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Court Watching

Palacios-Sanchez bound over in deaths of 2 women in Sumpter

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

David Armando Palacios-Sanchez, 44, of Detroit waived his preliminary exam in 34th District Court on Aug. 9 so Chief Judge Brian A. Oakley bound him over for trial in Wayne County Circuit Court. His arraignment on the information was set for Aug. 16 at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit. A calendar conference was set for Aug. 23.

Palacios-Sanchez has been held in the Wayne County Jail on \$500,000 cash bond since he was captured and arraigned shortly after the incident.

He was charged with five counts concerning the death of one woman and serious injury of another in a hit and run on May 28 in Sumpter Township. On May 31 two more charges were added: a second count of failure to stop at a personal injury accident and possession of narcotic.

The preliminary exam scheduled for Aug. 9 was changed to a probable cause conference. Two of the charges were amended from “operating while intoxicated causing serious harm” and reckless driving causing serious injuries” to “causing

death” on those two charges after the second woman died of her injuries.

At a June 14 hearing, at which a Spanish interpreter was required, defense attorney Raed Walid Mourad said the defendant has lived in Michigan for 15 years, been married to his wife for 23 years and has four children: a set of 3-year-old twins, a 14-year-old and one who is 19. He has worked in the construction business for the last 23 years, 20 years in one place and for the last three years for Brinker Construction in downtown Detroit. He sought reduction of bond.

The Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor on the case, Sara Bonomo, objected to any reduction in bond, since there were multiple eye witnesses to him revving his engine right before pulling out and hitting the victims and both have died. He admitted to drinking and using cocaine on the day of the incident and fled from the area, she said. Multiple police departments worked to find him, including a K-9 unit and a drone. She said he was a danger to the community and flight risk is high. Bond was not changed.

Belleville City Council approves Fleet Management proposal

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Acting City Manager Steve Jones proposed Fleet Management units for five Department of Public Works vehicles at Monday’s city council meeting, and DPW Director Rick Rutherford said this was the first he had heard of it.

City Manager Jones said cost is \$50 for installation of each tracking device, for a

total of \$250, plus \$19.95 monitoring the tracking per vehicle, per month. This is from Safety Track.

He said they could put it on the DPW’s new pickup and dump trucks and it keeps track of maintenance and tracks the location of each vehicle. He said there’s a dashboard to keep track of it all.

When asked if the city shouldn’t do the
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Photo courtesy of Van Buren Township

The Van Buren Public Safety Search & Recovery Team Dive Team recovered one canopy and a seat from the bottom of Belleville Lake the day after the crash. They continued to search for the other canopy and seat that splashed into the water on Aug. 13 when the MiG aircraft crashed during the Thunder Over Michigan Air Show.



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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Belleville DDA considers paid parking for city's N. Liberty lot

By Rosemary K. Oztman
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At its regular meeting on Aug. 15, the Belleville Downtown Development Authority discussed putting arms on the North Liberty Street public parking lot to change it into paid parking during festivals and other big events.

DDA chairwoman Alicia McGovern said the idea was discussed at the Economic Development subcommittee meeting recently.

Acting city manager Steve Jones said other communities who have big events use their parking lots to make money. He said the city lot could be turned into a pay-to-park lot during events and it could raise general revenue for the city or the DDA.

McGovern asked how much it would cost to install two arms, one for the entrance and one for the exit. Jones said he would look into it.

Others pointed out there is an alley with access to the parking lot and that would have to be blocked off from the lot.

Being able to scan cards or pay for an app was discussed and whether they can run the paid parking or contract it out.

McGovern said they could do this for Winter Fest, Lake Fest, and Booville events in October.

"Perhaps we could start with the larger festival events on certain days," Jones said.

DDA member Denise Baker asked about enforcement.

DDA member Valerie Kelley-Bonner said at Chene Park in Detroit, you can put your information on a card and swipe it and it takes your money right off your card. She said it seems to be an honor system, since she's never seen a tow truck.

Jones said he will look at options and report back to the DDA.

DDA member Jennifer Winter said if they put an arm at the exit it would cut the view for pulling out onto North Liberty Street. She said a tree already blocks off the parking area drive.

Jones said the money the parking lot raises could be put towards building a parking structure since more parking is needed downtown.

Vice-chairperson Kelly McWilliams, a member of the subcommittee that suggested the paid parking, said the city parking lot next to Johnny's on the Lake needs maintenance. She asked if the empty lot on the corner of Third and Main, next to Milton's Pharmacy, could be turned into another parking lot.

There was a comment that the empty lot on the east side of Third Street is believed to have a pollution problem, so a parking

lot would be a good decision there.

In other business at the 55-minute meeting, the DDA:

- Voted to approve an updated Event Sponsorship form and an updated Façade Grant Application form, with an addition stating that the new maximum amount of \$20,000 of grant/loan would be for eligible expenses only;

- Heard an update on the grant funding request for \$110,000 for park improvements that is still pending. Jones said there was one more step for official approval. Improvements are proposed for Victory and Village parks and include a Pickleball Court;

- Heard Jones say the city is almost ready to go out for bids for the grant-funded upgrading of Victory Station and Victory Park and he is working with the engineers;

- Heard there has still not been a written resignation from DDA member Ivan Ankwatsa, who verbally informed the chairperson in July that he would no longer be coming to meetings because his business was expanding;

- Approved accounts payable expenditures of \$34,984.94, including a check to the Central Business Community to make it whole. The CBC had received just a portion of the money it was promised by the DDA for this year of activities;

- Discussed Jones' statement that the almost \$6,000 paid for light pole repairs reflects the third of fourth time this year that someone has hit the light pole in front of Hayward's. He said they have a plastic globe on that pole now, so it just bounces when it hits the cement. Mayor Kerreen Conley asked Jones to look into moving the pole so it wouldn't be hit so often. Jones said he would look into the cost of moving the pole;

- Learned a dead tree in Victory Park has been removed and the city is working on getting another tree removed in Village Park;

- Heard Mayor Pro-Tem Ken Voigt announce from the audience that on Saturday, Sept. 16, an artwork tour will take place in the city and Van Buren Township. There will be a docent from the Detroit Institute of Arts to discuss the Inside/Out paintings that have been erected around town. He said there will be a cartoon map of the sculptures, fish, and paintings for a self-guided tour. Voigt said it was a project of the Belleville Area Council for the Arts and Van Buren Township.

The next regular meeting of the DDA will be at 6 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 20.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman

Michele Mueller of the Michigan Department of Transportation was among those taking part in a public open house at the Belleville High School cafeteria on Aug. 15 to discuss the ongoing environmental study on a proposed connected and automotive vehicle (CAV) corridor project in Wayne and Washtenaw counties. At the forefront of the open house was information on the left (fast) westbound lane of I-94 between Belleville and Rawsonville roads that is being set up as a pilot. Mueller said the lane is marked off with a plastic divider that will push over and pop back up if a driver hits it. Cameras are to be installed soon. That lane can be used by regular traffic when it is not blocked off by barrels and testing is taking place. It was announced later that two lanes westbound will be closed from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. this week to install a safety barrier wall for the shoulder. The goal is to have an express lane in both directions of I-94 between M-10 in downtown Detroit and Ann Arbor/Saline Road in Ann Arbor. The proposal to accommodate driverless vehicles and create the world's most sophisticated roadway is a joint project between Cavue and MDOT. MDOT hopes to have it in full operation both ways in 2024 or 2025. For more information see michigan.gov/mdot and click on "Initiatives."

Sumpter Township celebrates Rob Young's 35 years as twp. attorney

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

The Sumpter Township Board of Trustees celebrated Rob Young's 35 years of sitting at the township board table as its township attorney.

This was at the regular meeting on Aug. 8 when board members surprised him with a plaque, a crystal award, a cake with his likeness from 1988 on it, and many accolades. The first 25 minutes of the one-hour-18-minute combined workshop and regular meeting was spent praising Young.

Speakers were township manager Anthony Burdick, Treasurer Bart Patterson, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Eric Luke, Trustees Matthew Oddy and Tim Rush, Supervisor Tim Bowman, and Deputy Clerk Karen Armatis who said he exemplified a long list of positive character traits, which she listed.

Attorney Young said his wife Audrey was present in the front row with their daughter Hillary, who lives in California and was visiting for two weeks. He said they have encouraged him it's time to move on, but he stopped short of saying he would retire.

"I understand why Peggy's not here tonight," he said, referring to Trustee Peggy Morgan who has had differences with Young. Trustee Morgan was absent and excused from that night's meeting.

The workshop stopped long enough for everyone to get a piece of cake to eat and then moved on.

In other business at the meeting the board:

- Heard Burdick report the plan for mowing and grading in the township by Wayne County, that the AFSCME union employee issue was moving into arbitration, a water main emergency at Rawsonville Road having to do with the Rawsonville Road project now under way where 600 to 700 feet is now covered only by 12 inches, that policy manual updates have been given to the Human Resource Committee for review, a proposal to select a company to handle utility billing for the township at a cost of \$8,000 (3,200 bills each quarter), and a proposal to select another real estate firm to list 18 parcels of property owned by the township. Several of these issues are proposed for the Aug. 22 meeting agenda.

O P I N I O N S

Editorial

Bob Mytych was our special person

He was here at the *Independent* for more than 20 years – and then last weekend we got word he was suddenly gone. We are truly going to miss this special person.

It all started when we saw him at a Sumpter Township meeting where he was being awarded top place in Sumpter's contest to design a special T-shirt for the Country Fest. We asked him if he could draw editorial cartoons for us and he's been doing so for decades.

Bob Mytych also was the *Independent's* advertising manager. He wrote a business column. He took our newspapers to the post office each Thursday for mail delivery and he delivered newspapers throughout our north coverage area.

He also loved to take pictures and voiced disappointment that the Belleville Bridgewalk was cancelled by a rainstorm for the second year in a row last week. He especially liked to take pictures of those who walked the bridge each year.

He did much more as a kind, honest, decent, giving human being. Bob was there to help whoever needed help. He reached out and offered and carried through with a smile.

He shoveled the walk in front of the office building we share with others although it's not our building. He made sure the coffee maker in the office was full of water and the coffee pods were in their holder. He cleaned the editor's coffee mug each morning. He helped the office manager with lifting and computer woes. He was our friend and we miss him greatly.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

We've had more eye-witness accounts of who pulled the pilot and RSO (range safety officer) from Belleville Lake after the MiG-23 crash on Aug. 13. It turns out it wasn't the Van Buren Township lake officer after all because that boat wasn't on the lake at the time. The sheriff's boat was on the lake, but that deputy saw others were pulling the two from the lake after they ejected and so he went to shore to help other first responders.

We've seen interviews with two private citizens who were on the lake watching the Thunder Over Michigan Air Show. Apparently, they were the ones who rescued the two. Although the pilot, who is the owner of the plane, was injured by the ejection, he was back at the scene the next day, wearing a brace, to help those picking up the pieces by identifying the parts they were handling. The parts were taken to Willow Run Airport where the National Transportation Safety Board investigators will comb through everything to find out what caused the crash, so other crashes can be prevented.

According to John Brannen, NTSB senior air safety investigator, the pilot told the FAA that his plane lost power and that's why they ejected. He said it was circling for the second time of three over the air show (with landing after the third time) and then went down and slid 500 feet on the ground. We saw an aerial shot of the path it took on the ground.

The NTSB will comb through everything and issue a preliminary report on its findings within ten days, Brannen said. The full investigation will take about two years. We certainly hope their investigation is recorded and shown in a future television report. It is fascinating to hear what investigators find

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



after crashes. The whole point is they want to prevent other like crashes in the future.

Daniel and Michael Newkirk of Split Second Tactical custom leather shop at 436 Main St. in Belleville spent many hours hand-crafting four leather collars for four K-9 officers in Arkansas. They said they really enjoyed crafting the collars and inserting the small badges with the dogs' names on them into the collars.

Daniel said the K-9 handlers across the country must talk to each other at meetings and training sessions because their Belleville shop has had orders for special K-9 collars from about a dozen departments across the country. A police department in New York state is in a hilly area and its collars included trackers, the first they've put on collars, he said.

In Michigan, they've done K-9 collars for the Canton Township PD and Clinton Township PD, among others. Every dog's badge is different in design and size, which makes it interesting, they say. Daniel took the latest batch to the post office to mail to Arkansas on Aug. 10.

For the second year in a row the Belleville Bridgewalk was cancelled due to the heavy rain that blew in and out on Aug. 17. The Taste of Belleville was cancelled this year, as well. Last year, the Taste got to start up again when the rain went away. The Bridgewalk, however, was completely

washed out last year.

Some wanted to try the whole thing again the following Thursday (today), but they decided to just focus on the next community event instead, Harvest Fest.

Leonard and Doreitha Armstrong announce that Labor Day is the last day that Armstrong Funland will be open this season. The miniature golf course is just north of the Belleville Road/Tyler Road intersection. They hope to open again next year. Doreitha is recovering from several mini-strokes.

A story in the *Wall Street Journal* on Aug. 17 was: "It's Trumpers vs. Traditionalists in Michigan's GOP." It started off with the story of last month's fight between Jimmy Chapman (who grew up in Belleville and is a precinct delegate in Wayne County) and Mark DeYoung (chairman of the Clare County Republican Party), to illustrate how bad the infighting is for Republicans in Michigan and other states.

At the end of the story, it said that the Clare County Prosecutor's office has filed misdemeanor assault and battery charges against Chapman. DeYoung told police he suffered stress fractures in his spine and broken dentures during the fight.



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Letters



From left are Dan Wright, Craig and Medina Atchinson, and School Supt. Pete Kudlak.

WOW – Thank you, Craig and Medina

To the editor:

This is an open letter to Craig and Medina Atchinson:

Good morning. I am writing to express my sincere gratitude to you. Your interest and support in our school community is inspirational.

As Director of School Safety, an initiative significant to me is having a stronger presence outside of BHS during the school day. I want to monitor the campus throughout the day and ensure our students and staff are safe. A constant presence outside of the building is proactive and identifies potential conflicts before they arise. It will also deter students from making bad choices and leaving the building during the day.

I have spoken with Mrs. Atchinson on numerous occasions and it is clear that she zealously supports education in our community. Therefore, I reached out to her, hoping she had a connection with someone that would be selling an ATV to help me accomplish the goal. She immediately went into action and began brainstorming potential solutions. Knowing that this would enhance our ability to keep students and staff safe, she was “all in” and assured me that she would support this plan. She was adamant that VBPS will have what they need to enhance safety measures.

My expectations were exceeded! Bryan Robson reached out to me and he was able to find the perfect ATV to fit the needs of this initiative. After he found our ATV, he worked with Pete Brama at The Accessory Shop to install appropriate lights and details that really enhance this machine. Both Bryan and Pete volunteered numerous hours planning and working on this ATV, and it turned out perfect. The Atchinsons selflessly paid for this personally because of their commitment to our community; they want a safe place for the community to send their students.

We received this ATV on June 14 and I was

blown away with how this turned out. The Atchinsons said that they value our school community and want to support VBPS. Well, they came through in a big way and for that I am very grateful.

On behalf of VBPS, thank you for your support and investment into our community.

Dan Wright
Director of School Safety
Van Buren Public Schools

We canceled Taste, but planning other events

To the editor:

It was a difficult decision for us to cancel the Taste of Belleville but the delay in setting up and the threat of a second wave coming through, forced the decision. Unfortunately, not enough of the participants are available to reschedule the Taste for this year.

We do expect City Council to approve our requests for street closures so we can continue the planning of events during Booville. We are looking forward to October with Harvest Festival, the Costumed Monster Mutt Walk and Halloween. Council will also be asked to approve Photos with Santa the second two Saturdays in December that will return to the Belleville Area Museum with the Festival of Holiday Trees. We are pleased to have the tractor parade become a permanent part of Harvest Fest and look forward to all the church and organization festivals when Booville returns in October.

We hope you are enjoying the Farmers Market and weekly car show on Mondays and look forward to all the opportunities we will have to enjoy the many events throughout the year.

Again, we are extremely sad to not be able to reschedule “Taste” but look forward to 2024 when we hope the weather will be more kind to us.

William “Bill” Wolters, president
Belleville Central Business Community

Obituaries



Kathleen Ann Wutka

KATHLEEN ANN WUTKA

(April 20, 1952 – August 18, 2023)

Kathleen Ann Wutka, age 71, resident of Belleville and formerly of Florida, passed away on August 18, 2023, at home. She was born on April 20, 1952, in Garden City, MI, to Stanley Wutka and Helen Louise (McGardle) Wutka. She graduated from high school and attended some college courses. Kathleen went on to become an accountant for Trinity Services. She came back to Michigan to be near family and to enjoy her retirement. Kathleen was crafty and very artistic and loved to sew and draw. She was silly and fun and could be heard singing out loud and enjoying herself on many occasions. She loved children and caregiving and took courses in this passion as well. But most of all, she loved her family.

Kathleen is survived by her children, Richard Platt of Euless, TX, Christine (Andrew) Donaubauer of Belleville, MI, David (Angie) Platt of Cadillac, MI, Frank Platt of New Hudson, MI, and Katrina Rose of Euless, TX; her siblings, Stanley (Barb) Wutka of Ann Arbor, MI, Nancy (Tom) Kuehnle of Belleville, MI, Mary (Bill) Scott of Grand Rapids, MI, and Susan Merritt of Warren, MI; her grandchildren, Tommy, Joey, Sam, Dave, Anastasia, Isabelle, Kayla, Emmalie, Rachel, Gabrielle, Gideon, and Grace; and her great-grandchildren, Xavier and Kayden, as well as many nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends and neighbors. She was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Christina Vincent, and her brother Jimmy Wutka.

According to her wishes dignified cremation rites have been accorded. A memorial is being planned and will be held at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111, and will be announced at a later date.

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Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Aug. 28 – Belleville City Council special meeting at 6 p.m. to make final selection of city manager. Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building.
- Tuesday, Sept. 5 – Van Buren Township work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons



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Obituaries



Alvin Wayne Cogdill



ALVIN WAYNE COGDILL

(February 26, 1945 – August 21, 2023)

Alvin Wayne Cogdill, who preferred and was known as "Wayne," age, 78, resident of Willis and formerly from the Upper Peninsula passed away on August 21, 2023, at home surrounded by family. He was born on February 26, 1945, in Waynesville, NC, to Joseph Alvin Cogdill and Mary (Hembree) Cogdill.

After completing high school, he eagerly entered the United States Marine Corps to defend his country. He served two tours in Vietnam as a Crew Serve Weapons Operator Frontline Gunner. After serving our country Wayne worked at McLouth Steel Company as a Crane Operator. Wayne enjoyed serving people but most of all serving the Lord. His wife, Caroline, and Wayne spent many years singing and playing the guitar in church, and in recent years they had been going to Southland Mall where they would pass out tracts and tell people about Jesus Christ. He also enjoyed traveling with his wife and his beloved daughters. Wayne and his wife took many trips on his motorcycle all around the U.S.A. He was adventurous, kind, patriotic, and giving. Wayne was a member of the Gospel Baptist Church in New Boston, MI. Most of all he loved his family dearly.

Wayne is survived by his loving wife of 47 years, Caroline Cogdill of Willis, MI; his daughters, Cynthia Edmonds of Normal, IL, and Sandra (Jeff Towry) Hightower of New Boston, MI; his grandchildren, Jason (Tiffany) Kern, Nick (Krystal) Edmonds, Emily (Justin) Russell, Mickey (Arica) Edmonds, and Michael Hightower; his great-grandchildren, Jacob, Caroline, Jay, Zoe, Trey, Nicholas, Ashlynn, Mason, and Deckard. As well as many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother, Donald Cogdill, and his sons-in-law, Ted Hightower and Todd Edmonds.

A visitation will take place on Thursday, August 24, 2023, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m., and a funeral service will take place on Friday, August 25, 2023, with an hour visitation prior to a 12-noon service, with Pastor Keith Schuster officiating at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111. Burial will follow at Huron Valley Cemetery in Flat Rock, MI.

Correction:

Mark Duff, Charlie Rowell rescued two from the water after crash

Mark Duff, a lifelong lakeside resident of Van Buren Township, said he rescued the co-pilot from Belleville Lake after his ejection from the MiG that crashed on Aug. 13. He said Charlie Rowell of Highland Township rescued the MiG pilot.

The information we quoted and printed is wrong and we apologize for the incorrect information.

-- Rosemary K. Oztzman, editor



Robert Allan Mytych

ROBERT ALLAN MYTYCH

(June 19, 1959– August 19, 2023)

Robert Allan Mytych, age 64, resident of Belleville, MI, for many years passed away on August 19, 2023. He was born on June 19, 1959, in Dearborn, MI, to Joseph Mytych and Genevieve (Kukla) Mytych.

He graduated from high school and became very involved in the Belleville community. He taught tennis at Belleville High School as an assistant coach for men and the coach for the women's team for many years. He was involved in many art projects in the Belleville area, including the design for the alligator in town at the Bayou Grill. He was employed at the local Independent newspaper where he was the advertising manager and an excellent cartoonist for the paper. He designed many other logos and murals in the area also. Robert attended St. Stephen's Catholic Church in New Boston. Bob was repeatedly referred to as a "Good guy." He truly enjoyed drawing and painting nature as well as murals. You could also find him feeding the feral cats by the house as well as one of his favorites, hummingbirds. He loved his family and the Belleville community.

Robert is survived by his special friend, Tess Francis and her son Aden Francis of Romulus, MI; his siblings, Edward (Mary Beth) Mytych of Cochran, PA, Thomas (Sue) Mytych of Belleville, MI, Debra (Maurice Morris) Mytych of Chicago and Paul Mytych of Garden City, MI; his nephews, John Mytych of Garden City, MI, Brent Mytych of Monroe, MI, Andrew (Nicole) Mytych of Midland, MI, David (Mandy) Mytych of Philadelphia, PA, and Peter Mytych of Philadelphia, PA, as well as many close friends and co-workers.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A visitation will take place on Friday, August 25, 2023, from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m., at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111. A funeral Mass will take place on Saturday, August 26, 2023, with Father John Hedges as celebrant with viewing from 9:30-10 a.m. and Mass will follow. Burial will take place on Monday, August 28, 2023, at St. Stephens Cemetery at 11:00 a.m.

BHS at-home games

• **Thursday, Aug. 24** – Boys JV Soccer vs. Fordson, 4 p.m.; Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Fordson, 5:30 p.m.

• **Saturday, Aug. 26** – Girls JV Volleyball vs. Tiger Invitational, 8 a.m.

• **Monday, Aug. 28** – Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Franklin HS, 5:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Aug. 29** – Boys Varsity Tennis vs. Garden City, 4 p.m.; Girls Freshman Volleyball vs. Stevenson, 5 p.m.; Girls JV Volleyball vs. Stevenson, 5 p.m.; Girls Varsity Volleyball vs. Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 30** – Girls Varsity Golf vs. Franklin HS at Willow Metropark GC, 3 p.m.; Boys JV Soccer vs. Lincoln, 4 p.m.; Boys Varsity Soccer vs. Stevenson, 5:30 p.m.

Go, Tigers!

Diane Kiessel

Belleville High School Athletic Secretary

More Letters

Comment leads to more community divide

To the editor:

I am writing about information in the Extra Things I Know column in the August 10, 2023 *Independent*.

I was surprised at the question following the information from the reader who related her information about auditing from the IRS.

I wondered if the question at the end was posed by the reader or if that was a question provided by the editor. If, by the editor, I would be interested to know the intention behind that question appearing in the paper. I certainly hope that it was not intended to further divide a community and country that are already having such difficulty coming together on some of the most crucial concerns of our time.

I have been informed that the donation to any political party is not tax deductible. My tax preparer understands that. Every donation that I have sent to Democratic candidates and request forms that I receive from Republicans state clearly "this donation is not tax deductible".

Please inform me if I am incorrect about this. Thank You

Mary Hoff
Van Buren Township

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To the editor:

I value the *Independent* enough that I am a paying customer. However, a recent paragraph in your personal column "Extra Things I Know" has disturbed me.

A VBT reader reported being upset by being

audited by the IRS and both she and you assumed it was because she was a Republican. You could have checked with the tax people in your building before letting such an erroneous and divisive assumption spread. Political contributions are NOT tax deductible, Republicans, Democrats, Independents, NAACP, League of Women Voters, etc. This is usually stated in fine print on letters asking for donations.

While misinformation and conspiracy theories are to be expected in the Letters column, I would hope that that would NOT be the case from the Editor.

Marjorie Lynn
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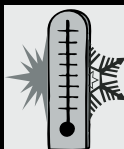
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Community Chorus names Genevieve Welch as new director

The Belleville Community Chorus has selected Genevieve Welch as its new director for the upcoming fall and spring season.

Welch is a graduate student at the University of Michigan School of Music Theater and Dance working towards her master's in choral conducting. She recently graduated summa cum laude from Wellesley College with a bachelor's in music. Upon completing the music degree program, she was awarded the Billing's Prize in Classical Music Performance. At Wellesley, she served as assistant conductor of the choral ensembles.

While in the Boston area, she worked for the Handel and Haydn Society Youth Choruses in various roles and for the Metropolitan Chorale as an Artist in



Genevieve Welch

Residence. She also has served as a student representative on the board of the Massachusetts branch of the American Choral Directors Association.

In 2020, she was awarded the Gen Branscombe Project's Emerging Conductor Award and the American Choral Directors Association Eastern Region Keggereis Scholarship.

Originally from Portland, Maine, she said she is loving getting to know the mitten state and is thrilled to be working the Belleville Community Chorus.

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Five members of the Foulkes family of the city of Belleville on Monday showed the city council the gold medals they all won in national competition. They all are black belts in taekwondo and qualified for the Amateur Athletic Union's national championships in Fort Lauderdale, FL in July. From left are Alicia, Anthony, Allen, Jr., Allen, Sr. and Alex Foulkes. In back is Derek Knight, their cousin who went to Florida with them to support them and recently moved to Belleville. Allen, Sr., said he and Alex were named grand champions and so are 2024 Point Sparring Team Members. He said they will be competing out of the country representing the U.S. and it should be a lot of fun.

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More Letters

Help the needy children, adults in West Virginia

To the editor:

I'm so very grateful to the *Independent* and the people of Belleville, MI, for helping me for over 20 years. I am truly blessed for all the love and kindness that you have shown the homeless in Detroit.

I grew up in the City of Detroit, so I do know how hard it is when you're poor. But, I was born in the mountains of West Virginia and stayed every summer with Grandma while my mother worked in Detroit to feed and clothes us.

And, I also know how poor they are in West Virginia when they get flooded and have nothing.

So, I'm going to West Virginia every year now to give out clothing, shoes, coats, and whatever I can. I give to two churches and to other people that give out and can help the needy.

I'm going to West Virginia on Sept. 22 and they said they could use children's backpacks, coats, gloves, school supplies and I'm still giving out adult clothes, too. So, if you want to help, bring your donation to Bladez Hair Studio, 601 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, 697-5600. Thank you.

Louise Fincher

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Rotary Rubber Duck race turns into drawing due to the weather

The Belleville Rotary Club held a Rubber Duck raffle instead of a race in Belleville Lake on the evening of Aug. 17, due to the inclement weather and cancellation of the Taste of Belleville.

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More Letters

Will show '2000 Mules' again on Aug. 28

To the editor:

The initial meeting of Monday, Aug. 14, was attended by a small audience for the viewing of the documentary "2000 Mules." I've made the decision to keep making presentations of the documentary movie at every meeting.

What is "2000 Mules" about? It is about the stuffing of the drop boxes in the 2020 general election in several states, using geospatial data in the tracking of cellphones.

Produced by Dinesh D'Souza, with Greg Phillips and Katherine Englebrecht, the conclusions are inescapable and they have proved their case.

These showings are free. If you have been suspicious of the elections, this is your payday. I believe an informed electorate is the best in these troubled times. You will not find this on any mainstream media. The next meeting will be at 4 p.m. Aug. 28, at the Belleville Library on Fourth Street. Again, this is a free showing.

We are working on getting other DVDs, especially "Sound of Freedom." The second portion of the meeting will be discussion on community issues. Please join us in our effort to educate ourselves and each other!

James Chapman
Willow Run Patriots

Court Watching

Terry Demone Brown, 22, of Ypsilanti was present by zoom before 34th District Court Judge Brian Oakley on Aug. 17 from the Wayne County Jail. He had been in jail since Aug. 9 and is to be in custody until Oct. 10. He entered a plea of guilty to two reduced charges of no valid operator's license on person on Jan. 16 and Jan. 30, 2022 in Van Buren Township. The original charges were driving while license suspended. Judge Oakley sentenced him to 14 days in jail and gave him credit for time served. He reminded Brown that he has a pretrial on Sept. 14 on a DWLS charge out of Sumpter Township. He also told him there are three civil infractions he owes money on.

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Charter Township of Van Buren

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Qualification Based Selection

Belleville Road Corridor Safety & Complete Streets

Proposal Due Date: Time 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 6, 2023

Project: The Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is soliciting proposals from interested and qualified planning and consulting engineering firms to conduct the Belleville Road Corridor Safety and Complete Streets Plan.

Specifications may be downloaded from the Van Buren Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org or a proposal may be obtained at the Downtown Development Authority Offices, 10151 Belleville Road, Van Buren Charter Township, Michigan 48111 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

For additional information contact: Merrie Coburn, Van Buren Township DDA at 734-699-8941 or by e-mail at mcoburn-dda@vanburen-mi.org

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Yard Sales. No permit is required for this weekend only.

• **Friday, Aug. 25** – Taco Margarita Night at the James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus. 5-7 p.m. or until they run out. (734) 941-3030

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• **Saturday, Aug. 26** – "Super Mario Bros." movie will be shown at 7:30 p.m. at Lower Huron Metropark Woods Creek. Parking and kids crafts open at 6 p.m. Arrive early to pick your viewing spot. Bring your blankets or lawn chairs. The movie will be shown on an LED screen and start before dark. The movie is free, but a daily or annual Metropark pass is required to enter the park.

• **Monday, Aug. 28** – 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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police and fire vehicles as well, Acting Police Chief Kris Faull said their cars have GPS. Fire Chief 2 Chris Zweng said their vehicles have reporting software for maintenance, but it's still being made.

Councilman Jeremiah Beebe said all the city assets should be on the same portal and each piece should have someone from that piece overseeing it – a fire department piece, police department piece, and DPW piece.

He suggested starting with the DPW and roll it out from there.

Jones said this would tell them when the vehicles are due for service.

Resident Allen Foulkes, Sr., asked if oil

changes on the few vehicles are something they have to be reminded of. He suggested spending \$3,000 a year might not be something the city needs to do.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said the units also tell where the vehicles are, and Foulkes asked if that had been an issue.

Jones said you can see where the whole fleet is at once.

"A cell phone in a glove box would be cheaper," Foulkes said.

Councilman Tom Fielder made the motion, seconded by Councilwoman Kelly Bates, to authorize the units for the DPW and police fleets and possibly the fire department in the future. This was passed unanimously by those present, with Mayor Pro Tem Ken Voigt absent.

At the end of the meeting, Mayor Conley said she didn't want to hear that "this is the first I've heard of it" comment from any other department director and all proposals affecting departments should be discussed with the director before bringing it to council. There shouldn't be any surprises, she said.

In other business at Monday's 55-minute meeting, the council:

- Held a moment of silence in memory of Bob Mytych who died over the weekend;
- Approved the following special events proposed by the Central Business

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CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 8, 2023 – 6:00 pm

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

The special meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt at 6:00 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

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

Mayor Conley Absent-Excused

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A. City Manager Candidate Secondary Interview

1. James Krizan

i. City Council conducted a second interview with James Krizan, a candidate for the City Manager position.

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to adjourn at 6:32 PM.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman

City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: 8/21/23

Posted: 8/22/23

Published: 8/24/23

CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, August 7, 2023 – 7:30 pm

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

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

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

A. Presentations

- None.

B. Council Follow Up List

- No comments.

C. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- Brad Traskos stated would like to hold a tractor parade during Harvest Fest again this year.

- Mike Renaud asked about the status of the City Manager search.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of Item D: Fire Department Grant.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. July 24, 2023, Regular Meeting of the City Council

B. July 26, 2023, Special Meeting of the City Council

MOTION: Motion by Voigt, supported by Fielder approving the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting, Closed Session City Council Meeting, and the Special City Council Meeting, held on Monday, July 24, 2023 and Wednesday, July 26, 2023, respectively.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. None

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

A. None

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A. 5 Year Snapshot Crime Stats

B. July 2023 Crime Stats

• Acting Chief Faull presented crime stats from July, as well as over the last 5 years, to the City Council.

C. Proposed Lateral Pay Letter of Understanding

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to proceed with exploration of lateral pay for incoming experienced Police Officers, including a review via the City's Labor Attorney.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

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Kristin Faull
Acting Police Chief

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES BUDGET MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 14, 2023

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Board Room. Zoom Meeting ID for public participation: 894 2765 4392. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Clerk Wright, Trustee Martin, Trustee Frazier and Trustee Kelley. Late Arrivals: Trustee Boynton at 8:12 a.m. and Treasurer Budd at 9:06 a.m. Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Selman, Recording Assistant Beaudry, Director of Community Services Renaud, Deputy Director of Community Services Dohring, Director of Municipal Services Akers, Director of Public Services Luckett, Director of Planning and Economic Development Power, Director of

Human Resources Sumpter, Director of Water and Sewer Lawrence, Director of Recreation Zaenglein, Police Chief Wright, Deputy Police Chief Monte, Fire Chief McNally, Director of Information Technology Rankin, Downtown Development Authority Director Coburn and an audience one (1).

Each department director presented their upcoming budget for Fiscal Year 2024. The entire Township budget saw an increase of 5% over Fiscal Year 2023's budget. **PUBLIC COMMENT** None.

ADJOURNMENT: Boynton moved; Frazier seconded to adjourn the meeting at 1:56 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
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DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Request for Proposals

Safe Streets for All Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

Proposal Due Date: Time 2:00 p.m. on Monday, September 11, 2023

Project: The Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority (DDA) is soliciting proposals from interested and qualified planning and consulting engineering firms to conduct a SS4A (Safe Streets and Road for All) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan relating to traffic and mobility, commonly referred to as a "Vision Zero" initiative.

RFP documents will be available on Bid Net Direct (MITN) as well as specifications may be downloaded from the Van Buren Township website at www.vanburen-mi.org or a proposal may be obtained at the Downtown Development Authority Offices, 10151 Belleville Road, Van Buren Charter Township, Michigan 48111 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

The Charter Township of Van reserves the right to waive any discrepancies or irregularities in the RFP. The Township reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

For additional information contact: Merrie Coburn, Van Buren Township DDA at 734-699-8941 or by e-mail at mcoburn-dda@vanburen-mi.org

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DATE: August 30, 2023

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

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

2003	MERCURY	4D	2MEFM74W73X614537	23-8099
1999	PLYMOUTH	SW	1P4GP44G3XB815571	23-8500
2010	DODGE	4D	2B3CA3CV8AH310107	23-8515
2018	MERCEDES	SW	WDC0G4KB2JV043870	23-8508
2011	CHRYSLER	4D	1C3BC2FB9BN597289	23-8500
2010	FORD	4D	1FAHP2FW6AG149114	23-8507
2007	PONTIAC	2D	1G2ZG58N474108094	23-8509
1998	SUBARU	SW	JF1SF6359WH710533	23-9214B

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

2017	TOYOTA	4D	3MYDLBYV5HY160060	23-6174A
2008	CHEVROLET	SW	1GNNT13SX82233774	23-7668
2006	CHEVROLET	4D	1G1AK55F967745573	23-7398
2007	FORD	SW	1FMYU03107KB98763	23-8198
2005	CHEVROLET	SW	2CNDL73F456098543	23-8177
2007	SUBARU	SW	JF1GG61657H818924	23-8172
2004	CHEVROLET	PU	2GCEC19T341402654	23-5964
2002	SUZUKI	SW	JS2GB41S725402884	23-7329
2020	HYUNDAI	SW	5NMS33AD6LH197537	23-7484
2008	FORD	VN	1FDXE45S78DB20623	23-8467
1998	FORD	PU	1FTZX1728WNB94689	22-7542
2015	CHRYSLER	4D	1C3CCCAB8FN604501	23-8773
2016	FORD	SW	1FM5K8D82GGA03588	23-9052
2003	TOYOTA	4D	4T1BE32KX3U650814	23-8962

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

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,
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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 269 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Aug. 13:

0018 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd./Bemis Rd.
0141 – breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0645 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0712 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
1144 – intrusion alarm, N. Timberview Dr.
1208 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1418 – parking complaint, Jeremy Rd./Bradley Dr.
1509 – intrusion alarm, Lagune Dr.
1547 – welfare check, S. Bellridge Dr.
1556 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1618 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1654 – assist fire dept., Beckley Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.

1654 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1752 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.
1852 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Van Buren St.

1902 – juvenile complaint, Martinsville Rd.
1901 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Becky and Jessica's
1947 – threat, Tyler Rd.
2000 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
2029 – domestic, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2123 – traffic offense, Lighthouse Dr.
2139 – welfare check, Wildflower Ct.
2303 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service
2326 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

Monday, Aug. 14:

0002 – fight, Lighthouse Dr.
0015 – domestic, Lake Pointe Blvd.
0231 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Westlake Cir.
0256 – vehicle lockout, Denton Rd.
1135 – civil matter, Winding Pond Dr.
1036 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.
1029 – assault & battery, Capitol Dr.
1029 – civil matter, Oak Ln.
1307 – fraud, E. Walden Dr.
1307 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1341 – civil matter, Martinsville Rd.
1340 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Daniel Dr.

1349 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Belleville Rd.
1550 – family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1648 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1657 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1723 – harassment call, Brandi Dr.
1715 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1827 – juvenile complaint, W. Adams
1755 – family trouble, Walden Ct.
1810 – civil matter, Denton Rd.
1842 – assist citizen, W. Adams
1859 – larceny from auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1931 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1953 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.
1956 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
2156 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Huron River Dr.
2220 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Freeport Ct.
2327 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
2327 – repossession, S. Timberview Dr.

Tuesday, Aug. 15:

0237 – domestic, Haggerty Rd.
0333 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
0500 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
0751 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Alden Ave.
0755 – property damage accident, Mission Pointe
0824 – malicious destruction of property, Hannan
0825 – animal complaint, Park Estates
0825 – issue gun permit, Tyler Rd.
0904 – fraud, S. Belleridge Dr.
1018 – civil matter, Park Estate Dr.
1231 – harassment call, Outer Dr.
1239 – welfare check, Denton Rd.
1431 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1509 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1603 – vehicle lockout, Village Green Ln.
1629 – threat, Edwards Rd.

1847 – civil matter, Outer Dr.
2009 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2104 – road hazard, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
2118 – suicidal person, Maple Dr.
2207 – motorist assist, Rawsonville Rd.
2224 – road hazard, Hannan Rd./Ecorse Rd.

Wednesday, Aug. 16:

0049 – vehicle lockout, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0124 – leaving the scene of the property damage accident, Denton Rd./Ecorse Rd.
0136 – assist citizen, McBride Ave.
0215 – vagrant, Belleville Rd.
0452 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Castell Blvd.
0721 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
0744 – suicidal person, Haggerty Rd.
0753 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
0826 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
0857 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd.
0856 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1155 – hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1231 – threat, N. Cumberland Dr.
1231 – assist fire dept., Chloe Ct.
1315 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.

1320 – domestic, Martinsville Rd.
1406 – welfare check, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1436 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1438 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Purple Sage Ct.
1459 – juvenile complaint, N. Cumberland Dr.
1609 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Villa Dr.
1823 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1837 – assist other dept., Ecorse Rd./Hannan Rd.
1842 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1837 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.

1906 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1913 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Hannan
1950 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
2015 – fight, N. Cumberland Ct.
2018 – traffic offense, Landmark
2022 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
2137 – family trouble, Birch Dr.
2222 – welfare check, Park Estates
2246 – shooting, Jackson St.
2317 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr./Denton Rd.

Thursday, Aug. 17:

0125 – welfare check, Van Buren St.
0354 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0354 – intrusion alarm, Peninsular Dr.
0726 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
0910 – warrant arrest, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1027 – fraud, Stonebridge Dr.
1039 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Denton Rd.
1226 – animal complaint, Dewitt Rd.
1522 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1538 – assist other dept., Daisy Blvd.
1848 – welfare check, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
1947 – civil matter, Park Estates Dr.
2024 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
2035 – threat, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2233 – family trouble, N. Woodbury Dr.

Friday, Aug. 18:

0015 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Beckley Rd.
0026 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd./Michigan Ave.
0132 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Archwood Dr.
0315 – assist other dept., Tyler Rd.
0639 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd.
0744 – welfare check, Haggerty Rd.
1006 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.
1033 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.
1054 – repossession, Winchester St.
1054 – property check, Westlake Cir.
1109 – civil matter, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1149 – property check, Sawgrass Ct.
1212 – 911 welfare check, Lacy Dr.
1343 – intrusion alarm, North Shore Dr.
1428 – assist other dept., Van Born Rd.
1513 – welfare check, Denton Rd.
1513 – larceny from auto, Belleville Rd.
1543 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.
1650 – unattended death, Dorchester Dr.

1815 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1815 – intrusion alarm, Hannan Rd.
1847 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./E. I-94
1926 – juvenile complaint, Belleville/Tyler
1939 – assist fire dept., Bemis Rd.
1957 – mental subject, Pond Ridge Dr.
2008 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
2154 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.
2252 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 19:

0151 – 911 welfare check, N. Timberview Dr.
0504 – welfare check, Haggerty Rd. / Independence Ln.
0737 – abandoned auto, Mida Dr.
0749 – motorist assist, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
1037 – civil matter, N. Timberview Ln.
1128 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1305 – misc. complaint, Maple Dr.
1309 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1323 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1416 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1416 – family trouble, Freeport Ct.
1635 – assist other dept., Lighthouse Dr.
1635 – overdose, Oak Ln.
1648 – overdose, Oak Ln.
1718 – misc. complaint, Belleville Lake
1837 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1845 – property check, Belleville Rd.
2014 – assist other dept., Ecorse/I-275
2101 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Tyler Rd./Van Buren St.
2138 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.
2138 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
2312 – welfare check, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
2318 – threat, Martinsville Rd.
2334 – noise complaint, Hull Rd.
2358 – assist citizen, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
Also on this week's log are 89 traffic stops, 19 of which are on the I-94 freeway.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 13:

0242 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
0754 – mental subject, Carmell St.
0926 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Edison
0952 – animal complaint, E. Thornhill Ct. / Victorian Ln.
1023 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./N. Liberty
1107 – vehicle lockout, Main St.
1201 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
1211 – assist citizen, Carmell St.
1346 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.
1413 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.
1432 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell Rd.
1532 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.
1550 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.
1732 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1903 – private property/property damage accident, E. Waterbury Ct.
2043 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.

Monday, Aug. 14:

0129 – assist citizen, Sumpter Rd.
0411 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
0556 – missing person, Menlo Park Dr.
1307 – welfare check, Carmell St.
1147 – property damage accident, Main St./High
1354 – threat, W. Columbia Ave.
1441 – property damage accident, High St./Main
1602 – neighbor trouble, Belle Villa Blvd.
1747 – misc. complaints, Victorian Ln.
1813 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
2115 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
Tuesday, Aug. 15:
0900 – welfare check, Carmell St.
1549 – assist fire dept., Santa Clara St.
1708 – assist other dept., Carmell St.
2019 – traffic stop, South St.
2114 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Main St.
2140 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd./Belle Villa Blvd.

Wednesday, Aug. 16:

0055 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Harmony Ln.
0251 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Harmony Ln.

0816 – traffic offense, Main St./High St.
0904 – mental subject, Carmell St.
1022 – traffic stop, South St./E. Wabash Ave.
1150 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell
1201 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1228 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1240 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./Martinsville Rd.
1401 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.
1427 – traffic stop, Madelon St./E. Columbia Ave.
1511 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.
1556 – traffic offense, Victorian Ln./Savage Rd.
1556 – disorderly, South St.
1640 – parking complaint, Victorian Ln.
1650 – traffic stop, Martinsville Rd./Savage Rd.
1730 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Third St.
1754 – traffic offense, West Columbia Ave./South
1803 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1851 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.
1931 – traffic stop, W. Columbia/Harbour Pte.
1946 – traffic stop, Main St./First St.
2300 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Columbia Ave.

Thursday, Aug. 17:

0135 – suicidal person, Belle Villa Blvd./Sumpter
0746 – traffic stop, Sumpter Rd.
0811 – abandoned auto, Main St.
0820 – family trouble, Menlo Park Dr.
1039 – mental subject, Carmell St.
1105 – larceny, Huron River Dr.
1537 – warrant arrest, Daisy Blvd.
1640 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1652 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Harbour Pte. Dr.
1701 – traffic stop, S. Liberty St./E. Columbia
1735 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.
1752 – traffic stop, Main St./E. Columbia Ave.
1804 – traffic offense, Main St./First St.
1843 – traffic stop, Main St.
2022 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.
2037 – traffic stop, South St./E. Wabash Ave.
2353 – juvenile complaint, Potter Dr./N. Biggs

Friday, Aug. 18:

0212 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
0613 – intrusion alarm, S. Edgemont Ave.
0904 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St.
0931 – welfare check, Henry St.
1214 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, W. Thornhill Ct.
1224 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Victorian Ln.
2051 – parking complaint, Henry St.

Saturday, Aug. 19:

0812 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.
1140 – traffic offense, South/W. Wabash
1156 – traffic stop, Main St.
1246 – traffic stop, E. Columbia Ave./S. Liberty
1249 – traffic stop, South St./E. Columbia Ave.
1405 – traffic offense, W. Columbia Ave.
1427 – traffic stop, Victorian Ln./N. Aberdeen Ct.
1450 – traffic stop, Roys St./Main St.
1546 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell Rd.
1552 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./High St.
1555 – traffic offense, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell
1605 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1620 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1634 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1704 – traffic stop, Elwell Rd./W. Huron River Dr.
1738 – traffic stop, Main St.
1754 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Elwell Rd.
1810 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.
1826 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr.
2213 – civil matter, Carmell St.
2236 – fight, Main St.
2310 – assist citizen, Main St.

There were 48 traffic stops on this week's log.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 13:

0028 – suspicious circumstance, Birch Dr.
0253 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Sumpter Rd. / Judd Rd.
0951 – family trouble, Magnolia Dr.
1012 – warrant arrest, Carriage Ln.
1209 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1439 – alarm, 22000 bl. Karr Rd.
1709 – mental health call, Nevada St.
1752 – follow-up investigation, New Mexico St.

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Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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2008 – disorderly person, Walnut St.
2034 – family trouble, Wayside Dr.
2121 – welfare check, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
2224 – disorderly person, 40000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2309 – welfare check, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2351 – 911 hang up, E. Arizona St.

Monday, Aug. 14:
0211 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
0534 – suspicious person, Walnut St.
0730 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1100 – damage to property, 8100 bl. Rawsonville
1204 – civil matter, Birch Dr.
1443 – death investigation, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1647 – mental health call, Wayside Dr.
1833 – property damage accident, Martinsville Rd. / Willis Rd.

Tuesday, Aug. 15:
0231 – civil matter, Oregon St.
0531 – civil matter, Walnut St.
0958 – larceny, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.
1749 – 911 hang up, Mulberry Dr./Butternut Dr.
1915 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry Dr.
1930 – neighbor dispute, Walnut St.
2129 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2328 – welfare check, Georgia St.

Wednesday, Aug. 16:
0057 – civil matter, Idaho St.
1145 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Clark Rd.
1237 – alarm, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1300 – 911 hang up, Delaware St.
1311 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1336 – property damage accident, Karr Rd./Arkona
1342 – larceny, 9100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1424 – suspicious circumstance, Colorado St.
1454 – follow-up investigation, Vermont St.
1521 – follow-up investigation, 9100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1608 – shots fired, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
1718 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Willis Rd.
2127 – fire dept. assist, Virginia St.
2202 – suspicious vehicle, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
2224 – mental health call, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
2243 – traffic complaint/hazard, 20000 bl. Karr

Thursday, Aug. 17:
0039 – larceny, Creekside Dr.
0449 – civil matter, Birch Dr.

City Council

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Community with one motion: Monster Mutt Walk on Oct. 21, Harvest Fest with Tractor Parade on Oct. 14, Halloween Downtown on Oct. 31, and Photos with Santa on Dec. 9 and 16, with Santa hopefully in the museum;

- Approved the Belleville Area Council for the Arts' extension of Music Lakeside for two more concerts. The Clockwork Band will be on Aug. 24 and Larry Lee & The Back in the Day Band will be on Aug. 31;
- Discussed purchase of new police department radios, which was budgeted at \$60,000, but with the addition of a \$2,500 channel encryption key for each radio which will soon be required by the state. Acting Police Chief Kris Faull said the Motorola cost was higher at \$84,247.36 than the Kenwood Radio price, at \$51,931.52, for ten portable prep radios with encryption and four in-car mobile radios with encryption and five-year warranties. She said they are working on grants for assistance with the cost. The police reserves cannot use the old radios because when encryption comes the old radios will be only good as paperweights, Chief Faull said;
- Approved a letter of understanding

1143 – motorist assist, Oakville Waltz Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.
1228 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd./Elwell Rd.
1312 – disorderly person, Walnut St.
1343 – fire dept. assist, Magnolia Dr.
1502 – harassment complaint, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1612 – fire dept. assist, Stonecrest Dr.
1657 – warrant arrest, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.
1934 – civil matter, 24000 bl. Clark Rd.
2000 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry Dr.
2201 – 911 hang up, 42000 bl. Arkona Rd.
2341 – alarm, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

Friday, Aug. 18:
0031 – mental health call, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
0113 – noise complaint, New Mexico St.
0446 – civil matter, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
0620 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
0731 – civil matter, Birch Dr.
0920 – civil matter, Nevada St.
1055 – family trouble, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1137 – civil matter, Timberlane Dr.
1158 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
1255 – follow-up investigation, Walnut St.
1352 – family trouble, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
1420 – suspicious circumstance, 39000 bl. Arkona
1448 – citizen assist, Judd Rd./Martinsville Rd.
1624 – traffic complaint/hazard, Rawsonville Rd. / Judd Rd.
1830 – suspicious circumstance, 39000 bl. Arkona
2155 – family trouble, Mulberry Dr.
2206 – suspicious circumstance, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2236 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

Saturday, Aug. 19:
0052 – follow-up investigation, 45000 bl. Judd
0053 – follow-up investigation, 44000 bl. Dunn
0242 – family trouble, Mulberry Dr.
0316 – 911 hang up, Colorado St.
0746 – death investigation, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.
0822 – animal complaint, 51000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1017 – suspicious circumstance, 22000 bl. Karr
1150 – civil matter, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
1250 – assist other agency, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1343 – suspicious circumstance, 50000 bl. Judd
1422 – suspicious circumstance, 50000 bl. Judd
1701 – family trouble, 9300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1726 – suspicious circumstance, 47000 bl. Judd
1937 – mental health call, Rustic Ln.
2147 – 911 hang up, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2300 – suspicious person, Sumpter/Bemis
2312 – operating while intoxicated arrest

Also on this week's log are 108 patrol checks, 75 traffic stops, and 17 misc. details.

between the police union and the city on lateral pay to allow the police department to hire experienced officers and pay them according to their experience. Chief Faull said several experienced candidates for the police officer positions open have said they are waiting for this letter of understanding to pass before submitting their applications;

- Learned the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority distributed a total of \$54,062 to the city in excess net assets from the State Pool Retention Fund;
- Approved Accounts Payable of \$152,189.02 and the following departmental purchases in excess of \$500: to Atchinson Ford, \$47,557.88 for a new pickup truck for the DPW; to Cadillac Asphalt, \$905.85 for road patch; to Mueller Company, \$2,584.06 for remote water meter readers and \$3,826.40 for water meters; and
- Heard Jones say Bob Mytych will be missed because he was so active in the community. Councilman Fielder said Bob was someone who was always there to help. Councilwoman Bates said she didn't know Mytych, but she enjoyed his cartoons, which gave the *Independent* a light-heartedness. Mayor Conley agreed that Mytych's creativity was always a lot to appreciate.



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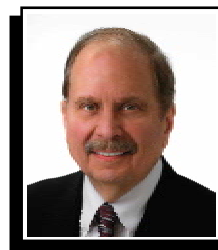
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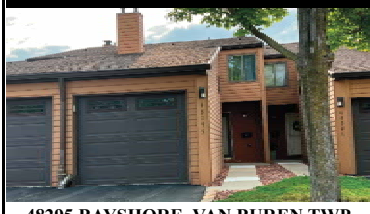
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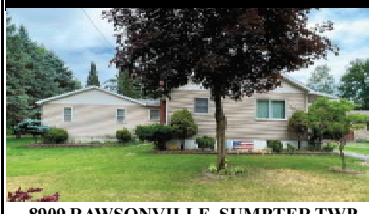
51267 WEAR SUMPTER TOWNSHIP CUSTOM BUILT Four bedroom home includes a first floor master with huge master bath and soaking tub. One additional full bath and 2 half baths. Bamboo Hardwood flooring throughout. Custom kitchen with quartz counter tops, soft close drawers. Family room with premium marble fireplace. Huge second floor provides privacy for family members and guests. On 1.67 acres, with larger three car attached garage and huge 24x36 Heated Pole Barn \$535,000

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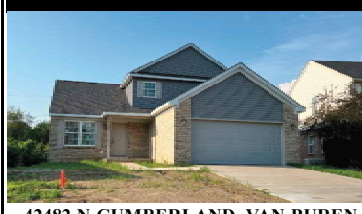
48295 BAYSHORE, VAN BUREN TWP Tens of Thousands of Dollars in Improvements. 2 Bedrooms, 2 1/2 Baths, Smart Designed Kitchen with Cabinets and Granite, Fireplace, Hardwood, Covered Patio \$299,900

1 ACRE 2,300 SQ FT



8909 RAWSONVILLE, SUMPTER TWP ROOM TO ROAM 4 Bedrooms, 2 Baths and over 2,300 Square Feet with Separate Living Space. 3+ Car Garage and Workshop. One acre with beautiful yard and mature trees. \$257,500

NEW CONSTRUCTION



42482 N CUMBERLAND, VAN BUREN CUSTOM 4 Bedroom Colonial, 1st Floor Master, Quartz Counters in Kitchen & Baths. Open Living - Dining, Family Rm Full Basement 96% Furnace, Garage w/EV Circuit \$405,000

2,800+ SQUARE FEET



13905 MILTON, VAN BUREN SPACIOUS 4 BEDROOM, 2 1/2 Bath 2,800 Sq Ft Oversize Living Area, Breakfast Nook, New Paint, New Wood Flooring, New UV Glass Windows, Newer Numance and Newer Roof. \$379,900

A LOT TO OFFER



45900 HARRIS, SUMPTER SO MUCH TO OFFER. Large 3 Bedroom 2 bath Country Home with Living room and Fireplace, New Furnace and Roof, Basement, HUGE Work Barn. NOW \$279,995

NEW LISTING



27900 ROMINE, HURON TOWNSHIP BRICK AND VINYL COUNTRY RANCH Featuring 3 bedrooms, Huge family room, hardwood floors. 1 1/2 car garage PLUS large 40x30 Pole Barn. This is a Real Clean Dream! \$300,000

COMMERCIAL



25891 SUMPTER RD, SUMPTER TWP ESTABLISHED AUTO SERVICE CENTER. Great Business with Opportunities. Big Building. No Competition. Do not go to property unless you have an appointment. \$350,000

INDOOR POOL



344708 ASH, HURON TOWNSHIP 3 BEDROOM 2 BATH Ranch with Newer Carpet, Wallside Windows, Newer 90+ Furnace. Featuring a Home Pool for Parties, Enjoyment Year Round. Original Owner 1 acre \$359,900

BELLEVILLE 3 RESIDENTIAL LOTS ONE PRICE. TOTALING .41 ACRES WITH CITY WATER AND SEWER AT STREET ACROSS FROM BELLEVILLE LAKE NOW \$49,000

3 ACRES - COMMERCIAL CORNER AT SUMPTER AND WILLOW NOW \$150,000

GRANT AND WAHRMAN. 4 ACRES LIGHT INDUSTRIAL CORNER LOT NEAR METRO AIRPORT \$250,000

VACANT JUDD SUMPTER 2.1 AC \$45,000

VACANT JUDD 8.7 AC. PAVED RD \$85,000

HAGGERTY 1.5 AC VAN BUREN \$70,000

WILLIS RD 1 AC SEWER & WATER \$60,000

HURON TWP VAC CLARK .74 AC \$40,000

HURON TWP VAC ASH .87 ACRES \$55,000

CORNER WILLIS & MARTINSVILLE SEWER & WATER 1.64 ACRES \$65,000

50540 BOG RD ONE HALF ACRE \$55,000

7 PARCELS ON THE CORNER OF BEMIS AND MARTINSVILLE. PRICED \$40,000 TO \$50,000 EACH. BUILD YOUR DREAM

SUMPTER TWP CLARK 17+AC \$199,500

SUMPTER TWP CLARK 3.5 AC \$60,000

VACANT MARIO ANN ROMULUS \$38,000

6551 BUNTON, YPSILANTI TWP 427 X 1019

10 ACRES PAVED STREET NOW \$200,000

19+ ACRES BREST RD, TAYLOR RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PROPERTY - PAVED

STREET NEAR INKSTER ROAD. \$550,000

VACANT LOUISA "DREAM LOT" \$55,000

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