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F R E E

Belleville City Council approves Lake Fest activities June 26-28

By Rosemary K. Otzman
 Independent Editor

At Monday's meeting of the Belleville City Council, the events for this year's Lake Fest, put on by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, were approved by the council for June 26-28 in the downtown area.

Fitness activities and a possible zipline, boat demos and ski show are set for Horizon Park/High Street, live music stage and food trucks on Fourth Street Square and Fourth Street Place, and a market on Main with nonprofit tents between Roys and Third streets.

Chamber president Dinara Strikis said this year's boat show will be in Lakeview Plaza.

In other business at the May 4 meeting, the council:

- Heard mayor Ken Voigt chastise the administration for not making the citizen comments at the beginning of the meeting marked specifically as "non-agenda items" so people could comment and leave. He said he had asked this to be changed and it wasn't. He said in his meetings, people can comment throughout the meeting as the issues are discussed and at the end of the meeting as well. He said the way it is on that night's agenda puts a damper on public comment. He said this was changed without consulting the council. "It's wrong and I'm mad about it," he said;

- Heard a 10-minute presentation on what the Third Circuit Court does by Circuit Court Judge Charise Anderson, who presides in criminal court. He said the court is reaching out to explain its job to communities. He said circuit court has 50 judges and 25 referees;

- Approved a resolution accepting the donation of a memorial sculpture known as "Harper's Wings of Hope" from the Harper Strong Foundation. It will be placed in Horizon Park in memory of Belleville

resident Harper Mathis;

- Approved the documents provided for the sale of the city's Savage Road property and directed the mayor to sign them;

- Heard presentations on wishes for the city budget being prepared from public safety director Kris Faull who spoke for the police and fire departments, DPW director Nathan Robinson, and clerk/treasurer Briana Papin. The budget will be considered at a 6 p.m., May 26 meeting. A special meeting also could be called, if necessary;

- Heard council members praise plans for the police budget that entailed a proposed agreement with the no-kill Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue where the city's 12 or so strays it gets a year could be taken at an agreed cost;

- Heard interim city manager Steve Jones say mill and fill and paving of North Liberty Street is expected to be begin on May 20 or 21 and be done by the end of the month. Work on upgrades to Horizon Park's shoreline is expected to begin in August or September, he said; and

- Learned the city got a Community Development Block Grant of \$32,000 for ordinance enforcement. Faull said police officer Norm Brooks will be doing that job and he started on Monday.

**Independent
 community
 meeting 6 p.m.
 Thursday,
 May 7
 Belleville Library**



Photo courtesy of Elaine Gutierrez
 The Belleville High School Distinguished Graduates for 2025-26 are, from left, Constance Cook Testorelli, Shelly Brown-Chudzinski, and Katherine Toth Hay.

Three new Distinguished Graduates installed in BHS ceremony

The Belleville High School Distinguished Graduates for 2025-26 were installed in ceremonies at the BHS auditorium on Friday, April 24.

They are Shelly Brown-Chudzinski, Class of 1993; Constance Cook Testorelli, Class of 1977; and Katherine Toth Hay, Class of 1963.

The Distinguished Graduate program was enacted by the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education on Sept. 8, 1997 to recognize the honorable and worthy graduates who have brought distinction to the school and community

Recipients are honored annually at the high school's National Honor Society Induction in April to provide a connection between the community, the students who presently attend BHS, and the alumni who serves as role models for success.

The new Distinguished Graduates were described in the program with the following accolades.

Shelly Brown-Chudzinski

Shelly, a lifelong resident of Belleville and a proud 1993 graduate of BHS, has demonstrated an enduring commitment to the community she calls home. Inspired by her father's example of community pride, she has continued that legacy through both her professional work and volunteer service. Since 1999, Shelly has served families with compassion and dedication through her work at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

Shelly graduated from Adrian College in 1997 and later earned her degree from Wayne State University in 2001, further strengthening her commitment to excellence

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in her field. She has taken on leadership roles professionally, including serving as District President of the Michigan Funeral Directors Association, and contributes to the future of her profession as a practicum site host for Wayne State University's Mortuary Science Program.

Deeply involved in her community, Shelly has been an active member of the Jaycees, Belleville Women's Club, Huron Valley Conservation Club, and the Chamber of Commerce, as well as a longtime member of the Moose and Eagles. She also leads and hosts remembrance ceremonies and community events that provide comfort, connection, and support for those experiencing loss.

Shelly and her husband, James Chudzinski, are the proud parents of four sons. In her free time, she enjoys gardening, boating on Belleville Lake, traveling, and creative pursuits such as card making and scrapbooking. Whether through her profession or her volunteer efforts, Shelly's compassion, leadership, and dedication have made a lasting impact on the Belleville community.

Constance Cook Testorelli

Connie Cook Testorelli, a proud graduate of BHS class of 1977, has dedicated her life to service, education, and family. During her time in high school, she was actively involved in the school community, contributing to the yearbook, serving as a class officer, and participating in both the Spanish Club 4-H Clubs.

While still in high school, Connie met her husband, Jim, while working at McDonald's in Romulus. Together, they built a beautiful life, raising seven children and now celebrating ten grandchildren. Connie remained deeply involved in her children's lives, contributing countless hours to 4-H, serving as a Band Camp Head Chaperone, supporting school plays, organizing fundraisers, and coordinating Homecoming activities. Through it all, she exemplified what it means to be a devoted mother and wife.

Following graduation, Connie attended Wayne State University with aspirations of becoming a physical therapist. However, guided by her passion for helping others, she transferred to Eastern Michigan University, where she earned her degree in Special Education. She began her career through student teaching and substitute teaching, laying the foundation for what would become an extraordinary journey in education.

Connie's professional career at BHS has been marked by excellence, leadership, and unwavering dedication. She has served in numerous roles and currently holds the position of Special Education Coordinator.

In recognition of her outstanding contributions, she was honored as Teacher of the Year.

Throughout her distinguished career, Connie has been a tireless advocate for students with diverse needs. She embodies inclusivity, compassion, and creativity, ensuring that every student feels seen, valued, and supported. Whether developing Individualized Education Plans (IEPs), collaborating with families and staff, or implementing innovative programs, Connie consistently goes above and beyond to ensure student success.

Connie Cook Testorelli's legacy is one of profound impact. Her dedication to education, her service to the community, and her influence on countless students and families have left an enduring mark that cannot be measured. She is a shining example of what it means to lead with heart, and her contributions will be felt for generations to come.

Katherine Toth Hay

Kathy's life is defined by service, leadership, and an unwavering commitment to others. She enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam conflict, serving stateside and gaining valuable training that would shape her future career. Following her military service, she joined the Ann Arbor Police Department as a communications operator and later broke barriers as one of the department's first uniformed female officers. Serving on road patrol, she not only protected her community but also played a key role in advocating for policy changes that advanced equality for women in law enforcement, particularly in uniform standards.

Kathy's deep connection to the military runs through every aspect of her life. As a veteran, the daughter of two service members, a military spouse, and a military mother, her dedication to supporting those who serve is both personal and profound. She has devoted countless hours to honoring and assisting veterans, most notably through her instrumental work in securing funding for the first Fisher House at the VA Hospital in Ann Arbor. This vital facility provides a home away from home for military families while their loved ones receive medical care. In recognition of her leadership and lasting impact, she has served on the board of directors for Fisher House Michigan and holds the distinguished title of Director Emerita. She continues to serve as a liaison, connecting veterans in need with organizations that provide critical support.

As president of the Chelsea Rotary Club, she has championed initiatives that provide scholarships, promote environmental stewardship, support economic development for underprivileged women in Africa, and contribute to the global eradication of polio. She is

currently leading efforts to make Chelsea a dementia-friendly community. Kathy also founded and chairs the Rotary Highway Cleanup Project and established the Panera Donation Program benefiting St. Louis Center in Grass Lake. Her commitment to service extends to her role as a board member and donor for the Reinhart Charitable Foundation. In recognition of her extraordinary contributions to the community, Kathy was honored with the 2024 Ann Arbor Area Board of Realtors Good Neighbor Award.

Through a lifetime of service to her country, her community, and those in need, Kathy exemplifies leadership, compassion, and a legacy of meaningful impact.

VBT planners consider data center issue for 3.5 hours, postpone decision

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

There was one item on the agenda of the three-and-a-half hour, April 22 meeting of the Van Buren Township Planning Commission.

The request was for preliminary site plan approval of a DTE/ITC substation to power the huge data center planned for 282 acres in the township.

DTE, in collaboration with ITC, plans to construct a high-voltage substation / switching station on nine acres on the east side of Haggerty Road within the boundaries of the Project Cannoli Data Center.

Commissioners considered the issue at length, listened to 11 people speak for up to three-minutes each from the audience, and four who came back to the microphone for more comments against the project.

Then, after more discussion, the commission voted unanimously to postpone a decision until a future meeting.

Commissioner Jeff Jahr, who made the motion, added the questions he wanted to be answered before bringing it back to the commission for a decision. He asked for:

- **A unified site plan to consider.** The site plan for the substation/switch station was brought separately from the data center site plan, which was approved Feb. 11 on a 5-2 vote. Now, it is considered one site plan and so the new construction being requested should be considered as an amended data center site plan, Jahr said. Developers said they waited to do the substation plans until after they were assured the data center plan was approved. There were different owners of the properties at first and now there is one owner.

- **How the power is delivered to the site.** ITC said the electrical power will be brought to the substation from the ITC lines that run north and south through the township. It will be delivered on

National Honor Society Inductees

Also on Friday, the following BHS students were inducted into the National Honor Society: Lia Achonduh, Daniya Alrawas, Chace Barr, Devyn Battle, Alaya Charles, Aliyah Collins, Addison Deline, John Derrick, Jeremy Durr, Jacob Finfrock, Hosanna Goff, David Hamel, Ashley Hickey, Nyjah Hunter, Laila Isaac, Devin Johnson, Lawrence Jones, Jr., Isabella LeCouffe, Katherine Loria, Violette Mallari, Derricka Martin, Ayden McCormick, Cydney Means, Ariana Mizer, Brooklynn Nelson, Sophia Petty, Camila Romero, Keira Scott, Madelynn Similo, Kennedy Stokes, Owen Underwood, Isaac Watson, Reagan Woods.

underground lines and the commission wants to know what route it will take. ITC said this has yet to be determined, since it waited until approval of the project before working on a route.

- **Diagram of the power poles on the site** and the overhead clearance of the lines, along with an aerial drawing of the site to show where everything will be at both the data center and the substation.

Commissioner Bernard Grant asked for Jahr to add to his motion requirement of a new acoustic report, since Grant didn't trust the one submitted. He wanted information on how the aging of the equipment would affect the noise. He also wanted additional information on the PCUs (power conditioning units) and battery fires that could bring harmful fumes to the residential area nearby.

Jahr amended his motion but he didn't add a requirement for a new sound study.

Grant insisted a third party should do a sound study and the township should get its own consultant, other than its Fishbeck engineering consultant, to study it.

Commission chairman Brian Cullin pointed out, since nothing was built, any study has to start with the information provided by the developer on what precise equipment will be in the project, its size, and other measurements.

"I don't have authority to ask the township board to hire a third party, but the staff could request it," Jahr said.

Commissioner Peter Creal seconded the motion

The vote to postpone action on the request until they get answers was unanimous, without the new study proposed by Grant.

He said the amended preliminary site plan could be considered on the same day as the final site plan.

Commissioner Grant lives in Haggerty subdivision, across Haggerty Road from

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O P I N I O N S

Guest Editorial:

Showing up for what matters: Why this meeting counts

In the past few years that I have been a part of this community, I have learned something very simple: people here care. They care about their schools, their lake, their parks, their neighbors, and the moments that make this place feel like home.

What many may not know is that something just as important is now at risk. For more than 30 years, Rosemary Otzman has been the constant presence behind the *Belleville-Area Independent*. Week after week, she has attended public meetings, reported on decisions, and captured everyday moments that might otherwise be lost. Not for praise, but because she believes this community deserves to know what is happening. This paper brings together our three communities and gives them a shared identity.

Before social media and the internet, this was how communities stayed connected. The paper kept track of our lives, births, losses, milestones, new businesses, and local decisions. It still does. And that kind of record cannot be replaced.

If the paper disappeared, we would lose

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EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

We'll see you at the meeting at the Belleville Area District Library at 6 p.m. today (Thursday, May 7). It will be interesting and we can explore how to keep a local paper publishing news about where we live.

A reader sent us a message about the hospital that used to be in Belleville in reply to a question from Donald Keith: "Yes, we had one. It was where Citizens bank is. I found a picture in 'See Again.' Trying to share."

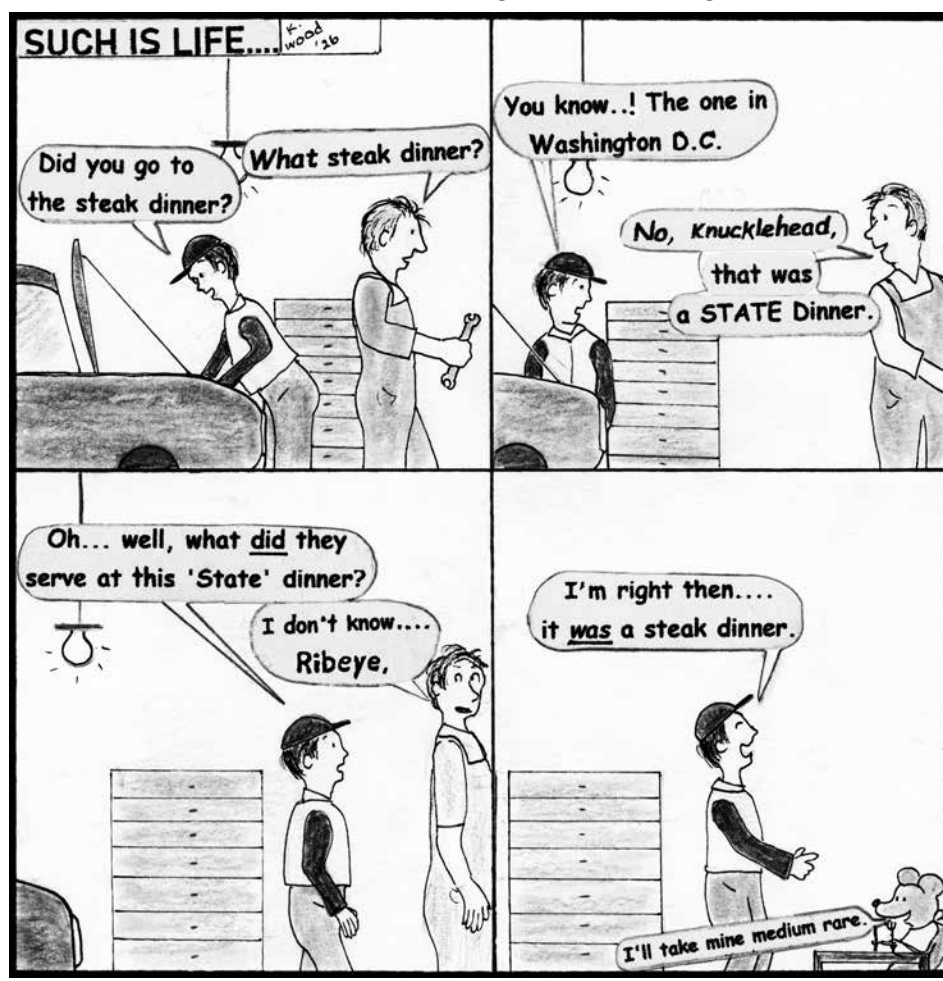
The reader also commented on local chili cookoffs that have been announced: "I participate in chili cookoffs. Due to food poisoning from incorrect canning methods, they only should allow commercially processed foods. I hope they are following food-safe rules."

On Sunday the monthly Bugles Across America ceremony was held at the Veterans Memorial on High Street. At the last meeting of the Belleville City Council the council voted to shut the street down each month for the brief ceremony to be held - about 15-20 minutes. Everyone agreed that was a good idea because motorists going by on High Street often honk and yell out during the ceremony. This interferes with honoring the veterans who died serving our country.

Well, we guess the city forgot.

There were no breaks in the traffic on Sunday. Maybe, in June they will do it.

Bugles Across America is held at the



monument at 7:15 p.m. on the first Sunday of each month across the country.

It's been held every month in Belleville for more than 20 years.

The VFW and PLAV also will put on the Memorial Day service after the parade.

The flags at Five Points and the Veterans Memorial were at half-staff on Sunday when I drove to the Bugles event. I asked what that was for.

George Kennedy, Polish Legion of American Veterans commander, said he wondered, too. He had been in Nashville earlier that day and said he saw the flags at half-staff in the communities he passed on the way home. So, when he got home, he investigated.

He said the federal government ordered them at half staff over the weekend to honor fire fighters who gave their lives.

President Donald Trump designated May 2-3, 2026, as National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Weekend and ordered U.S. flags flown at half-staff at all federal buildings on Sunday, May 3, in accordance with Public Law 107-51.

Between 1990 and 2024, 81 firefighters died on the job in Michigan.

On Monday, Gov. Whitmer announced that May 4 was International Firefighters' Day in Michigan.

When we got back from delivering *Independents* last Thursday, Belleville's new fire chief John Thiede was in our office getting to know the staff. That was an unexpected

surprise. Chief Thiede is from Romulus and he was walking the streets to get to know his new territory.

At Monday's city council meeting, public safety director Kris Faull gave the budget requests for the fire department as well as the police department.

In the fire budget there is a request to buy a F-250 for about \$58,000 to use for everything and give the old 2006 Expedition to the new fire chief to take home. Also, the new fire chief wants an office at the fire hall and that would cost about \$85,000. Director Faull said there is plenty of room in the garage for that.

Director Faull asked for a workout center for all the employees to use that could be housed at the new police department, since they have room. She has a deal on the equipment.

She also said Northville PD is selling two used motorcycles. She also needs brand new tasers for the officers, among other things.

DPW director Nathan Robinson listed his wants, including a new gate and fence for the DPW yard at a cost of about \$27,000.

Clerk/treasurer Papin said there are two elections this year, a primary and a general, and so much of her budget will be for those. She said her big request is to get a raise for her deputy, Michelle Bellingham, who is doing a really great job.



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 To the editor:
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 The deadline is May 12 and we look forward to having local residents participate. Would love to see kids on decorated bikes and residents in classic cars and/or golf carts in the parade to recognize those who paid the ultimate price to protect our freedom. The parade stages at the high school and steps off at 10 a.m. Immediately following the parade the VFW and PLAV will hold their memorial ceremony at the Veterans Memorial on High Street.
 Also looking forward to the beginning of the Belleville Farmers Market – both 4th Street venues are filled for the season. It is going to be a busy summer in downtown Belleville with the Classic Car Show starting June 1, Music Lakeside starting June 18, and Belleville Lakefest on June 27 and 28. Thunder over Michigan in July and The Wayne County Fair in August in Van Buren Township. This isn't even counting all the church activities and the programs at the Belleville Area District Library. Enjoy!
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 We are seeking a few able-bodied veterans and friends of veterans to assist us for a couple of hours. We have a few heavy-lift items as well as some general clean-up/fix-

up things that have long been neglected.
 The property serves as the home for both VFW Post 4434 and PLAV Post 167. They are among the few remaining groups providing Honor Guard services for veteran funerals. In addition, they offer information, monetary assistance, and medical equipment to disabled veterans.
 The organizations also charter and provide meeting space for local scout troops, visit area schools to teach flag etiquette and share veteran-related information, and award scholarships to graduating seniors.
 Additionally, the post is a popular location for graduations, meetings, and parties, featuring a spacious hall and a two-acre property with a large outdoor pavilion. We'd like to ensure that the facility remains a valuable resource for the Belleville community, but our membership is dwindling and aging, and upkeep is often challenging.
 If you are able to volunteer a few hours to support these efforts, please contact Lori Day at (734) 660-0797.

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more than just a publication. We would lose decades of history, a way to hold people accountable, and a shared understanding of what is happening around us.
 The reality is simple: a paper like this cannot continue without support. It has been free for a long time, but the work of this value comes at a cost. The path forward, transitioning to a nonprofit, depends on whether the community is willing to step in and help carry it.
 There are communities across the country that have done exactly that. They recognized what they stood to lose, and they showed up.
 Now, we have the same opportunity.
 A community meeting will be held this Thursday, May 7, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library (Cozadd Room). This is an opportunity for you to listen, ask questions, and be part of the conversation about what comes next.
 Showing up and supporting the paper matters. Because this has never been just about a newspaper. It's about preserving the stories, the record, and the voice of three communities that care.
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-- Elena Manalop

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BACA's Community Art Project resumes

To the editor:
The Neil Griffin Community Art Project, formerly the Fish Project, will resume at Horizon Park. A plaque for Neil Griffin, who started the fish project in 2018, will accompany the fish, sailboats, and lighthouses that will be displayed.

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is inviting artists of all ages to use their creativity to paint or decoupage and embellish a design-favorite wooden fish.

Adults and children are encouraged to make an artistic creation for the first time or add a new piece to the past collection.

Wooden blanks are now available at the Belleville Area District Library. All artists are encouraged to pick up a fish blank, decorate it and return it to the library by Saturday, June 6.

Community Art Project directions:

1. Pick up a wooden blank at Belleville Area District Library.
2. Paint, decoupage, add decorative pieces. Be creative!
3. Sign and date the back of the art piece.
4. Return decorated artwork to the library by Saturday, June 6.
5. A donation of \$5 is recommended to support the art project, but it is not required.

The community art will again be displayed on the shoreline of Belleville Lake at Horizon Park. The display will remain throughout the summer until late September.

BACA's ever-popular Music Lakeside will celebrate its 17th season. The Clockwork Band will start off the series on June 18. There will be 10 concerts this year on Thursday evenings, 7 - 9 p.m. at Horizon Park.

Enjoy the music along the shore by boat or relax in your folding chair at the park. Each week a new food truck will be available for dinner and refreshments.

Visit: www.bacaart.org or the Music Lakeside Face Book page for more information.

Elaine Gutierrez
Belleville Area Council for the Arts

Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, May 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons
- Tuesday, May 12 – Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library board, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, May 13 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, May 14 – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. (budget hearing and annual meeting) Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission at 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m.
- Monday, May 18 – Belleville City Council, 6:30 p.m.

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Obituaries

Harry Vern Taylor


HARRY VERNON TAYLOR
 (February 11, 1947 – May 1, 2026)
 Harry Vernon Taylor, 79, of Columbia, KY, formerly of the Belleville area, passed away on May 1, 2026, at his home surrounded by loved ones.

Harry, better known as Vern to family and friends, was born February 11, 1947, to Helen Rose Taylor (Norris) and Lloyd Taylor in Pathfork, KY, and grew up in Milan, MI, from the age of 3. Vern had always been a hard worker, working on a dairy farm for Loyal & Ethel Grassley from sunup to sundown, from age 9 until he graduated high school.

After graduation, Vern served his country in the Army (R4 infantry) as a Sergeant E5 for 3 years before being honorably discharged. He continued to serve his community as a law enforcement officer for the City of Belleville until he retired in 2002. He received two awards for his police work, a Life Saving Award and a Valor Award for valor beyond the call of duty, both in 1985. He always said his favorite thing about being a police officer was helping people in their time of need. Vern also enjoyed working with his hands - he was a licensed builder and was very talented in carpentry.

Vern was a beloved and cherished husband, father, and grandfather. He possessed an empathetic heart, a love for laughter, and an uncanny ability to make friends wherever he went. He is survived by his wife Melissa Taylor; his sons, Harry Vernon (Liza) Taylor Jr. of AZ, Bryan Guy (Tereasa) Taylor of MI, Cody Stafford (Caitlin) Taylor of KY, his daughter, Dr. Jessi Rose (David Ash) Taylor, DVM, of CT; 4 grandchildren, and 5 great-grandchildren, all of whom he loved deeply and was immensely proud of. He is also survived by his siblings Cathy, Wayne, and Gloria Kay, his half-sibling Janet, and a dear family friend, Jennifer Plachetzki. He is predeceased by his parents, Helen and Lloyd; his siblings, Tom and James "Ronnie"; and his half-siblings, Herman and Joyce. Vern will be forever missed by those who knew and loved him. No public funeral services will be held at this time.

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James "Buddy" Baker

JAMES 'BUDDY' BAKER
 February 22, 1940 – April 30, 2026
 James "Buddy" Baker, of Belleville, MI, passed away on Thursday, April 30, 2026, peacefully at his home. Born to Ora and Emily (Sparks) Baker in War, West Virginia on February 22, 1940.

Buddy was the Big Brother of the family. He was a very hard-working man. He earned his barbering license and he was extremely proud of the certification he received for welding. Most of his career he worked as a welder on Naval ships. One in particular was the USS Enterprise, the world's largest aircraft carrier. Buddy is survived by his 4 children: Bridgette Pascale of FL, Michelle Gutierrez of GA, Elizabeth Baker of GA, and Ryan Baker of Plymouth, MI; 7 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren, 4 siblings: Yvonne Mcguire of Belleville, MI, Donald Ray (Faye) Baker of Romulus, MI, Norman (Carmal) Baker of Onondaga, MI, and Roger Baker of Belleville, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Buddy was preceded in death by his parents. A visitation and funeral was held Monday, May 4, 2026, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111. Father Ruel Mesa officiated. Burial followed at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, MI. Memorial donations may be made to the family.

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Patricia Antonelli

PATRICIA ANTONELLI
 (May 20, 1945– May 5, 2026)
 Patricia Antonelli, age 80. Dear mother of Therese Antonelli. Sister-in-law of John P. (Julie), Richard H. (Kathy), Gloria J. (James Richardson) and Patricia A. (Alan) Pope and Scott Olson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her beloved husband Thomas J. Antonelli, parents Anne and Alfred Rochon, in-laws Grace and Dominic Antonelli, sister Mary Rochon Olson, brother Joseph Rochon, sister-in-law Donna Antonelli, and nephew Neil Rochon.

Visitation on Thursday, May 7, 4-8 p.m., at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 and Friday, May 8, 10-11 a.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave, Belleville, MI 48111 with Funeral Service at 11 a.m. Family suggests memorials to the Alzheimer's Association.

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ANTHONY MUNIE
 (November 23, 1951 – April 26, 2026)
 Age 74 of Van Buren Township. Survived by wife Claudia Zaremba; siblings Walter, Rita, Michaelene, Estelle, and David; one niece Sarah; five nephews and two great-nephews. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home. Memorial will be held at a later date.

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Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, May 7** – The Independent invites you to attend at meeting at 6 p.m. in the Cozadd rooms of the Belleville Area District Library. Dr. Hayg Oshagan, associate professor at Wayne State University, will speak on the current status of newspapers and their importance. Those attending will be able to tell what they want their local paper to be like. Light refreshments.

• **Friday, May 8** – Harper Mathis Memorial Soccer game, as well as senior night for Belleville High School seniors on the team. These are home games. Junior varsity game is at 5:30 p.m. against Stevenson and varsity at 7 p.m. against Stevenson. Harper Mathis will be honored between the JV and varsity games, about 6:45 p.m. The six seniors on the team will be honored during varsity game halftime.

• **Saturday, May 9** – From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Dine to Donate at Texas Roadhouse, 3133 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. 10% of your purchase goes to support Guiding Harbor.

• **Wednesday, May 13** – At 6 p.m. Blue Star Service Dogs will hold a Bingo fundraiser at Fellows Creek Golf Course. The \$40 fee includes a Taco Bar and soft drinks, Bingo cards and markers. (Cash bar available.) For advance tickets call Sharon (734) 624-4380 or purchase tickets at the door.

• **Friday, May 15; Saturday, May 16; and Sunday May 17** – The Van Buren Community Players present “Narnia the Musical” at the Van Buren Community Center, 46425 Tyler Rd. Tickets can be purchased at <http://vbtvbc.ludus.com>.

• **Saturday, May 16** – Join the Hot Rods motorcycle group for a great ride and bike-blessing event. It will start at Love’s Travel Stop, 14137 Plank Rd., Milan with kick stands up at 11 a.m. The group will ride along Oakville Waltz to Sumpter Road, north to Faith Community Church, 894 E. Huron River Dr. in Belleville. Sumpter and Belleville police will escort the riders and block roadways. Pastor Doug Valentine is scheduled to do the blessing at noon. Open to the public and all makes and models are welcome.

• **Sunday, May 17** – From 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., it’s Open Cockpit Day at the Michigan Flight Museum at Willow Run Airport. Get an up-close view of the cockpit of the static jets on display – the AH-1J Cobra, F-84F

Thunderstreak, and the F-4 Phantom II. This extra feature is included with the price of your museum ticket; museum members free. Michigan Flight Museum is at 47884 D St., Van Buren Township.

• **Friday, May 22** – “The Belleville Three,” who are credited with inventing Detroit Techno music, will be present at Diamondback Music Hall, 49345 S. I-94 Service Dr. in Van Buren Township. V.I.P. entry is 6:30 p.m., with general admission at 8 p.m. Ten percent of gross ticket revenue goes to Belleville Robotics Club.

• **Thursday, May 28** – “Lost Film and Media,” a lecture by Tyler Moll, is from 6-7 p.m. at the Belleville Area Museum, 405 Main St., with free pizza at 5:30 p.m. To save a seat email bam@vbtmi.gov or call (734) 697-1944.

• **Wednesday, June 3** – At 7 p.m. Michigan Flight Museum presents Book Talk: “Yankee Lady -- Remembering an Icon.” Photographer Kurt Affholter will introduce his new coffee table book featuring images of the Yankee Lady in unique and memorable settings. He also will present air-to-air images of rare World War II aircraft set against dramatic backdrops, exploring each aircraft’s history. Entry is \$10 per person for non-members and free to museum members with registration. Museum is at 47884 D St., Van Buren Township, (734) 483-4030.

• **Friday, June 26** – Kids Fishing Derby from 10 a.m. to noon at Banotai Park, 24598 Sherwood Rd., Sumpter Township. No fishing license required (State free-fishing weekend). Ages 17 and under. Awards at noon.



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Musings

By Janet Millard
 Independent Advertising Director



Well, tonight is the night you can learn all about newspapers, offer suggestions on what you would like to see in the Independent, and learn how you can help support your local newspaper. See you at 6 p.m. on Thursday in the Cozadd Room in the Library!

There is a new licensed physical therapist in town, who has completed a three-year doctoral program to diagnose and treat

movement dysfunction. Sisu Health is owned and run by Dr. Ashley Niemi, PT, DPT. Sisu Health is a private practice, cash-based physical therapy office with a specialty of pelvic health and wellness conditions that can be managed and improved with exercise, lifestyle changes, and manual therapy. The business began as a mobile practice traveling all around the Metro Detroit area and finally found a home in downtown Belleville at the end of 2025. Sisu Health is one of its kind in Belleville providing these services addressing bowel, bladder, sexual dysfunction as well as pregnancy and postpartum rehab. Everyone is welcome at Sisu Health because everyone has a pelvic floor! See Dr. Niemi's ad in the

Business Card section starting this week.

HealthMarkets on Main and Second will be hosting Free Preventative Health Screening Services on Friday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 186 Main St. No appointment needed but please bring your photo ID. Free Services offered: Blood pressure and general health screenings, diabetes, cholesterol and more!

For all of you who love to play in the dirt there will be a Spring Planting Party on May 16 from 10 a.m. until Noon. Pastor Hales from the Messiah Lutheran Church will lead the group behind the Belleville Presbyterian Church on Belleville Road. Come and enjoy this community garden.

Also on May 16 is the annual motorcycle ride from Milan and around 11:30 a.m. the Blessings of the Bikes at Faith Community Church in Belleville. The registration for the ride will be at 10 a.m. at Loves Travel Stop, 14137 Plank Rd., Milan (kick stands up at 11 a.m.). The ride will go across on Oakville Waltz Road to Sumpter Road and continue north to Faith Community. Join them for a great ride and bike-blessing event.

The Belleville Lakeside Singers have scheduled their spring concert for Sunday, May 17, at 5 p.m. "Sing Hallelujah" will be presented at Faith Community Church, 894 E. Huron River Drive.

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'Narnia the Musical' set May 15-17 at the VBT Community Center

The Van Buren Community Players will present "Narnia the Musical" at the Community Center Black Box Theatre on Friday, May 15; Saturday, May 16; and Sunday, May 17.

The musical is based on "The Chronicles of Narnia," a story from C.S. Lewis' "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe."

The musical is a presentation of an enchanted world filled with creatures and spirits of myth and fable, both good and evil.

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"Together, we'll journey to a land where courage is tested, wonder is everywhere, and hope shines even in the coldest winter," director Lange said. "This production is a celebration of imagination, bravery and the light that can overcome darkness. We can't wait to share the adventure with you!"

The cast includes Roland Toole of Van Buren Township as Aslan, Khloe Kurpinski of Brownstown as the White Witch, Theos Conde of Ypsilanti as Peter Pevensie, Lauren Broughton of Taylor as Susan Pevensie, Caden Hudecz of Van Buren Township as Edmund Pevensie, Hayden Lacey of Van Buren Township as Lucy Pevensie, Emilie Crosby of Van Buren Township as Professor Digory Kirke, Sophia Sloan of Van Buren Township as Mrs. Macready, Tori Cannon of Belleville as Mr. Beaver, Mackenzie Seymore of Van Buren Township as Mrs. Beaver, Avery Warner of Whittaker as Dwarf, Ruby Beaster of Van Buren Township as Fenris Ulf, Wende Acoff of Belleville as Tumnus, Averi Steinkamp of Canton as Father Christmas, Samantha Keliher of Canton as White Stag, Delilah Dorsey of Van Buren Township, and Payton Lacey of Van Buren Township as the Ensemble.

Performances are May 15 at 7:30 p.m.,



May 16 at 7:30 p.m. and May 17 at 2 p.m. at the Black Box Theatre, inside the Van Buren Township Community Center, 46425 Tyler Rd.

Tickets to the performances are \$16-\$20 each and can be purchased online by going to <http://vbtvbc.ludus.com> or in person at the community center desk Monday-Friday, 6 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday, 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Sunday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

For ticket assistance by phone, call (734) 699-8921. Online ticket sales will close one hour prior to performance. For group sales (10 or more tickets) use code Buy10 on general tickets to receive a discounted rate of \$15 per ticket before fees.

"Narnia the Musical" is presented by special arrangement with Dramatic Publishing of Woodstock, IL.

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We will begin placing flags on Saturday, May 16th at 9:00 a.m. and need volunteers to help. Each Cemetery section takes only about one hour of work.

Should you wish to volunteer, contact the City Clerk. If you would like to work in a specific section, the Clerk's office must be contacted, or that section may not be guaranteed.

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May 9 – Joe Watkins
May 11 – Ronald Pyzik

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INDEPENDENT CLASSIFIED ADS

AUCTION

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05/14

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05/14

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City of Belleville Public Notice

CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Monday, April 20, 2026 - 6:30 pm

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL
Mayor Voigt Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates Present
Council Member Kissel Present
Council Member Beebe Present
Council Member Priest Present

3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

• Presentations
i. Letter of Commendation – Firefighter Isabella Teachout

1. Presented by Public Safety Director Faull.
ii. Oath of Office – Fire Chief John Thiede
1. Oath given to Chief Thiede by Judge Oakley of the 34th District Court.

• Citizen Comments
i. None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Bates to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda groups routine meeting discussion points into a single agenda item. In so doing, the grouped items can be approved in one action, rather than through the filing of multiple motions.

• Approval of Minutes
i. April 7, 2026 – Regular Meeting Minutes

• Budget report
i. None.

• Communications
i. None.

• Council Follow-up list
i. None.

• Police Stats
i. None.

• Fire Stats
i. None.

• DPW Report
i. None.

• Special Events
i. Bugles Across America
ii. Music Lakeside

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Priest to approve the consent agenda as presented.
Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

• None.

8. CLOSED SESSION

• Closed session to discuss a confidential, written legal opinion, regarding determination of compensation, pursuant to MCL 15.268(h) and MCL 15.243(1)(g).

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Kissel to enter Closed Session at 6:38 p.m.
Motion Carried.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

a. **Resolution # 26-018, Master Plan Approval**

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve **Resolution # 26-018**, as presented.
Motion Carried.

b. **Resolution # 26-017, BCN Retiree Segment**

MOTION: Motion by Priest, supported by Kissel to approve **Resolution # 26-017**, as presented.
Motion Carried.

c. **City Manager Posting**

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve the City Manager's salary range for the job posting, at \$115,000 to \$130,000.
Motion Carried.

d. **War Memorial Committee**

a. Commander Blackstone of the VFW introduced himself and discussed the reasoning behind starting this committee.

e. **Resolution # 26-021, Tiger Robotics Booster Organization**

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Kissel to approve **Resolution # 26-021**, as presented.
Motion Carried.

f. **Resolution # 26-022, Social District Permit Application – Atwater Street Tacos Belleville, LLC**

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Priest to approve **Resolution # 26-022**, as presented.

Motion Carried.

g. **Resolution # 26-023, Charitable Gaming License, Michigan Against Atomic Waste**

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Priest to approve **Resolution # 26-023**, as presented.
Motion Carried.

h. **Open House for New City Hall 330 Charles St.**

a. Council asked city administration to come up with date(s) that work to hold the open house and to bring those dates back to Council for approval.

10. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

• Accounts Payable
• Departmental Expenditures

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures in excess of \$2,500, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Motion Carried.

11. INTERIM CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

• City Hall is officially re-opened for business at its new location, 330 Charles St. Thank you to everyone who assisted with the move.

• The bulk of the Liberty St. water main project has been completed and should be wrapping up soon.

12. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

a. **Council Member Beebe**

i. None.

b. **Mayor Pro-Tem Bates**

i. Congratulations to Firefighter Teachout and Chief Thiede.

ii. Excited for the opening of Atwater Tacos.

iii. Asked Public Safety Director Faull if she could place signage on the Belleville Rd./Main St. bridge indicating the closure of N. Liberty St.

iv. Asked if DTE has had any communication with the city regarding their fiber-optic project.

v. Looking forward to the Mayor's Ball.

vi. Would like notifications, including updates on the Liberty St. water main project, through the MIBelleville app.

c. **Council Member Kissel**

i. Thank you to Public Safety Director Faull and Department of Public Services Director for their crews' efforts toward the move.

ii. Congratulations Firefighter Teachout on her promotion and letter of commendation.

iii. Budget hearings between city administration and Councilmembers have been ongoing.

iv. Reminder that the Mayor's Ball is this weekend, April 25th.

d. **Council Member Priest**

i. Echoes the congratulations to Firefighter Teachout and Chief Thiede.

ii. Congratulations to the Planning Commission on all of their hard work on the city's Master Plan.

iii. Excited to work with Fire Chief Thiede.

iv. Happy to see Atwater Tacos at the meeting; excited for them to open.

13. Mayor Pro-Tem's Comments

• Excited for Atwater Tacos and the promotion/hiring of Firefighter Teachout and Chief Thiede, respectively.

• Appreciates everyone's help with the move.

• Pleased with the progress of the Liberty St. project, and the Denton Rd. bridge.

• Reminder that the Mayor's Ball is this weekend, April 25th.

14. CITIZENS' COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

e. None.

15. ACTION ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

• None.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Kissel to adjourn at 7:51 PM.
No objections were noted.
Motion Carried.
Respectfully submitted by,
Briana Papin, City Clerk/Treasurer
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VBT Plan

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the development. Many times throughout the meeting he said subdivision homes will lose value if the data center project is built.

At the beginning of the meeting, representatives from the township planning consultant and engineering consultant described the project and recommended preliminary site plan approval because it complied with ordinances. The fire marshal also gave information.

Panattoni attorney Trey Brice said the preliminary site plan being considered is

in accordance with the ordinance, without variances, and is allowed by right.

Then representatives from DTE Energy, ITC power lines, and Panattoni developer explained the project and answered many, many questions throughout the meeting.

Most of the questions came from Grant, who said he would vote against approval if there were a vote. Sitting next to him at the commission table was commissioner Jackson Pahle who at an earlier meeting said he was against all data centers. Commissioner Pahle asked a few questions when Grant paused to take a breath during his hour-long marathon of questions.



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Sunday, April 26:

0042 – shooting, Belleville Rd.
0155 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
0310 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Adams
0446 – robbery, Savage Rd./Haggerty Rd.
xxxx – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0958 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tyler Rd.
1133 – larceny from auto, N. Bellridge Dr.
1146 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1244 – family trouble, Bemis Rd.
1310 – threat, Country Walk Blvd.
1425 – trespassing, Cobblestone Cir.
1456 – property damage accident, Riggs Rd.
1606 – neighbor trouble, Belle Pointe Dr.
1835 – family trouble, Deanna Dr.
xxxx – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
1907 – intrusion alarm, Stonebridge Dr.
2022 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd./Martz Rd.
xxxx – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2220 – family trouble, Rebecca Ct.

Monday, April 27:

0135 – property check, W. Huron River Dr.
0338 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Pond Bluff Dr.
0402 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0500 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0711 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.
0740 – intrusion alarm, Coca-Cola Dr.
0827 – assist other dept., Michigan Ave.
0909 – 911 welfare check, Brandi Dr.
0925 – civil matter, Park Estates Dr.
0953 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Park Estates Dr.
1139 – welfare check, Wildflower Ct.
1151 – 911 welfare check, Bemis/Rawsonville
1300 – suicidal person, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1421 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
1432 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.
1444 – mental subject, W. Huron River Dr.
1513 – assist fire dept., Haggerty/Woodbury Dr.
1553 – assist other dept., Carmell St.
1558 – fight, Belleville Rd.
1637 – juvenile complaint, Tyler Rd.
1653 – neighbor trouble, Hoef Rd.
xxxx – animal complaint, Jeannette Ave.
1706 – personal injury accident, Huron River Dr. / Hannan Rd.
1858 – abandoned auto, Lindsey Dr.
1826 – traffic offense, Riggs Rd./Martinsville Rd.
1846 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Harmony Ln.

1909 – 911 welfare check, Cherry Ln.
1936 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1943 – larceny, Holly Ln.
2005 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lincoln St.
2018 – assist other dept., Rolan Meadows Dr.
2031 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Service B Dr.
2038 – follow up by officer, Riggs Rd.
2056 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2225 – 911 welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.
2242 – motorist assist, Tyler Rd./Belleville Rd.
2339 – assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Tuesday, April 28:

0157 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
0229 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
0230 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Ponderosa Trl.
0253 – assist citizen, Renton Rd.
0408 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tyler Rd. / Belleville Rd.
0427 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0755 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
0824 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
0844 – civil matter, Van Born Rd.
0939 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1055 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Outer Dr.
xxxx – private property impound, Victoria St.

xxxx – private property impound, Winchester St.
xxxx – private property impound, Winchester St.
1231 – welfare check, Maple Dr.
1249 – threat, Bemis Rd.
xxxx – fraud, Harmony Ln.
xxxx – private property impound, Victoria St.
1425 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1555 – mental subject, Parkwood Dr.
1630 – neighbor trouble, Old Denton Rd.
1643 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1659 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1658 – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.
1906 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1907 – 911 welfare check, Belle Pointe Dr.
1918 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.
1926 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd.
1929 – suicidal person, Oak Blvd.
1946 – neighbor trouble, Berkdale Dr.
2023 – shooting, Haggerty Rd./Riggs Rd.
2113 – road hazard, Ecorse Rd./Marlowe Ave.
2126 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
2154 – road hazard, Van Born Rd./Morton Taylor

Wednesday, April 29:

0136 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Birch Dr.
xxxx – assist fire dept., Cobblestone Creek Dr.
0736 – larceny, Westlake Cir.
0949 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.
1035 – retail fraud, Michigan Ave.
1220 – road hazard, Beck Rd.
1122 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Beacon Trl.
1140 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1147 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Belleville Rd.
1329 – trespassing, Ecorse Rd.
1410 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1431 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
1558 – welfare check, Assembly St.
1605 – welfare check, Fay Dr.
1658 – civil matter, Edison Lake
2123 – civil matter, Bristol St.
2159 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
2313 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.

Thursday, April 30:

0947 – assist citizen, Cobblestone Creek Dr.
1000 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Sheldon Rd.
1010 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1028 – larceny from auto, Westlake Cir.
1113 – animal complaint, Rawsonville Rd.
1122 – family trouble, Pinewood Ln.
1159 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Andover Dr.
1205 – animal complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1306 – neighbor trouble, Hoef Rd.
1311 – civil matter, Pinewood Ln.
1314 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1313 – malicious destruction of property, Oak Ln.
1418 – property damage accident, W. Huron River Dr.
1440 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
1559 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
1608 – civil matter, Rawsonville Rd.
1915 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1939 – civil matter, Bak Rd.
1943 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.

1958 – domestic, Redwood Dr.
2013 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
xxxx – animal complaint, Huron River Dr.
2117 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Quirk Rd./Ayes Ave.
2219 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Hardwood Dr.
2232 – welfare check, Westlake Cir.

Friday, May 1:

1112 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sandeewood Dr.
0256 – property check, Belleville Rd.
0415 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0840 – welfare check, Mantauk Ct.
0924 – intrusion alarm, Roosevelt
0925 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville Rd.
0937 – domestic, Filmore St.
0944 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1028 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Hannan Rd.

1108 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
1114 – motorist assist, Tyler Rd./Haggerty Rd.
1147 – family trouble, Parkwood Dr.
1159 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.
1317 – holdup alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1347 – trespassing, Quirk Rd./Ayes Ave.
1534 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1552 – private property/property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1611 – fraud, Savage Rd.
1616 – harassment call, Chatsworth/Endicott
1625 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
1655 – welfare check, Sumpter Rd.
1733 – suicidal person, Sonrisa St.
1739 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Sadie Ln.

1936 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Colonial Rd. / Chester Ct.
1827 – larceny from auto, Westlake Cir.
1828 – welfare check, Bemis/power lines
1826 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.
1836 – PPO violation, Hampton Dr.
1845 – mental subject, Assembly St.
1921 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1929 – intrusion alarm, Linda Vista Ct.
1936 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Villa Dr.

2058 – intrusion alarm, Denton Rd.
2059 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Adams

2103 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Woodgrove Dr.
2109 – fight, Tyler Rd.
2127 – background investigation, Tyler Rd.
2125 – disorderly, Holly Ln.
2147 – road hazard, Haggerty Rd./Tyler Rd.
2209 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./Van Born Rd.
2223 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
2321 – domestic, Buchanan St.

Saturday, May 2:

0128 – intrusion alarm, Freeport Ct.
0243 – assist citizen, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0615 – mental subject, Tyler Rd.
0800 – parking complaint, Ecorse Rd./Belleville
1008 – assault & battery, Oak Blvd.
1221 – neighbor trouble, Ivy Dr.
1404 – assist fire dept., N. I-94 Service Dr.
1523 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1530 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / S. Grove Rd.
1550 – threat, McKinley St.
1651 – missing person, Westlake Cir.
1733 – juvenile complaint, Belle Pointe Dr.
1738 – family trouble, Cross St.
1927 – welfare check, Assembly St.
1939 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1940 – disorderly, Rolan Meadows Dr.
2035 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Van Buren St.
2113 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
2057 – disorderly, Haggerty Rd.
2122 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
2143 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.

Also, on this log are 113 traffic stops, 10 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, April 26:

1556 – civil matter, Santa Clara St.

Monday, April 27:

1103 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Liberty St.
1528 – warrant arrest, Church St.
1548 – domestic, Carmell St.

Tuesday, April 28:

0102 – welfare check, Henry St.
0218 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
xxxx – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1442 – civil matter, Santa Clara St.
1508 – fight, Owen St.
1637 – harassment call, High St.
1911 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St.

Wednesday, April 29:

0233 – assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave.
0948 – unauthorized driving away of automobile, N. Liberty St.
1223 – welfare check, South St.
1824 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Menlo Park Dr.

Thursday, April 30:

1354 – noise complaint, Carmell
1600 – traffic offense, Church St.
1748 – welfare check, E. Columbia Ave.
1841 – animal complaint, Carmell

Friday, May 1:

0106 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belle Villa Blvd.
0212 – family trouble, Carmell St.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
1043 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
xxxx – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.
1223 – parking complaint, E. Columbia Ave.
1557 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1636 – personal injury accident, E. Columbia Ave.
1722 – property damage accident, South/tracks
1811 – larceny, Savage Rd.
1830 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sumpter Rd.
1948 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
2103 – welfare check, Estrada Dr.
2148 – assist other dept., Victorian Ct.
2255 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.

Saturday, May 2:

0909 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
2145 – animal complaint, Main St.
There are 55 reports on this week's log, 20 of which are traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, April 26:

0041 – juvenile matter, Delaware St.
0057 – 911 hangup, Knollwood Dr.
0130 – 911 hangup, 9100 bl. Rawsonville
1239 – traffic complaint/hazard, Karr Rd. / Oakville Waltz Rd.
1249 – 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1453 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.
1544 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1721 – neighbor dispute, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1830 – suspicious circumstance, 46000 bl. Reed Ave.
1949 – juvenile matter, New Mexico St.
1959 – assist other agency, 17000 bl. Savage

Monday, April 27:

0307 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
0755 – citizen assist, Martinsville/Wear
0915 – assist other agency, Arizona St.
0925 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1031 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1109 – fire dept. assist, Creekside Dr.
1145 – assist other agency, Elwell Rd./Willis
1225 – traffic complaint/hazard, Sumpter Rd. / Harris Rd.

1306 – open burning, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1337 – welfare check, Arizona St.
1343 – suspicious person, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
1451 – follow-up investigation, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1503 – assist other agency, 41000 bl. Harris
1639 – property damage accident, Arizona St.
1739 – follow-up investigation, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1956 – citizen assist, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
1957 – family trouble, Nevada St.
2305 – 911 hangup, Delaware St.

Tuesday, April 28:

0213 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.
0715 – mental health call, 44000 bl. Bemis
1022 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1124 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1147 – assist other agency, Rawsonville Rd. / Willow Rd.

1347 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1926 – suspicious vehicle, Martinsville/Willis
2050 – 911 hangup, Alaska St.
2234 – fire dept. assist, 18000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2329 – suspicious circumstance, Creekside Dr.

Wednesday, April 29:

0003 – mental health call, Brookview Dr.

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0147 – follow-up investigation, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.
0158 – mental health call, Martinsville/Willis Ct.
1123 – 911 hangup, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1142 – suspicious circumstance, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1217 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry Dr.
1324 – 911 hangup, Delaware St.
1412 – civil matter, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.
1414 – civil matter, 6700 bl. Oakville Waltz
1453 – animal complaint, Judd Rd./Sherwood
1645 – 911 hangup, Washington St.
1731 – fire dept. assist, Country Club Blvd.
1811 – citizen assist, Rawsonville/Textile
2104 – suspicious person, Creekside Dr.
2155 – disorderly person, Butternut Dr.
2212 – suspicious circumstance, Country Club Blvd.

Thursday, April 30:
0240 – 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.
0901 – death investigation, 9100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1007 – found property, 28000 bl. Martinsville
1300 – 911 hangup, Birch Dr.
1316 – animal complaint, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1339 – fire dept. assist, Mulberry Dr.
1609 – harassment complaint, Washington St.
1638 – welfare check, New Mexico, St.
1926 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2332 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.

Friday, May 1:
0040 – 911 hangup, Wear/Martinsville
0138 – suspicious circumstance, New Mexico
0819 – property damage accident, Savage Rd. / Harris Rd.
1040 – fire dept. assist, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1207 – suspicious person, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.
1209 – suspicious circumstance, 46000 bl. Harris Rd.
1452 – property damage accident, Virginia St.
1528 – juvenile matter, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.

1531 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1717 – welfare check, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2044 – suspicious vehicle, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2131 – shots fired, Rustic Ln.
2230 – neighbor dispute, 27000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2255 – 911 hangup, Texas St.

Saturday, May 2:
0607 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0726 – neighbor dispute, 47000 bl. Willow
1310 – 911 hangup, 25000 bl. Carleton West
1327 – civil matter, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
1414 – follow-up investigation, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
1557 – animal complaint, Rawsonville/Arkona
1609 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
2004 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Harris Rd.
2228 – noise complaint, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.

Also on this week's log were 131 patrol checks, 59 traffic stops and 15 misc. details.



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- **Friday, May 8** – Girls soccer vs. Livonia Stevenson, JV 5:30 p.m., Varsity 7 p.m.; JV softball vs. Northville 4:30 p.m.
- **Monday, May 11** – Boys varsity golf vs. John Glenn, 3 p.m. at Willow Metropark; JV baseball vs. Fordson, 4:30 p.m.; Girls soccer vs TBA - JV 5:30 p.m., Varsity 7 p.m.
- **Wednesday, May 13** – Varsity baseball vs. Carlson, 4:30 p.m.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 27th, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.** The meeting will be held in person at Van Buren Township Hall, located at **46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111**, in the Board Room.

Case 26-008: Waverly Single Family Development – Rezoning Request. A request by Pepper Pike Capital Partners to rezone parcels V-125-83-077-99-0002-002 and V-125-83-077-99-0002-007 from R-1B – Single Family Residential to RM – Multiple Family Residential. The subject parcels are located East of Beckley Road between I-94 Service Drive and Denton Road.

Please address any written comments to the Van Buren Township Planning Commission at, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 or by e-mail to bwilliams@vbtmi.gov. Written comments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on the hearing date and all materials relating to this request are available for public inspection at the Van Buren Township Hall prior to the hearing.

Van Buren Township will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aides and services to individuals with disabilities who are planning to attend. Please contact the Van Buren Township Planning & Economic Development at 734-699-8913 at least seven (7) days in advance of the meeting if you require assistance.

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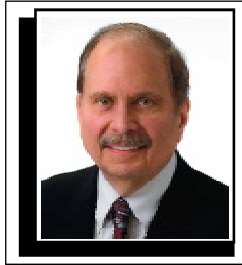
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