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VBТ announces \$12M settlement agreement with Visteon

On June 29, Van Buren Township announced that a mutual settlement agreement has been reached with Visteon Corporation to settle litigation regarding a contract signed during Visteon's 2009 bankruptcy.

The contract reduced Visteon's property tax payments, making it possible there would be insufficient tax revenue to pay back bonds used for public infrastructure at Grace Lake Corporate Center, formerly known as Visteon Village.

The settlement calls for Visteon Corporation to pay Van Buren Township \$12 million over a one-year period and releases Visteon Corporation of all liability.

"We are happy to have reached an agreement and can put this behind us," said Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara. "This litigation has been a rock on our back, and we are excited to move forward."

Supervisor McNamara said the township and Visteon engaged in mediation with one of the most respected mediators in the nation, retired Federal Judge Gerald Rosen, who was the judge that saved Detroit and the Detroit Institute of Arts through negotiations with Detroit's creditors.

The negotiations went all day and into

the night without a break, McNamara said. He said the township was represented by himself, Board Trustee Bryon Kelley and Local District Financing Authority board member Doug Peters. Both Kelley and Peters are attorneys.

Van Buren also had a team of lawyers from the firms of Butzel Long and Miller Canfield. They were led by Butzel Long's Rick Berg, who was lead counsel for the City of Flint in the Flint water case.

McNamara said the Van Buren Township case has a history dating back 14 years to the bankruptcy of Visteon. The case has been in and out of court in one form or another for over ten years, including a hearing by the Michigan Supreme Court.

McNamara said the case has driven discussions in government economic development as to the manner of funding public infrastructure through promises of greater tax revenue, because if that additional revenue does not occur, townships can be forced to bear the burden of the future costs, leading to Emergency Manager status and service cuts, such as in Allen Park.

It has also led to the Michigan Township Association and the Michigan Municipal League to issue statements warning cities



Signing the final settlement agreement with Visteon Corporation are, from left, Michael Dotson, chairman of the Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority; Butzel Long attorney Rick Berg; VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara, VBT Clerk Leon Wright, and VBT Treasurer Sharry Budd.

and townships of these perils, McNamara said.

The mediation was an effort to find common ground and avoid three more years of litigation, an unpredictable outcome, and legal costs anticipated for each side to surpass a million dollars, he said.

The two sides have negotiated that

Visteon will pay \$12 million through two payments of \$6 million each and the matter will be closed. The first check was due on July 3 and the second check in a year.

"Van Buren, which has been paying the bonds, will now be able to provide services to its community with the funds that otherwise would have been used to service the bond obligation," McNamara

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Court Watching:

Texas man arraigned for VBT homicide in semi-truck

Mark Anthony Shaw, 39, of Missouri City, TX was video arraigned Monday at 34th District Court from the Van Buren Township Police Department on a charge of first-degree premeditated murder and felony firearm.

Chief Judge Brian A. Oakley set bond at \$200,000 cash or surety and set the probable cause conference for July 12.

On Thursday, June 29, at about 1 p.m. Van Buren Township police officers were dispatched to the rear of the 10800 block of Belleville Road, according to Deputy Chief Joshua Monte.

The caller told dispatch there was a parked semi-truck and trailer with both side windows of the cab broken out. Officers inspected the cab and found a 48-year-old male from California deceased from what appeared to be a gunshot wound.

Officers were able to obtain and review video, which depicted a verbal altercation between two subjects. The argument culminated with one subject producing a handgun and shooting the other. After obtaining and reviewing video, officers were able to ascertain that the suspect was driving a semi-truck.

Deputy Chief Monte said a review of the department's Flock Safety cameras identified the vehicle's license plate. Detectives contacted the owner of the semi-truck, and he was able to tell them the semi-truck was scheduled to be in Van Buren Township on June 29. Utilizing GPS data, detectives were able to triangulate and find a potential location of the truck.

Officers from the Van Buren Police Department established surveillance on the semi-truck and detained the driver a short time later.

Officers with the Van Buren Police Department executed a search warrant on the semi-truck, and located what appears to be the murder weapon inside the vehicle.

The warrant for his arrest was authorized by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office.



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SECOND FRONT PAGE

VBT Planning Commission approves Brookwood site plan

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Township Planning Commission approved the Brookwood independent, multi-family, senior housing development named Brookwood at its regular meeting June 28.

The project has 132 dwelling units with a combined gross floor area of about 154,110 square feet along with a clubhouse and other site improvements.

It will be on the north side of Tyler Road, east of Morton Taylor, on a 44.4-acre site that has a conserved wetlands at the north end of the project and will have five detention ponds.

Luke Bonner of Bonner Advisory Group of Ann Arbor, consultant, said he wanted to introduce the whole group present for the Brookwood hearing before the planning commission.

First, was the primary owner and investor, Golan Sapir, who flew in from Israel. Investor Edo Furman drove in from New York. Also, there were Chris Garner, Melody Stevens, and Gordon Dionne of Brookwood; Erich Smith and Veronica Clark of Wade Trim engineers; and Tom Gritter of Gritter Real Estate Services.

The township board of trustees had approved the needed pump station for the project at its June 20 meeting, along with special land use for the project. Because of the abundance of wetlands on the property, the sewer must run south and under Tyler Road to hook up to a sewer line and the pump station was needed for that. The pump station will be installed by the project and then turned over to the township for maintenance over the years, with funds provided for that by the project.

The original plan was for Brookwood's sewer line to go out the north end of the project to Morton Taylor Road's sewer line, but with the wetlands being put into a state conservation easement on the north, that wasn't possible.

While the township board was considering the votes on Brookwood at its June 20 meeting there were concerns about the safety of the detention ponds and mosquitoes at the site.

Dan Power, director of planning and economic development said the two ponds at the north end have shallower depths and wouldn't need fencing, but there was board concern on the other three.

He also said ordinances don't say anything about aeration or mosquito controls. Fishbeck engineer Michael Leppek said there was nothing in the engineering manual, either.

Director Power recommended the commission require decorative, four-foot fencing around detention pond #4 that was at the front of the development, near Tyler Road.



Golan Sapir flew in from Israel to witness the Van Buren Township Planning Commission's consideration of final site plan for the Brookwood senior apartment project, for which he is top investor. Sapir shakes the hand of Commission Chairman Brian Cullin after the unanimous vote to approve. Behind, from left, are Commissioner Jeff Jahr and Township Treasurer Sharpy Budd.

Bonner said mosquitoes are a property maintenance issue and he agreed the mosquitoes at the north end were heavy. He said aeration is not a good idea for the ponds at the north because they are too shallow.

He agreed with four-foot, decorative fencing along the Tyler Road pond.

Vidya Krishnan, planning consultant from McKenna, said the planners used to require aeration until Wayne County said it was no longer permitted. Now it was spraying as part of a regular thing for ponds under Wayne County rules.

Harry Smith, project consultant from Wade Trim engineers, said they haven't done aeration in a while and a spraying plan is the best solution. He said special plantings, which had been suggested, don't work.

Commissioner Bernie Grant asked if spraying will affect the residents and wildlife and Smith replied the sprays are approved by the state and are safe.

Engineer Leppek has reported that there is a water main that runs east-west on the north side of Tyler Road and there will be two 8" taps in the 12" line.

Access to the sanitary sewer is a little more complicated. The sanitary sewer line runs east-west on the south side of Tyler and the plan is to put a line under the water mains to get to the sewer pipe.

He said there is concern about the depth of the excavation being proposed and the other utilities in that area.

Commissioner Grant, who is an architect, was concerned about the depth of the pipes. He learned the water pipe is 13-14' deep and Leppek said the sewer main was to go 1 1/2 feet lower than the water main, so it would

be about 17-18' for separation.

He said they do not have a detour plan yet for Tyler Road but they won't be able to keep one lane open to traffic.

Leppek said the water line is prestressed concrete pipe, which is fairly delicate. The county drain under the entrance needs to be detailed out, he said. He figured the open cut would be an 18'x20' hole.

Power said the design of the pump station and how pipes cross Tyler Road will not change.

Commissioner Jeff Jahr asked if they are requiring fencing around the ponds?

Commission chairman Brian Cullin said this is a senior complex, but kids visit their grandparents and kids get adventurous.

Smith replied that the flat ponds in the north do not need fencing.

Commissioner Jahr said Pond #4, near the public sidewalk, needs a fence.

Consultant Krishnan said the depth of the three ponds are 4'-8'. She recommended a fence around Pond #4 be required, but not the others.

Early in the discussion, Krishnan had noted the garage for each unit would not accommodate a F-150 pickup or large van. She explained that is not unusual. Power said the garages in this project are 22'x20.8' and standard parking spaces in parking lots are 10'x20'.

Commissioner Medina Atchinson asked if the units were going to be leased out and she asked where she could visit one of their similar complexes.

Chris Garner said this is like other senior independent modern complexes where there are longterm leases. He said they have the

Taylor Brookwood which is on Goddard, west of Telegraph, right next to the post office. They are clearing property for Brookwood Fenton.

The commission voted unanimously to grant final site plan approval following the recommendations from the planning consultant, engineer, and staff, with a mosquito wetland abatement plan and decorative fencing around Pond #4.

In other business at the one-hour-and-45-minute meeting on June 28, the commission:

- Approved the request of Cameron Smyth for rezoning of his 10.1-acres of property at 16355 Haggerty Rd. from R-1B, Single-Family Residential to AG, Agricultural and Estates and sent the case to the township board for final consideration. Power said there is 500' of frontage and it has been zoned R-1B for 49 years. He told the commission he bought the property in December 2021 and has been doing agricultural projects ever since, including starting a fruit tree orchard, starting a one-acre vegetable garden, milling lumber from available hardwoods and tending to his flock of 30 chickens. There was commission concern about runoff to Griggs Drain, and engineer Leppek said there is nothing at this point right now concerning the drain. Krishnan said his next step would be to get a farming license from the state under the Right to Farm Act. She told him he cannot revert back to residential zoning and the zoning stays with the property. He said he has a plan for a you-pick apple orchard in the future and a future vegetable stand. Krishnan noted that residential zoning would not allow 30 chickens. Budd said on his site he cannot mill lumber to sell;

- Approved and sent to the township board for final consideration, zoning ordinance text amendments that will modify the maximum allowable height for detached single family dwellings to allow all detached single-family dwellings to be 2.5 stories in height or 35 feet in height. Krishnan said Van Buren's current ordinance is more restrictive than the standard followed by adjoining communities;

- Learned the TNT Fireworks Tent (approved under temporary land use / planning case 23-013) has been relocated to the north end of the Walmart site due to store remodeling;

- Heard Power report that the commission committees have been meeting and the Agritourism committee may set a meeting at the DeBuck site; and

- Heard Commissioner Atchinson say that Van Buren Township and the city of Belleville are "a married couple that can't be divorced." She said their lives are intertwined and she hopes they will continue cooperating with one another. She said the joint meeting of planning commissions in 2014 was good for everyone and she would like to do it again. Jahr agreed.

O P I N I O N S

Editorial

All these local road closings require us to be alert

First, it was the roads that were closed at the Norfolk Southern railroad tracks to give them time to replace the tracks and smooth the crossings as long-needed maintenance. Drivers are happy to get the tracks safe and crossings smooth, but what a project it was to find your way home. Sometimes, all the local crossings were closed.

One reader said when he tries to visit relatives in Taylor he gets hung up on closed railroad crossings in Huron Township and he worries about EMTs, police, and fire units that have to wait or take long detours. Someone could die.

Then, there's the closure to "local traffic only" to a long stretch of Rawsonville Road, south of Willis, for ditch work. Then, there's trying to get to medical appointments in the Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti area, with Michigan Avenue closed eastbound from I-94.

And, I-275 is not closed but it's been under rebuilding for months and the lane changes and lane closures are many in our area and often confusing.

The idea of driving somewhere lately has been just like a big crossword puzzle. It's probably very good for our brains to have to think about what route we have to take to get where we want to go.

Quite often, our destinations are so habitual that we drive without thinking. These closings probably are very good for us because we have to think. And, meanwhile, we get better roads.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Local reports say Sheetz has announced that it will open its first Michigan location at 33380 Wick Rd., just north of I-94, in Romulus, in the latter part of 2024. The convenience store/gas station, which is popular in other states, is open 24/7 and offers food for the body and fuel for vehicles.

The Sheetz-family business, best known for its custom food, said it plans to have a major presence in the Detroit area and build up to 75 stores in the state.

Enthusiastic fans of the store call themselves "Sheetz Freakz."

Michigan Gov. Whitmer's signing of the student aid fund budget will bring free breakfasts and lunches for all public school students in the state starting this fall. The Van Buren Public Schools had passed its budget last week that included the same thing but that was paid for by the federal government.

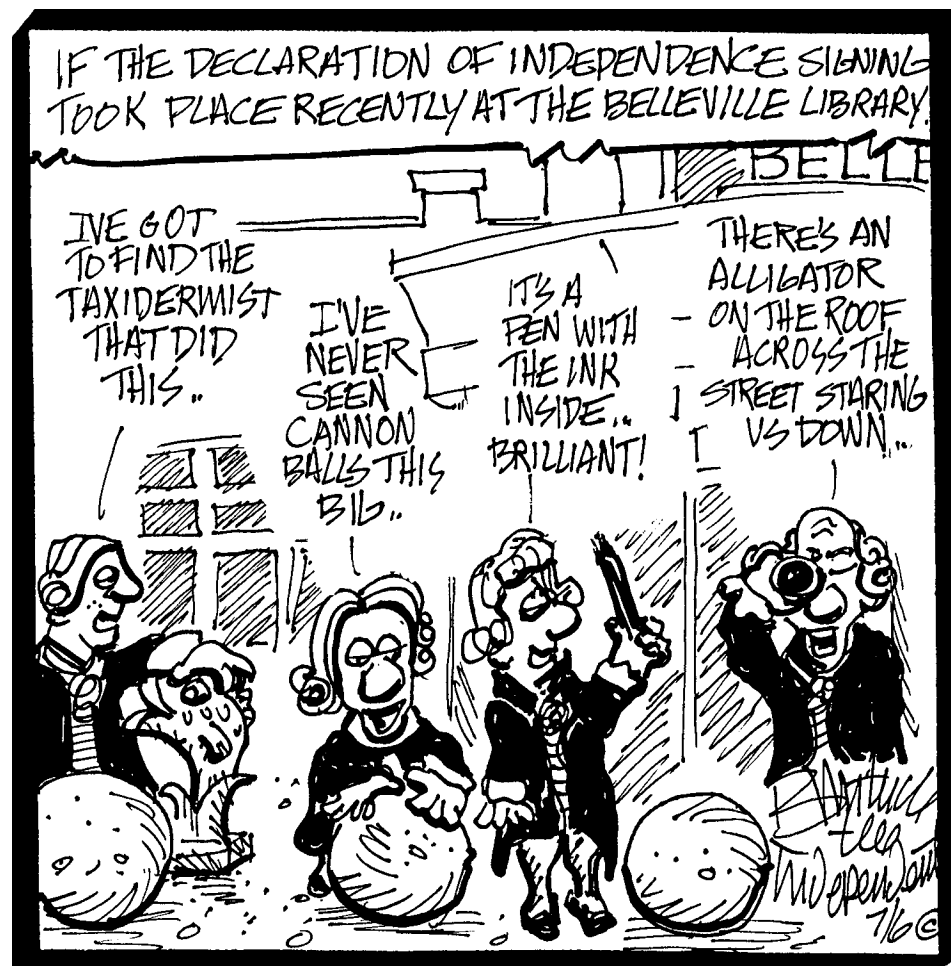
When I asked School Supt. Kudlak about it, he said the state will probably let the federal government pay for districts that qualify under its guidelines and then fill in for the other districts that don't qualify for federal aid.

John Juriga, who serves on the Belleville Area District Library Board and the Belleville Planning Commission, said he's glad the kids will be fed. He said when he was a teacher in Romulus and he saw a student suffering from hunger pangs, he would send the student into his office where he kept a loaf of bread and peanut butter. He would tell the student to make himself a sandwich.

Parents may be happy they don't have to deal with providing lunch money any more.

I talked to a former teacher and a retired school administrator over the weekend. They said there is much food waste now in the schools. If a student gets an apple and

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



doesn't eat it, for example, it used to be that you could put it in a box for others who like apples to take it to eat. Now the rules say it must be thrown away.

You'd think at least it could be given to food pantries – or the goats.

We read of many parades and patriotic celebrations in nearby communities over the Fourth of July holiday, but none in the tri-community. One watcher of the passing scene asked: "What do we get? Goat Day."

When we were delivering papers in Sumpter Township last Thursday, a resident told me she was very upset over Rawsonville Road being suddenly closed for a month's-worth of ditch work by Washtenaw County. It's closed south of Willis Road to past Rawsonville Woods.

At the June 27 meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, Public Safety Director / Police Chief Eric Luke said Rawsonville Road in that area is open to local traffic only. He said 20 people got tickets the first day it was closed and some were driving through front yards to get around.

Trustee Peggy Morgan, who lives in Rawsonville Woods, said there was no warning from Washtenaw County and many people are upset. It just was closed.

Director Luke said Rawsonville Woods people should take the long detour to get to the south end of the zone to get home.

The woman who talked to me about it said her children drive vehicles and they are afraid to drive because they might get a ticket. She

said they tried the long detour, but her home on Rawsonville Road was still inside the closed area.

We published a Nixle alert from Sumpter Police in last week's paper and it carried an email address and phone number so people could call Washtenaw County and ask their questions.

You'll be happy to know that our office manager Janet Millard is out of the hospital after a six-day stay after being diagnosed with pneumonia. They had trouble getting her oxygen level up and so she went home with an oxygen tank. Her doctor wants her to stay home from work for a week to heal.

A report in online news said that goats have arrived at two islands in the Ann Arbor Park system to clean up the vegetation. They are some of the 70 worker goats from a farm in Milan – the same farm where the goats come from for Horizon Park trimming in Belleville. Ann Arbor has been using goats for many years.

A Wayne County Sheriff's Deputy that was on Belleville Lake for marine patrol during Thrill in the 'Ville, said the boat races went very well and there were no problems from that on the water.



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Letters



Romulus Mayor Robert McCraight, at left, picks up the U.S. Flag from VFW Flag Committee Chairman Pete Pitzen.

20' x 30' U.S. Flag will fly once again

To the editor:

A few months ago, the Belleville VFW Post 4434 had a 20-foot by 30-foot U.S. Flag donated to it by a local resident (Ed Memering).

The VFW Flag Committee reached out to several government agencies to try to find one that had a flagpole suitable for such a large flag.

After several months of searching, the Mayor of Romulus, Robert McCraight, made contact and inquired if the flag was still available. On June 19 the Mayor and Kevin Krause, Director of Community Safety and Development, picked up the flag at Belleville VFW Post 4434.

He is hopeful that after a few committee meetings, permits from the city, and clearing with the FAA at Metro Airport he will have the flag proudly flying near the I-94 corridor.

It is hopeful that a flag-raising ceremony could be held by Flag Day, 2024.

Pete Pitzen

VFW Flag Committee Chairman

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Thank you to Police, Fire, and Bonecutters

To the editor:

During the high winds that came through here on the evening of Sunday, June 25, a large limb with several branches fell from a tree in my front yard.

As I was walking out to the street where it had fallen, a Belleville police officer was driving up. He turned on his emergency

lights and walked over to take a closer look at what had happened.

When he saw the debris was blocking traffic, he called the Fire Department. Within a few minutes they came out and sawed the branches enough to pull them to the side of the street. While they were working, the officer used his car with lights flashing to alert traffic to what was going on.

I am sorry that I didn't get anyone's name because I want to thank the officer and the firemen for handling the situation in a very professional manner. We are fortunate to have emergency responders like these in our community.

I also highly recommend Bonecutters Tree Service of Milan for their efficiency and kindness.

LaMuriel Lyman

Belleville resident

Upcoming Meetings

• 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.

• 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.

Visteon

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said. "It comes at a good time, with Van Buren opening its new Community/Senior Center next year."

McNamara explained that the township bonds require an additional \$18 million (net present value dollars) to pay the remainder of the bonds to completion.

He said the township established a long-term debt fund six years ago to plan for a worst-case scenario in the Visteon case. With the inclusion of the Visteon pay out to Van Buren, this fund has enough money to complete the bond payments to their conclusion, he said.

The township board, the LDFA and Visteon all have approved the settlement.

McNamara said he called former supervisors Cindy King and Paul White to tell them about the settlement because, "They lived through this nightmare, too." He said he tried to contact former supervisor Linda Combs, but was unable to find her.

The township's LDFA was formed to finance and construct eligible public improvements for the Visteon Village project which was completed in 2004. In order to complete the public improvements, the LDFA established a development plan and tax increment financing plan which identified the improvements, estimated the costs of the improvements and estimated the amount of tax revenue the authority would capture based on the proposed improvements.

In order to finance the construction of the public improvements, the LDFA issued bonds to cover the costs of the improvements and those bonds were guaranteed by the township's ability to tax.

The primary focus of the LDFA now is the payment of the debt obligations as a result of those public improvements.

Following Visteon's bankruptcy the LDFA found it would not capture sufficient tax revenue to cover scheduled debt service and due to the shortfall, which occurred on Oct. 1, 2019, the LDFA initially was loaned \$700,000 on Sept. 4, 2019 by the township to assist with bond payment. The loans continued as necessary.

As of Dec. 31, the township had loaned the LDFA \$6,175,000 and accrued \$100,058.85 in interest. It would have added up to more than \$8 million in October.

More money coming for township

Last Thursday, McNamara said this has been a very good week for the township finances.

He said besides the Visteon settlement, the state budget, signed by Governor Gretchen Whitmer, contains the promised \$1.8 million for Van Buren Township's Iron Belle Trail and \$10 million for rebuilding of the Denton Road Bridge.

The federal Community Development Block Grant fund, administered by Wayne County, approve \$300,000 toward the township's planned sidewalks along Tyler Road and the township's Downtown Development Authority received a \$40,000 grant for traffic studies.

VBT Environmental Commission cancels July, August meetings

By Rosemary K. Otzman

Independent Editor

The Van Buren Township Environmental Commission has canceled its regular meetings for July 19 and Aug. 16 unless some important issue comes up.

At its June 21 meeting, commissioner Tony Gibson suggested the cancellations and other commissioners readily agreed because of summer activities.

Commissioner Gibson said he has been on the commission for many years and they usually don't have a meeting in July.

In other business at the June 21 meeting, the commission:

- Heard Gibson ask about the Belleville Yacht Club dock, saying that a lot of people worked a lot of time on the lakeside ordinance. He said now that the extended dock has been approved a precedent has been set for others who want longer

docks. It was explained that the BYC needs permissions before recommencing building the docks from both the Michigan Department of Environment Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE), which has responsibility for the lake, and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) because of the dam at French Landing;

- Heard commissioner Jill Yob say a neighbor is concerned over a proposed detour on Robson Road when the Belleville Road widening takes place in the future. She said the dirt road wouldn't be able to take the traffic. Ron Akers, director of municipal services, said, "I don't think they will detour on Robson";

- Commission chairman Norm Debuck said in the past he has taken his big machinery and smoothed his road himself near his farm, so it would be smooth for his customers. A Wayne County road

worker complained but then went away and Debuck continued his work because the county didn't do the grading it is paid to do by taxpayers;

- Heard commissioner Ron Merritt say he lives in Country Pond subdivision and a neighbor lost 13-16 trees next to the pond and wonders if they are putting chemicals in the pond, which also killed the cattails. He said his favorite pine tree died and, "I'm not happy." He asked if there was a conifer disease in Michigan. Director Akers said other homeowners called the township and they went out. Akers said they don't know what the Homeowners Association is doing and the township has no jurisdiction. He suggested Merritt reach out to his HOA to see if they've been spraying. Merritt said it's hard to contact them with his schedule.

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Obituaries



Theresa Baditoui

THERESA BADITOI

October 19, 1924 - June 27, 2023

Theresa Baditoui, age 98, of Canton, MI, passed away Tuesday, June 27, 2023, at Regency of Canton. She was born to John and Lena Lustrea (Borla) in Detroit, MI on October 19, 1924.

A long-time Canton resident, Theresa was one of the Original Rosie the Riveters at the Willow Run Plant and retired from Ford Motor Company at the age of 60 years old. Theresa traveled extensively with her husband all over the country, but her most loved destination was Hawaii. Theresa was a faithful member of Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Van Buren Township, MI.

Theresa is survived by her sons: Jerry Baditoui of Canton, MI, and Mark (Tina) Baditoui of Ypsilanti, MI; also many nieces and nephews, neighbors and friends.

Theresa was preceded in death by her husband Fred in 2004, son Dennis in 2020, also two sisters, Rose Frueh and Virginia Moore.

A Visitation was held June 30, 2023 from 10-11 AM with a Funeral Service at 11 AM at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111. Interment followed at Denton Cemetery in Van Buren Township, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Jude's Children's Foundation and would be greatly appreciated. www.davidcbrownfh.com

NICOLE ALEXANDRA WALKER

(June 21, 2023 - June 21, 2023)

Born at Mott Children's Hospital, Ann Arbor, to Michael and Shana Walker of Belleville and died an hour later. Survived by two siblings, grandparents, great-grandmothers, family and friends. Celebration of Life at a future date.

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ANTHONY STANLEY JUREWICZ

(June 19, 1947 - December 4, 2022)

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.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, July 6** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by "Motown Eagles." In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.

• **Monday, July 10** – Belleville Farmers Market at Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Monday, July 10** – Egan's Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets

• **Wednesday, July 12** – "Motor City Soul" presents an outdoor concert from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Quirk Park as part of Van Buren Township's Summer Concert Series. Frios Gourmet Popsicle truck will be present.

• **Thursday, July 13** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by "Mad Mad World." In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.

• **Monday, July 17** – Belleville Farmers Market at Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

• **Monday, July 17** – Egan's Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets

• **Wednesday, July 19** – "The Rhythm Kings" presents an outdoor concert from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Quirk Park as part of Van Buren Township's Summer Concert Series. Frios Gourmet Popsicle truck will be present.

• **Thursday, July 20** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by "Larry Lee & The Back in the Day Band." In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.

• **Saturday, July 22** – BHS Choir & Friends Reunion for all choir, show, band, crew, sets, manager, instructors, directors, etc. from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the BHS Auditorium and at 6 p.m. there will be dinner and additional performances at the Belleville Yacht Club. Tickets may be purchased online at: <https://myevent.com/bhschoirsandfriendsreuniin>, or on Facebook by visiting the BHS Choirs & Friends page.

• **Monday, July 24** – Belleville Farmers Market at Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.

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• **Wednesday, July 26** – "Toppermost" presents an outdoor concert from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Quirk Park as part of Van Buren Township's Summer Concert Series. Frios Gourmet Popsicle truck will be present.

• **Thursday, July 27** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by "Greg Jaqua is Detroit Elvis." In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.

• **Monday, July 31** – 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.

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Court Watching:

One of three bound over for Feb. 25 incident at Qdobas in VBT

Tynisha Shanell Lockhart, 38, of Inkster was bound over to circuit court for a July 5 arraignment on the information after a preliminary examination at 34th District Court before Judge Lisa Martin.

The exam had been set for June 21 for the three co-defendants on charges of breaking and entering a building with intent, assault or assault and battery, and malicious destruction of a building between \$200 and \$1,000 on Feb. 25 at Qdoba restaurant at 10889 Belleville Rd., Van Buren Township.

The three defense attorneys had agreed to try the three co-defendants together, but before the exam began, it was noted that defendant Carmichael Julian Chavis, 24, of Van Buren Township was not present because he was in the Saginaw County Jail and jail officials had not transported him to court.

Sarah Ann Krause, the attorney for Jason Aaron Criss, 20, of Van Buren Township and Chavis' attorney Kerry Martin decided to ask for an adjournment of their exams to keep the cases together.

Tyron Rucker, defense attorney for Lockhart, the third defendant, said they wished to proceed, so just one exam was held on June 21. The other two defendants will have their joint exam at 1 p.m., Aug. 2, at 34th District Court.

Judge Martin pointed out that Chavis is yet to be arraigned but that can be done before the exam.

The only witness called by Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Edin Bukva was Chanelle Doughty, who testified that at about 11:30 p.m. on Feb. 25 they had closed the restaurant and she and three others were cleaning up. She stated she was the team leader and working with Chalin, Dominick and Justin when they heard the back doorbell ringing and someone banging on the door. She said when she got there, no one was there. She notified her district manager, she said.

Then, she said, Jason Criss and Carmichael Chavis came in the side door and she didn't know how they got in. Neither had permission to be there. She said Jason had a BB gun and began shooting at all of them.

"I was the closest, so I got shot the most," Doughty said, testifying she got shot on her face, body, legs, and "everywhere."

"I was terrified. These were people that I trusted," she said. Later she testified that Jason no longer works there and had quit two or three weeks before the incident.

She said Carmichael was throwing food into the lobby and "started destroying the place."

Then Tynisha Lockhart entered the building without permission "to retrieve" Jason and Carmichael, Doughty testified.

She testified that Lockhart was 20 feet away when she entered and then came about 10 feet from her and said, "I should beat your ass..."

"I didn't know what to say," Doughty said. "I was angry, scared, betrayed. She

left. I called the cops and got in touch with my district manager."

Under cross examination, defense attorney Rucker asked if this wasn't a game with a BB gun that employees play and Doughty said it wasn't.

She said the three other employees who were with her that night did not return to work after that.

Doughty testified Lockhart did not throw food or utensils. She said there are four to six surveillance cameras in the building.

Rucker argued his client should not be bound over. He said this was not an assault and his client no longer is charged with malicious destruction of property. She did not break and enter with a specific intent, he said. She came in to get the others, made

a statement, and left.

Judge Martin said the People met the burden of proof that there was a verbal threat and that the defendant broke and entered with intent and had no authority or

reason to be in the building. The intent will be taken up downtown at circuit court, she said.


Personal bond of \$2,000 was continued and Lockhart must not return to Qdobas.



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Belleville City Council defers action on fire union contract

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Because the former city manager negotiated and passed on the new union contract to the fire department who approved it – all without the city council being involved on what it contained – the Belleville City Council voted unanimously to defer action on the three-year contract.

This was at the June 20 council meeting when the fire department contract was on the agenda for approval.

Acting City Manager Steve Jones said the contract was given to him by outgoing City

Manager Dave Robinson who said it was done and then ratified by the union.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said a contract usually comes to the council which reviews it in closed session. The negotiation continues and then it's back to the council for consideration.

Fire Fighter Garrett Kissel said he did not negotiate the contract but was asked to present it to the council. He said there were updates, such as glasses being broken on the job being replaced by up to \$400, not the previous \$250.

Also, the duty crew was defined and

separate categories set up: probationary, probationary before training complete, full probationary, and full fire fighter, with starting pay at \$15.45 going up to \$16.65.

Also, training pay was abolished and fire fighters are paid their hourly rate for training.

Mayor Conley asked if the raises were incorporated into the budget and no one knew. The attorney had reviewed it and the union ratified it.

"The former city manager negotiated it and we didn't have a closed-door session to discuss it," Mayor Conley said. "We don't know the financial impact."

Mike Renaud, a resident who serves on the planning commission, said, "You should have a closed-door session to discuss this. It's your responsibility as the city council to review it before approving it."

Fire Chief Brian Loranger said the fire fighters were underpaid traditionally but now they are moving forward.

Mayor Pro Tem Ken Voigt made the motion to defer action to a future meeting until they get an answer from the financial consultant and have a closed session to discuss it. Mayor Pro Tem Voigt stressed he was not against the contract.

Councilman Jeremiah Beebe seconded the motion and said he would like a list of cost changes to do due diligence.

"We've got to look at the numbers," he said.

"I'd like to see it in writing," Voigt said.

"I would like to see who is in each category," Mayor Conley said.

Chief Loranger said the probationary status is one with no training. The second probationary status is one with fire training; the third probationary status is has fire and medical training and then there is fire fighter. He said the department has six months to promote a trained probationary fire fighter to full fire fighter.

Mayor Conley said to Acting City Manager Jones: "We understood you inherited this. I only brought it up so you would know."

She said the fire contract expired Feb. 6 and pay increases would be retroactive.

"I want the document with the changes marked," said Councilman Tom Fielder.

"The city manager usually did that," said Mayor Conley.

Fire Fighter Kissel said the department has that and will share it with council.

The council voted unanimously to defer action on the contract and then voted unanimously also to defer a discussion on compensation for acting city manager and acting police chief.

The council also voted to defer deciding on incentives for retirees. This was proposed because there are a number of people who can retire and if they tell the city in advance when they will retire it will give the city time to train someone for the job.

In other action at the two-hour-ten-minute meeting on June 20, the council:

- Approved closing Fourth Street Place on Aug. 5 for the 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Belleville Area District Library's first Comic Fest. Nakenya Lewis-Yarbrough and Nicole Pickeral were present to explain the event, which is family-friendly for all ages and celebrates the joy of reading comic/manga books and their authors, illustrators, and artists. There will be a Quick-Draw contest and other activities and workshops. Yarbrough said Ann Arbor has a similar, long-standing event. There will be food trucks and an Escape Room Truck;

- Approved permitting the Belleville Area Council for the Arts approval to rent out vendor spaces at Victory Park during the citywide yard sale on Sept. 9 and 10. This will raise funds for BACA and provide structure for the event since the Girl Scouts no longer are overseeing the event. Reg Ion said the spots will be open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. both Saturday and Sunday and cost is \$15 in advance and \$20 the day of the sale, with no refunds. BACA will make sure that nothing is left at the park and it is cleaned up, Ion said;

- Discussed the police department's crime stats and calls for service through May, as provided by Acting Police Chief Kris Faull. It was noted the Police Chief Robinson had provided the stats to the council every month in the past, but this is the first time it's been included in the public

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packet. It was noted the 53 accident/crashes through May were mostly at Hayward's, up from 42 a year ago. Also, the 24 frauds, up from 9 a year ago, were mostly internet fraud. Acting Chief Faull said a lady was defrauded of \$10,000 and internet fraud is a growing problem. Faull also said there have been no responses to advertisements for police officer. She said she wished direction from the council on how to handle dogs and bikes at Lakefest, since this has not been discussed for Lakefest, but is in the former Strawberry Fest policy. They plan to discuss this in the future;

- Approved the low bid of Blue Ribbon for road repairs for a number of past water and sewer breaks at a cost of \$89,700. DPW Director Rick Rutherford said his estimate had been \$101,000. Other bids were Parris Construction, \$164,506, and Davenport Brothers Construction, \$199,833.50. Blue Ribbon will replace 9.5" of concrete over the repairs and then top with asphalt. Rutherford was directed to submit other projects to Blue Ribbon for prices and bring it back to the council;

- Discussed at length and then approved a revised fee schedule, with more changes to be considered in the future;

- Approved accounts payable of \$133,925.96 and the following departmental purchases in excess of \$500: to B&R Janitorial, \$632.76 for cleaning and DDA cleaning supplies; to Cadillac Asphalt, \$1,146.15 for Harbour Pointe road patch; to Hennessey Engineers, \$728 for Harbour Pointe roads; to Macqueen Emergency, \$960 for Jaws of Life tools; to R&R Fire Truck Repair, \$3,828 for repair and maintenance and MDOT Inspection; to R&R Fire Truck Repair, \$125,000 for first payment on new fire truck; and to West Shore Fire, Inc., \$860 for annual air pack testing;

- Heard Jones report that the city had been contacted by a firm that will set up free EV charging locations at no cost to the city. The firm would get a five-year lease and would pay the city a percentage of what they bring in. He will take part in a video conference to get more information;

- Heard Jones report that the water bills

have been sent out and some people are severely in arrears. Rutherford said they were not allowed to do anything under state mandates for COVID. Jones said he will bring option back to council;

- Learned Jones and City Clerk Brianna Hootman met with a SMART representative who is checking to see if a vehicle is

earmarked for Belleville. Then they will check with the former operator to see if it can take over; and

- Heard Councilwoman Kelly Bates demand the city purchase new blinds, get a fan for the council chambers, and purchase a new clock since the current one is an hour off.

District library setting up 'library of things' to loan out to patrons

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

The Belleville Area District Library staff is in the process of setting up a "library of things" for people to borrow.

At the library board's regular meeting on June 13, Library Director Mary Jo Suchy said the staff is setting up a collection of things that people don't need every day, but could use on special occasions.

"They are rolling this out slowly," Director Suchy said.

Deputy Director Hilary Savage said they have room to store the items in the back, immediately behind the checkout desk and there is a filing cabinet.

Suchy said the collection will include items such as tools, office materials, kitchen supplies, games, and science kits. As examples she listed: ukuleles, cookie cutters, binoculars, paper cutters, and a button maker.

Suchy said much thought is going into how to collect, store, display, advertise, check out and clean all of the items that will be in the collection.

She said the Ypsilanti District Library has such a collection that it loans out. Joy Cichewicz, an elected member of the Belleville Area District Library Board of Trustees, is library director in Ypsilanti and she commented that the collection is very well received there.

In other business at the June 13 meeting, the board:

- Held a public hearing on the 2023 budget and then approved that budget that goes into effect July 1, the 2022-23 amended budget and the fund balance allocation per GASB 54;

- Approved the updated Materials

Selection Policy as presented by the policy committee;

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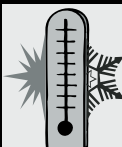


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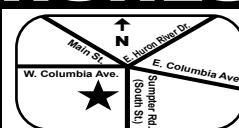
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District Library

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• Heard board chairperson Sharon Peters report on the art committee meeting. She said art committee chairperson Michele Montour met with Doug Peters, founder of the committee, and he suggested four paintings as loans for the quiet reading room. Library board chairperson Peters said they are peaceful pieces of art and two are with water, which she liked. She said Montour is in the process of hanging the artwork;

• Learned the building committee met with the library architect and it was determined that someone cannot fall off

the terrace by accident. They are looking at the option of raising the handrails anyway. "We had a thorough discussion with the architect and they are looking at options," chairperson Peters said;

• Heard Suchy announce that the youth services department is hosting the library's first-ever library Comic Fest on Saturday, Aug. 5. Tables will be available for artists, illustrators, and comic book authors ages 10 and above. Participants will enjoy games, contests, food trucks, and more. The Belleville City Council has approved closing Fourth Street Place in the front of the library for the event. Suchy said the Ann Arbor Library has held such an festival for about ten years;

• Was informed the library was to have a table on Saturday, June 24, during Lakefest. Information about the library, library programs, and Friends of the Library would be on hand. They also planned to issue library cards at the information booth through the library's iPad; and

• Heard chairperson Peters say that Lakefest's location showcases the library. "I feel there's cultural growth in the community," she said.

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Sumpter Township approves sketching proposal, on 6-1 vote

A motion to approve the WCA sketching proposal at a total cost of \$125,990, paid over four years at \$31,497.50 annually, was passed by the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on a 6-1 vote at its June 13 meeting.

Voting no was Trustee Peggy Morgan.

WCA will provide assessing services, including sketching/pictures, and tax mapping of township properties.

Also at the June 13 meeting, the board:

• Approved the resignation with regrets of Fire Fighter Curtis Lunsford, effective May 17;

• Approved Monday, July 3, as the AFSCME floating holiday for 2023;

• Directed Hennessey Engineers to go out for bids for the 2023 sewer lining program;

• Approved the business license transfer for Fox Auto Parts to Fenix Parts due to a merger;

• Approved the quote of \$2,236.25 from Innovative Computers for the NVR/DVR replacement processor and one fisheye camera in the township hall;

• Approved going out for bids for fencing, gates, signage, survey, ground penetrating radar, right of way, roads, and consultant and have the township manager assign a committee for Martinsville Cemetery;

• Approved a resolution on the Wayne County Millage Funding Allocations for 2022-23;

• Voted to reject the purchase offer for parcel #81-016-99-0014-715, Sumpter Road, for \$61,000 cash with rezoning contingency;

• Heard Trustee Tim Rush give a "shout out" to all who helped with the recent Council of Western Wayne meeting hosted by Sumpter. He said the township received four phone calls about how nice it was. Also, CTI video equipment is now working; and

• Went into closed session at 7:42 p.m. to consider attorney-client privileged material on the current MAFF (Michigan Association of Fire Fighters) agreement status, the COAM (Command Officers Association of Michigan) agreement, and an attorney opinion letter review. The board voted to recuse Trustee Don LaPorte, as he requested, from the MAFF deliberation part of the closed-door session, since he is covered by that contract, but he would take part in the other discussions. The board came back into public session at 8:30 p.m. and voted 6-1 for attorney Rob Young to proceed as directed. Trustee Morgan cast the only no vote.

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Keystone Academy staff holds going-away lunch for custodian

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

After 16.5 years of keeping Keystone Academy sparkling clean, Deb McComb is retiring to travel with her husband.

At the June 1 meeting of the Keystone Academy Board of Directors, Principal Jorvanna Drain said there were so many people who wanted to come to a party to send their head custodian off that they had to limit the party to staff members only, who brought dishes to pass.

Some Keystone Board members said they were disappointed that they weren't included because they know and love McComb, as well. Principal Drain said they had to limit it because she has so many friends in the district and it would get out of hand.

Drain said, "Deb is loved by anyone who

is fortunate to know her, not only for her work ethic, but because of her huge heart."

Drain said McComb has been the Site Coordinator, which is leader of the

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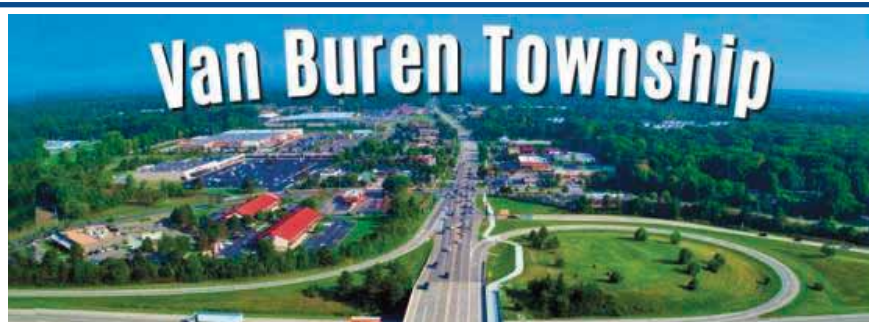
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Keystone

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custodial staff.

“It has been under her leadership that Keystone Academy has maintained the highest rating for cleanliness on our staff and parent surveys,” Drain said.

Drain said National Heritage Academy has always given Keystone high marks for cleanliness.

McComb works for a firm contracted by NHA and it doesn’t allow workers to work part-time. That information came as the board members asked if she couldn’t come in now and then to keep things going right.

“She’s going to be greatly missed,” Drain told the board.

In other business at the 40-minute meeting on June 1, the board:

- Approved \$2,500 from the board’s fund to help pay for Family Fun Night, which will be from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Aug. 23. The event invites school families to gather for

a variety of free activities to support the school’s attrition and enrollment efforts. Drain said the PTO will pay \$2,000 and the rest of the \$62,000 cost will come from the principal’s budget. The event will include food, carnival rides, a rock wall, wipe outs, inflatables, Hungry Hungry Hippo, a huge inflatable slide, outside laser tag, special face painting, and other things;

- Approved the 2022-23 final amended budget. NHA representative Andrew Roth reported enrollment was a little lower last year, so the costs were less. Drain said every single dollar of federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funds will be spent. The original budget for 2022-23 was \$7,525,812 and amended to \$7,314,874. The proposed budget for 2023-24 is \$8,294,360;

- Adopted the Continuous School Improvement Plan as mandated by the state, which is a pathway for districts to improve student outcomes by assessing whole child needs to develop plans and coordinate funding;

- Heard Drain report that the school had 4,560 fewer absences this year, 40% less than last year. There also were 43 fewer suspensions this year;

- Heard NHA representative Andrew Roth tell the board that because of the high scores Keystone had on the Spring Employee Engagement Survey Summary, Drain has been asked to give a 90-minute presentation at an upcoming NHA training session on how to have a high school culture. The employee survey had a 100% response rate and scores in all the categories were at 90% or above, with Employee Engagement (How happy are you working at NHA?) at 89%. Drain said they got the highest scores ever and in addition to the Parent Satisfaction Survey, that averaged 94% approval, they are doing very well;

- Was informed all of the third graders passed the state test in reading, so there are no retentions necessary; and

- Learned Ms. Chuang and the National Junior Honor Society members painted 150 kindness rocks with various saying, images and words of encouragement and placed them around the playground for students to find. Students could keep the rocks or pass them on to others. Drain said the rocks were a huge success as students spent their recess excited to find them.

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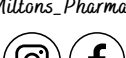
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Environmental

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He said all he wants is for them to stay out of his yard;

- Heard DeBuck say people have been throwing out trash on Hoeft Road, including a couch and mattress. Yob said her husband caught someone emptying camper sewage into the road ditch and he called and they got caught. When asked about dead animals, Akers said to report it to public services and the township will call the county to pick them up. With trees hanging low above the roads, Akers said to call the county and get a confirmation number. Then, wait two weeks and call them back with the number to check on the progress, he said;

- Heard Akers report that as of July 1, township residents will be paying for pickup of trash and recyclables, a service that used to be free. For a regular single family home it is \$165.84 per year, split between the winter and summer tax bills. It will start with the December tax bill. The township board approved the contract with Waste Management on June 20; and

- Heard Akers report that EGLE prefers natural shoreline structures to prevent erosion and no longer endorses the bucket-type seawall; the “Do Not Eat the Fish” signs for Belleville Lake are ordered and when they are received they will be put up; the proposed ordinance banning drinking water wells in the RACER Trust area is expected to be on the July 18 township board meeting agenda; the water flow from the Peninsular Paper dam, that is to be torn down in Ypsilanti, has to go through Ford Lake first before coming to Belleville Lake and no detrimental silt is expected; other dams on the Huron River are also being upgraded; and soil borings were made earlier that day on the Denton Road bridge and engineering work continues.

“If you find yourself in a hole, stop digging.”
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Van Buren Township DDA to try 3 p.m. meeting time July 25

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority members had to wait about a half hour at each meeting in April and May for a quorum to show up so they could start their meetings.

On June 27, however, a quorum was there

at 5:30 p.m. and the meeting began on time.

On the June 27 agenda was an item to change the meeting time to 6 p.m., since it seemed some were having trouble making the regular 5:30 p.m. meeting time. There was discussion on changing the meeting time and DDA members who are business owners said they liked earlier rather than

later.

DDA vice-chairperson Carol Bird, who was chairing the meeting in the absence of chairman Craig Atchinson, suggested having an "exploratory meeting" at 3 p.m. on July 25.

The board liked that idea and tabled the agenda item that changed the meeting to 6 p.m.

In other business at the 50-minute meeting on June 27, the DDA:

- Tabled approval of the quote of \$13,900 from Norway Landscape for the cleaning and sealing of all existing stamped concrete on the DDA property located at 10151 Belleville Rd. Norway, which installed the concrete originally, did a chip/pit repair two years ago at a cost of \$20,000. Maintenance is suggested every two years. DDA members wanted to see other quotes;

- Approved the DDA's 2022 year-end audit, which was part of the township audit. The DDA received an unmodified opinion, the highest given to show all is in order;

- Approved the \$20,048.66 quote from Madison Electric for banner-arm coupling replacements for the light poles because the couplings have deteriorated;

- Approved DDA Executive Director Merrie Coburn's report on moving funds around that are not being used in the 2023 budget to cover shortfalls in line items. Since they are not replacing the deputy director, the \$63,877 was moved. Re-allocation of a total of \$112,440 was approved. Work is being done on the 2024 budget that will be given to the township board for inclusion in its 2024 budget workshops; and

- Heard DDA member Victor Delibera suggest putting the Belleville High School senior banners on light poles continuing from the city of Belleville into Van Buren Township on Belleville Road so all the banners can be hung at once instead of in stages as now is done in Belleville. Coburn said she would look into it.

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The tank for the four new gas pumps at the Metro Park Party Store at the corner of Haggerty and E. Huron River Drive in Van Buren Township was delivered on June 28 and the digging began. The addition of fuel pumps at the store has been in the works for more than five years and now is under way. The inside of the party store already has been renovated.

Correction: AFSCME didn't turn down having Juneteenth holiday

In the June 29 issue of the *Independent*, we started a long report on the June 20 Van Buren Township Board of Trustees meeting that continued on page three.

Although it was reported in the story that the AFSCME (American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees) union local turned down having Juneteenth as a paid holiday, we find that isn't exactly what happened.

Clerk Leon Wright said actually AFSCME proposed having Juneteenth as a paid holiday during recent negotiations and then the township turned it down when the union didn't want to give up another paid holiday in exchange.


The *Independent* did publish a typographical error in that story and referred to Columbia Day in the sentence that should have read, "The union gave up Columbus Day for Martin Luther King Day."

Employees now have 12 paid holidays. We apologize for the confusion.

-- Rosemary K. Otzman, editor


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Van Buren Charter Township

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City of Belleville Water Department

Consumer Confidence Report

The Belleville Water Department wants you to know that your tap water is safe to drink and that it meets or surpasses all Federal and State standards for quality and safety.

Overview

The City of Belleville is proud of the fine drinking water it provides. This annual water quality report shows the source of our water, lists the results of our tests and contains much important information about water and health. Belleville Water Department will notify you immediately if there is any reason for concern about your water. We are happy to show you how we have surpassed water-quality standards. You will receive reports like this each and every year by July 1 regarding your water.

Drinking water quality is important to our community and the region. The City of Belleville and the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) are committed to meeting state and federal water quality standards including the Lead and Copper Rule. With the Great Lakes as our water source and proven treatment technologies, the GLWA consistently delivers safe drinking water to our community. Belleville operates the system of water mains that carry this water to your home's service line. This year's Water Quality Report highlights the performance of GLWA and Belleville water professionals in delivering some of the nation's best drinking water. Together, we remain committed to protecting public health and maintaining open communication with the public about our drinking water.

Water Source

The City of Belleville water is supplied by the Great Lakes Water Authority from its Southwest Water Treatment Plant. The Great Lakes Water Authority provides drinking water to approximately 4.2 million people in 126 Michigan Communities. The City of Belleville purchased over 111,425,000 gallons of water in 2019.

The system uses water drawn from the Detroit River through a 12-foot diameter intake that is approximately 120-feet deep. The line slopes to a depth of 132-feet in approximately one mile where it connects at a vertical shore shaft, which causes raw water to rise and enter a land tunnel. The 12-foot diameter shore or land tunnel travels another 3 miles to the Southwest plant's low lift pumps. The many miles of deep raw water tunnels are periodically inspected either by divers or with cameras for structural integrity and zebra mussel infestation.

Your source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, Clinton River, Detroit River, Rouge River, Ecorse River, in the U.S. and parts of the Thames River, Little River, Turkey Creek and Sydenham watersheds in Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the U.S. Geological Survey, the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and the Michigan Public Health Institute performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of GLWA's Detroit River source water for potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is based on a seven-tiered scale and ranges from "very low" to "very high" determined primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and potential contaminant sources. The report described GLWA's Detroit River intakes as highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four GLWA water treatment plants that service the City of Detroit and draw water from the Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment and meet drinking water standards.

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Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



"Mystery in the Middle East" is the theme for this summer's Vacation Bible School at the Belleville Seventh Day Adventist Church at 89 S. Edgemont St. The dates are July 17-22, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. See their ad in today's paper and call (734) 697-7477.

Mary Johnson and family of Moe's Farm at 20684 Sumpter Rd. next to the Sumpter Fire Station are opening for another season this weekend. The family owned and operated business has been growing seasonal vegetables since 1941. They're open seven days a week. Be sure to like them on Facebook for updates. See their ad in today's paper.

Van Buren Public Schools Summer Lunch Program will run from July 24-Aug. 17, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Tyler Elementary School on Tyler Road. All kids and teens eat for free and parents are just \$2 per person.

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts Music Lakeside Concert Series at Horizon Park continues this Thursday, July 6, at 7 p.m. featuring 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. Next week's concert will feature Mad Mad World on July 13.

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June Milton and Milton's Pharmacy at 248 Main St. in Belleville are celebrating their second anniversary with Customer Appreciation Week, going on now through July 8. Stop in for special daily giveaways and save an extra 20% off select items. See their ad in today's paper and follow them on social media. Call (734) 391-0190.

Do you have business-related information you would like to see in this column? Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020.

"When I do good, I feel good; when I do bad, I feel bad, and that is my religion."

— Abraham Lincoln

Sumpter Township Ok's outfitting new police car, hires new police officer

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Sumpter Township Public Safety Director/Police Chief Eric Luke told the township board at its June 27 meeting that the new police car they expected in August was being delivered that week or the next week.

The new 2023 Ford Interceptor, ordered in February, needs to be outfitted by Herkimer Radio Service at the total estimated cost of \$9,339.55, Director Luke said and the board unanimously approved it.

The funds are being provided by the department's forfeiture fund.

Luke said fortunately this is the last vehicle that will cost so much to refit, unless Ford redesigns the Explorer and changes the interior dimensions.

He said when dimensions stay the same, they simply switch most of the equipment from the old vehicle to the new one. A few minor costs occur, like new brackets, connectors, and the occasional replacement of obsolete equipment. When this can occur, the price is normally in the \$3,000 to \$4,000 range.

"Unfortunately, because this is the last vehicle [in the township fleet], the price remains high because we must replace big-ticket items like the console, rear plastic seat with partition, etc. ..." he wrote in a memo to the board.

The board also approved hiring Larence McLendon as a full-time police officer, contingent upon him passing the required physical, psychological, and drug tests.

McLendon, 43, resides in Oak Park and attended the Oakland County Regional Police Training Academy, graduating in November 2011. He has been a sworn police officer since 2012, working for the Oakland County Sheriff's Office until 2021 and most recently with the Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority. He earned an associate degree from Oakland Community College in 2011 and a bachelor of science in criminal justice from Ferris State University in 2021.

This is an increase in staffing for the Sumpter police department, approved by the board at its May 9 meeting. McLendon's pay will start at the second-year rate due to his previous law enforcement experience.

In other business at the June 27 meeting, the board:

- Voted unanimously to have Trustee Matthew Oddy chair both the workshop and the regular meeting in the absence of Supervisor Tim Bowman;
- Heard Trustee/Deputy Supervisor Tim Rush announce that the Parks and Recreation Family Fun Day is set for July 22 from noon until 4 p.m. and volunteers are needed. Volunteers may sign up at the clerk's office;
- Heard Trustee Rush report he talked

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GLWA has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. In 2016, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality approved the GLWA Surface Water Intake Protection Program Plan. The programs include seven elements that include the following: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies, delineation of a source water protection areas, identification of potential of sources of contamination, management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources, public participation and public education activities. If you would like to know more information about the Source Water Assessment report, please contact GLWA at 313-926-8102.

How Do We Know Our Water Is Safe?

We obtain water from the Great Lakes Water Authority whose treatment facilities operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The treatment process begins with the disinfecting the source water with chlorine to kill harmful microorganisms that can cause illness. Next, chemical called alum is mixed with the water to remove the fine particles that make the water cloudy or turbid. Alum causes the particles to clump together and settle to the bottom. Fluoride is also added to protect our teeth from cavities and decay.

The water then flows through fine sand filters called beds. These filters remove even more particles and certain microorganisms that are resistant to chlorine. Finally, a small amount of phosphoric acid and chlorine are added to the treated water just before it leaves the treatment plant. The phosphoric acid helps control the lead that may dissolve in the water from household plumbing systems. The chlorine keeps the water disinfected as it travels through water mains to reach your home.

The water is tested for a variety of substances before treatment, during various stages of treatment and throughout the distribution system on a regular basis. The City of Belleville has several testing locations that are tested regularly by the Great Lakes Water Authority. If any contaminants are detected at an unacceptable level, the City as well as the residents will be notified. All of the City of Belleville samples have tested negative for total coliform bacteria.

Unregulated Contaminants

Unregulated contaminants are those for which the EPA has not established drinking water standards. Monitoring helps the EPA to determine where certain contaminants occur and whether it needs to regulate those contaminants. Beginning in July 2008 the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD) began monitoring quarterly for unregulated contaminants under the Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 2 (UCMR2). All UCMR2 contaminants monitored on the list 1 and list 2 in 2008 were undetected. The Great Lakes Water Authority provides the City of Belleville with water. Also, GLWA does not test the water for radon.

What Is Cryptosporidium?

Cryptosporidium is a disease causing parasite that lives in the intestinal tract of many animals including dogs and cats. Cryptosporidium can be introduced into bodies of water by way of surface runoff containing animal wastes and sewage discharges.

GLWA voluntarily monitors for Cryptosporidium and Giardia in our untreated source water monthly. The untreated water samples collected from the Southwest Plant indicated the presence of one Giardia cyst in March. In addition, monitoring indicated the presence of one Giardia cyst and one Cryptosporidium oocyst in the untreated water from the Southwest Plant in July. Additional testing was performed on the treated water at the Southwest Plant and Cryptosporidium was absent. All other samples collected in the year 2018 were absent for the presence of Cryptosporidium and Giardia. Systems using surface water like GLWA must provide treatment so that 99.9 percent of Giardia lamblia is removed or inactivated.

Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in the surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Cryptosporidium was detected once during a twelve month period at the Detroit River intake plants. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within weeks. However, immune-compromised people, infants and small children and the elderly are at the greater risk of developing life threatening illness. We encourage immune-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

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Belleville United Methodist Church welcomes new pastor

Pastor Greg Buchner took over as new pastor of the Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St., on July 1 and preached his first sermon on July 2.

Pastor Buchner is a United Methodist ordained elder who has spent more than 20 years serving churches in Michigan. He received his Master of Divinity degree from Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Elkhart, IN in 2003.

Before his pastoral ministry, Pastor Buchner worked at Meijer and other food retail stores. Eventually he became a department manager while studying to receive his Bachelor of Business Administration degree, specializing in Food Marketing, from Western Michigan University in 1994.

He has been married for more than

25 years to Dr. AnnMarie L. Buchner, Audiologist. She is currently working for Mobile Medical Support, which is an ancillary provider of podiatry, dental, vision, and audiology services, for those primarily in nursing homes throughout the state.

Pastor Buchner said his wife's calling is to help people hear and she's willing to talk with anyone about their hearing issues.

The couple has two adult children, daughter Jamie and son Matthew, who now live in Mt. Pleasant.

Wesleyan in belief, Pastor Buchner said he believes that the Holy Spirit is not finished with any of us yet. And if we carry the name of Christian, by God's grace, everything the Bible says about Jesus Christ is what we should strive to be.

"More and more, as we become like Christ, loving God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength, and loving and serving others as we'd like to be, has to be our goal," he said.

"And when we miss that mark, forgiveness, grace and mercy should be our specialty, both to those inside and outside of our churches and community, because God has first forgiven and loved us to show us how.

"We're not perfect yet, but we continue to work towards God's holy truth that will one day set us free. Jesus did say all of that for all of us," Pastor Buchner said.

Pastor Buchner can be reached at www.bellevillefirstumc.org and (734) 697-9288. Buchner is pronounced: "boo-K'-ner."



Pastor Greg Buchner



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Contaminants That May Be Found In Drinking Water

"Drinking water, including bottled water may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and in some cases radioactive material and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.

Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining or farming.

Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff and residential uses.

Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organics, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff and septic systems.

Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations, which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Vulnerability Of Some Population To Contaminants

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than is the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water hotline (800-426-4791).

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Court Watching:

Brian Bostain waits for competency hearing on juvenile sex charges

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Brian Robert Bostain, 33, of Van Buren Township, was present via video on June 1, 2022 from the Wayne County Jail where he was being held on \$250,000/10% bond on three counts of criminal sexual conduct with a victim under age 13 and one count of using a computer to commit a crime in Van Buren Township on May 22, 2021. His assigned defense attorney needed more discovery, including the Kids' Talk report, and so Judge Martin adjourned the probable cause conference to June 8.

Defense attorney Lauren Anderson said she needed electronic discovery and Kids' Talk and so the probable cause conference was adjourned to June 15 and then to June 29 when she still didn't have all the discovery. He remained in the Wayne County Jail but was inadvertently brought to the courthouse by the Wayne County Sheriff's department for the June 15 video conference. On June 29, his live preliminary exam was set for July 19. But he waived the exam and was bound over to circuit court for an arraignment on the information on July 26. He then was referred to pretrial services for a bond review and an Aug. 11 motion hearing was set. Then the judge signed orders for a competency evaluation and a criminal responsibility evaluation. The next court date was set for Nov. 10 and then reset to Feb. 10, 2023. That date was canceled and the calendar conference was set March 24 and reset for March 29. Then another competency evaluation was ordered.

On Jan. 20, 2023, Judge Martin arraigned

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to former Trustee Don Swinson, who had been chairman of the Turkey Shoot event over the years, and learned that the cost of everything for the event has tripled since before the pandemic and it is not possible to hold the event. Rush suggested reaching out to businesses for donations. Fire Chief Brown said there are no plans for a chicken broil this year;

- Heard Township Administrator Anthony Burdick say that the cleanup at Martinsville Cemetery before Memorial Day was aided by a local business, All Year Tree Service, who removed the huge pile of branches gathered in one visit “with a smile”;

- Heard Administrator Burdick report that there are a number of issues with the recycling program, including availability of volunteers. He said residents want to be able to recycle more than once a month. He said Republic Waste will bring them options. He suggested moving the recycling area up to the front of the site with a camera so it can be used 24/7;

- Heard Burdick recommend pulling in and reevaluating the five township properties still listed for sale with Moving the Mitten;

- Heard a report from Deputy Clerk Karen Armatis on the work being done on the Memorial Garden next to township hall. She displayed a picture of the new tree and the new plaque under the trees. She said the board authorized the plaque seven years ago and six years in a row they did lose someone;

- Heard Armatis report on the Martinsville Cemetery project, saying specifications for the fencing with an arch over the gate is being done and they are receiving other bids. She said the ground-penetrating radar is under \$5,000. She said she found the oldest person buried in the cemetery, a 106-year-old woman;

- Learned that recordings of the board meetings will be back on cable channel 12 soon, three times a day. The township has the capability to live stream, but a lot more is needed before that can happen;

- Heard resident Mary Ban ask about the tri-community museum that is still closed. She asked if the township has any word about the museum. Burdick said Elizabeth Renaud and her deputy Tammy Dohring told him they are assessing input they already have. They also told him that they will assess Sumpter artifacts at the museum and alert him to any they wish to dispose of; and

- Learned the seniors will have tickets and transportation to the Detroit Tigers game on Aug. 23 for \$38 each and on Sept. 24 at \$135 each. A Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled in July.

Court watching

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him on four new charges of first-degree criminal sexual conduct on someone under the age of 13 and one more charge of second-degree criminal sexual conduct, along with five added charges of CSC-2 and two charges of aggravated indecent exposure, a total of 12, which happened

between Nov. 6, 2012 and Nov. 6, 2016 in Romulus.

A bond of \$20,000/10% was set and a GPS tether if released from custody. Also he must not have contact with the victims. A probable cause conference was set for Feb. 1 and then adjourned to Feb. 15.

At that time his live preliminary exam was set for Feb. 24. At that date he waived his exam and was bound over by Judge Martin to a March 2 arraignment on the

information on the new charges at circuit court. A calendar conference was set for March 24 and reset for March 29. At that time a competency evaluation was set and a competency hearing set for June 29 and then reset to July 24.

Joshua Royal Blair

Joshua Royal Blair, 34, of Sumpter Township, is charged with possession of

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Key to the Detected Contaminants Table

Symbol	Abbreviation	Definition/Explanation
>	Greater than	
°C	Celsius	A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions.
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, Dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
Level 1	Level 1 Assessment	A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in the water system.
Level 2	Level 2 Assessment	A Level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions.
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRLDG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
n/a	not applicable	
ND	Not Detected	
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
pCi/L	Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity
ppb	Parts Per Billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts Per Million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
RAA	Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for all samples during the previous four quarters.
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
SMCL	Secondary Maximum Contaminant Level	An MCL which involves a biological, chemical or physical characteristic of water that may adversely affect the taste, odor, color or appearance (aesthetics), which may thereby affect public confidence or acceptance of the drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
μohms	Microhms	Measure of electrical conductance of water

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weapon by a felon, two counts of felony firearm, possession of ammunition by a felon, and carrying a concealed weapon on

Aug. 9 in Sumpter Township.

He was arraigned Aug. 11, and his probable cause conference was Aug. 24. Another probable cause conference was scheduled for Sept. 14 and a live preliminary exam for Oct. 26.

At that time, the exam was held before Judge Oakley, with the first witness being Sumpter Officer Gino Criscenti who testified he was on patrol when he pulled over a vehicle which had gone through an intersection with a plate that had been

expired for seven months. The driver did not have a driver's license and a check in LEIN revealed it had been suspended and there were other warrants.

Officer Criscenti testified that Officer Rodriguez came to assist and found a

handgun in the center console of the car. He testified Sgt. Steffani also came to assist and Blair denied owning the gun. Officer Rodriguez testified he found a Smith & Wesson handgun with 7 mm rounds, but there was no round in the chamber.

Judge Oakley bound Blair over to circuit court for an arraignment on the information on Nov. 9. The bond of \$2,500/10% which had been posted was continued. A final conference was set for Jan. 6. At that time, he pled guilty to carrying a concealed weapon and all the other charges were dropped. On March 3 he was fined \$798 and sentenced to three years of probation and 120 hours of community service.

David Rhys Bragalone II

David Rhys Bragalone II, 34, of Belleville, was video arraigned on a bench warrant on April 28, 2022 by Magistrate Al Hindman. Bragalone is charged with carrying a concealed weapon and operating while intoxicated on July 17, 2021 in Sumpter Township.

The charges were filed on April 22, 2022 and a warrant entered into LEIN on April 27. On April 27, James Makowski filed as Bragalone's retained attorney and stated the defendant would turn himself in to Sumpter/Huron the next day and he did. His personal bond is \$5,000 and his probable cause conference was set for May 11. Then it was adjourned until June 1.

On June 1, he waived his preliminary exam and was bound over to circuit court for a June 15 arraignment on the information. A calendar conference was set for June 23 and a final conference for Aug. 2 and then continued to Sept. 16.

On Sept. 16, he pled guilty to operating while intoxicated and a new charge of buying a weapon without a permit and the charge of carrying a concealed weapon was dismissed. He was sentenced to probation by Circuit Court



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2022 Southwest Regulated Detected Contaminants Table

Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
2022 Inorganic Chemicals – Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	7-12-32022	ppm	4	4	0.71	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	7-12-2022	ppm	10	10	0.82	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Barium	5-16-2017	ppm	2	2	0.01	n/a	no	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits

2022 Disinfection By-Products – Monitoring in Distribution System Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest LRAA	Range of quarterly Results	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2022	ppb	n/a	80	66 ppb	30-60 ppb	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2022	ppb	n/a	60	14 ppb	13-14 ppb	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

2022 Disinfection Residuals – Monitoring in Distribution System by Treatment Plant								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MRD GL	Allowed Level MRDL	Highest RAA	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Chlorine Residual	2022	ppm	4	4	0.61	0.51-0.70	no	Water additive used to control microbes.

2022 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU		Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)					Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.14 NTU		100%					no	Soil Runoff

Turbidity has no health effects. However, turbidity can interfere with disinfection and provide a medium for microbial growth. Turbidity may indicate the presence of disease-causing organisms. These organisms include bacteria, viruses and parasites that can cause symptoms such as nausea, cramps, diarrhea and associated headaches.

2022 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap									
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCL G	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Range of individual results	Violations yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2022	ppb	0	15	0 ppb	0	0-6 ppb	no	Lead service lines, Corrosion of household plumbing including fittings and fixtures; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2022	ppm	1.3	.1	0 ppm	0	0-.4 ppb	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.

*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.

Regulated Contaminant	Treatment Technique							Typical Source of Contaminant
Total Organic Carbon (ppm)	The Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal ratio is calculated as the ratio between the actual TOC removal and the TOC removal requirements. The TOC was measured each quarter and because the level was low, there is no requirement for TOC removal.							Erosion of natural deposits

Radionuclides-Monitored at the Plant Finished Tap in 2014								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Level Detected		Violation	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Combined Radium 226 and 228	5/13/2014	pCi/L	0	5	0.65 + or - 0.54		no	Erosion of natural deposits

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Judge Margaret Van Houten.

Jacob Lee Hixson

Jacob Lee Hixson, 28, of Van Buren Township was charged with civil infraction for registration/plate and no insurance on April 4 in the City of Belleville. The charges were dismissed on May 4 by Judge Oakley who was told the prosecution wished to dismiss both counts since the situation had been rectified. Judge Oakley reminded Hixson he still owed \$822 to the court from other cases in Van Buren Township.

Hezekiah Hudson

Hezekiah Hudson, 21, of Sumpter Township was charged with fleeing a police officer and driving while license suspended on Sept. 17, 2021 in the city of Belleville. His probable cause conference was May 4, 2022 and was adjourned until May 18. He also is charged with reckless use of firearms on July 18, 2021 in Van Buren Township. His remote pretrial on that charge also was held May 4, 2022 and also was adjourned until May 18 so the two cases can stay together. A remote pretrial on another charge, malicious destruction of property-VBPD on July 31, 2021 was scheduled for May 5, but he failed to appear and a warrant was put out for his arrest.

On May 18 he was present for his probable cause and remote pretrial and they were adjourned until June 1 for discovery since his attorney needs video of the fleeing and eluding charge. The warrant on his malicious destruction of property charge was removed from LEIN and his remote pretrial set for June 16.

On June 1, his live preliminary exam on the felony was set for July 13 and the misdemeanor trial will go at the same time.

On July 13, the fleeing and eluding and driving while license suspended charges from Belleville were dismissed by Judge Martin when the police officer necessary for prosecution was not present.

The reckless use of a gun charge was reduced to

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Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	MCLG	MCL	Highest Level Detected 2019	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	7-12-2022	ppm	N/A	N/A	6.2	Erosion of natural deposits

Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule - Unregulated contaminants are those for which the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has not established drinking water standards. The purpose of unregulated monitoring is to assist EPA in determining the occurrence of unregulated contaminants in drinking water and whether future regulation is warranted. Before EPA regulates a contaminant, it considers adverse health effects, the occurrence of the contaminant in drinking water, and whether the regulation will reduce health risk. The Great Lakes Water Authority monitored for 20 unregulated contaminants quarterly in 2019. The following table list the unregulated substance detected during the calendar year 2019.

Unregulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Highest Level Detected	SMCL	Range of Detection	Noticeable Effects above the SMCL	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Manganese	2019	ppb	0.48	50	0.0-0.48	black to brown color; black staining; bitter metallic taste	Erosion of natural deposits and corrosion of iron pipes

These tables are based on tests conducted by GLWA in the year 2021 or the most recent testing done within the last five calendar years. GLWA conducts tests throughout the year only tests that show the presence of a substance or require special monitoring are presented in these tables.

Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in drinking water than the general population. It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home’s plumbing. If you are concerned about elevated lead levels in your home’s water you may wish to have your water tested and flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using your tap water. Additional information is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

Lead And Copper Testing

The City of Bellville consists of 1606 service connections of which none are known to be lead and 360 are of un known material. present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Belleville Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you have a lead service line it is recommended that you run your water for at least 5 minutes to flush water from both your home plumbing and the lead service line. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Safe drinking water is a shared responsibility. The water that GLWA delivers to our community does not contain lead. Lead can leach into drinking water through home plumbing fixtures, and in some cases, customer service lines. Corrosion control reduces the risk of lead and copper from leaching into your water. Orthophosphates are added during the treatment process as a corrosion control method to create a protective coating in service pipes throughout the system, including in your home or business. The City of Belleville performs required lead and copper sampling and testing in our community. Water consumers also have a responsibility to maintain the plumbing in their homes and businesses, and can take steps to limit their exposure to lead.

Water Quality Data

Your drinking water is continuously monitored above and beyond Federal and State Laws. Monitoring frequencies vary by parameter, so some of the test dates for the results are a few years old because it is the most recent information. In addition, monitoring must be performed by the individual community. The community-specific information is presented in a separate table. The following table shows all the contaminants that were detected in your water.

Your drinking water met all the State and EPA monitoring and reporting requirements for 2021. Not listed are the hundreds of other contaminants tested for, but not found in your water.

National Primary Drinking Water Regulations Compliance

This report was prepared by Mr. Steven Svireff, Water System Operator for the City of Belleville using data supplied by the Great Lakes Water Authority and the Michigan Department of Environment, Great lakes and Energy (EGLE). Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call Mr. Rick Rutherford at the City of Belleville at 734-697-9323.

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This report has been prepared and provided to the residents of the City of Belleville in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act (1976 PA 399, as amended) 1998 PA 56. This act was passed to ensure compliance with the Federal Clean Water Act and rules promulgated by the U.S. EPA dealing with this law. Most of the specific language within this report is required and as such cannot be altered.

Public Participation

Each and every month the Great Lakes Water Authority Board meet at the Water Board Building at 735 Randolph Street, Detroit, Michigan 48226. These meetings as well as public hearings are open to the public. To confirm dates and times of the GLWA meetings residents are encouraged to visit the GLWA website at www.glwater.org.

City Comments

You can save hundreds even thousands of gallons of water each day by making adjustments to your daily routines. Simply install a low flow faucet aerator to save 1 to 3 gallons of water per minute of use. A low flow shower head can save you 10 gallons of water per minute which is an average of about 20,000 gallons a year. Watch for any drips in faucets. A running toilet can waste up to 74,000 gallons of water in just 3 months.

When using a sprinkler system, **Do Not Over Water!** Make sure your sprinkler heads are only watering your lawn and not your driveway or sidewalk. Sweep sidewalks and driveways rather than hosing them down to save about 50 gallons of water every 5 minutes. Lawns only need about an inch of water per week.

If you see any suspicious activity around the water system or fire hydrants, contact the City of Belleville Department of Public Works during regular business hours or the Belleville Police Department 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

The City of Belleville and the Great Lakes Water Authority are committed to safeguarding our water supply and delivering the highest quality drinking water to protect public health. We hope you find this report useful. Copies of this report are available at the Belleville City Hall located at 6 Main Street, Belleville, MI 48111. Please contact us if you should have any questions or concerns about your water. Also, look for future reports prior to July 1 of each year. Water quality data for community systems throughout the United States is available at <http://waterdata.usgs.gov>.

This report contains important information about your drinking water. Have someone translate it for you, or speak with someone who understands it.

2022 Southwest Tap Water Mineral Analysis

Parameter	Units	Max.	Min.	Avg.	Parameter	Units	Max.	Min.	Avg.
Turbidity	NTU	0.23	0.02	0.09	Phosphorus	ppm	0.57	0.33	0.45
Total Solids	ppm	183	110	145	Free Carbon Dioxide	ppm	10.1	1.0	7.6
Total Dissolved Solids	ppm	166	114	139	Total Hardness	ppm	102	66	94
Aluminum	ppm	0.092	0.020	0.045	Total Alkalinity	ppm	90	70	80
Iron	ppm	0.5	0.2	0.3	Carbonate Alkalinity	ppm	ND	ND	ND
Copper	ppm	0.001	ND	0.000	Bi-Carbonate Alkalinity	ppm	90	69	79
Magnesium	ppm	8.3	7.4	7.8	Non-Carbonate Hardness	ppm	26	ND	16
Calcium	ppm	30.2	25.2	26.8	Chemical Oxygen Demand	ppm	8.1	ND	3.6
Sodium	ppm	8.1	5.0	5.9	Dissolved Oxygen	ppm	16.0	7.5	10.9
Potassium	ppm	1.3	0.9	1.1	Nitrite Nitrogen	ppm	ND	ND	ND
Manganese	ppm	0.001	ND	0.000	Nitrate Nitrogen	ppm	0.82	0.21	0.43
Lead	ppm	0.001	ND	0.000	Fluoride	ppm	0.72	0.53	0.64
Zinc	ppm	0.003	ND	0.001	pH		8.16	7.20	7.37
Silica	ppm	2.5	1.4	2.0	Specific Conductance @ 25 °C	µmhos	260	179	216
Sulfate	ppm	33.9	20.2	27.4	Temperature	°C	22.9	0.9	11.8
Chloride	ppm	18.7	9.4	11.7					

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brandishing a weapon (handgun) in Van Buren Township on July 18, 2021, with a fine.

The malicious destruction of property charge was set for a show cause/pretrial on Aug. 4 and he failed to appear for this court date. On Aug. 9 a bench warrant was issued. On Sept. 12, he called the court and requested a new court date and that the warrant be lifted. He was told he'd have to come in with cash bond and he said he was on his way. He needed the warrant lifted for probation in Court 14A. On Nov. 21, he came in and paid the bond and a show-cause hearing was set for Dec. 1. The warrant was recalled. On Dec. 1 his pretrial was set for Dec. 15. The pretrial was adjourned for discovery until Jan. 19 and then the final pretrial was set for Feb. 2. The complainant must appear. On Feb. 2, Hudson failed to appear so a bench warrant for his arrest was signed.

On Feb. 28, 2023 a remote show-cause/pretrial hearing on the bond was set for March 16 and then a jury trial was requested. The case was reviewed on March 31. A jury trial was set for June 23 but on June 1 he pled guilty and was fined \$1,110.

Daveion Armani Copeland

Daveion Armani Copeland, 18, of Ypsilanti, was arraigned May 9, 2022 by Judge Oakley on a May 3 bench warrant for receiving and concealing a motor vehicle and unlawful driving away of an auto on Aug. 9, 2021 in Van Buren Township.

Copeland was in custody at Van Buren Township Police lockup when video arraigned. A probable cause conference was set for May 18 before Judge Green, and then a live exam was set for May 25, 2022. Personal bond was set at \$1,000.

On May 25, Assistant Wayne County Prosecutor Bryn Bailey said no witnesses had been called and none sent, so defense attorney Sofia Nelson made a motion to dismiss and Judge Green dismissed the charges. Judge Green said these charges could be refiled.

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 323 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, June 25:

0049 – family trouble, Ironwood Dr.
0138 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
0241 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Aspen Ln.
0721 – property damage accident, Quirk/McBride
0833 – traffic offense, Michigan Ave.
0843 – larceny from auto, Holly Ln.
0905 – larceny from auto, Spruce Ln.
0900 – motorist assist, WB Michigan Ave./bypass
0901 – larceny from auto, Holly Ln.
0906 – larceny from auto, Holly Ln.
0934 – intrusion alarm, Lexington Ct.
0920 – larceny from auto, Holly Ln.
0935 – larceny from auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0938 – larceny from auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1039 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1115 – larceny from auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1118 – domestic, Water’s Edge Ln.
1219 – assist fire dept., Lake Pointe Pass
1239 – domestic, Village Green Ln.
1307 – domestic, E. I-94 Haggerty ramp/Haggerty Rd.

1434 – motorist assist, Tyler/Morton Taylor
1503 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1605 – assault & battery, Price Rd.
1605 – repossession, Lighthouse Dr.
1621 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse Rd.
1834 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Westlake Cir.
1837 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1837 – intrusion alarm, W. Schooner Dr.
1847 – assist fire dept., Robson Rd.
1852 – property check, Belleville Rd.
1925 – domestic, W. Cherry
1933 – civil matter, Wildbrook Dr.
1955 – animal complaint, Brandi Dr.
2052 – breaking & entering, N. Woodbury Dr.
2232 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.
2250 – welfare check, Tyler Rd./Beck Rd.
2327 – warrant arrest, Washtenaw Jail

Monday, June 26:

0459 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Holly Ln./Redwood Dr.
0725 – welfare check, Winchester St./Victoria St.
0813 – assist fire dept., Rawsonville Rd.
0846 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
0910 – welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0915 – 911 welfare check, Brookside Dr.
1045 – larceny, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1145 – assist other dept., Outer Dr.
1136 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
1243 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
1335 – civil matter, Anna Dr.
1353 – property damage accident, Jackson St./N. I-94 Service Dr.
1612 – civil matter, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1508 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Haggerty Rd.

1558 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1545 – animal complaint, Martinsville Rd.
1618 – road hazard, E. Huron River Dr./Haggerty
1635 – fraud, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1715 – malicious destruction of property, Parkwood Dr.

1834 – animal complaint, Country Walk Blvd.
1834 – intrusion alarm, Republic Dr.
1834 – vehicle lockout, Westlake Leasing
1859 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Truman St.
1903 – vehicle lockout, Westlake
1919 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
2212 – personal injury accident, Haggerty Rd.
2257 – trespassing, McBride Ave.

Tuesday, June 27:

0132 – fight, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0227 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0241 – property damage accident, EB I-94 / Rawsonville Rd.
0341 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

Savage Rd.
0644 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd./Haggerty Rd.
0830 – welfare check, Bayshore Dr.
0948 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.
0952 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1141 – assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.
1232 – suicidal person, Bog Rd.
1242 – threat, Ecorse Rd.
1251 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1335 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1405 – intrusion alarm, Hardwood Dr.
1405 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1441 – assist fire dept., Maurice Dr.
1504 – fraud, Rawsonville Rd.
1518 – intrusion alarm, Hardwood Dr.
1527 – private property impound, N. I-94 Service
1543 – civil matter, McBride Ave.
1643 – larceny, Michigan Ave.
1642 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr./Beck
1713 – welfare check, Maple Dr.
1722 – assist other dept., Michigan Ave./Denton
1924 – 911 welfare check, Spruce Ln.
1826 – unattended death, Village Green In.
1847 – personal injury accident, Van Born Rd. / Belleville Rd.
1847 – repossession, Brandi Dr.
2104 – intrusion alarm, Kouza Ct.
2243 – repossession, Hamilton St.

Wednesday, June 28:

0014 – missing person, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0122 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.
0154 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sawgrass Ct.
0245 – assist other dept., Castell Blvd.
0244 – welfare check, Ash Dr.
0741 – parking complaint, Jackson/Buchanan
0854 – intrusion alarm, Rock Creek Dr.
1054 – malicious destruction of property, S. Woodbury Dr.
1104 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1121 – juvenile complaint, Denton Rd.
1211 – 911 welfare check, Togowtee Pass/Hoeft
1226 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd.
1257 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1303 – abandoned auto, Hoeft Rd.
1301 – traffic offense, Quirk Rd./McBride Ave.
1349 – neighbor trouble, Haggerty Rd.
1448 – prisoner transport, S. Wayne Rd.
1429 – 911 welfare check, Mom’s Dr.
1442 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1526 – private property/property damage accident, Hannan Rd.
1604 – private property impound, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1610 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1621 – malicious destruction of property, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1646 – larceny from auto, Westlake Cir.
1652 – assist fire dept., Venetian Ave.
1724 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tallgrass Ct.
1743 – larceny from auto, S. Bellridge Dr.
2041 – intrusion alarm, Republic Dr.
2256 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ventura Dr.

Thursday, June 29:

0235 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0359 – welfare check, Hanover Dr.
0431 – mental subject, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0737 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. Bellridge Dr.
0630 – mental subject, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0817 – neighbor trouble, Ormond Dr.
0823 – abandoned auto, Michigan/Denton
0950 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1111 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1252 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1323 – larceny from auto, Belleville Rd.
1323 – property check, Bemis Rd.
1500 – property damage accident, Ecorse I-275 ramp N. / N. I-275
1500 – mental subject, Elwell Rd.
1511 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1625 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
1523 – welfare check, Victoria St.
1705 – juvenile complaint, Tyler Rd.

1705 – property damage accident, Quirk Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1739 – found property/child, Victoria St.
1806 – assist fire dept., Bog Rd.
1903 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1915 – assist fire dept., Parkgerty Dr.
1943 – assist other dept., Edison Lake Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
2122 – harassment call, Rawsonville Rd.
2153 – assist fire dept., Bog Rd.
2327 – welfare check, Haggerty Rd./Savage Rd.
2345 – assist other dept., Parkwood Dr.

Friday, June 30:

0029 – malicious destruction of property, Denton Rd.
0136 – domestic, Morton Taylor Rd./Ladonna Ln.
0142 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.
0146 – welfare check, Outer Dr.
0208 – domestic, Oak Blvd.
0320 – domestic, Hannan Rd.
0738 – larceny, Burtrig St.
0823 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Bog Rd.
0951 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.
1014 – motorist assist, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
1023 – private property/property damage accident, Lohr Rd.
1036 – harassment call, Belleville Rd.
1037 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1037 – repossession, Arcadia Ct.
1243 – assist other dept., Parkwood Dr.
1325 – parking complaint, Chandler
1335 – assist other dept., W. Archwood Dr.
1424 – assist fire dept., Victoria St.
1434 – misc. Complaint, Tyler Rd.
1515 – civil matter, Rawsonville Rd.
1515 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1526 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1535 – malicious destruction of property, S. Timberview Dr.
1656 – welfare check, Mida Dr.
1719 – private property/property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1719 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
1743 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1819 – intrusion alarm, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1848 – assist other dept., Wildflower Ct.
2025 – civil matter, Holly Ln.
2057 – 911 welfare check, Van Buren St.
2225 – juvenile complaint, Rose Blvd.
2110 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Westlake Cir.
2134 – fight, Mida Dr.
2225 – fireworks, America

Saturday, July 1:

0120 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0221 – intrusion alarm, Hardwood Dr.
0430 – repossession, Forestdale Dr.
0504 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Cherry
0623 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Archwood Dr.
0636 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0829 – repossession, Lake Pointe Blvd.
0932 – civil matter, N. Timberview Dr.
1008 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1100 – assault & battery, Belleville Rd.
1102 – felony assault, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1121 – larceny, Van Buren St.
1135 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Morton Taylor Rd./Van Born Rd.
1226 – assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.
1332 – malicious destruction of property, E. Huron River Dr.
1400 – assist other dept., E. Main St.
1403 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1403 – assist other dept., E. I-94/Belleville Rd.
1454 – weapons violation, Alden Ave.
1453 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1527 – welfare check, Tyler Rd./Belleville Rd.
1551 – private property/property damage accident, Basswood Cir.
1628 – civil matter, Colony Ln.
1747 – domestic, Riggs Rd.
1813 – intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1813 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1822 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
1836 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.

1954 – animal complaint, Coolidge St.
2046 – suicidal person, Parkwood Dr.
2126 – intrusion alarm, Republic Dr.
2205 – parking complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2328 – personal injury accident, Hannan/Wabash
Also on this week’s log are 100 traffic stops, with 19 being on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, June 25:

0436 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
0717 – intrusion alarm, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1245 – parking complaint, Main St.
1320 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Main St.
1327 – mental subject, Menlo Park Dr.
1333 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Spencer St.
1358 – motorist assist, South St./E. Columbia
1606 – mental subject, E. Huron River Dr.
1702 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./tracks
1723 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./tracks
1939 – welfare check, Main St.
2011 – road hazard, W. Columbia Ave.
2140 – welfare check, Main St.

Monday, June 26:

1039 – misc. complaint, Main St.
1335 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Main
1336 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Main
1506 – civil matter, Main St.
1704 – assist citizen, N. Liberty St.
1643 – harassment call, Main St.
1755 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
2137 – family trouble, Wexford Ave.

Tuesday, June 27:

1525 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./Madelon
1740 – assist other dept., Michigan/Denton
2010 – traffic stop, Main St./Second St.
2313 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.

Wednesday, June 28:

0111 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Harbour Pointe Dr./Light Tower Dr.
0753 – assist fire dept., San Carlos St.
2047 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
2153 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
2227 – noise complaint, Menlo Park Dr.

Thursday, June 29:

0111 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
0926 – private property impound, Sumpter Rd.
1100 – juvenile complaint, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1102 – found property/child, Owen St.
1158 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, South St./E. Wabash Ave.
1432 – parking complaint, Victorian Ct./Victorian Ln.

1410 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
1806 – civil matter, Loza Ln.
2032 – traffic stop, Third St./N. Liberty St.
2041 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
2106 – mental subject, Bedell St.

Friday, June 30:

0553 – intrusion alarm, S. Edgemont Ave.
0635 – intrusion alarm, W. Davis St.
1351 – disorderly, Main St.
1350 – juvenile complaint, Main St.
1441 – intrusion alarm, W. Davis St.
1836 – welfare check, Carmell St.
1829 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
2034 – civil matter, Sumpter Rd.
2049 – parking complaint, High St.
2112 – parking complaint, Carmell St.

Saturday, July 1:

0935 – intrusion alarm, Henry St.
1217 – harassment call, Sumpter Rd.
1357 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St.
1414 – traffic offense, W. Columbia/Church St.
1600 – assist fire dept., San Carlos St.
1935 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
1937 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
1946 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Sunrise Ln.
2001 – domestic, Carmel St.
2034 – private property/property damage accident, Main St.
2117 – trespassing, E. Columbia Ave.
2245 – assault & battery, Mr. Muffler
There were 13 traffic stops on this week’s log.

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Sunday, June 25:

0002 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Traskos Ave.
0005 – 911 hang up, 28000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0056 – suspicious circumstance, Birch Dr.
0134 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.
0821 – follow-up investigation, Texas St.
1054 – 911 hang up, Timberlane Dr.
1342 – civil matter, Greenmeadow Dr.
1349 – suspicious circumstance, 22000 bl. Clark
1431 – animal complaint, Sumpter Rd./Judd Rd.
1525 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
1829 – traffic complaint/hazard, Willow/Sherwood
1841 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
1847 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1907 – citizen assist, Utah Ct.
2001 – fire dept. assist, California St.

Monday, June 26:

0521 – suspicious person, California St./Willis Rd.
0918 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
0951 – follow-up investigation, 18000 bl. Elwell
1044 – 911 hang up, Mulberry
1239 – wires down, Judd Rd./Elwell Rd.
1423 – civil matter, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1545 – welfare check, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1910 – citizen assist, Utah Ct.
2009 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
2031 – suspicious person, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
2042 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
2045 – 911 hangup, 27000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
2109 – family trouble, Iowa St.
2155 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
2239 – death investigation, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
2316 – suspicious person, Pecan St.

Tuesday, June 27:

0512 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Clark Rd.
0623 – suspicious person, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
0659 – traffic complaint/hazard, Rawsonville/Judd
1225 – citizen assist, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1242 – harassment complaint, 45000 bl. Clay Rd.
1249 – suspicious circumstance, Rawsonville Rd. /
Bemis Rd.
1312 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1543 – reckless driver, 22000 bl. Sherwood rd.
1625 – suspicious circumstance, Martinsville Rd. /
Willis Ct.

1641 – assist other agency, Magnolia
1657 – suspicious circumstance, 48000 bl. Wear
1745 – assist other agency, Oregon St.
1803 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1805 – motorist assist, Sumpter/Oakville Waltz
1846 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
2025 – 911 hang up, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
2110 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
2131 – fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2357 – noise complaint, Delaware

Wednesday, June 28:

0321 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.
0413 – family trouble, Greenmeadow Dr.
0802 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0802 – traffic complaint/hazard, Karr Rd./Willow
0836 – property damage accident, 18000 bl. Sumpter
Rd.
0907 – misdemeanor warrant arrest, Rawsonville Rd.
/ Judd Rd.
0953 – warrant arrest, Sumpter Rd./Arkona Rd.
1020 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.

1105 – suspicious vehicle, Iowa St.
1118 – property damage accident, Birch Dr.
1258 – assist other agency, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1407 – animal complaint, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
1808 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
1926 – 911 hang up, Brookview Dr.
1928 – welfare check, Birch Dr.
2050 – welfare check, Edgewood Dr.
2106 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
2155 – follow-up investigation, Edgewood Dr.
2337 – welfare check, Brookview Dr.
2339 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.

Thursday, June 29:

0333 – noise complaint, Utah Ct.
0621 – welfare check, 9400 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0748 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0950 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1058 – civil matter, 27000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1101 – civil matter, Delaware St.
1208 – trespassing complaint, 8100 bl. Rawsonville
Rd.

1719 – noise complaint, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1800 – prisoner check, Huron Twp. PD
2048 – follow-up investigation, 48000 bl. Wear
2238 – civil matter, Brookview Dr.

Friday, June 30:

0048 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 42000 bl.
Willis Rd.

0134 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0250 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0335 – suspicious circumstance, Martinsville Rd. /
Willow Rd.

0513 – fire dept. assist, Hampshire Dr.
0541 – suspicious person, 8200 bl. Rawsonville\
0748 – property damage accident, 17000 bl. Lohr
0827 – suspicious circumstance, Sumpter/Judd
0841 – follow-up investigation, 42000 bl. Willis
1021 – animal complaint, 46000 bl. Executive Dr.
1132 – follow-up investigation, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1231 – fraud complaint, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1253 – 911 hang up, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1254 – traffic complaint/hazard, Sumpter/Harris
1611 – 911 hang up, Martinsville/Willis
1629 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
1757 – suspicious vehicle, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
1937 – suspicious circumstance, Willis/Sumpter
2106 – welfare check, Texas St.
2312 – suspicious person, Birch Dr.
2315 – suspicious circumstance, Delaware

Saturday, July 1:

0022 – family trouble, 5600 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.
0104 – USAA, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
0229 – noise complaint, Rustic Ln.
0654 – traffic complaint/hazard, Sumpter/Harris
0940 – fire dept. assist, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1212 – suspicious person, Willis/Rawsonville
1236 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
1330 – suspicious circumstance, Timberland Dr.
1407 – welfare check, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1436 – suspicious vehicle, Elwell Rd./Bemis Rd.
1631 – mental health call, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1740 – suspicious circumstance, 17000 bl. Sumpter
Rd.

2052 – follow-up investigation, 5600 bl. Oakville
Waltz Rd.

2149 – suspicious circumstance, Oregon St.
2212 – death investigation, 43000 bl. Wear Rd.
2220 – suspicious circumstance, Delaware
2313 – suspicious person, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
2318 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
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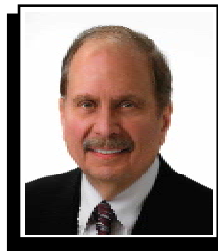
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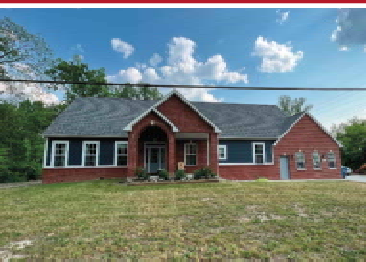
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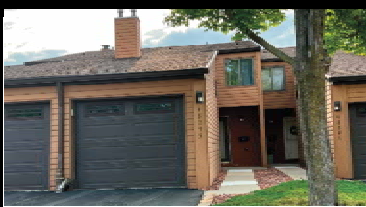
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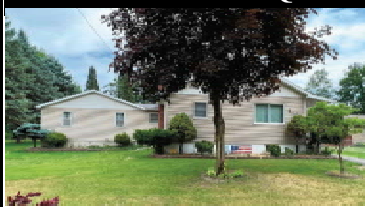


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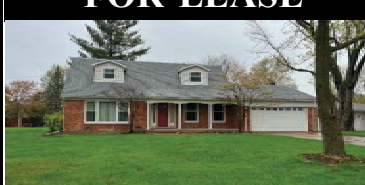
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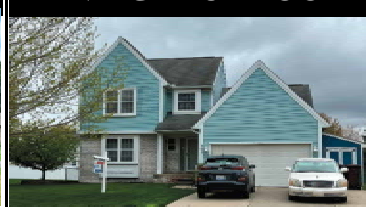
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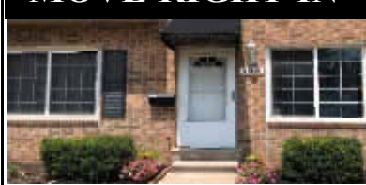
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