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VB Police investigate murder of 27-year-old Egypt Covington

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township Police are investigating the murder of 27-year-old Jacquelyn Elizabeth, Egypt, Covington who was found dead in her home on Friday night.

VB Police Lt. Charles Bazzy said a friend found her deceased in her home in the 45000 block of Hull Road at about 7:15 p.m. and he immediately called police.

Police are not releasing the cause of death and are talking to many people who have

come forward voluntarily with information, Lt. Bazzy said.

He said it was not a random act and he's confident police are moving in the right direction. He said they are working diligently to solve the case and get all the necessary facts in place.

Bazzy said no one is in custody and a variety of reports on Facebook were incorrect and hampering the investigation.

Covington, called "Egypt," graduated from Belleville High School in 2007, and was a popular, local singer. She worked as

an account manager for the beer and wine distributor Rave and at Fraser's Pub in Ann Arbor. She also is known locally for working at Johnny's and the Bayou Grill.

A GoFundMe page on her behalf sought \$5,000 for her funeral and in less than 24 hours garnered more than \$11,000 and continues to grow. The extra may be put into a memorial for her at Crosswinds Marsh in Sumpter Township, her favorite park.

A celebration of her life is set for Saturday, July 1, at the Corner Brewery, 720 Norris Street, in Ypsilanti.



Egypt Covington

VB School Board sets special session to consider Kudlak's job

By Rosemary K. Oztman
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After a lengthy closed-door session at the end of Monday's regular meeting, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education set a special meeting to go into closed-door session at 6 p.m. Friday, June 30, at the administration building, to finish the evaluation of the superintendent.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak, who has been superintendent for a year, said board members needed a "couple things from me to complete my evaluation."

VB resident dies in fatal crash on Haggerty Road curves Saturday

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Van Buren Township resident Michael Lorenza, 32, was dead at the scene in a single vehicle crash at 1 a.m., Saturday, in the Haggerty Road curves near Riggs Road.

VB Police Lt. Charles Bazzy said Lorenza was southbound on Haggerty when his vehicle left the roadway, struck a utility pole, and then crashed sideways into a tree. He was alone in the vehicle at the time of the crash.

After Monday's closed-door meeting, the board had been scheduled to vote on Kudlak's evaluation and a recommendation for extension of contract, if any, and his 2017-18 salary.

After Friday's closed-door session, the board is scheduled to come back into open session to take action on the evaluation, contract, and salary.

For its evaluation, the board will rate Kudlak ineffective, minimally effective, effective, or highly effective for the 2016-17 school year.

When he was hired last June, the school board approved a three-year contract, through June 2019, and a base salary of \$130,000. A one-year salary extension is generally granted the superintendent at this point.

Kudlak replaced former School Supt. Michael Van Tassel who was making \$139,000 base salary when he left in February 2016.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the school board:

- Held a moment of silence for the Covington family, following the death of Egypt Covington, a 2007 graduate of Belleville High School;

- Approved the proposed 2017-2022 Strategic Plan for the district, worked out over several months of meetings, including

a work session on May 6 that drew 40 people who spoke freely on the district. "I want this to be a living document, and reported on quarterly," said board president Keith Johnston who pushed for an updated Strategic Plan that would not just be put on the shelf, but followed. Leading the work to develop the Strategic Plan was Dr. Rodney Green from the Michigan Association of School Boards. He said, "The board is setting the direction and the administration is deciding how to get there";

- Approved the district's amended 2016-17 budgets and the 2017-18 proposed budgets as presented;

- Approved Lake Agency as the district's agent of record and approved Liberty Mutual as its 2017-18 property and liability coverage vendor at a cost of \$218,788.75. The old carrier would have charged \$327,000 this year;

- Approved a 2017-18 contract agreement with the Van Buren Education Association, reinstating the advancement level on the VBEA salary schedule; an equal distribution to bargaining unit members of 60% of the

increase to the fund balance comparing the July 1, 2016 balance to the balance of July 1, 2017, minus the amount of enhancement millage collected; added July and August 2018 insurance 20% co-pay to regular deductions beginning Sept. 10; added Great Start teachers to the VBEA bargaining unit; perfect attendance incentive of \$500 to be paid out in the last check in June 2018; and retirement severance changes to \$50 per day for unused sick days, up to a maximum of \$5,000. Supt. Kudlak said the district doesn't want to keep adding to the fund balance on teachers' backs and the final audit will be in November;

- Approved a one-year, 2017-18, contract for the Van Buren Association of School Administrators that unfreezes the steps so all administrators who are eligible may move up one step; cash in lieu of insurance \$1,500; reimbursement of up to \$125 for Administrator Certification renewal; sick bank buyout upon retirement increases to \$50 per day up to 100 days; and \$1,000 on-

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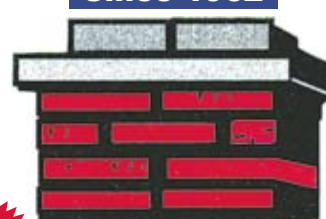
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

District Library Board approves new budgets, discusses building details

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

At its regular meeting June 13, the Belleville Area District Library Board unanimously approved its amended 2016-17 budget, its proposed 2017-18 budgets, and other budget details, following a public hearing.

Architect Dan Whisler said he and library Director Mary Jo Suchy and her Deputy Director Hilary Savage are conducting a room-by-room analysis of plans for the new building, deciding how many shelves are needed and how many books will be needed.

"We had developed a concept plan, that was not exact," he said. "Now, it's down and dirty."

He said this should be wrapped up no later than mid July and he hopes to meet every week until then.

He said approximately 31,900 square feet was what had been planned and exactly it should be 32,357 square feet.

He said plans had been to move into the new library building in September 2019, but that is not likely. He said the exact date is weather-dependent, but the move-in date is more like March, April, or May, 2020.

He said he expects the Sumpter project to be done by July or August 2018. He said they could start work this summer and fall.

Board chairwoman Sharon Peters said she drafted a proposed letter to neighbors for board members to look over and make suggestions on.

She said she shared the letter with Carol Thompson at the Belleville Downtown Development Authority. She said she would wait for feedback and then share the letter with neighbors.

The letter is aimed at keeping neighbors up to date on library plans that will impact them and keeping good relations as the plans progress.

Peters said Whisler needs to hear from a couple of utilities – AT&T and Comcast – but he got a letter from DTE with a revised estimate for relocation of power poles to remove wires in front of the new library.

DTE requires payment in advance for the \$205,027 project, with a lead time of about 6-8 months.

In order to get the overhead wires away from the front of the new library building, the wires will have to be rerouted and new poles installed through the backyard easements of residents fronting on Charles and Church streets. The poles will be put in the easement area that would be an alley if they had an alley.

Peters said the goal is to have the money budgeted for this cover DTE, Comcast, and

AT&T and so the library doesn't want to pay DTE until it determines that the budget will cover it all.

Peters said she talked with Congresswoman Debbie Dingell and thanked her for her intervention with DTE and told her of the library's problems with Comcast and AT&T.

"I'm glad to have her involvement in what we're doing," Peters said.

Peters said she knows Dingell, who was on the board of an organization when Peters was serving as CEO of that organization.

Whisler said the initial communication with DTE by Dingell helped the project.

He said they will set up another meeting with the city on ordinance issues and hope to have more information from utilities. Then would be the time to meet with the public.

"This building is the biggest thing to come to Belleville in 50 years," said Peters. "The city manager was very positive with us."

Peters said the city is short-staffed and has to handle the most pressing items first.

"They are just overwhelmed," said building committee chairwoman Joy Cichewicz.

Whisler said he is changing features in the looks of the building to reflect changes. He said after there is a meeting with the city there will be a meeting with neighbors before formal submission of the site plan to the city.

When they were discussing all the contacts with surrounding building owners, board member John Juriga said they have to be sure to contact the churches because services, weddings, and funerals would be impacted by any water shut offs during construction.

Whisler said they need the site plan approval before they start sanitary sewer relocation. He said the underground utilities are on a different timeline than the above-ground construction.

Peters suggested public forums with Sumpter Township and Van Buren Township, as well as the neighbors to the library.

She said there should be a forum with the public officials of the tri-community. She said the bulk of the population is in Van Buren Township, so they have to be included.

Peters said Barbara Miller and Carol Thompson have contacted her about artists for the public art part of the library project.

"We don't want people to think we have tons of room for art, but we do want some art," Peters said.

She said they could set up a special meeting that would focus on art.



Timeless Images by Susan

On June 20, Philip Miller was installed as the 80th president of the Rotary Club of Belleville. The installation of President Miller and the Board of Directors was conducted by Past Rotary District Governor James Karolyi. The new Board of Directors, from left, are Jeremy Richardson, Julie Hardy, Immediate Past President Mary Jo Suchy, President Philip Miller, Susan Richardson, and Brian Pearcy.

"I have approached a local artist and he agreed to chair a committee," Juriga said, identifying that artist as Doug Peters.

"We have to know what we're doing before we rush off," Peters said, noting there also has to be private fund raising.

Whisler said they can be working on art during the entire building timeline and construction and have it ready to hang before the library opens.

He said they can give thought to where the art would go and, "to light it so the art really sings." He said they don't need to know what it is, such as a painting or sculpture or exterior art in the garden, but it's a good time to start thinking about it – "Where you want blank walls and lighting."

Peters suggested a meeting in late summer or fall.

Whisler said they have to decide who will select the art and fund raising to find out who will pay or it. He said maybe they can identify local artists they'd like to have.

Cichewicz said she would like to see a community project with kids.

Whisler warned there is a limited amount of wall area.

"... and floor area," Peters added.

When talking about hanging art in the windows, Whisler said that stained glass benefits from being in a window, or maybe mobiles.

"We have two community quilts" on display in the present library, Juriga said, asking if there will be room for them in the new library.

"Sure," Whisler said. "We have a dedicated local history room ... or elsewhere."



Library unit in Strawberry Festival parade.

Independent photo by Bob Mytych

OPINIONS

Editorial

Tri-Community stunned by death of beloved Egypt

It seems everybody in the tri-community and beyond knew and loved beautiful Egypt Covington. Over the week end text messages and emails zoomed around Michigan as people vacationing Up North were informed of her murder and responded in shock.

Egypt was found dead by a friend on Friday evening in her rented home on Hull Road, just off Sumpter Road. He immediately called police and the investigation into her death began.

People who had just seen her, or talked to her a few days or weeks earlier, couldn't help writing about it all on Facebook and some of the information put out was incorrect.

Van Buren Township Police, who were working to put together the clues, didn't appreciate all the Facebook chatter and information put out that impeded their case. They are not releasing much information. VBT Police say they are going step by step to get the case solved and waiting for results from the Michigan State Police crime lab. They are talking to the many people who have come forward to voluntarily give their information.

TV stories have announced Egypt was shot in the head. VBT Police refuse to discuss the cause of death. They are putting the pieces together methodically and want to get it ready for a tight case. You've watched enough TV to know the cops need to have information only they and the killer know. Let them work.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

A woman came in to tell me about the terrible entryway from the North I-94 Service Drive into the shopping center that includes Arby's and the former Farmer Jack store, now Planet Fitness.

We've heard about it before, with the big hole there that catches tires. I told her others had complained about that hole, as well.

The next day she came in to tell me someone had broken off the end of the drive with a sledgehammer or something and thrown the big pieces into the hole so it isn't as deep.

She said at first she thought I had done this fix in response to her complaint. But, no, it wasn't me.

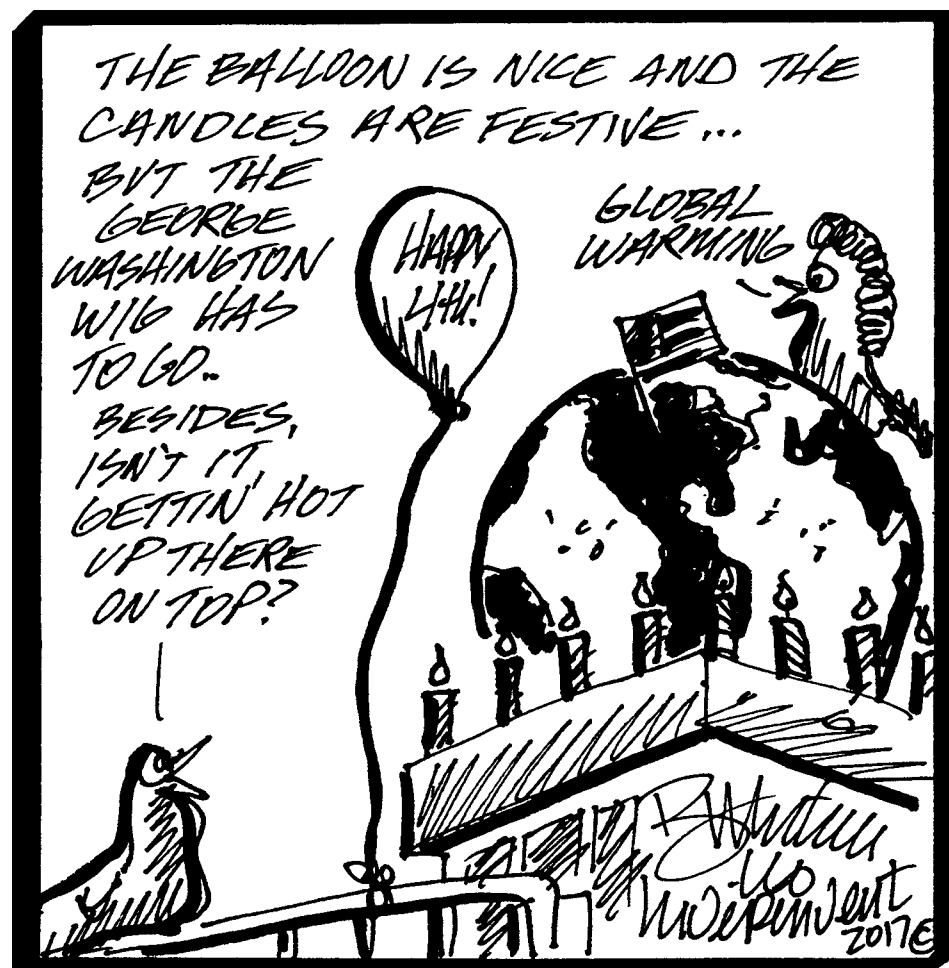
A reader called me to complain about making fun of John Chapman by reporting on what a woman called him: "He's our very own pint-sized gangster."

I explained to the reader that the comment was about James Chapman, John's brother. James is the one who has had multiple run-ins with the law and many court sessions.

John is minding his own business and not mentioned at all in our pages, except for advertisements on his vehicle repair business.

We're sorry there has been some confusion. We'll be glad when James Chapman is done with all his court appearances and we can be done with reporting on him.

One of our readers was riding his motorcycle east on Bemis Road over the week end and came to the corner of Haggerty/Savage, near Play it Again Sam's.



He was pulling out when a vehicle came southbound and almost hit him. He said the vegetation at the northwest corner is so thick and high that visibility is limited and the corner is dangerous.

He said he hopes Van Buren Township or the county or someone will come out and trim that growth so no one gets hurt.

A Belleville resident said he would love to get out and volunteer by trimming the excessive vegetation along the lake at Horizon Park in the city, but he doesn't want to get in trouble. He read where Mayor Pro Tem Jack Loria warned a volunteer grass cutter that he was on someone else's property.

He said he is retired and surprised at the broken ropes at the park and the way it looks when it could be beautiful.

He said he went to city hall and tried to park in the handicapped area, since he has a handicapped plate, but there was a vehicle in the way. It was a truck unloading art. He said he asked about why the truck was blocking the parking there and a lady told him that she told him he could because it was for the DDA.

He said that's the problem. The city cares more about paying to rent art than it does about keeping things already here in town in good condition.

We hear that comment more and more, talking about the expense to lease the art compared to the poor condition of the

parks, the crumbling seawall and bridge, and the road conditions in some areas.

When we try to explain the difference between the city and the DDA, it doesn't even make sense to us.

We received an email from a lady who tried to go to the Farmers' Market in Belleville at 6 p.m. on Monday, but couldn't find it because the streets were closed.

She said she'd try again in two weeks.

Well, the market runs on the second and fourth Mondays from 4 to 7:30 p.m. on the Fourth Street Square in downtown Belleville. Since the summer car show put on by the Bayou Grill runs every Monday, the lady will always find the streets closed around the market.

If you are not a part of the car show, you can take North Liberty Street to the city parking lot behind Andrew's Drugs and the Bayou and park there and walk directly to the market.

They had eight or nine vendors on Monday and some of them had lettuce and eggs and herbs, along with big cookies, and other items, along with crafts.

We imagine as the season progresses there will be even more produce for shoppers. Monday, July 10, is the next farmers' market.





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Letters

Commends Lt. Bazzy for clean-up efforts

To the Editor:

This letter was recently sent to Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara.
 Dear Supervisor McNamara:

I wish to thank the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, the planning commission and the ordinance enforcement officers (within the Public Safety Department) all of whom have significantly contributed to the improvement of properties within our community.

For too many years certain individuals have neglected to make necessary repairs (or any basic commitment) as to maintaining their properties in a reasonable manner. It's unfortunate that any jurisdictional body should have to make minimum community standards in order that someone should be prompted to clean up their home site, but there are some residents who disrespect their neighbors by refusing to address the unsightly condition of overgrown weeds and debris that detracts from the curb appeal of neighboring homes.

Having lived in the Haggerty Subdivision for 30 years I've witnessed the good, the bad, and the plain ugly as transients have come and gone from rental properties and seniors have passed away or moved to warmer southern climates. Unfortunately -- some residents, having recently moved here, have also decided to tear out the landscape shrubbery and ground cover. Weeds soon permeate their yards as well as decimating neighboring lawns. To add to the blight these same individuals neglect to make necessary repairs to garages, driveways, and house structures and eventually they completely trash their back yards.

So it is with much appreciation that I commend Lt. Charles Bazzy and his concentrated efforts to clean up our community. Ordinance enforcement, at last, has the ability to render some assistance to the residents of Van Buren Township who have had to put up with depreciating home values because of these eye sores that detract from the resale price of our properties. Junk cars stored in back yards, debris that attracts rats, and shameless patterns of poor maintenance or neglect may soon disappear and once again home ownership may be rewarded with rising property appraisals and new construction.

Thank you everyone.

CeJay Marshall
 Van Buren Township

Current city plan for retail is flawed

To the Editor:

The current city plan for 50% retail is a flawed and failed business model. In the almost 10 years I have lived here, the empty store fronts speak volumes, confirming the glory days and future success will be a long time coming.

Seems like every year or so, I cringe when yet another "resale" shop opens up. People, these are just yard sales with overhead. It doesn't surprise me when an "upscale" shop is cutting hours; how soon before the passing? One can only re-sell the same garbage so many times; one only has to look out your window on trash day and watch "resellers" rifling through your garbage, for "lost" treasures."

Let me state the facts: As most property owners have feared, the days of the retail businesses are done and gone; the computer has replaced that model. We are a greyed city; one only has to look at the population. Look at the medical buildings here; people lined up to get in for medical treatment at opening hours; don't forget the stop at the party store on your way out. Dentists? We got those in spades. Insurance? Those, too. Don't forget legal help, either.

How do you know if you were to want to start a business, if you will even have potential traffic for your venture? Ask the city? Nope, no clue. Ask the county. Face it, Belleville is not business friendly, unless you have a service business. We just do not offer a great spectrum of wealth, education, or population for that matter to bring someone here.

What do we bring to the table, for a business interest? A new(ish) school? The bus loads of people going there are students. Just try to stop in and visit; with today's security issues, hanging out under the bleachers is a thing of the very distant past. Library? Come on. It is not a place on most people's list to want to go to; in fact, that is what it is, a place one needs to go to, for whatever social-educational needs. Face it, during school sessions, it is just a building, just like the high school lunch room, filled with teenage angst. Other than your monthly quilt-a-rama, it is not a beacon for major social meetings, events and even a place of real interest. What to do, what to do.

There has been, since 2010, major rumblings through the business community that retail is dead. One only has to look at the major retail businesses that fold each year. And even old standards, like Sears and K-Mart are on the rocks. The newer generations have learned from our past, and do not wish to suffer from it. Even look at the mighty Wally Mart: surly, underpaid, over-worked employees make the company the rock bottom of customer satisfaction every year. People have learned, their time is important to them; if I can do 85% or more of my shopping needs online, why bother with tired old brick and mortars? Even your most labor intensive and yet

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underpaid fast food places are trying hard to find ways to encourage online shopping, thus leaving less underpaid/unskilled workers with more to do.

Bottom line is while we tried to pretend we had something to offer, and over-regulate it as well, the new business model has past us by. Those empty buildings will stay empty, that is, until the next go around with re-sale shops starts all over again.

The store fronts will stay empty; there are no nice answers here; we over-regulated our city plan far too much and now we pay the price.

Sure, a mom & pop store will come in and make a run for it; but truth is, just like thousands of other cities throughout the rust belts, we fell short, holding on to dreams that may never come. Technology has passed Main Street by.

Bob Balderston
 Belleville

National Pollinator Week celebrates bees

To the Editor:

Last week was National Pollinator Week, a week dedicated to celebrating bees and other pollinators that make our foods, farms and flowers possible. And we need to do more to protect these pollinators.

Environment Michigan launched the Bee Friendly Food Alliance to unite chefs and restaurant owners in Michigan and across the country to save the bees. After all, who knows better than chefs and restaurateurs: no bees means no food.

Bees pollinate many of the foods we enjoy, everything from strawberries to avocados. In Michigan, locally grown apples are pollinated by bees. Unfortunately, bees are dying off at alarming rates with significant consequences for our environment and our food supply.

From pie shops to fine dining establishments, chefs and restaurants are hard at work this Pollinator Week raising awareness and educating customers about the vital role that bees play for our food supply and the need to save them.

Saumya Shruti
 Environment Michigan
 Campaign Coordinator
 Ann Arbor

Thank you, St. Jude

To the Editor:

Re: St. Jude

Thank you for answering my prayers. Hopefully my life will be more at peace.

Thank you,
 S.J.

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Obituaries



Walter Richard Krakowiak



WALTER RICHARD KRAKOWIAK (January 22, 1916 – June 24, 2017)

Walter Richard Krakowiak, age 101, died peacefully with his family by his side Saturday afternoon at the Angela Hospice Residence of Livonia. Walter is the beloved husband of the late Florence (d. 2004); loving father of Florence (Deacon Peter) Cornell and Christine (David) Parker of Dearborn; cherished grandfather of Debbie (David) Morrow of Dearborn Heights, Denise (Ron) Morrow of Grand Rapids, Jennifer (David Queen) Cornell of Ann Arbor, Jason (Andrea West) Cornell of Tecumseh, Ellen (Paul Hoppe) Parker of Lake Orion, Christopher (Dana) Parker of Lake Orion, Jeffrey (Marie) Parker of Lapeer, and Jon (Kelli) Parker of Metamora.

Mr. Krakowiak is also survived by thirteen great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren. Also his dear sister Ann Hogan of Willis.

Born on January 22, 1916 in Detroit, Michigan to Anthony and Kataryna Krakowiak, Walter moved to the Belleville area at a young age. He was a proud veteran of the United States Army, serving in the Pacific theater during World War II. Later in life he enjoyed fishing, farming and coin collecting. He was also a faithful and devoted parishioner at St. Anthony's Church for most of his life.

A Funeral Mass, concluding with military honors, was celebrated in Walter's honor at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 27, at St. Anthony's Church, 409 W. Columbia, Belleville. Walter's family greeted guests one hour prior to Mass at the church. A luncheon followed immediately in the church social hall.

Interment with concluding prayers followed the luncheon at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock at 2 p.m.

Visiting hours were arranged for Monday, June 26 from 2 until 8 p.m. in the main chapel of David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville, 734-697-4500. A time of prayer and reflection was held Monday at 7 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to St. Anthony's Church or the Belleville V.F.W. Post #4434.

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Charles Volgyes

CHARLES VOLGYES

(March 21, 1924 – June 20, 2017)

Charles Volgyes, 93, of Dowagiac, passed away June 20, 2017 at Forest Glen Assisted Living in Dowagiac.

A burial will take place at a later date at Michigan Memorial Park Cemetery in Flat Rock, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to American Printing House for the Blind. Those wishing to leave a memory of Charles may do so at www.clarkch.com. Charles was born in Belleville, MI to Joseph and Mary (Bedi) Volgyes.

Charlie worked at a spring factory in Dowagiac for over 35 years. He owned his own home and you could see him walking everywhere. He walked to the bank, post office, cleaners and Side Track to eat daily. Dowagiac was good to him. His passion was music, though. Charlie could play any instrument and played the keyboard in the "Starlight" band. He was a great inspiration. Though he was blind, nothing stopped him. He was always learning new things in his sharp mind.

Charlie spent the last few years at Forest Glen Assisted Living where they lovingly took care of him, and he occasionally played piano for the other residents.

Surviving Charlie are his nephews and nieces who loved and admired him: Sharon (Jerry) Eby, Carol (Ernie) Reese, Linda (Dwayne) DeRossett, Ellen (Adib) Al-awar, George (Paige) Hartman, Louise (Kevin) Waller, Barbara Hines, Mary Baum, and Martin Hartman.

Charlie was preceded in death by his parents; brothers Steve (Edna) Kish and Paul (Dorothy) Volgyes; and sisters Rose (Ed) Hartman and Mary Ryakso.

RIP sweet Charlie.



Carlin Orlona Thompson

CARLIN ORLONA THOMPSON

(February 16, 1983 – June 1, 2017)

Carlin Orlona (Stewart) Thompson, 34, of Belleville passed away June 1 in Arbor Hospice, Saline. She fought ovarian cancer since 2009.

She was born February 16, 1983 in Wayne to Quatrina (Duty) and Timothy Stewart, who survive her. She graduated from Belleville High School in 2001. She moved to Alpena in 2009 and worked as a welder and because of her health she moved back to Belleville.

She is survived by her two children, Kiley and Coleton of Belleville; her brother Jacob (Betty Jo) Stewart; her sister Chelsey (Christopher) Dailey; grandmother Effie Duty; nephew and niece Michael and Briana; and many family, friends, and cousins, and her friends from her support group in Alpena, Friends Together.

Cremation rites have been accorded. Her wishes were to have a big celebration of her life in her sister's backyard in New Boston and that was held June 24.

Obituaries



Egypt Covington

JACQUELYN ELIZABETH, EGYPT, COVINGTON

(July 19, 1989 – June 23, 2017)

Jacquelyn Elizabeth, Egypt, Covington, age 27, died suddenly on Friday, June 23, 2017.

Egypt is the beloved daughter of Chuck (Kristin) Covington of Belleville and Tina Marie Turner-Covington of Ypsilanti; cherished sister of DaJuan (Kim) Gesco of Belleville, Samuel (Nina) Turner of Westland, D'Wayne Turner of Ypsilanti, Beth (Jeremy Cree) Covington of Canton, Jessica Covington of Santa Monica, California and Jordan (Brandon) Albert of Binger, Oklahoma. Egypt is also survived by her significant other, Curtis Meadows of Belleville; grandparents Raymond (Charlotte) Platt of Belleville; and multiple nieces, nephews and cousins.

Born on July 19, 1989 in Detroit, Egypt was a lifelong Belleville-area resident. She had a love of practicing Yoga, playing golf, bow hunting and was truly special when it came to singing and playing the guitar.

Her impact on others outside of her family is indescribable. She was loved by all and belonged to a community. Her positivity and light will be missed by all those she knew.

Her life cannot be expressed by a service; therefore, a celebration of Egypt's life will take place on Saturday, July 1, at the Corner Brewery, 720 Norris St, in Ypsilanti, MI.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to <https://www.gofundme.com/egypt-covington-memorial-fund>.

Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home: <https://www.davidcbrownfh.com>.

LINA KAY HACKNEY

(September 5, 1948 – June 23, 2017)

Lina Kay Hackney, age 68, of Sumpter Township, died peacefully early Friday morning, June 23, 2017 at Beaumont Hospital of Royal Oak.

Kay is the beloved mother of Earl "Scott" (Tina) Hackney Jr. of Jackson and Kathy (Joel) Anderson of Sumpter Township, Tammy (Peter) Digregorio of Virginia and Rick Hackney of Nevada; cherished grandmother of Corwin, Caleb, Sage, Peter Jr. and Rebekah. She is also survived by many loving extended family and friends.

Kay was born on September 5, 1948 in Jellico, Tennessee to the late Alonzo and Ruby Botts. She has been a Sumpter Township resident since 1967, moving to the area from Taylor. Cooking, reading, socializing were enjoyments, but mostly, Kay enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

Visiting hours were Monday, June 26, 2017 from 2 until 8 p.m. at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 - (734) 697-4500.

Following the visitation, Kay was carefully transported to the Harp Funeral Home of Jellico, Tennessee (423)784-6364 where a funeral service was held at 7 p.m., Wednesday, June 28, at the funeral home. Visitation was held from 4 p.m. until the 7 p.m. service at the funeral home.



Lila J. Warner

LILA J. WARNER

(April 16, 1925 – June 25, 2017)

Lila Jeanne Warner, age 92, long-time resident of Van Buren Township, passed away Sunday, June 25, 2017 at Regency of Canton, MI. She was born April 16, 1925 in Lincoln, Nebraska, daughter of James & Hazel (Pulsifer) Warner. Lila J. retired as a supervisor from Ford Motor Company, Dearborn Stamping, in 1984 after more than 35 years of loyal service.

She was a member of September Days Senior Citizens and a Doberman Rescue. She rode motorcycles, and drag raced Downriver. She was a funny woman who enjoyed telling stories. Her true passion was animals. She rescued and trained numerous dogs, and trained and showed many pure-bred cats.

A Graveside Service was at 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 28, 2017 at Denton Cemetery, Van Buren Township, MI. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734)697-4500.

Memorial contributions may be made to Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue, and would be greatly appreciated.

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Upcoming Meetings

- Friday, June 30 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education will meet, mostly in closed session, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Administration Building to finish evaluation of School Supt. Pete Kudlak's first year on the job.

- Monday, July 3 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

- Monday, July 10 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education regular meeting, 7 p.m., Administration Building

- Tuesday, July 11 – Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority, 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, July 12 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

- Thursday, July 13 – Keystone Academy Board of Education, 6 p.m., Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission at 7 p.m., quarterly meeting. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

- Monday, July 17 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

- Tuesday, July 18 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

- Wednesday, July 19 -- Van Buren Township Planning Staff Review, 1-4 p.m. Also, Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

- Monday, July 23 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education regular meeting, 7 p.m., Administration Building

VBT Parks & Rec offers 'Yoga in the Park' on Saturdays at 8 a.m.

Van Buren Township Parks and Recreation presents "Yoga in the Park" from 8 to 9 a.m. on Saturdays through Sept. 2 at French Landing Park, 12090 Haggerty Road, just south of the I-94 Service Drive.

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Michigan Shakespeare Festival set for Canton's Village Theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is teaming up with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival (MSF) to present a three weekend run of performances from July 28 – Aug. 13, in Canton.

This year's 23rd festival season of the Michigan Shakespeare Festival will feature productions of William Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew," and "The Tragedy of Julius Caesar," as well as Anton Chekhov's "The Seagull."

"After the continued success of Michigan Shakespeare Festival run of performances

in Canton over the past few years, we are thrilled that they will once again expand their reach into the Canton community this summer," said Canton Performing Arts Coordinator Joe Kvorciak. "The return of this limited-run engagement will give theater-goers in Canton the opportunity to see professional Equity actors performing classic theatre in repertory."

The State of Michigan's official Shakespeare festival's 2017 Season will open at the Potter Center in Jackson on July 6, and will be moving its productions to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, starting July 28. This year's productions include:

"The Taming of the Shrew" by William Shakespeare - This popular comedy explores wealthy merchant Baptista Minola's dilemma to arrange marriages for his daughters or not. His youngest, the vivacious Bianca, is as desired as his eldest, the headstrong Katherine, is feared. So the Paduan patriarch hatches a brilliant plan: no one will marry Bianca until Katherine herself has been to the altar.

Enter Petruchio of Verona. What follows is a hilarious battle of wills and genders where victory means learning the rules of the game. Canton performance dates: July 28, 30, and Aug. 5, 10, 11.

"The Tragedy of Julius Caesar" by William Shakespeare - This drama tells the tale of Julius Caesar – conqueror, statesman, lover, and politician – who has been named Dictator for Life by the Roman Senate. Fearing Caesar's rise will doom the Republic, a conspiracy forms to kill the great man. A play with never-ending modern parallels – Julius Caesar, is a political thriller with ultimate stakes. Canton performance dates: July 29, and Aug. 3, 4, 6, 12.

"The Seagull" by Anton Chekhov - Anton Chekhov's satiric comedy "The Seagull" skewers our views of art and entertainment, and where the two of them combine. A darkly funny domestic comedy set at the turn of the last century, MSF's 2017 production is from a new original translation. Canton performance dates: July 29, and Aug. 5, 12, 13.

Tickets are on sale now for the Canton performances of the 2017 Season, including season Flex Passes, at www.cantonvillagetheater.org. A Flex Pass will include one ticket to each production, and show dates and times can be chosen at the time of purchase, or at a later date. Ticket prices range from \$16-\$40, depending on patron's age.

Founded in 1995, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival is a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit professional theatre company operating under a League of Regional Theatres Letter of Agreement with the

Actors' Equity Association. The MSF is dedicated to entertaining and educating a broad-based audience through professional performances of Shakespeare's works and other classic plays. For additional information about the Michigan Shakespeare Festival, visit www.michiganshakespearefestival.com.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton, MI, 48187, is a regional center for the arts that offers the magic of live theatre, soul-stirring music, the thrill of the dance, and the enjoyment of fine art exhibitions and events, in addition to providing a home for several cultural organizations and community groups.

Michigan Shakespeare Festival schedule:

"The Taming of the Shrew" by William Shakespeare
Thursday 7:30 p.m.: Aug. 10
Friday 7:30 p.m.: July 28 & Aug. 11
Saturday 7:30 p.m.: Aug. 5
Sunday 3 p.m.: July 30

"Julius Caesar" by William Shakespeare
Thursday 7:30 p.m.: Aug. 3
Friday 7:30 p.m.: Aug. 4
Saturday 2 p.m.: Aug. 12
Saturday 7:30 p.m.: July 29
Sunday 3 p.m.: Aug. 6

"The Seagull" by Anton Chekhov
Saturday 2 p.m. July 29 & Aug. 5
Saturday 7:30 p.m.: Aug. 12
Sunday 3 p.m.: Aug. 13

For more information about the Michigan Shakespeare Festival's collaboration with The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call (734) 394-5300.

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School Board

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schedule increase for all steps;

- Approved a new, two-year contract for the Van Buren Food Service Association that includes step increases, longevity pay, wage scale with a 2% increase the first year and 1% the second year. Longevity pay for food service workers/cook manager with 10 years of service is \$300; 15 years, \$400; and 20 years, \$500, paid in full in June of each year. This agreement was not scheduled to be approved and was added to the agenda during the school board meeting;

- Approved offering the Engineering I and II classes as senior math electives, as well as science electives, beginning with the 2017-18 school year, as recommended by Deb Kummer of the BHS Science Department;

- Heard an annual update on the athletic department by Athletic Director Joseph Brodie, with the help of student athletes Zachary Buhro and Alexis Kilpatrick. Brodie said 744 students participated in athletics at BHS and 366 at McBride. He said the advertising banner/donation program is under way and the district will leave the Western Wayne Athletics Conference and join the KLAA (Kensington Lakes Athletics Association) effective 2018-19;

- Approved the retirement of Freddie Patterson from the transportation department after 13 years of driving a bus as of June 30;

- Approved the termination of teachers Steven Szumanski after less than one year of service at McBride, as of June 30, to accept other employment; and Paula Gentile after four years of service at Belleville High School, as of June 30, to accept other employment;

- After Treasurer Kevin English arrived an hour late for the meeting, heard board president Keith Johnston announce that English has just been hired as assistant principal at Wayne High School;

- Heard Angela Mears ask from the audience about the steps being taken to hire a new principal for Rawsonville Elementary School, since Delria Crippen had just resigned. Kudlak said the position is posted and he believes internally four to five people may apply and, with those

interested outside the district, they may get applications from 40 or 50 people. He outlined the steps and said he would like the position to be filled by Aug. 1. He said a meeting for parents will be held at 7 p.m., July 5, so they can say what they would like to see in a new principal. They will also meet with the staff; and

- Heard Kudlak explain that Human Resources Director Abdul Madyun is absent because he is on vacation in Traverse City and Curriculum Director Jeff Moore is off “marrying his sister in Maine,” explaining Moore got a license so he can perform the wedding for his sister.

Chelsea Edwards named to U. of Alabama Dean's List

University of Alabama student Chelsea Marie Edwards of Belleville was named to the Dean's List for Spring 2017.

A total of 11,101 students enrolled during the 2017 spring semester at The University of Alabama were named to the Dean's List with an academic record of 3.5 (or above).

Sumpter Township thanks Ace Hardware for buckets, dowels

At Tuesday's meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, Virginia Belinski thanked Ace Hardware for all the equipment to introduce cardio-drumming to the senior citizens.

Belinski, who teaches the cardio-drumming from 9:45 to 10:15 a.m. on Thursdays at the Sumpter Senior Center, said Ace donated five-gallon buckets and dowels for the exercise program targeted at senior citizens.

“I want to make sure Ace gets the credit for donating our equipment,” Belinski said.

She said 15 has been her biggest class so far, but three to four joined the senior center to attend the class which is free to members.

Belinski said the workout is so vigorous, with the beating on the buckets with the dowels, that afterwards almost everyone goes home and takes a nap.

Belinski said other cardio-drumming programs have more sophisticated equipment, but the buckets and dowels work for Sumpter seniors.

Correction: Kasperek is the right spelling; Randazzo owns Sheldon

On page one of last week's paper we spelled the Strawberry Festival Queen's last name wrong. It should be Kasperek. We got it right throughout the story and outline, but we got it wrong in the headline. Darn! We apologize.

On page 11 in the jump from the front page story on the Cobblestone open basements, we wrote that Planning and Economic Development Deputy Director Matthew Best said, “Mr. Randazzo called...” and didn't explain who Mr. Randazzo was. I've been informed that would be Anthony

Randazzo, owner of Sheldon Acquisitions, LLC, who are responsible for work at Cobblestone. The agreement between Van Buren Township and Sheldon is what is at issue now.

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“Ornythopterus” by John Parker is at the triangle at Belleville and Quirk roads in Van Buren Township. Cost to purchase the sculpture is \$18,000.



Photo courtesy of Pete Pitzen
Volunteers, from left, Rich Hilmer, Bob McKenna, and Gene Taylor, relax together on Pete Pitzen's porch after placing flags in the ground all along South Biggs Avenue in the city of Belleville to mark Flag Day on June 14. Pitzen said he will have more free flags to give away at his home at 48 S. Biggs to mark the Fourth of July.



Strawberry Festival parade photo by Bob Mytych

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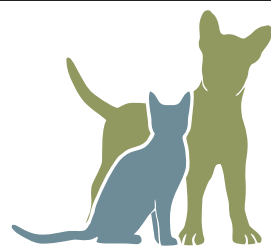
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VBT approves special assessment district for McBride Road

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

After a June 20 public hearing on the proposed McBride Road Improvement Special Assessment District, the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved the special assessment district.

The board also set the public hearing on the assessment roll for the special assessment district for 7 p.m., Tuesday, July 18.

The township is using the Wayne County Local Road Initiative program for the paving and improvement of necessary structures and other work incidental to McBride Road between Quirk Road and Beck Road.

The county is paying \$740,000 for 80% of the \$914,000 project and the special assessment district is paying the 20% local match.

The one parcel at 47097 McBride Road, owned by the Van Buren Public Schools, will pay \$90,000 in full at the time VBT approves preliminary engineering to commence for the project, as specified in a May 25 agreement with the school.

The remaining parcels in the special assessment district will pay \$95,000, with annual payments estimated at \$578.22 per year, per parcel, for five years, plus interest, based upon a unit basis with each parcel assessment for 1/33 of the remaining estimated costs.

“We are getting a million dollar road for \$95,000,” said VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara. “It’s an impactful project.”

He said the township is lobbying actively, weekly, for Wayne County to give the township another project like this.

“Five hundred thousand dollars would help,” Supervisor McNamara said.

Trustee Reggie Miller pointed out the township already spent \$13,000 on engineering for the project last year. The project didn’t continue last year because the school district found it could not use sinking funds for roadwork and dropped out of the tentative agreement.

There was no audience comment during the public hearing on the special assessment district, but a letter in opposition had been sent from architect Wayne Hoppe, who lives on McBride.

He said he has lived on McBride for 25 years and he objected to the proposed special assessment district.

Hoppe said the primary beneficiaries should be paying for the roadwork. He said the project is clearly for the benefit of the school district, for the buses and those parents who take their children back and forth to school.

“It should be shared by all of the residents of Van Buren Township,” Hoppe wrote.

Also, he said, those gathering signatures did not explain the cost. He said if they were given the cost at the time of signing, they might not have agreed to sign.

Hoppe also questioned the method of gathering signatures, since township staff was sent out to gather signatures.

“They used tax funds to collect taxes on

some of the residents,” Hoppe said, asking board members to vote against the special assessment district.

Supervisor McNamara said, “We did go up and down that street in January and February. We needed to know if there was interest. I asked my assistant to go out and leave a letter in the door... We needed the approval of residents on the street.”

He said the letters estimated the homeowner’s cost as \$650 annually for five years and it turned out the most recent estimate is much lower, at \$578.22.

“Nobody was snuck up on,” McNamara said. “We put ads in the Independent, on the internet. Dan Clay and Bonnie took over on McBride to collect signatures. I wanted to make sure it was going to go.”

Daniel and Ashley Clay and Bonnie Coughlin carried the petitions.

Trustee Miller asked if there was a cost put on the petition that the homeowners’ signed and Ron Akers said there wasn’t. Akers is VBT director of planning and economic development.

“As part of the process, we estimate the cost,” Akers said.

“We don’t have the exact cost,” McNamara agreed.

The schedule for the project has construction slated for late fall or early spring.

In other business at the June 20 regular meeting, the board:

- Approved the second (final) reading of an ordinance to rezone 49412 Michigan Avenue from C (Local Business) and C-2 (Extensive Highway Business) to C-1 (General Commercial). The developer plans to construct a gas station, market, and drive-through restaurant. The site is located on the northwest corner of Michigan Avenue and Denton Road;

- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17 (1) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances on Municipal Civil Infractions. This is a revised ordinance, following a previously passed ordinance, after it was found there was a 1998 agreement with the court that it will collect fines;

- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17 (2) on animal waste and dogs. Animal owners will properly dispose of feces in public places and also on personal property;

- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17 (3) an addition on Diseased or Dangerous Trees, Shrubs, or Plants that are an imminent danger to the public. Property owners will be noticed by mail and posting and will have 30 days to take care of the problem. Trustee Paul White asked about trees in the right of way and Police Lt. Charles Bazy replied, “It’s your tree.” He said the right of way is the property owner’s property, but Wayne County Forestry is very attentive to trees in the roadway;

- Removed from the agenda the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17 (4) an amendment having to do with placement of trash receptacles. The controversial



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman
Vern Morse, seated, is retiring from his position of Accounting Coordinator at Van Buren Township as of July 5, after 20 years of service. The VBT Board of Trustees appointed his 20-year assistant Carol Towles to take over the job. She was hired as assistant just two months after Morse was hired.

ordinance needs some fine tuning;

- Approved the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17 (5) an amendment on collection and disposal of solid waste. This has to do with temporary containers, such as rolloffs or PODs, that some people have kept in their yards for a year. After seven days, residents can get a 30-day permit free of charge and then more permits as reasonable at a small cost;

- Approved promoting Carol Towles to the position of Accounting Coordinator and approved her personal services agreement. Towles, who has worked assisting the present coordinator for more than 20 years will be leaving the union and joining management. She replaces Vern Morse who is retiring as of July 5 after more than 20 years of service. She was hired just two months after he was hired. Trustee Miller asked if Morse will be getting an exit interview and Human Resources Director Nicole Sumpter said, “If he wants”;

- Heard Supervisor McNamara say the Michigan Clerk of the Year award Clerk Leon Wright was to get on June 22 is a big deal and several board members will be driving to Kalamazoo for the award ceremony at the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks summer conference. He said the next meeting will be a big “Leon Fest”;

- Heard Bob McKenna ask if the township will be able to have trash containers not in front of houses and not seen from the street and McNamara said, “In a perfect world, but it’s not gonna’ happen”;

- Approved the township attorney’s recommendation on Wayne County Circuit Court Case #15-015063, VBT vs. Amanda Jackson. The board met in closed-door session to discuss the case on June 19.

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Museum Director Katie Dallos said guests will be transported to 1925 and interact with three famous historical celebrities.

Doré Productions of Northville will present "Henry and Friends" featuring Henry Ford, Thomas Edison, and Harvey Firestone.

She said guests can learn about the men's friendships, their families, and their contributions to American industry. Although highly authentic, this show is also presented with a sense of humor.

Guests will be treated to one of Henry's favorite go-to dishes – pancakes. Who doesn't love breakfast for dinner?

Tickets are \$25 per person and includes: eggs, sausage, and orange juice. Tickets may be purchased using a credit card or PayPal on the museum's Facebook site.

Or, stop by the museum for cash and check payments.

In addition, a cash bar will be open serving the latest craft beers produced at the Western Wayne County Community College campus.

Sumpter Township to hold Family Fun Day on July 15 at Graham Park

Sumpter Township Parks and Recreation will hold its annual Family Fun Day at Graham Park on July 15.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, Trustee Don Swinson announced that the Fun Day will feature the usual hot dogs, chips, and drinks for the families, along with the popular water slide for the children. There will be other activities for the youngsters, he said.

In an aside, Swinson also reported that there is a lot of building activity at the Menard's site, next to Atchinson Ford where he works in Van Buren Township.



Sumpter Township Public Notice



Township of Sumpter Notice to Electors Close of Registration

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Sumpter, Wayne County, Michigan. Notice is hereby given that **Monday, July 10, 2017 is the Last Day** to register for the August 8, 2017 Special Election. The Township of Sumpter Clerk's office, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 will be open from **8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.** for the purpose of receiving applications of qualified electors in the Township of Sumpter who are not already registered. If you are not currently registered to vote in the Township of Sumpter at your present address, you may do so in any of the following ways:

In Person:

- At the Sumpter Township Clerk's Office, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 Monday-Friday, 8:30-4:30 p.m.
- At any Secretary of State Branch Office during normal business hours.

Obtain Forms Online

- Mail-in Voter Registration Applications may be obtained here: www.Michigan.gov/vote

By Mail:

- By obtaining and completing a Mail-in Voter Registration Application and returning it to Sumpter Township Clerk's office by the close of registration deadline, July 10, 2017.

Sumpter Township Clerk
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Belleville, MI 48111-9600
734-461-6201

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.
Clerk
Sumpter Township

Publish: June 29, 2017

Posted: June 27, 2017

MDOT to reopen I-275 rest area in Canton Township today

Rest area 912 off I-275 in Canton Township is reopening at 2 p.m. today after repair and the installation of enhanced security measures, including the parking lots after repairs to the buildings and grounds from earlier vandalism.

There will be increased police presence at the rest area following the reopening to prevent future vandalism.

The rest stop is on northbound I-275 between US-12 (Michigan Avenue) and M-153 (Ford Road).

In February, the Michigan Department of Transportation was forced to close this rest area due to vandalism.

Michigan currently operates 78 rest areas statewide (14 of which are also Welcome Centers), including the Canton Township Rest Area, which was built in 1977.

Young Life to host charity golf tournament at Eagle Crest resort

Belleville-Ypsilanti Young Life will host its annual charity fundraiser golf tournament for community youth on Saturday, July 15, at Eagle Crest Golf Resort, Whitaker Road just off of I-94.

Registration is from 7-8 a.m. with shotgun tee-off at 8 a.m. Cost is \$100 per golfer.

Breakfast is being provided and served by the Rawsonville Road McDonald's restaurant. Lunch on the course and a banquet dinner about 1:30 p.m. are included.

This year's event is projected to have the largest number of sponsors and contributors, exceeding 50, and the largest number of golfers participating in the six years of the event.

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

NOTICE OF ADOPTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE 06-06-17

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ZONING ORDINANCE 06-06-17 AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

The Charter Township of Van Buren Ordains:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Zoning Map in connection with the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Ordinance No. 06-06-17

A request to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 05-02-17(2), as amended, to amend the zoning map by rezoning parcel V125-83-021-01-0009-304, otherwise known as 49412 Michigan Avenue, from C (Local Business) & C-2 (Extensive Highway Business) to C-1 (General Commercial).

This property is located on the northwest corner of the intersection of Michigan Avenue and Denton Road.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

In the event any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this ordinance is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect seven (7) days after publication of the notice of adoption in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township. This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within fifteen (15) days of passage. A copy of this Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 during normal business hours.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 20th day of June, 2017.

Adopted: June 20, 2017
Published: June 29, 2017
Effective: July 07, 2017

City of Belleville Public Notice

RESOLUTION NO. 17-050

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE 2017-18 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the 2017-18 City Budget has been presented by the City Manager and reviewed by the City Council with the Administration, resulting in various modifications being made to the proposed budget, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on June 5, 2017 as required by City Charter for final determination.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby determines that the 2017 property tax levy for the City of Belleville shall be 16.9362 Mills for general operating purposes payable to the General Fund; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the one percent (1%) collection fee be levied as provided by Statute; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby adopts the 2017-18 City Budget as follows:

FUND	REVENUES	EXPENDS.
General Fund	\$ 2,090,893	\$ 2,202,804
Major Street Fund	\$ 178,400	\$ 185,040
Local Street Fund	\$ 147,000	\$ 64,554
Cemetery Fund	\$ 78,000	\$ 77,988
Sanitation Fund	\$ 200,000	\$ 194,212
Perpetual Care Fund	\$ 5,000	\$ -0-
Building Dept. Fund	\$ 70,000	\$ 81,775
Budget Stabilization Fund	\$ -0-	\$ 28,973
Drug Law Enforcement Fund	\$ -0-	\$ -0-
Public Improvement Fund	\$ -0-	\$ 1,747
Capital Equipment Fund	\$ 4,800	\$ 25,161
DDA Operating Fund	\$ 330,823	\$ 377,755
DDA Debt Service Fund	\$ 367,808	\$ 367,808

BE IT RESOLVED FURTHER, that pursuant to state law, the City Manager is hereby authorized to transfer up to ten percent (10%) of each appropriation within each Fund, but not from Contingency or Capital Reserve Accounts nor between Funds.

Adopted by City Council Resolution No. 17-050 on June 5, 2017.

Publish: 6/29/17

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Candice Stegink brought her four-month-old daughter Caylee to the baby's first Strawberry Festival over the festival week end. Candice said she and her husband live in downtown Belleville and look forward to the festival every year. Caylee had a great time!



Jean (Renton) Orskey, who lived most of her life in Belleville was feted on Saturday by family and friends at her North Liberty Street home in Belleville. They celebrated her 90th birthday, which occurred on June 22.

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Things to do in the Belleville area...

- **Thursday, June 29** – Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's Jill Jack. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- **Sunday, July 2** – No music today at the Van Buren Township September Days Senior Center.
- **Sunday, July 2** – Join Bugles Across America at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial in Belleville for a brief ceremony to honor past and present members of the military. Stand to pledge the flag and hear "Taps" played.
- **Thursday, July 6** – Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's One Love Reggae Band. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- **Saturday, July 8** – You are invited to visit the Western Wayne County Quilt Guild on the second Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. in the Otisville Room at Van Buren Township Hall. All levels of sewers are welcome and there are lots of different projects.
- **Sunday, July 9** – Southern Echo musical performance from 2 to 5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Free. Information: Mike Hoben (734) 260-1170 or Lynette Jordan (734) 699-8918.
- **Thursday, July 13** – Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's George Bedard. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- **Saturday, July 15** – Belleville-Ypsilanti Young Life hosts its annual charity fundraiser golf tournament for community youth at Eagle Crest Golf Resort, Whitaker Road just off of I-94. Registration is from 7-8 a.m. with shotgun tee-off at 8 a.m. Cost is \$100 per golfer. Register in advance by calling (734) 365-9407, or online at www.bellevilleypsi.org.
- **Sunday, July 16** – 18 Strings musical performance from 2 to 5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Free. Information: Mike Hoben (734) 260-1170 or Lynette Jordan (734) 699-8918.
- **Thursday, July 20** – Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's The Stubbs Girls. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.
- **Thursday, July 20** – The Belleville Area Museum's annual garage sale and antiques appraisal day. The garage sale will run 10 a.m.-6 p.m. The appraisal day will be 4-6 p.m. inside the museum.
- **Sunday, July 23** – WACO musical performance from 2 to 5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Free. Information: Mike Hoben (734) 260-1170 or Lynette Jordan (734) 699-8918.
- **Thursday, July 27** – Free Community Dinner from 6 to 6:30 p.m. at Willow United Methodist Church and God Works Family Soup Kitchen, 36925 E. Willow Rd., New Boston, (734) 654-9020. www.willowchurch.org
- **Thursday, July 27** – Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. This week it's Thornetta Davis. Free. Horizon Park, Belleville.



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Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



Moe's Produce Stand at 20684 Sumpter Road next to the Sumpter Fire Hall is open for the season, with seasonal vegetables such as onions, cabbage, squash, cucumbers, and potatoes. The family-owned farm has been operating since 1941. They're open seven days, from 9:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Watch their ad every week for the list of available vegetables.

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue of

Sumpter Township is getting ready for its seventh-annual Golf Outing Fundraiser on Saturday, July 8, at the Green Oaks Golf Course in Ypsilanti. For information on golf or sponsorship opportunities, call (734) 461-9458.

The 18th Annual Gregg Brinkerhoff Scholarship Fund Golf Outing is coming up on Saturday, Aug. 5, at a new venue: Woodlands of Van Buren. The cost is \$95 per player, \$380 for a four-person team. Dinner-only tickets are \$25. Sponsorships start at \$50 for a 19th-hole sponsorship and go up to the event sponsorship for \$1,000. Registration deadline is July 29. The event will feature a continental breakfast / registration at 7 a.m., scramble 18-holes w/ cart, lunch, 50/50, chicken dinner, prizes,

contests and trophies for first through third place. The 2017 scholarship recipients are Zachary Buhro, Dillon Carrington, Brendan Davenport, Kacey McWilliams, Gina Rabakiewicz, Sara Stoelton, and Lexi Stypelkoski. To learn more or to register, call Mike or Beth Sampson at (734) 697-0440 or email bethsamps@ameritech.net. To date, the event has raised over \$160,000, benefitting 86 Belleville High School graduates with their college expenses.

The Yankee Air Museum's Historic Preservation Night on July 5 will feature Paul Galanti and Flying the A-4 Skyhawk in Combat, a program about one pilot who flew 97 missions over Vietnam before being shot down and captured in 1966. Galanti became a prisoner of war for seven years until his release in 1973. The program will also feature the museum's newly-acquired A-4 Skyhawk, painted in the livery that was flown by Galanti. The event is free and it gets under way at 7:30 p.m. For info, call (734) 483-4030.

St. Anthony Men's Club will be holding its annual golf outing on Sunday, July 23, at the Fellows Creek Golf Club in Canton. Entry fee is \$70 per golfer and includes a 9 a.m. shotgun start, 18-holes with cart, lunch, an All American Lunch Buffett, and awards after golf. For info, Call Ted Wisniewski at (734) 788-3266.

Columbia Court Apartments on West Columbia in Belleville will be holding a Mission Day 2017 on Aug. 18 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will feature a day of family fun raising money for senior projects such as a new small dog park, two covered swings, and additional raised garden beds. Activities include a health fair, prize drawing, 50/50, food, building tours, bake sale, kids' activities, craft sales, and more. The seniors will be filling backpacks with school supplies and they will be available for distribution at the event. See their ad in today's paper. To donate and volunteer, call Kimberly Pederson at (734) 697-8200.

Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? Call Bob Mytych at (734) 699-9020 with your idea. There is no cost to be in this column.

Van Buren Eagles plans 'Woodstock Revisited Family Festival' Aug. 5

The Van Buren Eagles is planning its "Woodstock Revisited Family Festival" for 3 to 10 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 5, at the Eagles hall, 9961 Beck Road, Van Buren Township.

There will be three bands on the lawn – The Classics, Second Wind, and Repeat Offenders – rotating all afternoon and evening. Also offered is a bounce house for the children. Jolene from Cat's Meow will be doing face painting for part of the evening. The event is open to the public, with tickets \$10 in advance and \$15 at the gate. Children 15 and under are free. Information: (734) 788-4410.



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Paul Stambaugh of Van Buren Township has been playing ice hockey for most of his life and recently he and members of his Over 60 League played for almost two hours at the Joe Louis Arena in Detroit. Stambaugh said they were the last ones, or close to the last ones, to play a game on the ice before the arena closed for good. "It was fun," he said. Stambaugh is a 1967 graduate of Belleville High School. His Over 60 league plays at the Plymouth Cultural Center.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman
The Waltz Road Bridge that is closed for repairs much to everyone's irritation is an example of a 1920s pony truss construction. It is a twin to the blue bridge that used to span the Huron River and Belleville Lake in Belleville, replaced in the early 1990s by a freeway-style bridge. The Waltz Road Bridge was one of 15 bridges constructed by Wayne County during the road commission's 1924-25 fiscal year. This bridge cost \$67,500. When the French Landing dam failed and caused the Huron River to flood, the structure easily withstood the onslaught. Although the Waltz Road Bridge is closed, it has a pedestrian / bicycle span left open for use at one side of the bridge.

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Belleville Rotary Club moving to WCCC in VBT for Tues. meetings

Effective July 11, the Belleville Rotary Club will be meeting at the Wayne County Community College West Campus, 9555 Haggerty Road in Van Buren Township.

Meeting times will remain at 6:15 on Tuesday evenings. The club had met at First United Methodist Church in Belleville for

decades going back to the mid years of the last century.

Spokesman Ray Eissinger said Rotarians are grateful for the cooperation and support of the church for providing their meeting room and other facilities for all those years.

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City of Belleville Water Department Consumer Confidence Report

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

Overview

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

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

Water Source

The City of Belleville water is supplied by the Great Lakes Water Authority from its Southwest Water Treatment Plant. The Detroit Water Department provides drinking water to approximately 4.2 million people in 126 Michigan Communities. The City of Belleville purchased over 96,000,000 gallons of water in 2016.

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

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

Your source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair and several watersheds within the U.S. and Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership with the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, and several other governmental agencies performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility of potential contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very low" to "very high" based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and contaminant sources. The susceptibility of our Detroit River source water intakes were determined to be highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four Detroit water treatment plants that use source water from Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards.

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Court Watching:

Judge Oakley agrees Belleville traffic stop was legitimate

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

After written and oral arguments from the Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor and a retained defense attorney in 34th District Court on June 21, Judge Brian A. Oakley decided it was proper for a Belleville Police officer to stop a driver for squealing his tires, which led to the driver's arrest for drunk driving.

James Michael Power, 38, was then bound over to circuit court to face the charge of operating with a high blood alcohol content in Belleville on April 22. He is free after posting bond of \$10,000/10%. He is due in circuit court on July 5 for an arraignment on the information.

On May 10, the preliminary exam on the charge was held, but retained defense attorney William Maze insisted there was no state law or local ordinance he could find that would allow police probable cause to legally stop his client in the first place.

Judge Oakley asked both the prosecutor and the defense attorney to write briefs on the local ordinance and case law so he could decide whether to bind Power over to the higher court or to dismiss the charge altogether. If there was no legal reason to stop the driver, the drunk driving charge was not valid, he said.

On June 21 they were back before Judge Oakley. Maze said local Belleville ordinances are not accessible online "or anywhere" and "no doubt it's preempted by the state."

The prosecutor stated the state statute cited by Maze encompasses only muffler noise. The local ordinance covers all noise by an auto.

"I don't think the state statute exempts the local ordinance here," Judge Oakley stated, noting that was his decision on that part of Maze's argument.

Maze said he researched this and looked at all cases and, "There's never been a traffic stop in Michigan for squealing tires."

Judge Oakley said the police officer had a reasonable suspicion that criminal conduct was afoot.

Maze suggested there could have been Fourth Amendment intrusion.

Judge Oakley said they had a local ordinance, which he had already decided was not preempted by the state, and so the officer had a valid reason to stop the ordinance.

"It's a terrible ordinance, but it's still in effect and the officer had a right to stop. A legal ordinance," Judge Oakley said.

He denied the defense's motion to dismiss the charge and bound Power over to the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice.

"Let me know what happens if you appeal," Judge Oakley said to Maze, who replied the motion on the legitimacy of the traffic stop was actually a "collateral

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Court watching

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issue.”

Belleville’s new police officer Ahmed Kassem, who was just out of the police academy and had been on the force for just two months, testified May 10 that he and his Training Officer Cpl. Matthew Vandeweghe were doing traffic enforcement at 1:30 a.m. April 22 at Main and Denton. He testified a 2006 Grand Prix was stopped on Denton Road at the blinking traffic light and then the driver squealed his tires and accelerated. Officer Kassem testified he pulled the car over and after a field sobriety test took Power into custody.

James Forrest Chapman

The motion hearing for James Forrest Chapman that was set for June 21, as well as the preliminary exam on a felony and a misdemeanor, was adjourned until 11 a.m., July 12 by Judge Oakley.

Chapman said he wanted to apply the motion he wrote to the felony charge and both the DNA misdemeanors – all three counts. He said there also is “double jeopardy” and Judge Oakley reigned him in, saying they are just dealing with the motion and the three charges.

Chapman is charged with refusing to give a DNA sample in 2015, which was attached to a felony that has been settled, and also refusing to give a DNA sample after a felony arrest in 2016.

The 2016 charges were before a jury on two separate occasions. The first occasion was when a health emergency in the jury room led a VBT officer to enter the jury room. That was declared a mistrial and adjourned to a later date. At that jury trial, the VBT officer that was to testify did not show up because he was not subpoenaed and the charges were dismissed without prejudice by the circuit court judge.

The Wayne County Prosecutor’s office refiled the charges and they were due for their preliminary exam on June 21.

At a previous motion hearing, Chapman got permission from Judge Oakley to submit a motion for dismissal on the 2015 DNA charge. At that time, Judge Oakley told Chapman to submit the motion to the prosecutor two weeks before the June 21 date for the motion so the prosecutor could answer the motion.

But, Chapman presented it at the June 21 court session and Judge Oakley postponed any discussion on the motion for three weeks because neither he nor the prosecutor had a chance to read what Chapman had written.

Chapman said he wanted the preliminary exam adjourned along with the motion hearing since, “I just met my attorney.” His court-appointed attorney stood without speaking during Chapman’s discussions with the court. Usually a judge orders the defendant to let his attorney speak for him, but in this case Chapman was allowed to do all the talking.

During the hearing on a vicious dog citation, held the day before in Judge Oakley’s courtroom, Chapman also

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GLWA has initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. GLWA voluntarily developed and received approval in 2016 for a source water protection program (SWIPP) for the Detroit River intakes. The programs include seven elements that include the following: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies, delineation of a source water protection area, identification of potential of source water protection area, management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources and public participation and education. If you would like to know more information about this report or a complete copy of this report please, contact the City of Belleville Water Department or GLWA.

How Do We Know Our Water Is Safe?

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

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

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

Unregulated Contaminants

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

What Is Cryptosporidium?

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

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

Contaminants That May Be Found In Drinking Water

“Drinking water, including bottled water may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate

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City of Belleville Regular City Council Meeting Minutes June 5, 2017

A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street by Mayor Conley.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Fielder	Present
Council Member Marcotte	Present
Council Member Smith	Present
Mayor Pro Tem Loria	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS

Presentations	None
Council follow up list	None
Citizen Comments	None

4. AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion by Smith, second by Loria to approve the agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Fielder, second by Marcotte to approve the regular city council meeting minutes of May 5th, May 22nd, and May 30th as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Amendment to Ordinance No. 53-72: Special Assessments

Motion by Smith, second by Loria to open a public hearing at 7:33 p.m. to discuss changing special assessment terms from 10 to 25 years.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Conley called for public comments. Seeing none, she called for a motion.

Motion by Marcotte, second by Smith to close the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. FY 2017-18 Budget

Motion by Fielder, second by Smith to open a public hearing on the FY 2017-18 budget at 7:34 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Conley stated that two previous budget meetings had been held and alternatives discussed for managing the budget deficit. She stated that the DDA budget had not yet been adopted since the maintenance agreement is pending.

Public Comments

Mike Renaud inquired whether the City could negotiate a "financial settlement" with the DDA.

Jeff Vernon asked if there were other options or alternatives for the budget.

Kelly Bates stated that the company responsible for mowing the parks has not done a good job.

Seeing there were no more public comments, Mayor Conley called for a motion.

Motion by Loria, second by Smith to close the public hearing at 7:49 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES None

8. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Request to Close High Street – Grace Baptist Church

Motion by Loria, second by Smith to adopt Resolution No. 17-044 approving Grace Baptist Church's request to close High Street from the corner of High & Roys to the church parking lot on July 4, 2017 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. for a picnic as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Strawberry Festival – Chamber of Commerce Motion by Marcotte, second by Loria to adopt Resolution No. 17-045 approving the Chamber of Commerce's request to close Main Street for a carnival at St. Anthony's Church and Main Street on June 16-18, 2017 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Bids for Spray Patching – Harbour Pointe Subdivision

City Clerk Sherri Scharf announced that only one bid had been received by Highway Maintenance and Construction Company for \$13,140 (estimate). DPW Director Rick Rutherford stated that five companies had been contacted for quotes. He expects to receive quotes for crack sealing soon.

Motion by Fielder, second by Smith to adopt Resolution No. 17-046 approving a bid for

spray patching from Highway Maintenance and Construction Company with a cost contingency for a total not to exceed \$16,000.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Bids for City Website Design

City Clerk Scharf announced that five bids had been received for the City's website design as follows: (1) Stone Interactive Group (Ann Arbor) for \$14,200; (2) DesignHub, Inc. (Saline) for \$17,000; (3) Revize Software Systems (Troy) requires a multi-year commitment; 1st year pre-built costs \$3,400 or \$7,500 for custom design (add \$1,900 each year for maintenance); (4) Municode (Tallahassee, FL) for \$5,500 pre-built or \$8,000 custom design (add \$1,500 each year for maintenance); and (5) TownWeb (Madison, WI) for \$10,239.

Motion by Fielder, second by Marcotte to refer to Administration for review and recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

E. Amendment to Ordinance No. 53-72: Special Assessments

Motion by Fielder, second by Smith to adopt Ordinance No. 17-003 amending Ordinance No. 53-72 by changing special assessment terms from 10 to 25 years.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. Stipulated Amendment to Financing Plan

Motion by Marcotte, second by Smith to adopt Resolution No. 17-047 approving the stipulated amendment to the Downriver Sewage Disposal System Financing Plan and Final Judgment as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. FY 2016-17 Fourth Quarter Budget Amendments

Motion by Loria, second by Smith to adopt Resolution No. 17-048 approving FY 2016-17 fourth quarter budget amendments as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

H. 2017 Millage Rate

Motion by Fielder, second by Marcotte to adopt Resolution No. 17-049 amending Resolution No. 16-073 to reduce the millage rate of 18.126 to 18.10 due to the Headlee Schedule as provided by Wayne County.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

I. FY 2017-18 Budget

Motion by Smith, second by Fielder to approve Resolution No. 17-050 adopting the FY 2017-18 budget as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

Motion by Fielder, second by Marcotte to approve Resolution No. 17-051 for accounts payable and payables over \$500.00 totaling \$98,096.06.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Loria, Second by Marcotte to adjourn meeting at 8:33 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherri Scharf, City Clerk

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that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800-426-4791).

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

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

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

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

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

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

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

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

Vulnerability Of Some Population To Contaminants

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

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Female pinned in vehicle at Sumpter Township accident on Saturday

A 19-year-old female was pinned her vehicle in a single-car accident at 11:07 p.m., Saturday, on Martinsville Road south of Judd in Sumpter Township.

Sumpter Police Det. John Toth said the woman apparently lost control of the vehicle she was driving on the dirt road. The 21-year-old male passenger was standing outside the vehicle when Sumpter Fire Department emergency crews arrived, Det. Toth said.

The female had severe facial injuries, but they were not life-threatening, he said. She was taken to a hospital by Med Flight.

The male was taken to a hospital by Huron Valley Ambulance.

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defended himself. If he is not successful his dog will be euthanized. At the hearing, the victim of the dog bite testified as to the vicious nature of the dog.

Judge Oakley gave Chapman a week [until June 27] to get another witness to testify in the dog’s defense. Chapman also complained he didn’t get a police report, but VBT police said he never requested a police report.

Shaunda Renee Wyche

A bench warrant was signed for Shaunda Renee Wyche, 24, who was scheduled to be present for her probable cause conference and did not show up.

Wyche is charged with carrying a concealed weapon in Sumpter Township on June 4. Sumpter Detective/Corporal John Ashby is the officer in charge of the case. Her \$5,000 personal recognizance bond was cancelled.

Samuel Lewis Ward

Samuel Lewis Ward, 37, said he wished to hold his preliminary exam on July 5 on a charge of tampering with an electronic monitoring device in VBT on Nov. 7. VBT Detective Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge of his case. Ward currently is lodged in the Wayne County Jail on three other charges from Inkster.

Bryan Christopher Herman

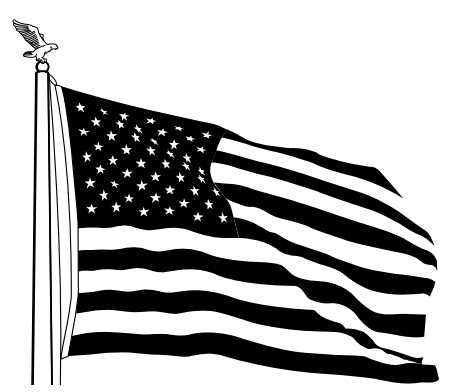
Bryan Christopher Herman, 29, waived his preliminary exam on three charges of possession of child sexual abusive material and three charges of using a computer/internet to commit a crime on Dec. 16, 2015. He is scheduled to be at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice on July 5 for his arraignment on the information. The FBI is in charge of the case.

Billy Joseph Hall

Charges of delivery/manufacture of marijuana and driving while license suspended-2nd were dismissed by the Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor against Billy Joseph Hall, 44.

The charges stemmed from an incident in the city of Belleville. He also had been labeled a habitual offender. Officer Jeff Wickham was the officer in charge of the cases.

Although it was not mentioned in the courtroom, Hall has been charged with three offenses in 36th District Court from an incident in Detroit on March 16: assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and domestic violence. His co-defendant is Luther John Watson, 44, on those offenses.



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2016 Key to the Detected Contaminants Table

Symbol	Abbreviation	Definition/Explanation
>	Greater than	
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRLDG’s do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
n/a	not applicable	
ND	Not Detected	
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
pCi/L	Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity
ppb	Parts Per Billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts Per Million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
RAA	Running Annual Average	
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromoochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
µmhos	Micromhos	Measure of electrical conductance of water
°C	Celsius	A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions.

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

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Southwest Water Treatment Plant 2016 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Inorganic Chemicals – Monitoring at Plant Finished Water Tap								
Fluoride	5/16/2016	ppm	4	4	0.55	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	5/16/2016	ppm	10	10	0.53	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Disinfection By-Products – Monitoring in Distribution System Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest LRAA	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2014	ppb	n/a	80	n/a	n/a	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2014	ppb	n/a	60	n/a	n/a	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Disinfection – Monitoring in Distribution System by Treatment Plant								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MRDGL	Allowed Level MRDL	Highest RAA	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Chlorine Residual	Jan.-Dec. 2016	ppm	4	4	0.65	0.53-0.79	no	Water additive used to control microbes.

2016 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water Tap			
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.29 NTU	100%	no	Soil Runoff
Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.			

January – March 2016 Microbiological Contaminants – Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System					
Regulated Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples	0	no	Naturally present in the environment.
E. coli Bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or E.coli positive.	0	no	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2014 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples Over AL	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2014	ppb	0	15	0	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2014	ppm	1.3	1.3	0.0768	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.								

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

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

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected		Source of Contamination	
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	5.41		Erosion of natural deposits	

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Plymouth YMCA looking for new board members in this area

With a 56-year history of supporting Plymouth and its surrounding communities, the Plymouth Family YMCA is looking for board members who are interested in furthering its commitment to youth development, healthy living and social responsibility.

Although residents of Belleville, Van Buren, and Sumpter may not be aware, the Plymouth Y serves western Wayne County, and has been an active part of their communities for the past four years and continues to look for ways to expand its presence.

“We are looking for people who reflect all segments of our community, young and old, various personal and professional skills, all religions and ethnic backgrounds, and people of color,” said Executive Director Sage Hegdal. “We also want representation from all our service areas, which includes Belleville and Sumpter and Van Buren townships.

“Typically, the YMCA is known for helping young people grow through athletics and camps, but we also create the opportunity for everyone in our community to live healthier lives,” said Hegdal. “This is why it is important that our board is a reflection of the people and communities we serve, including Belleville, Sumpter, and Van Buren.”

Belleville resident Scott Russell has been a YMCA board member for four years and has served as the Plymouth Family YMCA board chairperson for two years.

“I have always made an effort to be a community-minded and service-driven person,” said Russell. “I believe part of my role with the Y is to create awareness that the Y is here to serve the Belleville, Sumpter Township and Van Buren Township communities, although the name of our Y may sometimes be deceiving.

“The YMCA has been running sports clinics at Keystone Academy, offers both Girls on the Run and Stride programs, and the Y is always looking for new ways to connect here.”

Girls on the Run and Stride are ten-week programs for children

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Court Watching:**Judge Oakley orders competency exam for sexual attack defendant**

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

During a June 21 court session, 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley ordered a competency exam for defendant Darien Noel Fickling, 47, of Romulus who is charged with a bloody attack on a woman jogger in Oakwood Metro Park in Huron Township on June 6.

Fickling's court-appointed attorney asked for the competency exam to answer three questions: whether his client is fit to stand trial, his criminal responsibility, and his ability to waive his Miranda Rights.

Judge Oakley said it is hard to know how long it will take for Fickling to get his competency exam, but Judge Oakley suggested seven weeks might be a good guess and set Fickling's probable cause conference for Aug. 9.

Fickling has been lodged in the Wayne County Jail since his arraignment and was brought to court, where a television camera was waiting to record the session.

The defense attorney asked for a reduction of bond that was set at \$100,000 cash or surety. The attorney said the defendant lives in Romulus, his wife is pregnant, he has four children, and he "wouldn't flee." He suggested a tether might be a good idea.

But the prosecutor said flight is less of a concern than the safety of the community. She said the victim was grabbed in the park, there was an attempted sexual assault, he has a lifetime of convictions, and he gave a full confession. She said there was blood all over his pants and he had the victim's cellphone in his possession.

Judge Oakley, who had set the bond at Fickling's June 8 arraignment, said he will leave the bond where it is.

The defense attorney said the pregnant wife, who was in the courtroom, said she needed a card and key from her husband's wallet, which is being held as evidence because there is blood on the wallet. Huron Township police said if the two items aren't needed as evidence they could be released to the wife.

Fickling is charged with four felonies: kidnapping, unarmed robbery, criminal sexual conduct – assault with intent to commit sexual penetration, and assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder.

According to the prosecutor's office, Fickling was charged after a 26-year-old Rockwood woman jogging in the park at about 3:05 p.m., June 6, noticed a man riding a bicycle toward her in an area of the park with heavy shade trees.

She told police she turned to run in the opposite direction, he caught up to her, punched her in the face several times, and attempted to remove her clothing. She told officers she fought the man and he ran from

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The Great Lakes Water Authority monitored for Cryptosporidium in our source water (Detroit River) from our Southwest Water Treatment Plant during 2016. Cryptosporidium was detected twice in our source water samples. A follow-up water sample was collected from the treated water and Cryptosporidium was not found to be present. Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly-used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immunocompromised people, infants and small children, and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immuno-compromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water.

Lead And Copper Testing

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Belleville Water Department is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

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

Water Quality Data

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

Your drinking water met all the State and EPA monitoring and reporting requirements for 2016. Not listed are the hundreds of other contaminants tested for, but not found in your water.

National Primary Drinking Water Regulations Compliance

This report was prepared by Mr. Mark Gaworecki, Water System Operator for the City of Belleville using data supplied by the water provider. The Great Lakes Water Authority and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the City of Belleville at 734-697-9323.

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

Public Participation

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

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City Comments

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

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

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD MEETING MINUTES JUNE 20, 2017

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Absent and Excused: Clerk Wright. Others in attendance: Township Attorney Mannarino, Planning and Economic Development Director Akers, Deputy Planning and Economic Development Director Best, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Lieutenant Bazy, Bookkeeper Towles, Secretary Ireland and an audience of seven (7).

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Frazier moved, White seconded to approve the revised agenda adding Consent Agenda Item seven (7), removing Correspondence (Plante and Moran Financial Audit presentation,) and removing New Business Item seven (7). Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: Martin moved, seconded Miller to open the Public Hearing to receive public comment on the first hearing of the McBride Road Improvement Special Assessment District at 7:03 p.m. Motion Carried. Director Akers explained that the public hearing for the McBride Improvement Special Assessment had been scheduled at the June 6, 2017 Township Board Meeting. The local paper of record published the Public Hearing notices on June 8 and June 15, and the public hearing notice has been mailed to the legal owners who have frontage on McBride. Preliminary estimates for the project are \$914,000 [\$729,000 from Wayne County, \$90,000 from Van Buren Public Schools and \$95,000 assessed to the owners who have frontage on McBride.] The public hearing on the assessment roll will be on July 18, 2017. Supervisor McNamara read one letter into the record from a resident on McBride that was not in agreement with the proposed assessment district and urged the Board to vote against the establishment of a Special Assessment. Supervisor McNamara and Director Akers addressed questions and concerns from the public and Township Board Members. Miller moved, Budd seconded to close the public hearing at 7:16 p.m. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the revised Consent Agenda {Work Study Session minutes of June 5, 2017, Closed Session minutes of June 5, 2017, Board Meeting minutes of June 6, 2017, Prepaid List of June 9, 2017, Prepaid List of June 15, 2017, Voucher List of June 20, 2017 and approval of the Attorney recommendation regarding case

#15-015063-CZ}. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: White moved, Martin seconded to approve Resolution 2017-13 to establish the McBride Road Improvement Special Assessment District. Motion Carried. Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve Resolution 2017-14 to schedule a hearing on the assessment roll for the McBride Road Improvements Special Assessment District. Motion Carried.

White moved, Frazier seconded to approve the second reading of Ordinance #06-06-17 to rezone parcel V125-83-021-01-0009-304, also known as 49412 Michigan Avenue from C (Local Business) and C-2 (Extensive Highway Business) to C-1 (General Commercial) Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Frazier, Martin, Miller, White, Budd and McNamara. Nays: None. Absent and excused: Wright.

Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of ordinance 06-20-17(1) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Article II (Municipal Civil Infractions) of Chapter 1 (General Provisions.) Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Frazier seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17(2) an addition to the General Code of Ordinances Section 14-36 (Animal Waste) to Chapter 14 (Animals.) Motion Carried.

White moved, Frazier seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17(3) an addition to the General Code of Ordinances Article VI (Diseased or Dangerous Trees, Shrubs or Plants) to Chapter 42 (Environment.) Motion Carried.

Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 06-20-17(5) an amendment to the General Code of Ordinances Section 66-34 to 66-36 of Article II (Collection and Disposal) to Chapter 66 (Solid Waste.) Motion Carried.

White moved, Miller seconded to approve the Accounting Coordinator Personal Services Agreement between the Charter Township of Van Buren and Carol Towles and authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to execute the agreement. Motion Carried.

REPORTS: None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Waste Management was thanked for supplying the golf carts that were used by the Township Board for the Strawberry Festival Parade and Museum Director Dallos was thanked for her help and storing them overnight. Announced that Accounting Coordinator Morse was retiring

after 20 years and everyone wishes him well. The 2017 fireworks will be held on Saturday, June 24 (rain date: June 25) at the Beck Road Ballfields. Supervisor thanked Sovereign Partners, Canvasser Development, Belleville Square Shopping Center and US Ecology for their donations towards the fireworks event. Belleville High School defensive back Davion Williams announced that he had chosen the Michigan State football team for the 2018 recruiting class. He had 17 scholarship offers, including Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Purdue, Wisconsin, UCLA, Syracuse, Iowa State, Temple and a number of Mid-American Conference schools. Training has begun on how to use the AED's purchased by the DDA for Township Hall. Van Buren Township Clerk Wright has received the highest honor a Clerk can receive in the state of Michigan. Congratulations on being Clerk of the year. Some Van Buren Township Board members will be driving to Kalamazoo for the presentation.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Resident extended appreciation to the Township Board for removing Item number seven (7) from the agenda for further discussion on the storage of trash receptacles on residential property.

ADJOURNMENT: White moved, Budd seconded to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

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the area, taking her cell phone.

She ran in the opposite direction to a nearby home where a woman allowed her to enter and call police. Fickling was arrested the same day by Metro Park officers and he had the woman's cell phone in his possession.

**The Belleville-Area
Independent New Website
is Now Online! Visit us @
bellevilleareaindependent.com
Read The Newspaper
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St. Anthony Men's Club sets golf outing for July 23 at Fellows Creek

St. Anthony Men's Club will hold a golf outing on Sunday, July 23, at Fellows Creek Golf Club, 2936 Lotz Road, Canton Township.

It's a four-person team scramble; sign up individually or as a foursome.

Registration is 8 to 8:30 a.m., with a 9 a.m. modified shotgun start. Awards, dinner and drawings are at 2 p.m.

Entry fee of \$70 per golfer includes 18 holes of golf with a cart, lunch at the turn and beverage, All-American lunch buffet, and awards at the end.

Skins: \$20 per team; Mulligan: \$10 per team; 50/50 raffle. Men's and Women's longest drive: \$5; closest to the pin: \$5.

Make checks out to St. Anthony Men's Club and mail with names and email/phone numbers of golfers to: Ted Wisniewski, 40501 I-94 S. Service Rd., Belleville, MI 48111. For more information, call (734) 788-3266.

Tryouts for all BHS fall sports begin Aug. 7, Aug. 9

Attention Belleville High School parents and students: Tryouts for all fall sports for 2017 will begin on Aug. 9 with the exception of football. Football will begin on Aug. 7. Athletes must have a current physical, dated April 15, 2017 or thereafter in order to try-out.

BHS Varsity Football opens season at Big House, tickets on sale

Belleville High School Varsity Football opens up its season at 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 24 in the Battle at the Big House vs. Brighton at Michigan Stadium.

The Athletic Department will be pre-selling tickets to this event from 3-5 p.m. Aug. 7 and 9 at the BHS Stadium. Tickets are \$10 each.

Ten outdoors sculptures put in place in VBT and city of Belleville

On May 30, the ten Michigan Sculpture Initiative pieces that had been on display in the city of Belleville and Van Buren Township for about a year were removed and replaced with new sculptures.

There are six new sculptures in the city and four new sculptures along Belleville Road in Van Buren Township.

The ten sculptures are being leased for public display for a year paid for in a joint program by the Downtown Development Authorities in the city and the township and donations.

The sculptures are available for purchase in a year and the artists have posted their asking prices. (See page 11)

VB T police reports show how Shores scammed VB Urgent Care

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

On May 24, 34th District Court Judge David Parrott accepted a plea agreement for former Van Buren Township fire fighter Michael Ray Shores that dismissed seven of the eight charges against him.

The final charge of larceny by conversion, to which he pled no contest, will be dismissed after 12 months if he stays out of trouble. He also had to pay back the \$200 he took from Van Buren Urgent Care.

During the court session, Shores was not asked to tell what happened and Judge Parrott quietly read the police report to himself before using it to accept the plea arrangement.

Shores' retained attorney Michael Vincent said his client was pleading no contest to the charge, instead of guilty, for fear of civil liability.

Shores had been charged with eight misdemeanor charges for taking money from Van Buren Urgent Care to update employee skills in cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and first aid so they could meet employment standards.

The *Independent* filed a Freedom of Information Act request to get the details of the incident.

Sonya Ingle, manager of Van Buren Urgent Care, 11650 Belleville Road, said she was directed to VBT Police Sgt. Marc Abdilla by a mutual friend in January.

She said that earlier in the year 2016, she made contact with VBT Fire Marshal David McNally at the VBT Fire Department. She said she was looking for someone in the fire department who could recertify some of her staff in first aid and CPR.

She said McNally directed her to Shores, who also was an employee of the fire department. Shores is a certified American Heart Association Instructor for first aid and CPR who teaches for the fire department. Ingle said she emailed Shores who then called her while she was working at the Urgent Care, which she believed to be in May 2016.

She told police that Shores came into the Urgent Care on June 16, 2016 wearing what she described as a VBT job shirt, clearly marked with the VBT Fire Department patch and lettering.

She said when Shores arrived he had her sign a class roster with all her staff members' names and addresses that needed recertifying and new cards. She gave him the roster and at no time did he ask her employees to take a test, read over any material, watch any videos, or perform any practical exercises to test their knowledge or abilities.

Ingle said he was there probably 10 minutes total and she wrote to him checks from VB Urgent Care, one for \$150 and another for \$50, after she added more employees to the list, which needed recertifying. She said she paid him a total of \$200 in business checks

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Sumpter Township Public Notice



SUMPTER TOWNSHIP WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENT

2016 CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

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

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

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

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

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

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

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

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

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

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

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

The vulnerability of some populations to contaminants in drinking water.

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

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LEAD

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

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. [NAME OF UTILITY] is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Cryptosporidium:

The Great Lakes Water Authority monitored for Cryptosporidium in our source water (Detroit River) at our Southwest Water Treatment Plant during 2016. Cryptosporidium was detected twice in our source water samples. A follow-up water sample was collected from the treated water and Cryptosporidium was not found to be present. Cryptosporidium is a microbial pathogen found in surface water throughout the U.S. Although filtration removes Cryptosporidium, the most commonly-used filtration methods cannot guarantee 100 percent removal. Our monitoring indicates the presence of these organisms in our source water. Current test methods do not allow us to determine if the organisms are dead or if they are capable of causing disease. Ingestion of Cryptosporidium may cause cryptosporidiosis, an abdominal infection. Symptoms of infection include nausea, diarrhea, and abdominal cramps. Most healthy individuals can overcome the disease within a few weeks. However, immunocompromised people, infants and small children, and the elderly are at greater risk of developing life-threatening illness. We encourage immunocompromised individuals to consult their doctor regarding appropriate precautions to take to avoid infection. Cryptosporidium must be ingested to cause disease, and it may be spread through means other than drinking water."

Where does my water come from?

Your source water comes from the Detroit River, situated within the Lake St. Clair, and several watersheds within U.S. and Canada. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in partnership the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department and several other governmental agencies performed a source water assessment in 2004 to determine the susceptibility or relative potential of contamination. The susceptibility rating is on a seven-tiered scale from "very low" to "very high" based primarily on geologic sensitivity, water chemistry, and contamination sources. The susceptibility of our Detroit River source water intakes were determined to be highly susceptible to potential contamination. However, all four Detroit water treatment plants that use source water from Detroit River have historically provided satisfactory treatment of this source water to meet drinking water standards.

GLWA initiated source-water protection activities that include chemical containment, spill response, and a mercury reduction program. GLWA participates in a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit discharge program and has an emergency response management plan. GLWA voluntarily developed and receive approval in 2016 for a source water protection program (SWIPP) for the Detroit River intakes. The programs includes seven elements that include the following: roles and duties of government units and water supply agencies, delineation of a source water protection area, identification of potential of source water protection area, management approaches for protection, contingency plans, siting of new sources and public participation and education. I

Sumpter Twp and the Great Lakes Water Authority are committed to safeguarding our water supply and delivering the highest quality drinking water to protect public health. Please contact us with any questions or concerns about your water.

Sumpter Township Water Department
23480 Sumpter Rd., Belleville, MI 48111
(734) 461-6201 x 2242

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that were written to him personally.

Ingle said he took the money and advised her that he would return in a week to drop off the employee cards to her. She said several months passed and he returned with the cards sometime in August. She said Shores said he forgot about the cards and they fell between the seats of his truck. He said his son found them between the seats and that is when he brought them to her.

She said when she received the cards two of her employees' names were spelled wrong on the cards. She said Shores took the cards back and said he would have them fixed and return them ASAP. Ingle stated as of Jan. 8, 2017, she had yet to receive the cards or even hear from Shores.

She said the reason she contacted the VBT Fire Department and needed recertification was because the cards and knowledge are a vital part and requirement of her staff's employment. She was very upset and decided to file a police report because what occurred is not right and something is wrong with this incident she was involved in.

She told Sgt. Abdilla there was no doubt in her mind that the Van Buren Township Fire Department and its representative was going to be giving her employees the training. She thought writing the checks directly to Shores was part of the fire department's process.

Ingle said she believes Shores' conduct was very unprofessional and she said he was "hitting on her" on the phone when he first called and then was "hitting in her" even more when he arrived in person. She told Sgt. Abdilla that he was "a creep" because of his behavior towards her.

Ingle said she was very upset because her office was recently audited by an insurance company and she was very lucky they only looked at her CPR-First Aid card which was up to date. If they looked at her other employees' cards, her office and employees would have been charged with thousands of dollars in fines for something she paid Shores for.

VBT Police Lt. Charles Bazzy continued the investigation into the alleged fraud. He contacted Jacob Offerman from the Livingston County EMS and advised him of the fraud investigation regarding Shores. Lt. Bazzy asked Offerman for paperwork filed by Shores for Shores' July 6, 2016 class and Offerman emailed the paperwork.

Lt. Bazzy interviewed Shores on Jan. 16 and Shores denied he was in uniform when he went to Van Buren Urgent Care. Shores told Lt. Bazzy he met with each of the women listed on the roster and discussed the required skills for healthcare provider CPR. He said it was only a 10-minute review with the women. He said because it was recertification, he was not required to teach a full class. He said they talked through the knowledge and he was convinced they had the knowledge because they already had CPR skills. Shores said he

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also had them tell him compression rates and depth of compressions. Ingle told Lt. Bazy that none of the employees ever met with Shores and, in fact, one was out on medical leave. Another employee said she never met Shores and doesn't even know what he looks like.

Lt. Bazy interviewed a Belleville Reserve Police Officer who said he told Shores that he needed to get CPR training around the second week of July 2016, prior to starting the Police Reserve Academy on July 27. He stated that several weeks later he met Shores at Shores' primary place of employment where he was given a CPR certification card. The reserve officer said he received no training and paid no money for the card. He said the last time he was certified for CPR was when he graduated from high school in 2006.

Lt. Bazy found a class roster for July 6, 2016 presented by Shores to Livingston County EMS. The documents were 1 and 2 person Rescuer Infant BLS Skills Testing Sheet and 1 and 2 Rescuer Adult BLS with AED Skills Testing Sheet, which employees said were fraudulent because they never attended any class by Shores.

Lt. Bazy asked, but Livingston County EMS declined to represent the American Heart Association in this matter.

Lt. Bazy then contacted The American Heart Association and it agreed to cooperate with the investigation and prosecution of the case. Lt. Bazy sent them a copy of the card -- a Basic Life Support (BLS) CPR card -- issued to the reserve officer.

Montra Valle, manager of quality and risk management for the emergency cardiovascular care programs for the American Heart Association, headquartered in Dallas, told Lt. Bazy that Shores is not a BLS instructor. He is a Heart Smart instructor only.

Valle said Shores would have been ineligible to teach those employees, since she learned they are either medical assistants, Emergency Medical Technicians, First Responders or nursing students. Heart Smart instructors can only instruct civilians and non-emergency/medical personnel, she said.

That's when Lt. Bazy prepared the warrant request for the Wayne County Prosecutor's office and listed the American Heart Association as a complainant, along with Van Buren Urgent Care.

Van Buren Twp. LDFA rejects offer to buy its Ecorse Rd. property

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Members of the Van Buren Township Local Development Finance Authority met in a brief, closed-door session on the sale of real property on May 9 and then came

back into open session to reject the offer submitted to them.

Although there were no comments on the property, the LDFA has been working to sell a small piece of property it owns.

During its September meeting, the LDFA

voted to go out for proposals for the 1.04-acre vacant parcel it owns on the south side of Ecorse Road, between Hannan Road and I-275. The property was rezoned from AG to C at the request of the LDFA and

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Key to the Detected Contaminants Table

Symbol	Abbreviation	Definition/Explanation
>	Greater than	
°C	Celsius	A scale of temperature in which water freezes at 0° and boils at 100° under standard conditions.
AL	Action Level	The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
HAA5	Haloacetic Acids	HAA5 is the total of bromoacetic, chloroacetic, dibromoacetic, dichloroacetic, and trichloroacetic acids. Compliance is based on the total.
LRAA	Locational Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for samples at a particular monitoring location during the previous four quarters.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
MCLG	Maximum Contaminant Level Goal	The level of contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level	The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal	The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLG's do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
n/a	not applicable	
ND	Not Detected	
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudiness of water.
pCi/L	Picocuries Per Liter	A measure of radioactivity
ppb	Parts Per Billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per liter. A microgram = 1/1000 milligram.
ppm	Parts Per Million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
RAA	Running Annual Average	The average of analytical results for all samples during the previous four quarters.
TT	Treatment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
TTHM	Total Trihalomethanes	Total Trihalomethanes is the sum of chloroform, bromodichloromethane, dibromochloromethane and bromoform. Compliance is based on the total.
µmhos	Micromhos	Measure of electrical conductance of water

Southwest Water Treatment Plant 2016 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

Inorganic Chemicals -- Monitoring at the Plant Finished Water Tap								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest Level Detected	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Fluoride	5-10-16	ppm	4	4	0.55	n/a	no	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Nitrate	5-10-16	ppm	10	10	0.53	n/a	no	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

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in third to fifth grade, providing lessons on positive emotional, social, mental, and physical development.

While some board members connect with the Y because of a general sense of community, others have a specific purpose in mind.

"I joined the Y board because I wanted to set direction for youth programs, specifically Adventure Guides," said board member Jeremiah Beebe. "The program has helped my two children make friends and have experiences that they and I will always treasure."

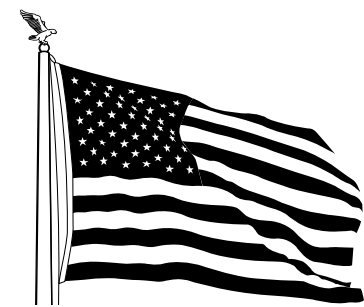
Adventure Guides is a parent-child program designed to strengthen relationships through exploring fun activities, participating in learning experiences, and developing mutual understanding.

Larger activities or "Expeditions" include campouts, parties, or charitable work. Beebe admits it was his soft spot for Adventure Guides that led him to the Y board three years ago, and it became the impetus for him wanting to do more.

"When you are part of an impactful program, you want to share it with everyone and the best way to do this is to own it through involvement," Beebe said. "I see being part of the YMCA as an opportunity to be part of positive engagement in the community."

Hegdal said, "The YMCA has an incredible opportunity to increase our positive influence on the people we connect with in all the communities we serve. Adding new board members who share our community-centered vision will help us continue to do that."

If you are interested in becoming a board member, or want to find out more about what the YMCA is doing in the community, call the Plymouth Family YMCA office at (734) 453-2904.



Disinfection By-Products – Monitoring in Distribution System, Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level MCL	Highest LRAA	Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2016	ppb	n/a	80	56	32 - 56	no	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2016	ppb	n/a	60	19	1 - 19	no	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Disinfectant Residuals – Monitoring in Distribution System by Treatment Plant								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MRDLG	Allowed Level MRDL	Highest RAA	Quarterly Range of Detection	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Chlorine Residual	Jan-Dec 2016	ppm	4	4	0.65	0.53-0.76	no	Water additive used to control microbes

2016 Turbidity – Monitored every 4 hours at Plant Finished Water			
Highest Single Measurement Cannot exceed 1 NTU	Lowest Monthly % of Samples Meeting Turbidity Limit of 0.3 NTU (minimum 95%)	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
0.29 NTU	100 %	no	Soil Runoff
Turbidity is a measure of the cloudiness of water. We monitor it because it is a good indicator of the effectiveness of our filtration system.			

January – March 2016 Microbiological Contaminants – Monthly Monitoring in Distribution System					
Regulated Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Highest Number Detected	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Total Coliform Bacteria	0	Presence of Coliform bacteria > 5% of monthly samples	0	no	Naturally present in the environment
E. coli Bacteria	0	A routine sample and a repeat sample are total coliform positive, and one is also fecal or E.coli positive.	0	no	Human waste and animal fecal waste.

2014 Lead and Copper Monitoring at Customers' Tap								
Regulated Contaminant	Test Date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Action Level AL	90 th Percentile Value*	Number of Samples over AL	Violation yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking Water
Lead	2014	ppb	0	15	0.5 ppb	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits.
Copper	2014	ppm	1.3	1.3	85 ppb	0	no	Corrosion of household plumbing system; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives.
*The 90th percentile value means 90 percent of the homes tested have lead and copper levels below the given 90th percentile value. If the 90th percentile value is above the AL additional requirements must be met.								

Southwest Water Treatment Plant 2016 Regulated Detected Contaminants Tables

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

Radionuclides 2014							
Regulated contaminant	Test date	Unit	Health Goal MCLG	Allowed Level	Level detected	Violation Yes/no	Major Sources in Drinking water
Combined Radium 226 and 228	5-13-14	pCi/L	0	5	0.65 + or - 0.54	no	Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant	MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Source of Contamination
Sodium (ppm)	n/a	n/a	5.41	Erosion of natural deposits

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 458 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for the past week, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, June 18:

0016 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
0055 – noise complaint, Chloe Ct.
0102 – noise complaint, N. Ponderosa Trl.
0138 – disorderly, S. Bellridge Dr.
0204 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
0518 – suspicious person/vehicle, I-94 rest area
0900 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse Rd.
1027 – suspicious person/vehicle, WB I-94 / Belleville Rd.
1048 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1058 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
1310 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / Michigan Ave.

1344 – disorderly, Richard Run Dr.
1407 – juvenile complaint, Lincoln St.
1547 – domestic, W. Huron River Dr.
1552 – neighbor trouble, Oak Blvd.
1811 – neighbor trouble, Sadie Ln.
1821 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1833 – mental subject, Forestdale Dr.
2009 – domestic, Pine Dr.
2023 – juvenile complaint, Renton Rd.
2041 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2042 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2051 – fireworks, Chatsworth/Quirk
2154 – shooting, Springwood Blvd.
2208 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
2211 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ash Dr.
2216 – noise complaint, Hamilton St.
2222 – assault & battery, Ecorse Rd.
2249 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2326 – harassment call, S. Ponderosa Trl.

Monday, June 19:

0003 – domestic, Denton Rd.
0120 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rogers Ave.
0317 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
1027 – property damage accident, Rawsonville
1206 – neighbor trouble, Sandlewood Dr.
1242 – fraud, Bayshore Dr.
1434 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
1449 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1541 – trespassing, N. Timberview Dr. / Cedarhurst Dr.
2007 – family trouble, Freedom Way
2009 – fight, Denton Rd.
2127 – suspicious activity report, Victoria St.
2139 – shooting, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2311 – juvenile complaint, Parkwood/Parkwood Dr.
2333 – noise complaint, Parkwood Dr.

Tuesday, June 20:

0005 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0024 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
0056 – malicious destruction of property, Capitol
0651 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
0700 – ordinance violation, Sadie Ln.
0815 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Beck Rd.
1154 – neighbor trouble, Bog Rd.
1209 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
1307 – harassment call, Parkwood Dr.
1427 – private property/property damage accident, Oak Ln.
1521 – juvenile complaint, Van Buren St.
1603 – fraud, McBride Ave.
1723 – fraud, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2026 – fraud, Oak Ln.
2110 – juvenile complaint, Cobblestone Ct.
2156 – suspicious person/vehicle, Revere Dr.
2157 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
2302 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.

Wednesday, June 21:

0047 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
0056 – suspicious person/vehicle, Harbour Club boat launch
0133 – noise complaint, Cherry Ln.
0147 – suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd. / Springwood Blvd.
0629 – domestic, Cambridge Ct.

0904 – harassment call, Belleville Rd.
0952 – abandoned auto, Bradley Dr.
1201 – 911 welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.
1323 – 911 welfare check, Dewitt Rd.
1341 – ordinance violation, Jeanette
1346 – property damage accident, Hannan/S. I-94 Service Dr.
1353 – mental subject, Victoria St.
1459 – property damage accident, Belleville/Quirk
1626 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.
1634 – suspicious person/vehicle, Maple Dr.
1650 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
1651 – juvenile complaint, Hamlin St.

1707 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.
1715 – property damage accident, Huron River Dr. / Hannan Rd.
1725 – suspicious person/vehicle, Riggs Rd.
1739 – larceny, Richard Run Dr.
1817 – suspicious person/vehicle, Castell Blvd.
1830 – mental subject, Ecorse Rd.
1856 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd.
1950 – larceny, Lighthouse Dr.
2035 – fraud, Winding Pond Dr.
2049 – dumping complaint, Meadows Cir.
2114 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
2116 – disorderly, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2124 – 911 welfare check, Fairfield Dr.

2127 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
2147 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Beck
2309 – noise complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Thursday, June 22:

0648 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0722 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ecorse/Haggerty
1136 – larceny from auto, E. Archwood Dr.
1154 – suspicious person/vehicle, Walden Woods
1323 – mental subject, Westlake Cir.
1606 – private property/property damage accident, Rawsonville
1957 – fireworks, Lohr Rd./Oak Blvd.

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Sumpter Township Public Notice



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Great Lakes Water Authority Water Quality



RESULTS (BY TOWN) 01/01/2016 To 12/31/2016

<u>Date</u>	<u>Pt.</u>	<u>Br.</u>	<u>Sample #</u>	<u>T. Coliform</u>	<u>E. Coli</u>	<u>Cl2</u>	<u>Need Recheck</u>	<u>Recheck Date</u>
<u>Town Name: Sumpter Twp.</u>								
01/08/2016	1	-	33	-	-	0.79		
01/14/2016	4	-	48	-	-	0.71		
01/25/2016	1	-	24	-	-	0.82		
01/27/2016	4	-	42	-	-	0.86		
02/02/2016	1	-	10	-	-	0.77		
02/11/2016	4	-	10	-	-	0.85		
02/17/2016	1	-	41	-	-	0.56		
02/22/2016	4	-	40	-	-	0.39		
03/03/2016	1	-	22	-	-	0.85		
03/17/2016	4	-	9	-	-	0.86		
03/22/2016	4	-	48	-	-	0.82		
03/30/2016	4	-	10	-	-	0.82		
04/05/2016	1	-	9	-	-	0.76		
04/11/2016	4	-	19	-	-	0.72		
04/20/2016	4	-	10	-	-	0.77		
04/25/2016	4	-	50	-	-	0.74		
05/04/2016	1	-	2	-	-	0.75		
05/10/2016	4	-	2	-	-	0.77		
05/19/2016	1	-	15	-	-	0.55		
05/23/2016	4	-	54	-	-	0.80		
06/02/2016	1	-	6	-	-	0.88		
06/16/2016	4	-	21	-	-	0.50		
06/22/2016	4	-	23	-	-	0.63		
06/28/2016	1	-	93	-	-	0.23		
07/06/2016	1	-	9	-	-	0.64		

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2223 – personal injury accident, EB I-94/Belleville
2229 – personal injury accident, SB I-275/Ecorse
Friday, June 23:
0049 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
0503 – 911 welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.
0511 – larceny, Oak Ln.

0647 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Schooner Dr.
0730 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Visteon Way
0843 – larceny from auto, E. Archwood Dr.
0934 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.
0958 – malicious destruction of property, Lighthouse Dr.
1011 – ordinance violation, Country Walk Ct.
1100 – noise complaint, Lancaster Dr.
1336 – fraud, Jackson St.
1349 – suspicious person/vehicle, Ryznar Dr./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1419 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1511 – threat, Van Born
1614 – sex offender registration, Belridge apt.
1652 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Belleville Rd.
1710 – suicidal person, Rawsonville
1851 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
1916 – unattended death, Hull Rd.
1920 – suspicious person/vehicle, E. Archwood
2012 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rolan Meadows Dr. / Tyler Rd.
2015 – private property impound, Parkside Dr.
2131 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River
Saturday, June 24:
0106 – personal injury accident, Haggerty Rd.
0515 – harassment call, Lancaster Dr.

0806 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service
0851 – assault & battery, Belle Pointe Dr.
1047 – mental subject, Van Buren St.
1216 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Alden Ave.
1309 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1416 – neighbor trouble, Capitol Dr.
1714 – PPO violation, Fairbanks St.
1948 – breaking & entering, Hanover Dr.
2002 – assault & battery, Van Born/Sheldon
2121 – fireworks, Beacon Trl.
2154 – fireworks, Colony Ln.
2155 – fireworks, Ryznar Dr.
2159 – ordinance violation, Capitol Dr.
2202 – noise complaint, Briarwood/Van Born
2207 – noise complaint, Beacon Trl./Basswood
2213 – fireworks, Hull Rd.
2247 – fireworks, McBride/Van Buren
2310 – fireworks, Ecorse/Morton Taylor
2312 – suspicious person/vehicle, Kirkridge Park Dr. / Ecorse Rd.
2348 – ordinance violation, Beck/Ayres
Also on this week's log are 149 traffic stops, 38 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

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Great Lakes Water Authority Water Quality

RESULTS (BY TOWN) 01/01/2016 To 12/31/2016

Date	Pt.	Br.	Sample #	T. Coliform	E. Coli	CI2	Need Recheck	Recheck Date
07/13/2016	4	-	15	-	-	0.53		
07/25/2016	1	-	52	-	-	0.71		
07/28/2016	4	-	10	-	-	0.49		
08/03/2016	1	-	23	-	-	0.61		
08/10/2016	4	-	28	-	-	0.61		
08/17/2016	4	-	22	-	-	0.31		
08/23/2016	4	-	22	-	-	0.38		
09/09/2016	1	-	9	-	-	0.42		
09/14/2016	4	-	49	-	-	0.68		
09/19/2016	1	-	12	-	-	0.45		
09/28/2016	4	-	12	-	-	0.35		
10/10/2016	4	-	24	-	-	0.31		
10/12/2016	4	-	22	-	-	0.37		
10/18/2016	4	-	10	-	-	0.37		
10/26/2016	4	-	54	-	-	0.44		
11/03/2016	1	-	6	-	-	0.67		
11/14/2016	4	-	23	-	-	0.50		
11/16/2016	1	-	6	-	-	0.57		
11/28/2016	4	-	41	-	-	0.65		
12/02/2016	1	-	21	-	-	0.67		
12/09/2016	4	-	38	-	-	0.61		
12/14/2016	1	-	52	-	-	0.88		
12/16/2016	1	-	29	-	-	0.65		

Total No. of Samples Collected:

48

VBT LDFA

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now is ready to be sold. Akers produced a proposed scale on which to evaluate offers and the LDFA tweaked that and approved going out for proposals with a Nov. 18 deadline

At the March 15 LDFA meeting it was announced that the township submitted a counter offer for the sale of the site, but had not received a response yet. Ron Akers, director of planning and economic development, said that once a response is received he would get together with chairman Mike Dotson to schedule a special meeting for the LDFA to consider the response. A special meeting hadn't been necessary.

In other business at the half-hour meeting on May 10, the LDFA:

- Heard VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara say he drove Wayne County Commissioner Al Haidous to Visteon Way to show him how bad the road was. Supervisor McNamara reported Commissioner Haidous asked, "Whose roads are these?" and McNamara replied, "They're yours." McNamara said he emphasized to Haidous how big a tax asset the Grace Lake property was and Haidous said he would look into getting the road repaired;

- Heard Akers report that he and other VBT representatives went to a meeting on autonomous vehicles at Willow Run and VBT let them know about Grace Lake. He said they also discussed using Ecorse Road as a runway for testing. He said the Ricardo building is just outside the LDFA district, but Ricardo is moving its operation into the back part and is leasing prime office space up front. LDFA member John Delaney asked if the LDFA district can expand to include Ricardo and Akers said if you make a change to the boundaries, the other jurisdictions you capture taxes from could opt out, including the school district;

- Heard chairman Dotson comment that with the American Center for Mobility project at Willow Run, "This whole region could see a shift." Akers said it's for more than vehicles. They now have an option of working with drones.

Belleville Police
Dispatch Log

Sunday, June 18:
0213 – suspicious person/vehicle, Loza Ln.
0251 – suspicious person/vehicle, Menlo Park Dr.
0309 – abandoned auto, Victory Park
0921 – traffic offense, First St./Main St.
1248 – vehicle lockout, Third St.
1413 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1442 – vehicle lockout, Second St./Main St.
1601 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1640 – misc. complaint, Main St.
1642 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1740 – misc. complaint, W. Huron River Dr.
1814 – civil matter, Main St.
1820 – welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.
1839 – fight, W. Columbia Ave.
2144 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

Monday, June 19:
0021 – operating while intoxicated, Main/Denton
0113 – parking complaint, Carmell St.
0126 – warrant arrest, Main St.
0833 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1249 – assist fire dept., Third St.
1630 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
1949 – assist fire dept., Church St.
2017 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Liberty St.
2121 – welfare check, Loza Ln.

Tuesday, June 20:
0013 – warrant arrest, Walmart
0833 – missing person, Main St.
1112 – larceny, W. Columbia Ave.
1244 – property damage accident, E. Columbia Ave.
Main St.
1716 – 911 welfare check, Fourth St.
1726 – assist fire dept., Estrada Dr.
1912 – disorderly, Carmell St.
2031 – assist fire dept., Main St.
2323 – harassment call, Carmell St.

Wednesday, June 21:
0012 – parking complaint, Carmell St.
0815 – assist citizen, Main St.
0852 – intrusion alarm, S. Industrial Park D.
1544 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1720 – civil matter, Carmell

Thursday, June 22:
0237 – parking complaint, Carmell St.
1205 – malicious destruction of property, Henry St.
1415 – fraud, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1720 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
1731 – domestic, Carmell St.
1948 – harassment call, Henry St.
2003 – suicidal person, Carmell St.
2312 – suicidal person, Sumpter Rd.

Friday, June 23:
0018 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.
0246 – intrusion alarm, S. Edgemont Ave.
0823 – intrusion alarm, Potter Dr.
0916 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia
0937 – found property/child, Village Park
1057 – domestic, Victory Park
1416 – vehicle lock out, Hillside Cemetery
1436 – fraud, Main St.
1825 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. Edgemont
2206 – trespassing, N. Liberty St.

Saturday, June 24:
0258 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.
1300 – vehicle lock out, Main St.
1301 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1301 – intrusion alarm, Carmell St.
1318 – animal complaint, Belle Villa Blvd.
1522 – welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.
1535 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1843 – assist fire dept., N. Aberdeen Ct.
2104 – civil matter, W. Columbia Ave.
2228 – fireworks, Carmell
2245 – motorist assist, Savage/Victorian Ln.
Also on this week’s log are 87 traffic stops.

0817 – noise complaint, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1216 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Karr Rd.
1233 – suspicious incident, 28000 bl. Sherwood
1242 – alarm, 12000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1329 – alarm, 22000 bl. Prince Rd.
1533 – suspicious incident, Willis/Rawsonville
1535 – suspicious incident, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
1605 – property damage accident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1755 – animal complaint, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.
2002 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Willis / Rawsonville
2008 – family trouble, 25000 bl. Clark Rd.
Monday, June 19:
0001 – suspicious incident, 24000 bl. Sherwood

0130 – fire dept. assist, Arizona
0729 – larceny, 28000 bl. Clark Rd.
0736 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1001 – assist other agency, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1042 – fire dept. assist, 12000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1146 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1307 – alarm, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1339 – alarm, 41000 bl. Wear Rd.
1625 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Bontekoe
2208 – property damage accident, Clark/Oakville Waltz
Tuesday, June 20:
0017 – suspicious incident, 8200 bl. Rawsonville
1327 – alarm, 29000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1543 – suspicious person, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1741 – traffic hazard, 43000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1815 – ordinance violation, 22000 bl. Clark Rd.
1844 – civil dispute, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
2135 – assist other agency, out of township
2219 – fireworks complaint, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
Wednesday, June 21:
0731 – suspicious vehicle, Haggerty/Judd
0839 – juvenile complaint, Redwood
0932 – larceny, 42000 bl. Willow Rd.
1153 – fire dept. assist, Nevada
1259 – animal complaint, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
1533 – warrant arrest pickup, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1801 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
1845 – disorderly person, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
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Sumpter Township Public Notice



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Great Lakes Water Authority Water Quality		
DISTRIBUTION AND BRACKETING - BRACKETING POINTS FOR A TOWN		
Town: SUMPTER TWP.		
Pt.	Location	Address
1	Township Hall - Restroom	23480 Sumpter Rd.
A	Play It Again Sam Bar	17400 Savage Road
C	Police Department	23501 Sumpter Road
4	Willow Party Store	25622 Sumpter Road
A	Littletown Liquor & Deli	21625 Sumpter Road
B	South Fire Hall	27997 Sumpter Road

Total number of distribution Point numbers :2

Total number of Bracket Point numbers : 4

Sumpter Township
Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, June 18:
0015 – neighbor dispute, 20000 bl. Martinsville
0127 – disorderly person, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
0242 – suspicious person, Rawsonville/Bemis
0738 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.

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2113 – ordinance violation, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
2219 – disorderly person, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
2318 – juvenile complaint, Bemis/Lohr
Thursday, June 22:
0308 – suspicious vehicle, 28000 bl. Haggerty
1021 – fire dept. assist, Hampshire
1035 – disorderly person, Sumpter/Judd
1044 – fire dept. assist, 9100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1049 – well-being check, Kansas
1109 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
1326 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1400 – neighbor dispute, 21000 bl. Martinsville
1522 – disorderly person, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1557 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1805 – mental health commitment, Virginia
1848 – flee & elude, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1945 – larceny, 22000 bl. Karr Rd.
2101 – warrant arrest pick up, Sumpter/Judd
2130 – suspicious vehicle, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.

Friday, June 23:
0012 – citizen assist, Sumpter/Willis
0653 – alarm, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
0748 – 911 hang up, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.
0828 – alarm, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
0916 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1129 – property damage accident, Rawsonville / Willis
1214 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
1419 – larceny, 46000 bl. Judd Rd.
1641 – death investigation, 24000 bl. Martinsville
1909 – animal complaint, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
1939 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1947 – alarm, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2046 – ordinance violation, 21000 bl. Martinsville
2141 – suspicious incident, 40000 bl. Bemis Rd.
Saturday, June 24:
0144 – suspicious vehicle, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.

0354 – suspicious person, 25000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0728 – property damage accident, 21000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
0828 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0841 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Willis
0947 – citizen assist, Carriage Ln.
1001 – citizen assist, Carriage Ln.
1012 – citizen assist, Timberlane
1016 – civil dispute, Third St.
1040 – property damage accident, 45000 bl. Harris
1245 – civil dispute, Timberlane
1339 – reckless driver, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1530 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Fenster
1657 – assist other agency, Timberlane
1709 – citizen assist, Arizona
1721 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1744 – citizen assist, Rustic Ln.
1752 – runaway juvenile, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1839 – assist other agency, Timberlane
1852 – ordinance violation, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.
2034 – disorderly person, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
2307 – personal injury accident, Martinsville/Judd
2318 – noise complaint, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
2340 – noise complaint, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
Also on this week's log are 14 follow-up investigations, 23 miscellaneous details, 98 patrol checks, and 21 traffic stops.

Lipscomb, Bryant graduate from Davenport University

Davenport University announced that Belleville residents Davina Lipscomb and Willie Bryant have officially completed degrees at the end of the winter 2017 semester.

Davenport hosted Commencement on April 30 in downtown Grand Rapids.

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Bordetella (Kennel Cough)

Must present coupon. Exp. 7/13/17

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Neuter \$89
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Must be up-to-date on shots.

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MILES OF STYLE in this Outstanding Waterfront Home. Large Yard, Waterfront Dock, and Decks. Open Kitchen-Dining-Family Room Area with Fireplace. 2 1/2 Car Detached Garage with Extra Attached Carport Space. More than 2,100 square feet with Room for Everyone. ENJOY THE LAKE at \$325,000

1.5 ACRES - 4 LOTS



13130 HANNAN, VAN BUREN
SOLID BRICK - Move in ready 4 bedroom 2 bath 1.5 Story Home sits on 1.5 acres Total and includes 4 LOTS. 2nd kitchen upstairs plus living room and private exterior entrance. Newer windows, furnace, and updated electric and plumbing. 2 1/2 Car detached garage. Bright, Clean & Large Basement. \$175,000

LIKE NEW - FULL BRICK



14205 BRIAR, VAN BUREN
MUST SEE FIRST! Custom Built FULL BRICK Ranch. This home offers 3 Bedrooms, 2 Full and 2 Half Baths, Open Computer Area with Hardwood Floors, Partially Finished Basement, LOWDOWN DTE BILLS. Large Rear Yard on a Corner Lot with Covered Deck. It's LIKE NEW plus OVERSIZED 25x25 Garage. \$250,000.

1,920 SF GARAGE



21381 ELWELL, SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
IMPRESSIVE 3 Bedroom Vinyl Ranch with Open Kitchen, Large Dining Area, Family Room with Fireplace, New Roof (2015), New Furnace (2015) and Air Conditioning (2015). Double Driveway, Pond, PLUS 1,920 Square Foot 2 Story Heated Garage on Almost 1 Acre. IT'S A WINNER \$179,900

MOVE RIGHT IN



45445 WILLIS, SUMPTER TOWNSHIP
E-Z LIVING In this Affordable 3 Bedrooms, 1 Bath 1.5 Story Home. Basement, Open Living Room, Dining Room, New Carpet and Fresh Paint, Large Laundry Room Plus Big Basement. 2 Car Detached Garage, Generator System and Large Lot. Paved Street - Priced to Sell and CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN at \$139,900.

FINISHED BASEMENT



8711 MEADOW SPRINGS, SUMPTER
QUALITY BUILT CUSTOM RANCH Home on almost an Acre. Beautiful Master Suite with Jacuzzi and Custom Shower. Many upgrades include 5 Skylights, 10 Foot Ceilings, Hardwood Floors, Gas Fireplace, Central Air, Full Finished Basement, Deck, 2 1/2 Car Attached Garage. \$289,900

7,000+ SQUARE FEET



6397 MIDDLEBELT, ROMULUS
HIGH TRAFFIC MIDDLEBELT ROAD as a Direct Route to Detroit Metropolitan Airport. Large 7,000+ Square Foot Building with Additional Storage Area. Zoned C-2 General Business, Huge Open Floor Area with many Possibilities. Corner Location on 3 Lots and Large Parking Lot. Just \$229,900

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RAWSONVILLE & JUDD 78 AC \$400,000
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26960 SHERWOOD 2.5 ACRES \$30,000
24409 SHERWOOD 1.15 ACRES \$30,000
20743 GRIFFIN COURT 1.4 AC \$29,500
22407 KARR 21 AC POLEBARN \$195,000

49317 ARKONA 40.28 ACRES \$180,000
BEMIS 6 A PENDING \$65,000 EACH
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WILLOW ROAD 1.36 ACRES \$15,000
26405 KARR 5 ACRES 162X1308 \$33,000
26455 KARR 5 ACRES 162X1308 \$33,000

VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP
45109 S SERVICE DRIVE HUGE FRONTAGE 2.29 ACRES. BEST LOCATION \$274,900
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VACANT BOG ROAD 1.36 ACRES \$30,000
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739 SAVAGE PAVED ST 1.02 ACRES \$35,000
HURON TOWNSHIP
26129 LEONTINE DOUBLE LOT \$24,000
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