manor  
1300 – civil matter, Denton Rd.  
1314 – private property impound, Denton Rd.  
1317 – repossession, Denton Rd.  
1342 – larceny, Jackson St.  
1423 – property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275  
1453 – fraud, Landmark  
1505 – robbery, Belleville Rd.  
1543 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.

1612 – misc. complaint, DNR Boat Launch Rawsonville Rd.  
1647 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sawgrass Ct.  
1706 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, W. Huron River Dr.  
1915 – property damage accident, W. Huron River Dr. / Elwell Rd.  
1941 – animal complaint, Jeremy Rd.  
2002 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.  
2009 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.  
2018 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
2213 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.

### Friday, June 23:

0003 – assist other dept., Martz/Bunton  
0154 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
0550 – animal complaint, Hoeft Rd./Bog Rd.  
0948 – intrusion alarm, Beacon Trl.  
1015 – intrusion alarm, Burlwood Ln.  
1115 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.  
1225 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Hayes St.  
1341 – trespassing, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.  
1348 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1452 – motorist assist, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.  
1550 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1617 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Holly Ln.  
1647 – fraud, Oak Ln.  
1716 – threat, Quirk Rd.  
1724 – suicidal person, Elwell Rd.  
1804 – parking complaint, Lake Villa Dr.  
1809 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./N. I-94 Service  
1819 – malicious destruction of property, Hayes  
1857 – property damage accident, Belleville/Quirk  
2018 – welfare check, Denton Rd.  
2206 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Greenbriar Ct.  
2209 – domestic, Belleville Rd.  
2236 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2330 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.

### Saturday, June 24:

0213 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd./Ricardo Dr.  
0459 – welfare check, Michigan Ave.  
0818 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
1121 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. Bellridge Dr.  
1135 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.  
1148 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.  
1230 – traffic offense, W I-94/Haggerty Rd.  
1420 – abandoned auto, Christina Ln.  
1427 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.  
1602 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1609 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Wheeler St. / Millard St.  
1729 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.  
1737 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd./Haggerty Rd.  
1817 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1839 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1842 – lake complaint, Harmony Ln.  
1854 – property damage accident, Martinsville Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.  
1930 – lake complaint, Belleville Lake/sandbar  
1948 – assist fire dept., Van Buren St.  
1950 – intrusion alarm, Harmony Ln.  
2028 – harassment call, N. Ponderosa Trl.  
2125 – juvenile complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2228 – assist citizen, Parkwood Dr.  
2344 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
2347 – larceny from auto, Meadows Ct.  
Also on this week's log are 122 traffic stops, 32 of which were on the I-94 freeway.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, June 18:

0144 – assist fire dept., Potter Dr.  
0223 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
0606 – unattended death, San Carlos St.  
1101 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Third St.  
1355 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./Victorian Ln.  
1710 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./E. Columbia Ave.  
1806 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.

1820 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.  
1849 – traffic stop, Main St./Roys St.  
1956 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./South St.  
2031 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./E. Columbia Ave.  
2108 – traffic stop, South St./E. Columbia Ave.  
2118 – traffic stop, Belle Villa Blvd./Estrada Dr.  
2134 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.  
2134 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./South St.

### Monday, June 19:

0626 – intrusion alarm, Owen St.  
0823 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.  
1037 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
1159 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.  
1303 – fraud, Angola St.  
1507 – welfare check, N. Liberty St.  
1914 – misc. complaint, Main St.  
2032 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.  
2046 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Harmony Ln.

### Tuesday, June 20:

0358 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
0712 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
0714 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
0717 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
1245 – private property/property damage accident, E. Columbia Ave.  
1516 – noise complaint, Bedell St.  
1828 – parking complaint, Main St.  
1938 – neighbor trouble, Bedell St.  
2127 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
2129 – domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.

### Wednesday, June 21:

0601 – repossession, Carmell St.  
1007 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.  
1302 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, South St.  
1519 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd.  
1617 – misc. complaint, Main St./High St.  
1955 – traffic stop, Main St./Roys St.  
2014 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./South St.  
2018 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Hull Rd.  
2134 – noise complaint, Bedell St.  
2225 – assist citizen, S. Edgemont Ave.

### Thursday, June 22:

0720 – intrusion alarm, Menlo Park Dr.  
1038 – assist other dept., Main St.  
1128 – traffic offense, Madelon St.  
1146 – assist fire dept, Main St./High St.  
1301 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.  
1324 – property damage accident, Harbour Pte. Dr.  
1510 – traffic stop, Third St./Main St.  
1626 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr./Sumpter  
1859 – noise complaint, Bedell St.  
2011 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.  
2026 – assist other dept., Parkwood  
2047 – trespassing, Main St.

### Friday, June 23:

0840 – fraud, Main St.  
1318 – disorderly, N. Liberty St.  
1537 – traffic stop, High St.  
1825 – traffic stop, South St./W. Wabash Ave.  
1849 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Denton Rd.

1941 – juvenile complaint, Owen St.  
1942 – PPO violation, Menlo Park Dr.  
2347 – family trouble, N. Liberty St.

### Saturday, June 24:

0152 – domestic, Loza Ln.  
0831 – civil matter, Harbour Pointe Dr.  
1115 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Light Tower Dr.  
1534 – larceny, Menlo Park Dr.  
1639 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./First St.  
1808 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
1852 – property damage accident, Main St.  
1901 – traffic stop, Martinsville Rd./Savage Rd.  
2042 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr.  
2057 – traffic stop, Fifth St./Main St.  
2121 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Madelon  
2208 – fight, Main St.  
2347 – parking complaint, Main St.  
There are 27 traffic stops on this week's log.

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, June 18:

0034 – family trouble, Hampshire Dr.  
0633 – suspicious circumstance, Fenster/Reed  
1027 – 911 hang up, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.

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## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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1236 – fire dept. assist, Birch Dr.  
1255 – fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1330 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1738 – citizen assist, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1821 – larceny report, Martinsville/Willis Ct.  
1836 – family trouble, Carriage Ln.  
1919 – follow-up investigation, Martinsville Rd. / Willis Ct.  
1937 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
2335 – felony warrant arrest, Knollwood Dr.

### Monday, June 19:

0608 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Willow Rd.  
0638 – fire dept. assist, Rawsonville/Willis  
0830 – suspicious vehicle, Oregon St.  
0945 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1138 – family trouble, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.

1142 – citizen assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1208 – follow-up investigation, 48000 bl. Wear  
1501 – welfare check, Carriage Ln.  
1539 – follow-up investigation, Rustic Ln.  
1712 – property damage accident, California St. / Willis Rd.  
1745 – prisoner transport, out of township  
1810 – suspicious person, Edgewood Dr.  
1936 – mental health call, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
2055 – civil matter, Washington St.  
2058 – family trouble, 26000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2101 – property damage accident, California St. / Willis Rd.  
2157 – suspicious circumstance, 24000 bl. Karr  
2246 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.

### Tuesday, June 20:

0011 – civil matter, 26000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
0056 – fire dept. assist, Birch Dr.  
0719 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.  
0854 – suspicious circumstance, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1031 – lost/missing juvenile, Magnolia Dr.  
1218 – animal complaint, 49000 bl. Sherwood Ct.

1255 – fire dept. assist, Idaho St.  
1333 – fire dept. assist, Redwood St.  
1525 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.  
1623 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Kozma  
1651 – welfare check, Tamarack Dr.  
1814 – civil matter, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
2056 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2116 – fire dept. assist, Greenmeadow Dr.  
2220 – family trouble, Second St.  
2256 – family trouble, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
2301 – suspicious circumstance, Washington St.

### Wednesday, June 21:

0042 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
0826 – suspicious circumstance, Montana St.  
1022 – suspicious circumstance, 44000 bl. Wear  
1031 – 911 hang up, E. Arizona St.  
1033 – harassment complaint, New Mexico St.  
1139 – follow-up investigation, Creekside Dr.  
1214 – civil matter, Oregon St.  
1654 – suspicious vehicle, 27000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1654 – suspicious vehicle, Willis Rd./Sumpter Rd.  
1826 – fire dept. assist, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2015 – narcotic arrest, Rawsonville Rd./Rustic Ln.  
2318 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
2335 – traffic complaint/hazard, Arkona Rd. / Carleton West Rd.

### Thursday, June 22:

0009 – family trouble, Knollwood Dr.  
0408 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0700 – family trouble, Carriage Ln.  
0716 – animal complaint, Martinsville Rd./Willis  
1153 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1313 – fire dept. assist, Virginia St.  
1751 – property damage accident, Elwell Rd./Wear  
1816 – 911 hang up, Hampshire Dr.  
1903 – civil matter, Brookview Dr.  
2000 – follow-up investigation, 44000 bl. Dunn  
2023 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.  
2104 – family trouble, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2251 – noise complaint, Second St.

### Friday, June 23:

0117 – citizen assist, Rawsonville Rd./Bemis  
0838 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0842 – neighbor dispute, Wyoming St.  
0848 – suspicious circumstance, Montana St.  
0903 – 9111 hang up, 46000 bl. Weimer Dr.  
1109 – welfare check, Brookview Dr.

1143 – 911 hang up, Pecan St./Redwood St.  
1427 – suspicious circumstance, Texas St.  
1439 – suspicious circumstance, Texas St.  
1439 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.  
1623 – alarm, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
1706 – alarm, 45000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1721 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1753 – civil matter, Harris Rd./Haggerty Rd.  
1842 – civil matter, Oregon St.  
1859 – civil matter, Rustic Ln.  
2121 – ORV complaint, Wear Rd./Carleton West  
2252 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
2254 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Harris R.

### Saturday, June 24:

0041 – assist other agency, 8100 bl. Rawsonville.  
0051 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.  
0144 – suspicious circumstance, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.

0242 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0356 – fire dept. assist, Sumpter Rd./Paris Dr.  
1022 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1034 – suspicious circumstance, Willis/Sumpter  
1135 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1149 – welfare check, Montana St.  
1315 – suspicious person, Willow Rd./Karr Rd.  
1320 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1353 – civil matter, Carriage Ln.  
1411 – citizen assist, Arizona St.  
1552 – fire dept. assist, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
1617 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.  
1710 – animal complaint, Savage Rd./Bemis Rd.  
2009 – suspicious circumstance, 20000 bl. Martinsville Rd.

2054 – 911 hang up, 22200 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
2104 – mental health call, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2208 – traffic complaint/hazard, 23000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

2235 – suspicious circumstance, Mulberry Dr.  
2236 – suspicious circumstance, 49000 bl. Willis  
2321 – family trouble, Brookview Dr.

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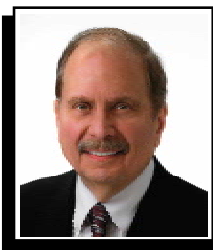
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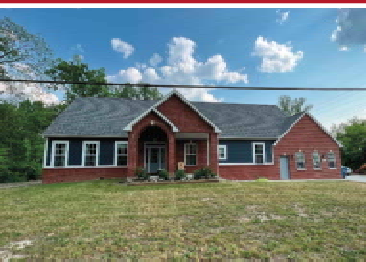
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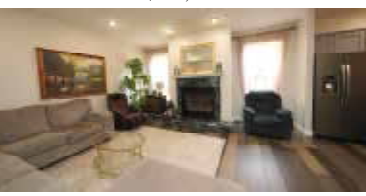
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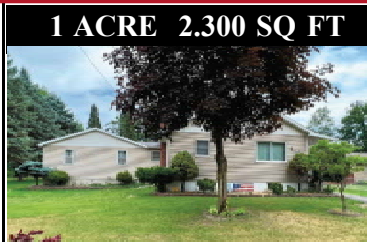
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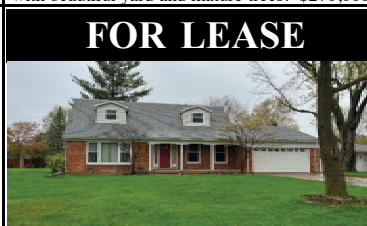
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