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## Halloween costume contest winners in Belleville



In the Ten-to-Twelve-Year-Old category, the boy at far right won first place and the girl in purple with the prize bag, at left, was second.



In the Infant-Three-Years category, the girl in pink, left, won first and the boy in blue won second place.



In the Four-to-Six-Year-Old category, the girl at left was first and the youngster at right was second.



In the Seven-to-Nine-Year-Old category, the girl at right, covered in "blood" won first place and the girl with the pink ears was second.

*Independent photos  
 by Bob Mytych*

*The Belleville Central Business Community judged costumes in the Fourth Street Square during the downtown trick or treating on Friday. The winners got Benito's Pizzas and Kids' Meals from A&W. And, because of the rainstorm, everyone got wet.*



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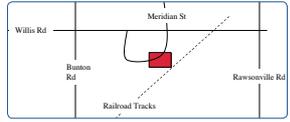
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## Mayor Pro Tem called fire department for help, nobody came

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

At Monday's city council meeting, Belleville Mayor Pro Tem Jesse Marcotte told his story of how he called his city fire department for a gas leak and nobody came.

He said after waiting 21 minutes, he called dispatch back and asked them to send Van Buren Township Fire Department instead.

After the meeting, Marcotte's wife Melly said she was holding their nine-month-old child in her arms and hanging onto their two year old outside because they were afraid to go into the house for fear it would blow up. She said it was more than a 21-minute wait for Belleville.

During the council comments part of the meeting, Marcotte read prepared comments from his laptop that said he has heard rumors that the city fire department is struggling to respond and sometimes doesn't respond at all.

"Unfortunately, on Oct. 24, my family and I called dispatch to report a natural gas smell," he said. "After 21 minutes I called dispatch and was told nobody had called on the air to say they were coming. I thought that was enough. There was a gas leak next door and I thought that was enough time. I requested that Van Buren Township be sent."

Marcotte said that the fire department did not respond was unacceptable. He asked the council for a fair and honest review of the city's fire department and its training. He wanted to assure that the citizens get the service they pay for.

He said he has been at the scene of a natural gas explosion in the past.

Councilman Tom Fielder asked for a detailed account of the fire department be collected and made available at the council's next meeting. He asked councilmembers to give questions to City Manager/Police Chief Dave Robinson for answers at the next meeting.

Councilman Fielder said that was a motion and Marcotte seconded it. Later in the meeting the motion passed unanimously.

City Manager/Police Chief Robinson said he has all of the records they are asking for, except for records he ordered from CLEMIS that he ordered the previous Thursday and hopes to get them as soon as possible.

Robinson said it was unreasonable to ask him to get all of that done in two weeks and come up with a plan. He said he wants to talk to Fire Chief Brian Loranger about why the runs aren't made and prepare a plan going forward to resolve the situation.

He said he would do his best in two weeks, but it wouldn't be a complete report.

Councilman Fielder said he expects this issue to be a topic of discussion for many

months down the road and they will focus on what to do in the future.

Marcotte said it only takes a matter of minutes to run off reports that have been made to the state. He said they need a report on the amount of runs each individual responds to within 365 days.

Fire Chief Loranger said that Marcotte should have called him with his concern. Marcotte said he didn't get a phone call from Loranger explaining why nobody came to his call.

Marcotte said Loranger has said in public meetings that he listens to the radio and calls for mutual aid when no one is available.

Loranger said he was in Florida. He said he does listen and call for mutual aid, but he doesn't like to call mutual aid so as not to burden Van Buren Township.

Loranger said he has a part-time department, not a full-time crew like in Northville, referring to Northville Township where Marcotte is a full-time fire fighter.

Marcotte said the majority of fire departments in the United States are paid-on-call firefighters, although most of the population is served by full-time fire departments.

Marcotte said within their physical boundaries, the fire departments are responsible for handling their calls.

Loranger said it is pretty hard to hire fire fighters and he's already taken some from Sumpter Township and almost one from Van Buren Township, but he was named chief.

Councilman Ken Voigt, a retired Belleville police officer, said he thought it automatically went to mutual aid after eight minutes of waiting.

Loranger said that's the way it used to be, but now it depends on who's on dispatch at Van Buren Township. They don't hit the CAD so Belleville can see who's responding. He said the city is paying \$15 an hour for fire fighters and Sumpter is paying \$19. He said he does the job of chief for \$10,000 a year and has to worry about what happens and sometimes it isn't fun.

A fire fighter said there is a big delay with dispatch. He said the call comes in and it goes to police and HVA first and then to fire, 5-7 minutes later.

Councilman Voigt said if fire fighters don't respond in eight minutes, he thought it was automatic. He said he thinks eight minutes is too long, anyway.



Marcotte

Loranger said many of his fire fighters don't live in the city and it takes time to respond.

"Nobody showed up," Voigt said of Marcotte's case.

"We requested mutual aid and it was less than 21 minutes," Loranger said.

Marcotte said the dispatchers are recorded and you can FOIA that. He said the calls should go to the fire department then to HVA. He said you can expect delayed responding, but not no reporting at all.

Councilwoman Kelly Bates asked if the city has talked to the township about this and Loranger said he has talked, but it doesn't go anywhere. He said he will get with the chief.

Robinson said he will find out exactly what the agreement is with Van Buren Township.

Marcotte pointed out that response time is important to the city's ISO rating that sets the insurance rates.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said that Marcotte has the skill set and she asked him to work with the city manager on this.

Voigt said Belleville is \$4 lower than Sumpter Township and the city needs to offer at least what Sumpter makes.

Loranger said the city fire fighters just negotiated a new contract.

Fielder said he didn't intend to address specific issues in two weeks. He said council members should share their questions with the city manager, but don't expect to solve anything at the next meeting.

Fielder said the fire department has frustrations and this is a community issue. "We've had a personal issue," he said. "A gas leak and nobody comes. What do we do?"

He suggested if people had an issue with the fire department to report what happened to the city manager.

Council candidate Steve Jones asked how many fire fighters they have and Loranger said it was 14, with two more not trained. He would like to have 18, or even 21.

"I'm willing to do anything we can to fix this," Voigt said.

Mayor Conley recapped the discussion and called for a fair and timely investigation into the incident, with a look into policies and procedures, and evaluation of what's going on. Give questions to Chief Robinson. She said she would rather the discussion be in a smaller group and she volunteered Marcotte because he has skills.

In last week's edition of the online *Eagle* publication, Marcotte was featured in a story about a multi-state fire training exercise he conducted recently at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The story identified Marcotte as Northville Township Fire Department Training Coordinator, noting his course was funded by a federal

grant. He was referred to as "a nationally-known fire training expert."

He is quoted as saying they practiced scenarios they could encounter in the field and, "Mistakes provide a good learning opportunity, but we want those mistakes to be made on the training ground, not in real life."

At Monday's meeting, Conley said to the fire fighters present, "At the end of the day we want you to get what you need and the residents get the services they pay for."

Cornell Anton, who was present for another item on the agenda, thanked the fire fighters present for saving his life two times.

Conley said if part of the problem is dispatch, they will work with that.

A fire fighter said he also works for Sumpter Township and Belleville is not the only department where there are problems.

"I love what I do and I want to continue," he said.

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

- Set a public hearing for Dec. 6 to consider an ordinance amendment on post-construction stormwater management as required by EGLE;

- Approved closing of High Street from Church to the Veterans Monument for an 11 a.m. ceremony on Nov. 11 to mark Veterans Day, put on by the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Polish Legion of American Veterans; and

- Approved accounts payable in the amount of \$167,542.79 and the following departmental expenditures in excess of \$500: to Diversified Roofing, \$2,250 for roof repair at the fire department; to EGLE, \$1,340.28 for water supply annual fee; and to Fire Catt, \$3,067.20 for fire hose and ground ladder testing.

### Sumpter Township puts three properties up for bids, proposals for use

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

At its Oct. 26 regular zoom meeting the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees agreed to put three pieces of property it owns out for sealed bids and proposals for their uses.

The properties are one on Arkona and one adjoining on Martinsville and one behind the medical center on Sumpter Road.

The bids will go out Nov. 3 and are due back by 4 p.m., Dec. 3.

The supervisor's office will prepare packets of information on the site, including property lines, property ID, and back taxes, and those packets can be picked up at the

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# O P I N I O N S

**Editorial**

## Veterans Day to be celebrated with expanded ceremony

Cornell Anton told the Belleville City Council on Monday that it was just going to be a very simple ceremony on Nov. 11, something akin to the brief Bugles Across America ceremony each month.

Anton was representing the local Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Polish League of American Veterans who were putting on the Veterans Day ceremony at 11 a.m. on Nov. 11 at the Veterans Memorial. But then he explained, the ROTC said they would be marching from the high school down Edison Avenue, some 100 strong. They have some new members that were recently pinned. The ROTC volunteered to put up the chairs in the middle of High Street at the monument. The chairs will be borrowed from the church.

And then, they decided to place wreaths after all and there will be rifles fired and Pastor Robert White will say a prayer. Anton said the long speech has been eliminated. He expects about 150 people.

The city council agreed to close High Street from the memorial to Church Street and to ask the police department to close traffic on High Street briefly as the ROTC marches in from Edison.

This is on a Thursday, so many people will be at work and won't be able to come, but 11 a.m. at 11/11 is the time to honor our military people, alive and dead.

The council also was alerted the veteran banners are going up Nov. 6 in the city.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

I got a telephone call at home last Wednesday night, but I was at a zoom meeting of the Van Buren Township planning commission at the kitchen table and couldn't answer the phone. After the meeting, I called the person back. He thought we may not have published because the new *Independent* wasn't up on our website. It was about 9:30 p.m.

In the morning, my son said he forgot to put it on the website as he usually does early Wednesday afternoon because he was distracted by another project. He did it from home about 6:30 Thursday morning. No, we didn't go out of business.

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VBT Recreation Director Jennifer Zaenglein said they had about 800 kids and families at the Candy Loop on Oct. 23. They also had a new event this year, the Costume Drive and Give-Away. They collected about 150 costumes from generous donors and gave away about 100. The remainders have been packed up to seed the donations for next year.

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I called the VBT Senior Center last Friday to find out what time their big senior volunteer appreciation party was going to start. Supervisor McNamara mentioned it at the last township board meeting and I saw on the upcoming voucher list set for approval on Nov. 2. There was \$1,755.59 from Angel Food Catering for the meal, \$8,732.88 in new jackets for the volunteers, \$211.59 in appreciation lunch decorations from Garden Fantasy, and something just noted as "appreciation dinner," \$2,019.05 (in-house). It was going to be quite a shindig.



Last Thursday, a senior volunteer came in to tell me it had been planned for outside, but just that day (the day before the event) he found it was moved inside because it was going to rain on Friday. Then, when I called Friday morning I was told it was cancelled. Postponed? I asked. No, cancelled.

When I pushed for an answer on why it was cancelled and why they waited until the last minute, I was told the township is going to be constructing the new community center and has to start getting ready.

Well, I found out later that wasn't the real story. It really was closed down because of a COVID exposure by one of the active seniors. They felt it was a good idea to close it down completely for the good of everyone, so they did.

Those in the township offices got to eat the free lunch from Angel Food Catering, since it was already ordered. And, the senior volunteers all got their spring jackets that had been ordered for them. Too bad it had to be canceled. It's always a very nice event. Our best wishes go out to the COVID patient.

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Sumpter Public Safety Director / Police Chief Eric Luke replied to my question on some dead pigs: "Following up on a complaint from a neighbor, we arrived at a property in the 28000 block of Sherwood last Thursday, Oct. 28, and found several pigs and cows in varying states of health and two pigs deceased. We called in an area

veterinarian who assessed the situation and gave us a detailed write-up of his findings. The owner has since made ordered adjustments for the immediate health and well-being of the remaining animals, but I stress that the investigation is ongoing. Criminal charges will follow if deemed appropriate after the conclusion of the investigation."

Thank you very much for the information, Chief.

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A group of people from Afghanistan are living in the new hotel at the corner of Quirk and the North I-94 Service Drive in Van Buren Township and some of the families go out to walk up Quirk Road every day. Neighbors say they saw they had no coats or gloves and it was very cold, so one neighbor approached them and talked to them through an interpreter. They speak no English. The family was able to provide coats for the walkers, who are very friendly. The neighbors are trying to be hospitable and one invited a family in for tea and later they will be coming for a meal.

The neighbors say it is interesting for their families to get to know people from another culture. The families are Shiite and the women cover their faces, except for their eyes.



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**Letters**

**Sumpter Twp. Board: Broken promises**

To the editor:  
 During the Oct. 12 Sumpter Township Board meeting they agreed upon a path to sell all of township-owned properties. Part of the agreement was to sell these properties one at a time with the properties being listed on the Township Board Agenda before each meeting. This way the public would have notice of what properties were going to be approved to be bid upon.

Well, I guess they completely forgot about that when they performed the Oct. 26 township meeting. Examining the Oct. 26 agenda there is nothing that indicates there would be any discussion of properties.

They also voted to accept the meeting minutes from the Oct. 12 meeting with a line claiming that there were "no public comments" when there clearly were public comments regarding this issue. I know because I was there to make public comments. It is even more interesting if you go search "Sumpter Township Board Meetings" on YouTube. They cut out the part where I was asking those pesky questions. I guess transparency hasn't been their strongest suit since they have been discussing with the township's lawyer since June about selling these properties while not disclosing that to the public.

When I asked questions in the Oct. 12 meeting, the township's lawyer claimed, that he didn't like "a back and forth with the public." Last time I remembered, I didn't vote for him. Why is he talking in a board meeting when I'm asking the board questions? If they can't answer questions about the resolution that they are voting on why should they be voting on it?

The township board is supposed to appoint a committee to go over all the closed bids they receive on these properties to discuss what is the best for community before accepting any of them and bringing it in front of the board. As per the agreement they approved on Oct. 6, item six of their resolution, these meetings are to be posted and open to the public. I hope they follow through with this so that the public can have fair warning, but I bet they forget. Also, it is not clear who is on this "committee." The way their crafty lawyer wrote the resolution it reads that they can just conveniently appoint themselves. Sounds like a conflict of interest. Being

able to push for the sale of certain properties while also being the ones that approves the sale of these properties gives little oversight from the public. (I thought Bowman wanted to drain the swamp?)

Before the ink could dry on that resolution from Oct. 12 the first property on the docket to be bid upon was, you guessed it, the property behind Tables-n-Chairs and Trustee Don's house and in my front yard. Apparently performing a site-specific survey to even understand the wildlife that lives on the property was not of importance to the board, only getting it sold immediately before anyone notices.

When the property came up in the meeting Mr. Bowman moved to only have the property listed for two weeks. Why such a short period of time? When Michigan Section 600.6052 of state statutes says that they are supposed to have the property for sale at a minimum of six weeks, with signs posted in three places within the township and at the property. They must also have the notice for sale "printed" in a "newspaper distributed" within the township for six successive weeks. Don't believe me, go google it and read it for yourself. I was assured by the township's lawyer that doesn't apply to them. I guess that's what happens when you can write your own rules. They eventually decided to have bidding open for 30 days on the property in question, though that is still shorter than 42 days and against Michigan law.

In my opinion it's clear why Bowman only wanted two weeks for the notice of sale. He has some big name lined up to buy this property with a developer in mind because he works for one. This guy is a grifter, anyone that truly wanted to drain the swamp, like President Trump tried to do, wouldn't try pulling this kind of stuff. Why else would you try to push the sale of a property to turn it into a storage unit in under a month?

If you go to the Sept. 28 meeting on YouTube at the one hour twenty-two mark you can hear that Mr. Bowman is going to make it "look better than what's on it now." Apparently, all of us little people can't wait to have the trees in our front yard cut down to have a business put in there because for some reason our township has to grow.

It interesting to see them gaslighting us when discussing this issue of selling these public-owned properties. I really urge the reader to go listen to that whole Sept. 28 meeting on YouTube. That one was an eye-opener for me.

Do you know that Republic Service is going to start draining all the run-off water from the giant trash pile under the water table we get our drinking water from here in Sumpter via a giant deep well? You should really go see what your board is doing. I trust you're not paying attention.

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## Police find 86-year-old woman, 66-year old son dead in Sumpter home

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

Sumpter Township Police found an 86-year-old woman and her 66-year-old son dead in their home on Oct. 28.

Public Safety Director/Police Chief Eric Luke said officers went to the 12000 block of Rawsonville Road to check on the well-being of the home's two residents.

He said after officers observed the mother on the floor through a window, they made entry and both individuals were found deceased. On Tuesday, Chief Luke said the case is still under investigation and police are awaiting toxicology results from the Wayne County Medical Examiner.

Chief Luke said they have not uncovered evidence of homicide. The case was initially misclassified as homicide in the crime map system on its website and has since been corrected.

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Printable forms will also be available online on the Van Buren Township website at [www.vanburen-mi.org](http://www.vanburen-mi.org).

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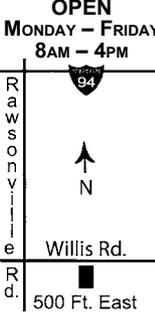
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# Obituaries



Darlene Frances O'Kelley

## DARLENE FRANCES O'KELLEY

(January 15, 1940 – October 27, 2021)

Darlene Frances O'Kelley, Sumpter Twp., Michigan, Age 81. Died Wednesday, October 27, 2021, in Taylor, Michigan. She was born January 15, 1940, in Corbin, Kentucky the daughter of George and Ivy Sexton. On August 11, 1961, she married Delmar Lee O'Kelley in Dearborn, Michigan and he preceded her in death after 57 years of marriage. Darlene was a homemaker and will be remembered for her deep love for her church where she was an active member for many years. She loved gardening, cooking and caring for her family and church family.

She is survived by two children: Michael (Cindy) O'Kelley and Dean O'Kelley; thirteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her loving husband Delmar; two siblings: Elsie "Bootsie" Sexton and George Willard Sexton. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, November 2, 2021, at 2:00 PM at Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton, Michigan.

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Ira Patrick "Frenchie"  
LaFramboise

## IRA PATRICK LaFRAMBOISE

(December 16, 1924 – October 29, 2021)

Ira Patrick "Frenchie" LaFramboise, age 96, lifelong Van Buren Township resident, passed away Friday, October 29, 2021, at his home, surrounded by family. He was born December 16, 1924, in Detroit, MI, son of Ira and Angelina (Roulo) LaFramboise.

He proudly served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War II. He retired from General Motors after 33 years of loyal service. He was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, MI. He enjoyed spending time at his second home in northern Michigan. He loved handheld poker games, instant lottery tickets, flea markets, auctions, and going to horse and tractor pulls.

Mr. LaFramboise is survived by two sons: Peter (Marcy) LaFramboise and David LaFramboise, both of Belleville, MI; three grandsons: Peter (Linnie) LaFramboise of South Carolina, Paul (Taleah) LaFramboise of Belleville, MI, and James (Kelly) LaFramboise of North Dakota; five great-grandchildren: Danny (Jessica Trout) Morris, Andrew LaFramboise, Sarah LaFramboise, Simon LaFramboise, and Hayden LaFramboise; a great-great-granddaughter Addie Clifford; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. Ira was preceded in death by his parents, wife Geneva (McLaughlin) LaFramboise, two daughters: Shirley and Michelle LaFramboise, son Ira Joseph LaFramboise, also his brothers and sisters.

Visitation was Sunday 4-8 p.m. and 10-11 a.m. Monday, November 1, 2021, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734) 697-4500. Funeral Service was 11 a.m. Monday with Father John Kiselica officiating. Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue and would be appreciated by the family.

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Walter Carl Goeckel

## WALTER CARL GOECKEL

(August 8, 1940 - October 26, 2021)

Walter Goeckel, age 81, passed away Tuesday October 26 at his home in Bonita Springs, FL. Born on August 8, 1940 to Walter and Marie, he was a 1958 Romulus High School graduate. He married Carole Maze, built a home in Romulus, where they raised their 2 sons, Walter and Richard.

Walter was a die maker by trade, and retired from GM Hydramatic in Ypsilanti. He enjoyed many sports, including baseball, softball, hunting, boating, golfing, bowling, snowmobile riding and dirt bike riding.

Walter is survived by his wife; his sons Walter of Gladwin, MI, and Richard of Taylor, MI; his sister Ellen (Ray) Kurnik; three grandchildren, Olivia, Walter Jr., and Brenda; and three great-grandchildren, Thomas, Skyler, and William.

## COVID-19 deaths in 48111 stay at 78, positive tests at 4,424

The number of people who have died from COVID-19 in the 48111 zip code remained at 78 as of Monday, Nov. 1, according to the Wayne County Health Department's latest update of the count.

The positive tests for COVID-19 in 48111 totaled 4,424 on Monday, Nov. 1, up from 4,301 on Monday, Oct. 25.

On Monday, Nov. 1, the separate totals released by the Wayne County Health Department for the tri-community were: Van Buren Township, 2,965 positive cases, 43 deaths; City of Belleville, 562 positive cases, 21 deaths; and Sumpter Township 897 positive cases, 14 deaths.

The Van Buren Public School District reports as of Friday, Oct. 29, there were 90 positive cases in the district since the beginning of school on Aug. 30.

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# Obituaries



Wayne Joseph MacLeod

## WAYNE JOSEPH MacLEOD

(January 24, 1967 – October 25, 2021)

Wayne Joseph MacLeod, 54, passed away at home on Monday, October 25, 2021 with his loving wife at his side. Wayne was born January 24, 1967 in Trenton, Ontario to his mother Donna Chard.

On May 23, 2015 he married Andrea J. Connors, his surviving wife. He is also survived by his mother Donna Chard, daughter Kiesha Janvier, sister June Ostrom, brother Randy Read, stepdaughter Jessica Marsack, two foster children, and many other family members including aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews who all loved him very much. He was preceded in death by his brother Jimmy Read.

Wayne was a long-time line worker for Ford Motor Company and enjoyed many different hobbies. He was able to pick up any activity with ease, including drawing, 3-D printing, farming, gunsmithing, cooking, traveling, mission work, cosplaying as the Mandalorian, participating in the St. Andrew's Scottish Society, and playing with his foster children. He was a devoted member of both the Saline Community Church (The Well) and Central Alliance Church, a man who was strong in his relationship with the Lord and embodied the Christian values of kindness, generosity, courage, creativity, and love. He will be loved and missed by all who knew him.

A funeral service took place on Tuesday, November 2, 2021 at 11 a.m. at the Robison-Bahnmler Funeral Home in Saline with a visitation starting at 10 a.m. The service was live-streamed on the funeral home Facebook page. Family received friends on Monday, November 1, 2021 from 4 p.m. until 7 p.m. at the funeral home. Masks were required for both the service and the visitation. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made out to FMAR - Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue, Belleville, MI or to the Wounded Warrior Project. To leave a memory you have of Wayne, to sign his guestbook or for more information please visit [www.rbhfsaline.com](http://www.rbhfsaline.com).



Kay Ann Daugherty

## KAY ANN DAUGHERTY

(October 24, 1949 – October 27, 2021)

Kay Ann Daugherty, age 72, life-long Belleville, Michigan resident, passed away Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at her home. She was born October 24, 1949, daughter of John Henry & Geneva (Richardson) Horton. She graduated from Belleville High School class of 1967 and went on to Cleary College and earned her associate degree.

Kay worked as a physical therapy technician for many years. She was a member of the former Belleville Moose Lodge #934 and a current member of the Van Buren Eagles Aerie #3996. She loved animals and would often feed the birds and squirrels. She loved the outdoors, watching for dragonflies and monarch butterflies, flower gardening, and especially being outside in the sun. She was an avid reader who also like to crochet. Kay was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Ypsilanti, MI. Most of all Kay loved her family. She always looked forward to her monthly luncheons with her cousin Sandy and her brother.

Kay is survived by daughter Kerri (Jeremy Hartwick) Daugherty of Romulus, MI; son Andrew Daugherty of Belleville, MI; brother John Louis Horton of Ypsilanti, MI; her best friends Patti, Linda, and Cat, also her cat Sissie. She was preceded in death by her parents. Dignified cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue, Belleville, MI, or to Hope Clinic, Ypsilanti, MI, and would be appreciated.

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## Highly recommend True Wellness Pharmacy

To the editor:

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## Here's another way To support FMAR

To the editor:

Another way you can support Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue (FMAR) is to transfer prescriptions to Rite Aid. If you buy something in a Rite Aid store using your Wellness card or fill a prescription there, Rite Aid will send a donation to FMAR. Below is the link for how to register. Thank you.

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Linda Luke  
Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue

## Save the date: Nov. 11 at 4 p.m. at VFW Hall

To the editor:

We are inviting all for a demonstration of proper flag etiquette for "retiring/dispersing" of worn/faded/torn U.S. Flags at VFW Post 4434 on Bemis Road in Van Buren Township.

This event will be carried out under the direction of GYSGT, USMC (Ret.) Matt Barr by the Belleville High School Junior ROTC members and Troop #793 of Boy Scouts of Belleville.

Rather than simply throwing the flags away or putting them on a shelf, they should be retired via a "dignified destruction."

Nov. 11 is also Veterans Day, a day set aside to honor living veterans. What better way to honor our fallen veterans, disposing of flags that once flew over their grave sites.

We have over 1,000 flags that are scheduled for "retirement." Maybe one from your father / uncle / brother / grandfather or someone else in the family.

Also, if you have any flags that need to be retired, bring them with you, or if unable to attend this function, drop them off at our local collection box at 48 S. Biggs St., Belleville.

Also on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, a short ceremony honoring all military veterans will be held at the Veterans Memorial on High Street at 11 a.m. Hope to see you all there.

Pete Pitzen chairman  
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# Franklin Burton of Ypsilanti Twp. wins Caldwell's contest

By Bob Mytych  
Independent Advertising Director

Franklin Burton, 6, of Ypsilanti Township was selected as the winner of the virtual art contest put on by Marian Caldwell, a writer and artist who has lived in Sumpter and Van Buren townships and now resides in Ypsilanti.



Franklin, with the help of his mother Gabby came up with the idea of making paper mache masks to wear while acting out mini plays they wrote themselves, calling it a version of Porch Broadway.

Caldwell came up with the idea of offering an art contest while spending alone time during the recent stay-at-home orders in Michigan during the pandemic.

"Let's see what our community's up to," she said. "Are they doing art and how are they getting through it, especially children?"

The family submitted four masks with the one title "We Need the Jungle" that Caldwell chose as the winner.

Franklin did all the painting and the details on the mask, which Caldwell said

caught her eye because he was just six years old.

Caldwell said Franklin will get a cool prize package that is Mr. Mouse related. One of Caldwell's book characters is Mr. Mouse.

## Letter from Caldwell

To the editor:  
The winner has been selected: Congratulations to Mrs. Gabby Burton and her son Franklin Burton who is six years of age. Out of the imagination of a young man, he and his mother put together a mini play that is called "Porch Broadway." The pictures you will see expresses many feelings about the effect of the pandemic that changed the lives of many people.

The pandemic changed the way we live and what happened to the citizenry. Some people were stunned by the freedoms that were taken away, some of which was you had to be masked before your entered businesses. Many places had to close down because the COVID-19 took over our way of entering restaurants, unable to go to shows that were limited to only a few guests at a time. Many businesses asked for your vaccination record as proof that you had your shots.

Some people were not interested in getting shots to help ward off the deadly virus. It was important to follow the rules and direction from medical personnel. Unfortunately, those who chose to not get vaccinated suffered the consequences of falling victim to the virus. This has been a very trying situation and it is not over.

Travelling within the United States and the rest of the world held travelers hostage. Another freedom taken away. Let us as citizens appreciate the freedoms that we have left and not destroy our life by wrecking our buildings, land management, and so much more.

Be thankful for this young man and his mother stepping up and expressing their feeling about the pandemic COVID-19 that brought the whole world to its knees.

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Marian Caldwell  
Ypsilanti/Belleville

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## Van Buren Twp. Parks & Rec Dept. seeks public input for master plan

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Public input in this plan is important to helping the township make the best investments in parks and recreation over the next five years. This anonymous survey takes five minutes to complete. Participants must complete surveys by Monday, Nov. 8. Follow this web address to do the survey online (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VBParks2021>) or fill out a paper copy at the Parks and Recreation offices at township hall.

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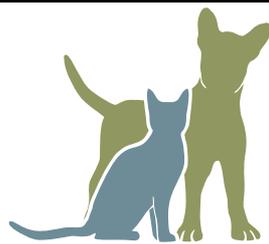
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**More Letters**

**Waste Management notice of activities**

To the editor:  
 Hi all, please be advised that due to weather conditions and the disappearing construction season, Waste Management contractors will be working extended hours in order to catch up and complete the work that was delayed due to rain. The extended hours of construction may continue through the remainder of the year and will include cell construction and landfill gas infrastructure.  
 Due to the landfill gas infrastructure work, neighbors may experience some temporary odors as a result of excavating into old waste and pipeline tie-ins/connections necessary for the landfill gas system.  
 These activities were shared with the

community earlier in August in an e-mail.  
 Please feel free to reach back to me if you have any questions or concerns and, if necessary, you may call the Landfill Concerns Hotline after hours as listed below. If you call the Hotline, WM Corporate Security will reach back to the team at Woodland Meadows with your concerns. Thank you for your patience and understanding.  
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**Court Watching:**

**Marcus Lee Shaffer**  
 Marcus Lee Shaffer, 26, of Auburn, MI, had charges dismissed against him without prejudice after an Oct. 25 preliminary exam before Judge Oakley for which the complaining victim did not appear.  
 Shaffer had been charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder and domestic violence on Feb. 24 in Van Buren Township.  
**Ismael Simon Bejan**  
 Ismael Simon Bejan, 19, of Sumpter Township, was in court on Oct. 27 to face three charges for use of his personal watercraft on Belleville Lake, near the Denton Road Bridge at 6:05 p.m., Aug. 29. He was ticketed for violating watercraft safety rules (slow no-wake zone), no registration, and no boater's safety certificate. Total fine was \$540. Present for the zoom court session by Wayne County Deputy Sheriff Brent Mytych, who wrote the violations.

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Willis Baptist Church Pastor Jim McKinnies will be holding a Fall Revival starting on Sunday, Nov. 7 through Nov. 12 at the church, located at 8687 Bunton Rd. in the Village of Willis. Guest speaker will be Evangelist Dr. John Hamblin. Service times are Sunday at 9:45 a.m., 11 a.m., and 6 p.m., and Monday through Friday evening at 7 p.m. For more info see their ad in today's paper or call (734) 461-0352. Nursery is provided at all services.

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Oakwoods Metropark Nature Center in nearby Flat Rock is holding its annual Owl Festival this Saturday, Nov. 6, from 6 to 8 p.m. with activities such as games, crafts, owl pellet dissection, live owl presentations, and several owl prowls around the property. The cost is \$6 for children, \$5 for adults, and free for children 2 and under. Pre-registration is required before 4 p.m. on Friday, the 5th. Register online at the Metropark's website or by calling (734) 782-3956. If you can't make it this Saturday, the nature center will be holding evening owl prowls every Saturday in November, through Dec. 4, from 6 to 8 p.m. each evening. I've been on several of these prowls and a naturalist-led walk will take you on the trails and owl-call recordings will be played with the hope that the resident owls will call back. You see, owls are very territorial and usually fly in a little closer to investigate. The Eastern Screech Owl is one of the favorites often heard there as I also hear them in Sumpter Township. A vehicle entry permit is required.

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The Belleville Tigers football team came away with a 14-10 victory over Ann Arbor Huron in the opening round of the

state playoffs on Oct. 29 at BHS. The win improved Belleville's record to 9-1 as it gets to host Canton this Friday, Nov. 5, at 7 p.m. The Chiefs are 7-3 on the year. Good luck Tigers! Congratulations also goes out to BHS' Myles Rowser who was selected to play in the All-American Bowl at the Alamo Dome in San Antonio, Texas in January, a game showcasing the top 100 high school football players in the country and televised on NBC. However just this week organizers announced to cancel the East versus West showdown because of the pandemic but hope to return the event in 2022. This year's class will still be honored in an off the field program featuring Rowser and the rest of the 2021 selected class. We will have to keep an eye on our local listings.

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Willow United Methodist Church on Willow Road in New Boston will be holding another Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner on Wednesday, Nov. 10, from 4:30 p.m. until sold out. The cost is \$12 for adults, \$5 for children and exact payment is appreciated. Menu includes fried chicken, mashed potatoes, cole slaw, green beans, biscuits and gravy, and dessert. To place an order, call (734) 654-9020 beginning at 1 p.m.

**Birthdays**

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- Nov. 5 – Carol Sala
- Nov. 6 – Maureen Papin, Tami Cummings
- Nov. 7 – Cindy Smith
- Nov. 8 – Mary Thacker
- Nov. 9 – Evelyn Larabell
- Nov. 10 – Charity Fielder, Jim Graham
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# Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Nov. 4** – Annual Sauerkraut Dinner at St. Paul's Lutheran church, 19109 Craig St., New Boston, 4:30 p.m. until sold out. Carry out only. Pork,

sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, green beans, squash, roll, and slice of apple pie. Cost of \$12.

• **Sunday, Nov. 7** – Bugles Across America, 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street in Horizon Park in Belleville. Brief ceremony to honor military personnel alive and dead includes "Star Spangled Banner" and "Taps."

• **Monday, Nov. 8** – State Rep. Ranjeev Puri's November coffee hour is from 7 to 8 p.m. at the Village Arts Factory, 50755 Cherry Hill Rd., Suite 1, in Canton Township.

• **Tuesday, Nov. 9** – Veterans Open House in appreciation for their service, 9-11 a.m. for coffee and Danish. A representative from Veterans Affairs will be on site for any questions regarding benefits. Van Buren Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Rd.

• **Wednesday, Nov. 10** – Drive-through Chicken Supper, 4:30 p.m. until sold out at Willow United Methodist Church, 36925 Willow Rd., New Boston, (734) 654-9020. Cost \$12 for adults, \$5 per child. Please bring check or exact amount, if possible. Call ahead for orders of six or more between 1-4 p.m. day of the dinner. Menu: Fried chicken, mashed potatoes, cole slaw, green beans, biscuits & gravy, dessert.

• **Thursday, Nov. 11** – Veterans Day service at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street in Horizon Park, Belleville. Includes speakers, prayers, rifle salute. Put on by Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 4434, and Polish Legion of American Veterans, Post 167.

• **Friday, Nov. 12** – St. Aloysius Church Ushers Club Feather Party Bingo. Doors

open at 5 p.m., bingo begins at 7 p.m. Bingo party held at 37200 Neville St., Romulus, Parish Activity Center (school building). Bingo prizes awarded are gift certificates for chickens and turkeys. Raffle prizes. Info: (734) 697-2061

• **Sunday, Nov. 21** – Fund raiser for Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue all day at Haab's restaurant in Ypsilanti.

• **Monday, Nov. 22** – Tree of Remembrance memorial ceremony at Brown Family Center, 678 E. Huron River Dr. Light refreshments inside at 6:30 p.m. with the outdoor ceremony at 7 p.m. Bring weatherproof ornament to hang in memory of loved one. You will be able to speak the name of the loved one when you hang the ornament.

• **Thursday, Dec. 2** – Winterfest: Ladies Night Out, 6-9 p.m., Pop-Up Shops on Main in Activities Tent on Fourth Street Square

• **Friday, Dec. 3** – Winterfest Holiday Party, 6-11 p.m., in Activities Tent on Main Street, with entertainment

• **Saturday, Dec. 4** – Winterfest activities include ice skating, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Snow Maze, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.; Animal Show, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; Kids Crafts, 2-4 p.m.; Jingle Bell Run, 4-5 p.m.; lighted parade, 5-7 p.m.; fireworks, 7:15 p.m.; and live entertainment, 8-11 p.m.

• **Sunday, Dec. 5** – Boy Scout Troop #793 Holiday Wreath Sale, Fourth Street Square, 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

• **Sunday, Dec. 5** – Winterfest activities include ice skating, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Fourth Street Place, Snow Maze, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; Holiday Market on Main, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Breakfast with Santa, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Skating with Santa, 2-4 p.m.

## BHS at-home games

• Thursday, Nov 4: Girls Swim/Dive KLAA Prelims, 5 p.m.

• Friday, Nov 5: Varsity football vs Canton in the MHSAA District final, 7 p.m. Gates open at 6 p.m. Tickets are sold through GoFan.co and not at the gate. Please purchase tickets through GoFan.co

• Saturday, Nov 6: Girls Swim/Dive KLAA Finals, noon.

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## HELP WANTED

# District Library board planning spring grand opening, donor party

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

The marketing committee of the Belleville Area District Library has been meeting to plan a special donors party and the public grand opening of the new building next spring.

Plans for the two events have been put off from the spring of 2020 when the library construction was completed and the library opened briefly – to be shut down by the COVID-19 pandemic.

At the board's regular, in-person meeting

on Oct. 12, marketing chairperson Alma Hughes-Grubbs said at the Sept. 29 marketing meeting, they talked about having the grand opening during National Library Week, April 3-9, and the donor party prior to the grand opening.

She said they plan to have speakers, child participants, history of the library, the Belleville High School Jazz Band, and a strolling buffet at the donors' event. They plan to invite governmental officials and have printed programs.

Grubbs said there are 39 plaques on the donor wall. They will acknowledge the Friends of the Library and set up a book to sign, she said.

John Juriga asked if they were going to invite the lady in charge of the Library of Congress and board chairperson Sharon Peters said they could try. Juriga said this is the first person in history who is really a librarian and now is in charge of the Library of Congress.

Chairperson Peters said the Library of Congress head was in Taylor with Congresswoman Debbie Dingell and she met one of the Belleville librarians and her daughter. The daughter was invited to visit the Library of Congress and so the trip was made.

Carla Hayden, the first woman in that position and also the first Afro-American in that role, has been librarian of the Library of Congress since 2016.

Grubbs said the idea of a time capsule was brought up again, but no decisions were made.

Mary Jane Dawson suggested the items for the time capsule should be put on display in the glass case so people in the present will know what people in the future will see when they open it.

Juriga suggested they show the history of the building construction.

"I was there every day," Juriga said, noting he took hundreds of pictures.

Peters said they will keep working on the details. She said the donor event will be in March. The next meeting of the marketing group will be Oct. 27, she said.

"I hope it's less likely we'll have to be wearing masks," Peters said.

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

- Heard reports on the building committee meeting from members who attended. Joy Cichewicz, chairperson of the committee, was not present at the board meeting to report. Dawson said the Walker display items for the wall are now installed in the display area and the League of Women Voters' display has been installed. It appears when the water is coming into the dishwasher sludge is coming in and they will see if a filter can be put in to fix that. Library Director Mary Jo Suchy said the low flow of the faucets in the restrooms may also be caused by sludge. The HVAC units on the roof have to be drained and so it is being piped down through the building to a first floor drain. The work to increase the air quality has started and plastic sheeting is up in parts of the second floor. It should be done in three to four weeks if all the trades come when they are supposed to, Peters said. The sealer has yet to be put on the bollards, she said;

- Heard Director Suchy reply to a question on the accounts payable item for \$1,797.39 paid to T-Mobile for five additional hotspots, as well as \$1,722 for five hotspots annual fee paid to T-Mobile. Suchy said the library now has ten hot spots and they check them out to patrons for three days and it shuts down automatically after that. She said they are very popular because they allow for a wireless signal when the electricity goes out and there is no internet. She said they will make them available at the Sumpter Township branch, as well. Suchy said wifi is already available in the library parking lots in Belleville and Sumpter;

- Heard Suchy report that the weather cooperated for Harvest Fest and it was an amazing, fun time in spite of the yellow jackets that hung around. She said those were not the honeybees from the hives on the library roof. She said there was good attendance and many new people explored the library. She reported that 46 people attended the Future Club's first program on autonomous vehicles and the self-driving car parked in front of the library was a huge hit;

- Heard Suchy thank the Friends of the Library for helping the library purchase a popup tent and banner that the library can use for outdoor programming and festivals; and

- Learned part-time youth services librarian Stacia Serafin left to become the full-time youth service department head at the Clarkston Independence District Library. Karen Dubke has been promoted from part-time youth services librarian to full-time. Marissa Lasoff-Santos accepted a part-time adult services librarian position and began work Oct. 5.

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## City of Belleville Public Notice



### Hillside Cemetery Advisory Committee REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS

**Flag Placement for Veterans' Day 2021**  
**8:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**  
**(Rain date: November 7<sup>th</sup>)**

The Cemetery Advisory Committee will be placing American Flags on the graves of all veterans who are buried at Hillside Cemetery on Denton Road.

We will begin placing flags on Saturday, November 6th at 8:30 a.m. and need volunteers to help. Each Cemetery section takes only about one hour of work.

Please consider this small sacrifice of time and join us to honor our veterans who fought to keep us free.

Briana Hootman  
City Clerk/Treasurer



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clerk's office.

Clerk Esther Hurst said the properties will be advertised on MLive, online on *The Eagle*, at the property sites, and on the township webpage.

During the workshop session, Supervisor Tim Bowman reminded the board that they don't have to approve offers.

Trustee Rush said the properties on Martinsville and Arkona are huge, Agricultural properties and the one behind the medical center is a large commercial parcel.

At a September meeting, Supervisor Bowman said he had received an offer to buy the 10 acres of commercial property for a 10,000-square-foot storage locker facility. This later was opposed by the owner of the residential parcel next door.

Bowman also said that someone wants to buy the property at Martinsville and Arkona for a horse farm and has offered "a nice amount."

In other business at the two-hour-and-40-minute meetings, the board:

- Approved on a 6-1 vote the job description of the Finance Director as reviewed by the Human Resources Committee, with Trustee Peggy Morgan voting no. Trustee Morgan disagreed with the proposed pay of \$70,000 to \$90,000 for somebody she thought would be part time;

- Tabled the proposal to purchase a BioAir system to remediate the odor at the 19729 Sumpter Road pump station, at the corner of Willis and Sumpter roads, for \$85,100. Survey results showed 26 out of 27 found the smell to be intolerable. There was some discussion on the cost of the installation and cement pad and that the lead time for the equipment is 14 to 16 weeks so it could be done in the spring. Trustee Morgan said the trailer parks are bringing in homes and bringing in population and now that people are coming and the sewage started flowing, the property wouldn't need this. She said in the past they were told there was a problem because not enough flow was going through. Trustee Tim Rush accused Trustee Morgan of asking an unfair question, since Jennifer Wagner, who was doing the presentation at the workshop, didn't know what the township has. After Morgan replied, Rush asked the supervisor: "Whatever you want to do with this conversation," insinuating Supervisor Bowman should shut Morgan down. The newly hired DPW Director John Danci called the situation an "urgent matter" and recommended, "This unit needs to start operating";

- Approved requesting the planning commission consider, develop, and recommend an amendment to the zoning ordinance providing for the creation of a zoning district for Care Giver Operations under the Michigan Medical Marijuana Act of 2008. Trustee Matt Oddy said the MMMA required licenses for all caregivers and had to be done in industrial districts. He said the Michigan Township Association recommended townships

repeal the zoning ordinance and license for MMMA requirements, and it did. Then several cases came out and the townships do have right to zone. He said township attorney Rob Young, who was not present at this meeting, recommended reinstating the zoning ordinance for this. He said the legislature currently is looking at bills on growing for more than one person in an industrial district. He said the old rules may be superceded by what is happening. He said provisional centers are legal and the township has the right to zone where caregivers are, other than their primary residences;

- Approved hiring Michelle Thornsberry for a temporary Human Resources contract at a rate of \$27 an hour for no more than 125 hours beginning Nov. 3. The official contract will be presented at the Nov. 9 board meeting;

- Approved a phone system replacement

for \$13,480. Cole explained this is an upgrade to the system, not a replacement, and they have been working on it for 12 to 18 months. It will connect all buildings and this is the last part and now they can make calls to the fire department and department of public works. This is for purchase of phones and the township will own them and the system. Trustee Oddy said the total spent was less than \$25,000 and there is a savings of \$50,000;

- Approved adding services with Comerica for Integrated Payables Module at no additional cost to the township, but using \$5,731.80 of the township's statement credits. The bank will be writing the checks and sending them out;

- Approved a month-to-month contract with Davey for \$1,500 to park up to six trucks on the property lot adjacent to township hall. Trustee Oddy said they were on township property previously using the

property at no cost;

- Approved recognizing AFSCME Floating Holidays identified as Nov. 12, 2021 and Dec. 24, 2021 through Jan. 3, 2022. AFSCME employees will utilize paid time off available for Dec. 28, 29, and 30, 2021;

- Extended temporary payroll from 8 to 16 weeks and not changing the amount;

- Heard Clerk Hurst say the township received a \$7,350 grant, which was delayed because some steps were done incorrectly. She said it was for tire removal and once they got the grant, they broke even;

- Heard Township Administrator Michelle Cole said the examination by Hennessey Engineers to see what the water system needs is not done, but they came up with a top project that needs to be done: finishing off water mains at Karr and

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## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice



# VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

## NOTICE OF CLOSED SESSION and MEETING TIME CHANGE

OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN  
VIA ZOOM ID WEBINAR ID

# Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA)

## 1:00 PM

## ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2021

The LDFA meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. in order to go into Closed Session: Pursuant to MCL 15.268 (e) To consult with its attorney in connection with specific pending litigation. Following the Closed Session the LDFA will commence with the Regular Meeting Agenda.

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Arkona. She said the Willow Road water line had nine breaks in the last few years. It was installed in the 1960s and is a delicate line. Cost to fix is \$1.5 million. She said Clark Road to Willis is a dead end and they need to provide a loop, which is estimated at \$1.1 million. The Arkona watermain

loop is closed off and will take \$600,000 to fix. She said water line replacements are needed on seven streets and cost estimate is \$1.5 million. She said it will take four to six weeks for a detailed plan;

- Heard Cole also report the newsletter committee met and a newly designed newsletter will be ready in spring 2022;
- Heard Supervisor Bowman ask trustees to email him five goals or objectives so

they can come together and plan future goals. He asked them to tell him “What we’d like to do in Sumpter Township in the next five years”; and

- After the meeting adjourned, and was still zooming live, heard Trustee Morgan

say to Trustee Rush, “I don’t need you to tell me what to ask.” Trustee Rush replied, “Send me an email.” Morgan countered, “You heard me” and the meeting coverage ended.

## Metropark annual park passes for 2022 now on sale at a discount

What’s the best time to get the 2022 Huron-Clinton Metroparks annual park pass? Right now. That’s because the parks system is providing a special \$5 discount to residents of the five counties they serve for annual vehicle passes purchased by Dec. 31, 2021. That one pass can be used to access each of the 13 Metroparks across Southeast Michigan all year long.

Starting Jan. 1, the 2022 Metroparks annual pass will again cost \$40 for residents (\$29 for Seniors 62+) of the five counties served – Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne – or \$45 for non-residents (\$34 for Seniors 62+). But now through the end of the year, residents can purchase their 2022 vehicle pass for just \$35, or \$24 for Seniors 62 and older.

Additionally, any 2022 passes can be used immediately, even before the new year. That’s up to nine weeks of extra value with the same pass.

Passes can be purchased on line or at any of the park offices or entry booths.

### Upcoming Meetings

- Thursday, Nov. 4 – Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- Monday, Nov. 8 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 9 – Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority will begin with a closed zoom session at 1 p.m., immediately followed by the open zoom meeting. The meeting usually begins at 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop and regular meeting, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

## City of Belleville Public Notice

### NOTICE TO CITY OF BELLEVILLE

#### RESIDENTS

#### LAST DAY FOR YARD WASTE PICK UP

NOVEMBER 26, 2021

(Last Friday in November)

Publish: November 4, November 11, and November 18

## City of Belleville Public Notice

### CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, October 18, 2021 - 7:30 pm  
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

The regular meeting of the City Council was held via a hybrid of in-person and virtual access through ZOOM. Those attending in-person were required to complete a Covid-19 health screening form. All persons who had not been vaccinated for Covid-19 were required to wear a mask while in City Hall.

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

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

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Fielder	Present
Council Member Voigt	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Marcotte	Present via Zoom
Mayor Conley	Present

#### 3. APPOINTMENTS, PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

A. Council Follow Up List  
No discussion

B. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items  
There were no comments.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to accept the agenda as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. October 4, 2021, Regular Meeting of the City Council

**MOTION:** Motion by Fielder, supported by Bates to approve the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held on Monday, October 4, 2021.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 6. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A) Resolution 21-081 – Wayne County Annual Maintenance Permit

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Bates to approve **Resolution 21-081** approving the Annual Maintenance Permit from Wayne County

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

B) Resolution 21-082 – Wayne County Annual Pavement Restoration Permit

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to approve **Resolution 21-082** approving the Annual Pavement Restoration Permit from Wayne County

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

C) Resolution 21-083 – Wayne County Permit for Special Events

**MOTION:** Motion by Fielder, supported by Bates to approve **Resolution 21-083** approving the Annual Permit for Special Events from Wayne County

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

D) Resolution 21-084 – Marijuana License Renewal Fee

**MOTION:** Motion by Voigt, supported by Fielder to approve **Resolution 21-084** approving the Marijuana License Renewal Fee

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

E) Proposed Statue Locations in Horizon Park – Discussion

**MOTION:** Motion by Fielder, supported by Bates, accepting two donated statues, and approving their placement on cement pads, one on either side of Horizon Park

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

F) Special Event Application – Holiday Wreath Sale

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Fielder to approve the sale of holiday wreaths by Boy Scout Troop 793 on December 5, 2021, with location to be determined.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

**MOTION:** Motion by Fielder, supported by Bates to approve **Resolution 21-085** authorizing Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Mayor Pro Tem Marcotte	Aye
Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Council Member Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

#### Motion Carried.

#### 8. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

• City Manager Robinson thanked the City Council for assisting with the motion to approve the placement of two statues in Horizon Park.

• Stated that the city has been working diligently on getting grant related projects over to Wayne County and is in talks with Sumpter Township about improving infrastructure, including the city’s water services.

#### 9. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Council Member Voigt:

-- None.

- Council Member Bates:
- Bates stated that she is currently working on getting the Booville banner replaced.
- She also hopes that this year’s trick-or-treaters have fun.

• Council Member Fielder:

-- Fielder informed council that he had attended a virtual meeting with the Substance Abuse Disorder Board from Wayne County.

-- Stated that the no-trespassing sign at the Belleville Area Museum has been modified.

-- Reminded everyone that Belleville High School’s football team will play in the league championship against Hartland this Friday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>.

-- Reminded everyone that next Friday, October 29<sup>th</sup> is Halloween Downtown, as well as possible state playoffs for Belleville High School’s football team.

-- Thanked Rick Rutherford and the DPW staff for their assistance with Harvest Fest.

- Council Member Marcotte
- None.

#### 10. MAYOR’S COMMENTS

• Mayor Conley mentioned that she attended the Lake Fest Committee meeting/debriefing that took place regarding last year’s Lake Fest and its future considerations.

• Stated that the Western Wayne County Leadership Banquet is tomorrow, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

• Mentioned that she recently received an anonymous letter about ordinances not being enforced within the city.

#### 11. CITIZENS COMMENTS

• Rosemary Otzman mentioned that she ran in to Steve Davenport, along with Osier Electric, at the Belleville Area Museum as they were completing some work there, confirming that the museum is not closing.

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

- None

#### 13. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Voigt to adjourn at 8:38 p.m.

No objections were noted.

#### Motion Carried.

Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer  
Approved: November 1, 2021  
Published: November 4, 2021

## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 227 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

### Sunday, Oct. 24:

0031 – noise complaint, Lake Villa Dr.  
0053 – motorist assist, S. I-94 Service Dr./Beckley  
0237 – noise complaint, Quirk Rd.  
0258 – welfare check, Tyler Rd.  
0818 – suspicious person/vehicle, Marina Dr.  
0832 – welfare check, Quirk Rd.  
0956 – domestic, Village Green Ln.  
1031 – animal complaint, Buchanan St.  
1203 – property damage accident, Lohr  
1310 – disorderly, Maple Dr.  
1406 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1447 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1543 – threat, Oak Ln.  
1706 – domestic, Oak Ln.  
1754 – property damage accident, Bemis/Sumpter  
1817 – domestic, Timberview Ct.  
1939 – property damage accident, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty Rd.  
2029 – domestic, Belleville Rd.  
2147 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2234 – threat, Parkwood Dr.  
2254 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-275/Ecorse

### Monday, Oct. 25:

0057 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.  
0112 – domestic, Belleville Rd.  
0135 – threat, Denton Rd.  
0901 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Park Estates Dr.  
0912 – suspicious person/vehicle, Village Green Ln.  
0913 – fraud, S. Bellridge Dr.  
0922 – assault & battery, Tyler Rd.  
1157 – private property/property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.  
1226 – disorderly, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1331 – suspicious person/vehicle, Westlake Cir. / Belleville Rd.  
1400 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1418 – larceny from auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1450 – suspicious person/vehicle, Revere Dr.  
1505 – animal complaint, Edwards Rd.  
1526 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.  
1705 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1709 – property damage accident, Colonial Rd./Savage Rd.  
1724 – assist other dept., W. Huron River Dr.  
1753 – threat, Parkwood Dr.  
1813 – misc. complaints, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1830 – Walmart property check, Belleville Rd.  
1939 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rogers Ave.  
2021 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.  
2033 – threat, Hannan Rd.  
2131 – welfare check, Savage Rd.  
2159 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Independence Ln.  
2304 – property damage accident, Westlake Cir. / Belleville Rd.

### Tuesday, Oct. 26:

0247 – domestic, Lighthouse Dr.  
0425 – breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0620 – property check, Green Meadows  
0755 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Beck  
1001 – assist other dept., Brookside Dr.  
1056 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1104 – private property impound, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1118 – welfare check, Nautica Dr.  
1127 – sexual assault, Parkwood Dr.  
1155 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.  
1414 – suicidal person, Maple Dr.  
1449 – traffic offense, Yost/Belleville  
1512 – follow up by officer, St. Joe's  
1605 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.  
1736 – property check, Denton Rd.  
1818 – Menards property check, Belleville Rd.  
1817 – traffic offense, Martinsville Rd./Bemis  
1822 – juvenile complaint, Maple Dr.  
1831 – Walmart property check, Belleville Rd.  
1845 – Walmart property check, Belleville Rd.  
1919 – property check, Parkwood Dr.  
2000 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.  
2040 – missing person, Quirk Rd.

2111 – disorderly, Bog Rd.  
2138 – welfare check, Wildrye Ct.  
2151 – follow up by officer, Quirk Rd.  
2155 – family trouble, Country Walk Blvd.  
2157 – missing person, S. I-94 Service Dr.

### Wednesday, Oct. 27:

0418 – motorist assist, Ecorse/I-275  
0452 – motorist assist, Denton Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
0538 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0914 – motorist assist, W. I-94/N. Belleville I-94 ramp W.  
0914 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.  
0929 – misc. complaint, W. Schooner Dr.  
1132 – unattended death, Sheldon Rd.  
1150 – larceny from auto, Denton Rd.  
1332 – threat, Parkwood Dr.  
1346 – harassment call, Tyler Rd.  
1427 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1534 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd.  
1544 – suicidal person, Buchanan St.  
1547 – fraud, Oak Ln.  
1654 – fraud, Rawsonville Rd.  
1915 – fraud, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2119 – mental subject, Rayna Ct.  
2220 – traffic offense, Ecorse Rd./Belleville Rd.

### Thursday, Oct. 28:

0715 – suspicious person/vehicle, Mission Pointe  
0724 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
0728 – personal injury accident, Haggerty/Tyler  
0802 – animal complaint, Riggs Rd./Renton Rd.  
0836 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.  
0947 – animal complaint, Ayres Ave.  
1027 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sylvia Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.  
1125 – assist other dept., Hamilton St.  
1259 – assist other dept., Sondra Dr.  
1320 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1530 – suicidal person, Ecorse/I-275  
1601 – juvenile complaint, Quirk Rd.  
1648 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1659 – harassment call, Ecorse Rd.  
1656 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Westlake Cir.  
1800 – private property/property damage accident, Locust Dr.  
1825 – runaway, Quirk Rd.  
1851 – sexual assault, Quirk Rd.  
1948 – threat, Belleville Rd.  
2203 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.  
2316 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.

### Friday, Oct. 29:

0009 – suspicious person/vehicle, Marina Dr.  
0225 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.  
0500 – sexual assault, Quirk Rd.  
0759 – ordinance violation, Basswood Cir.  
0951 – dumping complaint, Rawsonville Rd.  
1036 – 911 welfare check, Water's Edge Ln.  
1052 – 911 welfare check, Country Walk Blvd.  
1125 – family trouble, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1241 – larceny, Parkwood Dr.  
1251 – property check, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1256 – malicious destruction of property, Westlake Cir.  
1333 – follow up by officer, Denton Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1442 – family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1549 – welfare check, McBride Ave.  
1551 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.  
1700 – property damage accident, WB Michigan Ave. / bypass  
1800 – private property/property damage accident, Van Born Rd.  
1806 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.  
1849 – Meijer property check, Belleville Rd.  
1941 – property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275  
2013 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
2127 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd./Hull Rd.  
2140 – private property/property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr.

### Saturday, Oct. 30:

0059 – 911 welfare check, Stamford Rd.  
0129 – motorist assist, Sumpter Rd.  
0137 – disorderly, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0139 – follow up by officer, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1003 – larceny, Assembly St.  
1136 – suspicious person/vehicle, Jeremy/Leon  
1235 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1410 – welfare check, E. Archwood Dr.  
1545 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville/Tyler  
1709 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd./Ecorse

1829 – motorist assist, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1844 – welfare check, Andover Dr.  
1848 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.  
1907 – family trouble, Lake Crest Dr.  
2015 – road hazard, W. I-94/Belleville Rd.  
2028 – Walmart property check, Belleville Rd.  
2057 – welfare check, Ayres Ave.  
2150 – PPO violation, E. Archwood Dr.  
2157 – property check, Westlake  
2218 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./W. I-94 Belleville ramp  
2300 – property damage accident, Wabash/Hannan  
Also on this week's log are 32 traffic stops, with five of them on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, Oct. 24:

0116 – traffic stop, Belle Villa Blvd./Estrada Dr.  
0120 – noise complaint, W. Wabash Ave.  
0241 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
0913 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr.  
1040 – assist fire dept., Potter Dr.  
1205 – traffic offense, South St.  
1303 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
1314 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
1320 – traffic stop, Church St./Second St.  
1603 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.  
1700 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
1715 – traffic stop, Henry St./South St.  
1823 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.

### Monday, Oct. 25:

1056 – ordinance violation, W. Columbia Ave.  
1315 – disorderly, W. Columbia Ave.  
1717 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Main St./High St.  
2235 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia  
2254 – traffic offense, Main St./High St.

### Tuesday, Oct. 26:

0910 – property damage accident, S. Edgemont  
0922 – harassment call, W. Columbia Ave.  
1057 – narcotics crime, W. Columbia Ave.  
1140 – civil matter, Clarence St.  
1308 – misc. complaint, Denton Rd.  
1506 – civil matter, E. Columbia Ave.  
1935 – traffic stop, High St./Main St.  
2026 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr. / Harbour Pointe Dr.  
2136 – traffic stop, South St./Henry St.

### Wednesday, Oct. 27:

0716 – traffic offense, Church St./W. Columbia  
1201 – assist other dept., Denton Rd.  
1757 – assist fire dept., Loza Ln.

### Thursday, Oct. 28:

0323 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
0511 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
0812 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.  
1233 – traffic stop, W. Wabash/South St.  
1251 – larceny, South St.  
1427 – misc. complaint, S. Industrial Park Dr.  
1623 – traffic stop, S. Biggs Ave./E. Huron River  
1637 – traffic stop, Gene and Sons  
1959 – malicious destruction of property, E. Columbia Ave.

### Friday, Oct. 29:

0955 – private property impound, Sumpter Rd.  
1051 – assist other dept., Belle Villa Blvd.  
1241 – civil matter, S. Edgemont Ave.  
1915 – welfare check, Henry St.  
1940 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.  
2306 – assist fire dept., Bay Pointe Dr.

### Saturday, Oct. 30:

0241 – domestic, Carmell St.  
0348 – assist fire dept., Harbour Pointe Dr.  
1456 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
2101 – traffic stop, High St./Edison Ave.  
2356 – traffic stop, South St./E. Wabash Ave.

There were 17 traffic stops on this week's log.

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, Oct. 24:

0421 – assist other agency, 9200 bl. Rawsonville  
0922 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Weimer Dr.  
1751 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Bemis

2233 – 911 hang up, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2253 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Fenster Ave.  
2330 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.

### Monday, Oct. 25:

0740 – death investigation, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0958 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1159 – mental health call, 23000 bl. Martinsville  
1405 – suspicious circumstance, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1605 – suspicious circumstance, 46000 bl. Willis  
1628 – suspicious circumstance, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1824 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1825 – 911 hang up, Wayside Dr.  
1926 – larceny, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2039 – family trouble, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.  
2200 – welfare check, Kansas St.  
2209 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2257 – family trouble, Timberlane Dr.

### Tuesday, Oct. 26:

0557 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.  
1425 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.  
1506 – traffic complaint/road, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.  
1655 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.  
1831 – suspicious circumstance, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1919 – follow-up investigation, Timberlane Dr.  
2156 – mental health call, 10000 bl. Rawsonville  
2215 – suspicious circumstance, Texas St.

### Wednesday, Oct. 27:

0927 – animal complaint, Sumpter/Wear  
1036 – welfare check, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
1126 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1144 – death investigation, 12000 bl. Rawsonville  
1327 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd./Bemis Rd.  
1517 – traffic complaint/parking, 47000 bl. Bemis  
1608 – 911 hang up, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1815 – follow-up investigation, 17000 bl. Sumpter  
2142 – family trouble, First St.  
2209 – family trouble, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2309 – noise complaint, Delaware St.

### Thursday, Oct. 28:

0705 – welfare check, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.  
0740 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.  
1048 – fire dept. assist, Country Club Blvd.  
1114 – suspicious person, Timberlane Dr.  
1334 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1444 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1526 – death investigation, 12000 bl. Rawsonville  
1842 – welfare check, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.

### Friday, Oct. 29:

0123 – suspicious circumstance, Willis Rd./Karr  
0823 – traffic complaint/road, 43000 bl. Willow  
1330 – fire dept. assist, Colorado St.  
1406 – missing person, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1406 – follow-up investigation, 29000 bl. Elwell  
1625 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
1704 – follow-up investigation, 29000 bl. Elwell  
2301 – property damage accident, Savage/Harris  
2323 – 911 hang up, New Mexico St.

### Saturday, Oct. 30:

0123 – follow-up investigation, 43000 bl. Harris  
0254 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
0438 – suspicious circumstance, Edgewood Dr.  
0633 – traffic complaint/vehicle off, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0744 – family trouble, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0908 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
1142 – animal complaint, Sherwood Rd./Willis  
1348 – suspicious circumstance, Creekside Dr.  
1355 – family trouble, 19000 bl. Clark Rd.  
1414 – follow-up investigation, 19000 bl. Clark  
1514 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
2223 – shots fired, Arkona Rd./Karr Rd.  
2225 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.  
2326 – suspicious circumstance, Bemis Rd. / Rawsonville Rd.

Also on this week's log are 89 patrol checks, 40 traffic stops, and seven misc. details.

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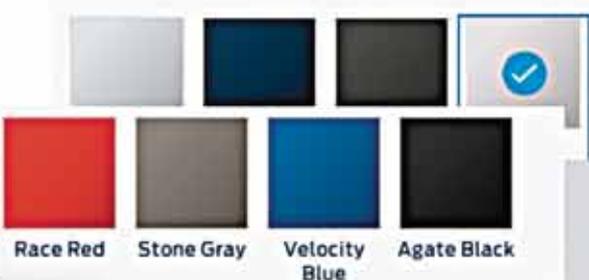
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