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The first day of this summer's Egan's Pub Car Show on Main Street was Monday. Reportedly there were 300 cars at the show and a large crowd of car-lovers to admire them. The car show is set for every Monday afternoon this summer, with Main Street closed off from Third to Fifth streets.

Kukola sentenced to 63 months in prison for robbing pharmacies

Ypsilanti resident Kristopher Nicholas Kukola was sentenced last week for robbing several CVS pharmacies in Van Buren Township, Saline, and Milan, before being arrested with the help of a decoy pill bottle, United States Attorney Dawn N. Ison announced.

Ison was joined in the May 28 announcement by Cheyvoryea Gibson, Special Agent in Charge of the Detroit Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).

United States District Court Judge



Stephen J. Murphy sentenced Kukola to 63 months in prison.

Kukola, 39, robbed several CVS pharmacies in the same manner: demanding prescription pills, brandishing what the victims believed to be a gun, and ordering employees to lay on the floor.

On the night of May 24, 2022, Kukola robbed a CVS Pharmacy in Van Buren Township. He reached into a pocket of his jacket and stated, "I'm armed," and showed the handle of what the victim believed to be a black handgun. He then directed one of the victims to lay on the ground.

On June 2, 2022, he robbed a CVS Pharmacy in Saline. This time, Kukola presented the victims with a list of medications and demanded that an employee give him everything on the list. He again displayed what appeared to be a black handgun and demanded that the victims lay on the floor.

On June 8, 2022, Kukola returned to the Van Buren CVS from the first robbery. He handed a list of prescription drugs to an employee, stating "put everything on the



list in the bag, or I will start shooting. I have a gun."

Kukola's final robbery was on July 7, 2022, when he robbed a CVS in Milan. Again, he handed an employee a list of prescription pills. But this time, the employee placed a decoy pill bottle with GPS tracking into Kukola's bag. The tracking device allowed law enforcement to follow Kukola, and ultimately led to his arrest.

The Denton Road bridge has been closed by Wayne County for 613 days as of today.

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Belleville City Council sets budget public hearing for June 17

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

A public hearing on the proposed 2024-25 general fund budget for the city of Belleville has been set as part of the June 17 regular city council meeting.

At Monday's regular meeting, city manager

Jason Smith said the general fund is in good shape and revenue is up 23% and expenditures up 29%. He said there was a 3% increase in contracted services. He said the trash collection contract is up for bids and he expects that cost to be higher than 3%.



Bollini

He said new DPW Director Tony Bollini said he thinks they can get the old street sweeper working for less than \$5,000 in repairs and the money allocated for a new street sweeper can be used for the new DPW pickup truck and hot power washer.

Bollini said the old sweeper is 25 years old, but has not had a lot of use.

Councilwoman Julie Kissel said the fund balance is 104% of the budget and that can be spent, since a 25% fund balance is suggested as adequate.

City manager Smith said the council can spend that, but it doesn't want to overspend. He said he wants to keep a healthy fund balance for future needs.

The financial consultant from Plante Moran, said the taxpayers will get a rollback under the Headlee Act, but they are getting more revenue.

Mayor Ken Voigt said there is a pile of deferred maintenance that has been put off for the past 20 years.

City manager Smith said the city could have a Headlee Reset and be able to levy 20 mills, but the voters would have to approve that.

Mayor Voigt said the city was in the hole on retirement and miles of roads need maintenance. The city needs to keep competitive salaries, he said, adding, "We've been lucky to find people who want to work for us."

Resident Mike Renaud asked if a copy of the budget is on line for the public to study. Smith said he would make sure it would be on line before the public hearing. It is available in hard copy at the clerk's office, he said.

In other business in the one-hour-andeight-minute meeting, the council:

• Set the performance review for city manager Smith for the July 15 meeting, since Councilman Beebe said he wouldn't be able to attend the July 1 meeting and Mayor Voigt said he thought everyone on the council should participate. Under the Open Meeting Act, Smith could ask for the

review to be done in closed-door session, but he said he would have the review in open session. Councilwoman Kelly Bates will send copies of the review document she had in her file to all the council members so it could be used;

• Approved the 2024 tax rate of 15.8190 mills, which is the same as last year, with a slight Headlee Rollback;

· Approved the SEMCOG Road Safety Audit matching grant with a total cost of \$19,586.24 and a 20% matching cost of \$3,917.05 from the city's Major Streets budget. It will identify areas of need on the streets and look at Five Points. It won't go beyond Fourth Street, where it will study the pedestrian crossing. He said the SEMCOG work will include a video of Belleville with music called "Experience Belleville" which they will play at meetings and it is the city's to use:

• Approved hiring the Belleville High School Dance Team to clean the Fourth St. Square and Fourth St. Place. Last year the city donated \$1,000 for the team's work and this year Smith said they want the team to paint the fire hydrants, as well. No one was present from the team;

· Heard Bollini say there are options he has for the proposed Accessible Pedestrian Signal for the corner of Third and Main, after a report by Smith. Smith said he talked to Tyrone, who is blind and uses that crossing. He said he would like such a sign at N. Liberty and Third, as well. He told Smith he is looking for another place to live but he would prefer to stay in Belleville;

· Passed a resolution to approve the MDOT Category B contract. In the original contract, which was approved, part of a road was cut off, so it has been amended and now needed to be reapproved;

• Approved a resolution authorizing the city of Belleville to participate in the MEDC Redevelopment Ready Communities Program. The no-cost program opens up the possibility of grants. Mayor Voigt said the city did this a few years ago, but now there is a new council. Smith said he wanted to reengage:

· Heard Smith give an update on charter amendments instead of a rewriting of the charter. When asked about getting rid of the sexist language in the old charter wording, he said he didn't think they would be able to do that since the way they are trying to change the charter is by amendment and that would make the changes too many;

• Approved accounts payable and the following departmental purchases in excess of \$500: to Everbridge, Inc., \$2,600 for Nixle engage; to Michigan Association of planning, \$725 for annual dues; and to Osborne Concrete, \$744 for cemetery foundations;

• Heard Smith say he will be gone July 16-

19 because he is presenting at a conference in Marquette. He reported the High Street drainage problem is being investigated by Bollino and a video inspection will be done and then they will talk with the engineers to plan a solution;

· Heard Mayor Voigt thank Redemption Church for its work cleaning Horizon Park. There were 20-30 volunteers. Also he thanked the Rotary for work at at gazebo, the Garden Club for planting a pollinator garden at the pump station on N. Liberty Street, and the BYC for sponsoring the senior banners for the fifth year in a row. He announced there was a huge turnout in Monday's car show on Main Street;

• Heard Maria Plaud of Victoria Commons address the council, giving thanks to the police chief for responding to citizens' concerns about pedestrian safety issues there. She urged the council to treat every citizen with respect and to listen to their concerns. She said over the years her voice has not been heard by them. She asked them to foster an environment of inclusion;

· Heard the Victoria Commons Homeowners Association president thank the city manager, police chief, and city council who have been receptive to concerns of the subdivision. He said they are electing a new board on June 4 and would like the city manager to attend the meeting; and

· Heard Mayor Voigt say he appreciates the residents from Victoria Commons who have come with concerns. He said the council was led to believe the sign situation at Victoria Commons was taken care of. The city manager now has identified 49 signs that need replacement and the city spent about \$3,000 to buy them, he said. Smith said the signs arrived that day, including some that say "no parking or standing" for the school area. Smith said the bubbler in the pond also is being replaced with a fountain. Police Chief Kris Faull said two of her officers have been alerting parents they won't be allowed to drop their kids off there next fall. She also is putting signs in Harbour Pointe where there is a similar problem.

School board considers 43 nonaffiliated salary recommendations

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education was presented with a list of 43 employees who are non-affiliated with unions, with proposals for their salary raises.

Non-affiliated are those not covered under a union contract.

This was at the May 28 regular meeting. Board members are to review the salaries and then vote on them at the next school board meeting

Salaries ranged from the Lunch Moms and Dads at \$14 an hour and the ESL Support at \$27.50 an hour to the top salary of \$133,000 for both Julien Frazier, Director of Student Services, and Priya Navak, Director of Finance.

Director of Human Resources John Leroy and Director of Instruction Jeff Moore are listed at \$127,000 each and Director of Plant Operations James Williams is \$127,000. Sean Garland, IT/Network Administrator, is listed as \$105,000. All the rest are below the \$100,000 mark.

The salaries are to take effect on July 1.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak said they looked at other districts and shared their information in order to stay competitive. He said most of the raises are \$2,000 to \$3,000 higher. He said Sean Garland and his assistant Debra McWilliams got quite a bit more. McWilliams' salary was raised to \$75,000 from about \$65,000 base salary.

Garland went from just over \$87,000 to \$105,000 base wage.

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

· Heard a presentation on a Teacher Cadet Program aimed at encouraging students to be teachers by Jessica Romak, Belleville High School teacher. The state has grants for Michigan's Grow Your Own Initiative and this is year one for Van Buren. Originally there were 15 enrolled and they ended with 11. For the 2024-25 school year, 22 are signed up and they can take up to 24:

· Recognized the Robotics Team which went to the international competition in Houston, TX. The team gave a demonstration for those present;

· Heard presentations from the principals and staff of Owen Intermediate, Savage Elementary, and McBride Middle schools;

· Approved the Wayne RESA total budget across all funds of more than \$745 million for the new school year. Of this, \$587 million is directly distributed to schools;

• Approved the purchase of 850 Chromebooks for students in the fifth and ninth grades from Sehi Computing for the total amount of \$262,395 from the 2024-25 sinking funds. The purchase was discussed in detail at the last meeting The Chromebooks will be assigned to the student from fifth through eighth grade or from ninth grade to 12th grade and they

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Editorial

Charter changes made by unelected employees

The Belleville City Charter that the voters used to turn the village into a city in 1982 is being updated. It's not being done by local residents elected for the job, as previously announced. It's being done by elected employees at city hall, none of whom live in the city.

At Monday's regular city council meeting, city manager Jason Smith, who recently moved to Van Buren Township to take this city position, said the new city attorney hired has told him that the charter can be changed without going through the long procedure the city thought it needed. It can be amended, instead of rewritten.

Smith said he sat down with department heads and they went over every line in the present charter to target changes. They crossed out the Civil Service Commission completely and proposed changing the part that calls for two council meetings a month to let the council determine that each year. And, other changes.

He said the attorney said they can send the many proposed changes that Smith wrote up to the attorney general for an OK and then back to the council to set an election on the new charter. Then the governor would approve it and you're done.

On Monday the mayor asked if they needed to vote on the proposal and the city manager said there was no need for council members to vote. He's sending it to the attorney general. They can set an election in the future. He's got it all taken care of.

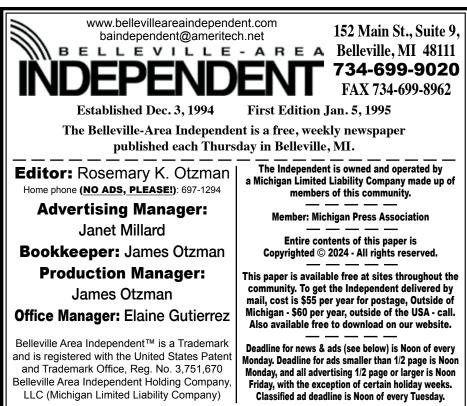
Bill Wolters said he bought three bricks to be installed at the Veterans Memorial: one for his father, one for his brother Jim, and one for himself, who all served in the Marines. He went to see if they had been installed, and they had, but he saw how faded the older bricks were, with some names unable to be read. So, he set to work.

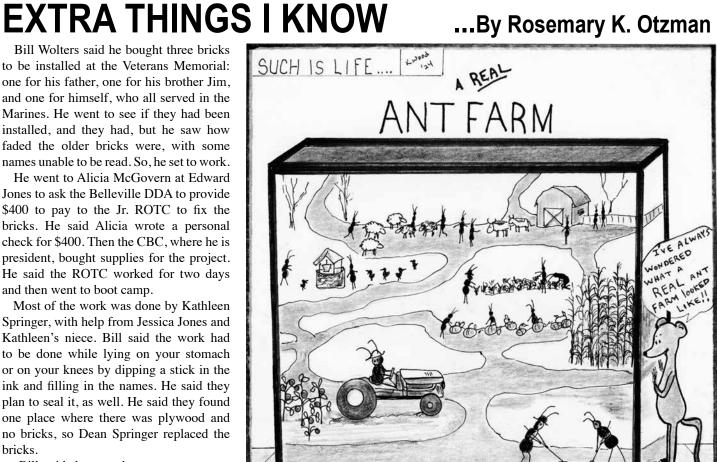
He went to Alicia McGovern at Edward Jones to ask the Belleville DDA to provide \$400 to pay to the Jr. ROTC to fix the bricks. He said Alicia wrote a personal check for \$400. Then the CBC, where he is president, bought supplies for the project. He said the ROTC worked for two days and then went to boot camp.

Most of the work was done by Kathleen Springer, with help from Jessica Jones and Kathleen's niece. Bill said the work had to be done while lying on your stomach or on your knees by dipping a stick in the ink and filling in the names. He said they plan to seal it, as well. He said they found one place where there was plywood and no bricks, so Dean Springer replaced the bricks.

Bill said they need to get some more work out of the ROTC so they plan to clean and seal the bricks at the museum, as well. ***

I was reading the list of checks requested for payment in the upcoming meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees and saw two that caught my interest. The township's engineering consultant was to be paid for several projects he was working on, including Chick Fil A and Sheetz gas station. These two developments have yet to hit the planning commission agenda, so I asked Dan Power about them.





Dan said the Chick Fil A is looking at a site in front of Menards and Sheetz is working on a site at the southwest corner of Haggerty and Ecorse.

Skilken Gold (affiliated with Sheetz) has submitted a formal planning and zoning application and is likely to have an upcoming public hearing for special land use / site plan review for a development, Dan said.

He said Chick Fil A has submitted questions to the township office to understand the township's planning, engineering and building review processes and has had some questions about a specific site on Belleville Road in front of Menards. However, they have not submitted a formal planning and zoning application yet.

Thought you'd like to know.

Van Buren Township always puts its accounts payables in the agenda packet and we like to look through it to see how the money is being spent. The city of Belleville puts their accounts payables in the public agenda packet, as well. Never have seen accounts payables from Sumpter.

In the Sumpter Township newsletter mailed out for Spring/Summer recently, Public Safety Director/Police Chief Eric Luke reported that police calls for service have gone up from 8,335 in 2020 to 16,921 in 2023. He wrote many of the calls are for lower-level crimes and other issues. Most serious crimes, considered Part 1 in the FBI Uniform Crime Report, are non-existent in Sumpter Township, he wrote.

He reported: "The increase in calls for service is largely due to the complete renovation and the resulting resident increase over the past few years by two of our five manufactured home communities, Holiday West and Holiday Woods. This has resulted in a quick and drastic overall population increase for Sumpter Township of about 2,500 residents - more than a 25% increase!"

Fire Chief Rick Brown reported his department has experienced a 60% rise in calls over the last five years, with medical emergencies making up 85% of these calls.



Although it wasn't

even mentioned at Monday's city council meeting, we have been informed that the truck owned by Councilwoman Kelly Bates and her husband, which has been improperly parked in the fire lane for some time, has been moved across the street to a place in front of their house. This truck has been a bone of contention for those in Victoria Commons for some time. It was told to us that the police chief convinced them to move the truck.



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152 Main Street (in The Professional Building) Belleville, MI 48111 Letters



Driver kills Sir Francis Drake and drives off

To the editor:

Thursday, May 30, some driver around 11:30, quickly drove down my street, Second Street, here in Belleville. In the middle of the street, near the veterans lawyers' office, the driver struck and killed a mallard duck.

He and his mate, who mate for life, spent many a year in this part of the city. He was known as Sir Francis Drake and his mate, Henny Penny. I know, silly right?

But it didn't matter to you, as you spent your time on your phone, maybe texting, all the while, hitting a five-pound bird, two foot high and in length. Sorry that you were running late, or just didn't care.

Yes, this city by the water attracts all kinds of waterfowl and many have endeared their presence to us. Yes, they are carefree and waddle slowly across the street, but how could you miss him?

Did you speed up so you could kill him? How am I to know? What did that duck do to you? His mate will continue to long for him. As I said, they mate for life. I was driving home and found him. I grabbed a towel and wrapped him up in my arms. Did you ever look into the eyes of a dead animal?

I guess when you killed him, I was lucky that you didn't splatter him all over the road or your precious car. I was enraged, to say the least. I know millions of animals die every day, usually at the hands of domestic cats and hateful people.

I buried Francis in my yard. You, on the other hand, left his body for others to smash and drive over. Your 5,000-pound car took his life away. You never gave him a chance. Using your brakes, he would still be with his mate. Senseless.

Bob Balderston Belleville



A Reminder: June 14 is Flag Day

To the editor:

A reminder! June 14 is Flag Day.

Americans celebrate the adoption of the first National Flag. Also known as the "Stars and Stripes" or "Old Glory," the first American flag was approved by the Continental Congress on June 14, 1777. In 1818, after five more states joined the Union, Congress passed legislation fixing the number of stripes at 13 and requiring that the number of stars equal the number of states.

June 14, "Flag Day" 2024 is fast approaching and we are attempting to have a Flag displayed at every home in the city. <u>Free Flags</u>

Thanks to very generous donations of supplies from manager John Vredeveld of "Manns Lumber," many hours of labor from owner Tom Tinsley of "Contract Welding," and the washing of many flags by the wife of a VFW member before she passed away, Belleville VFW Post 4434 is proud to offer "free," refurbished flags (12" x 18") to all. All these flags are from Hillside Cemetery and others where they were previously flown over a Veteran's grave.

Let's remember these Veterans once again by re-displaying their U.S. Flag at your home. Stop by and pick up one at 48 S. Biggs (street side pick-up).

Also, we can have your old torn, dirty, and faded flags properly disposed; drop them off in the box provided (on porch) when you pick up a free new one.

Don't let Flag Day go by without acknowledging our GREAT COUNTRY.

Pete Pitzen, Belleville

Chairman VFW Flag Program

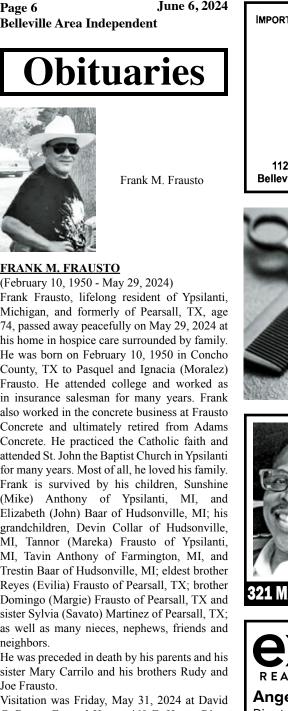
P.S. Thank you to the few who picked up free flags over Memorial Day and left a monetary donation. It was not necessary, but it is very much appreciated. These donations will be given to VFW Post 4434. VFW meetings at Post #4434 are held on the last Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., at 44170 Bemis Rd., Belleville 48111.

Birthdays

June 7 - Sonia Glodowski June 10 - Joselyn Armatis

Do you have a birthday soon? Does someone you know have a birthday? Let us know and we will print the name as soon as possible. For more information, call (734) 699-9020.





C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111. Burial followed at Union-Udell Cemetery in Ypsilanti Twp., MI.

More Letters

VBEST thanks Meijer for 200 cookies

To the editor:

The VBEST (Van Buren Educational Support Team) would like to say thank you to Meijer for their donation of 200 cookies. The executive board wanted to say have a safe summer to all of our team members of the Custodian, Grounds, Maintenance, Paraprofessional and all of Transportation. The cookies helped us do that.

To the amazing Paraprofessional and Transportation Departments: Have a wonderful summer. As for the Buildings and Grounds Department: Hopefully you enjoy a little treat to start off the summer work.

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Obituaries





Roland Herman Mida

ROLAND HERMAN MIDA (June 2, 1933 – May 28, 2024)

Roland Herman Mida, a cherished pillar of strength and kindness, completed his earthly journey on May 28, 2024, at the age of 90, in San Angelo, Texas. Born on June 2, 1933, in Belleville, Roland's life was an embodiment of service, love, and selflessness. His departure is not an end but a celebration of a life well-lived, leaving a legacy of love and inspiration.

He graduated from Belleville High School as a member of the class of 1952.

Roland, a man of honor and dedication, answered the call of duty early in life by enlisting in the United States Air Force, where he proudly served his country for over five and a half years. His commitment to service did not wane as he continued his career in Civil Service for 35 years and simultaneously served in the Reserves for 34 and a half years. His work ethic and devotion to his country were parallel to none, and his impact on those he worked with will remain indelible. A devout member of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Roland's faith shone through his actions. As an Elder in the church, he guided with wisdom and compassion, always extending a helping hand to those in need. His life was a testament to the power of giving, and his influence within his church community will be profoundly missed.

As a family man, Roland was the bedrock of his family. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 55 years, Daisy Mida, his son Steven Mida, and numerous siblings.

His love story with Daisy was one for the ages, a partnership grounded in mutual respect and adoration. Roland's legacy continues through his daughter Michelle Bailey and her husband Phillip, daughter Tamera Arranaga and her husband Jesse, son Matthew Mida and his wife Cheyenne, and his adoring grandchildren and great-grandchildren. His sister Lois Zilka, along with countless other family members and friends, will carry forward the lessons of love and kindness he instilled in them.

Roland's passion for woodworking was not just

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a hobby but a way of sharing his creativity and love with the world. Each piece he crafted was a labor of love and a reflection of his meticulous nature and artistic spirit. His creations will serve as enduring reminders of his talent and the joy he found in making something beautiful with his hands.

Roland's life was a beacon of service to others. Whether family, friends, or strangers, he met them with a servant's heart, embodying the very essence of selflessness. Described by those who knew him as kind, loving, and selfless, Roland's actions spoke louder than words, and his memory will continue to inspire those who were fortunate enough to have felt his warmth and generosity.

In the words of Ralph Waldo Emerson, "To know even one life has breathed easier because you have lived. This is to have succeeded." Roland Herman Mida lived by this philosophy and in doing so, he succeeded immensely. His example of unwavering love, boundless generosity, and humble service is a powerful reminder of the impact one life can have on many. Roland's journey through life was one marked by an unwavering commitment to making the world a better place. His story is not just one of a life lived but of a life that lived for others. As we say goodbye to Roland, we celebrate the light he brought into this world and the countless lives he touched. His spirit will continue to live on in the hearts of those who loved him, and his legacy will endure as a guiding light for generations to come. Roland Herman Mida, a true servant of humanity, has left an indelible mark on this world, and for that, we are eternally grateful.



Donald Theodore Fawl

DONALD THEODORE FAWL

(June 7, 1935 – April 21, 2024) Donald T. Fawl, age 88, of Belleville, April 21, 2024. Beloved Uncle of Maria (John) Mazzacane and Daniel (Christy) Duperron. Loving great-uncle of Anthony Mazzacane and Cammarata Mazzacane. Donald treasured his friends and his neighbors. He was preceded in death by his parents, Theodore and Viola Fawl, and his sister, Carolyn Duperron. He was a very caring teacher who loved sports, especially basketball, jazz music, and reading. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Visitation and service were June 1, 2024 at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home. Interment was at Michigan Memorial Park.

NANCY JOYCE CAMP

(December 13, 1936 - May 26, 2024) Age 87 of Belleville. Survived by brothers Lynnwood and Rockney Whitehead of Central Lake, MI, as well as nephews and nieces across Southeast Michigan. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. www.davidcbrownfh.com

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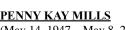
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Penny Kay Mills



(May 14, 1947 – May 8, 2024)

Penny Kay Mills, age 76, of Belleville, MI passed away surrounded by loved ones, at Trinity Health: St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, on May 8, 2024. She was born on May 14, 1947 in Ypsilanti, MI to the late Francis G. and Mary H. (Redlinger) Mills. Penny was a 1965 graduate of Belleville High School, where she was a proud member of G.A.A. (Girls Athletic Association), Chorus, Pep Club, and Library Assistants.

After graduating high school, Penny worked several years at Michigan Bell Telephone Company in Ann Arbor, MI. Penny also worked a number of years as an administrative assistant at various dental and optical clinics in Ohio. Upon returning to live in Michigan, Penny was happily employed by Burger King for many years. Penny enjoyed making coffee each morning for residents at Columbia Court. Penny was an avid bowler and organized the Columbia Court WII Bowling Teams where she proudly won a couple of trophies. Recently, Penny fondly remembered being showered with Yoda memorabilia by her many friends at Columbia Court.

Penny is survived by her sisters Bonnie Mills-Martin and Judy Settles, as well as her brothers Melvin (Barbara) Mills and Frank (Karen) Mills; and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins, as well as her longtime close friends, especially Sharon Goodman. Penny was predeceased by her parents, and brothers-in-law Richard Martin, and William Settles.

Penny was accepted into the University of Michigan Anatomical Donations Program, so her wish to help others will be granted through teaching and research. Arrangements made by David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111.

A Memorial Service for Penny will be held on June 15, 2024 at 1 PM at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Rd., Belleville, MI 48111. <u>www.davidcbrownfh.com</u>

Please sign her online guest book and share a memorable story with her family.

Things to do in the Belleville area...

• Wednesday, June 12 – Free live concert every Wednesday in June at Harris Park, 10151 Belleville Rd. in Van Buren Township from 7-9 p.m. Tonight the band is "Mad Mad World."

• Thursday, June 13 – The Belleville Area Council for the Arts presents Music Lakeside at 7 p.m. at Horizon Park. Tonight the music is by "Joy Riders."

• Friday, June 14 – Fly your American Flag. It's Flag Day across America.

• Friday, June 14 – Join the Van Buren Eagles at 9961 Beck Rd. for dinner at 5 p.m. DJ Anthony Richendollar, 7:30 p.m. Open to the public.

• Saturday, June 15 – Goat Day at Horizon Park will feature Keiom Kaaj Farms from Sumpter, who will be bringing goats of different ages to interact with the public and answer goat questions. Keiom is a BHS graduate and active Farm Bureau Education Committee member.





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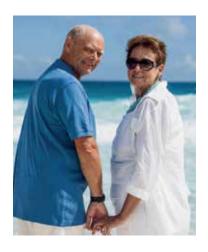
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There is music everywhere this summer. The second concert held in Harris Park by the Van Buren DDA will be on Wednesday, June 12. Stop by between 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. to hear Mad Mad World.

Next Thursday Music Lakeside is holding its first concert of the summer on High Street. First up on June 13 at 7 p.m. is Joyriders, a Classic Rock band. ***

Then on Wednesday, June 26, from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., Wayne County Community College, Ted Scott Campus on Haggerty, will host a free concert by The Gratitude Steel Band. Wear your favorite Hawaiian attire and join the fun! There will be a limbo contest, hula hoop contest, ring toss, and a pinata challenge for kids to enjoy! ***

Did you see in last week's paper that the Goats will be back next week? Goat Day festivities are scheduled for Horizon Park on Saturday, June 15.

We may no longer have a Strawberry Festival, but the Sunday car show continues. Cinnamons 23rd annual Father's Day Car Show is June 16 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. in Victory Park. If you want to show your car, go to their Facebook page: Cinnamons Annual Father's Day Car Show to register.

Mark your calendar if you just want to enjoy the show. ***

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Wow! Egan's Monday night car show on Main was out of sight. Over 300 cars came to be seen, and they certainly weren't disappointing. Visitors parked on every street, nook, and cranny available. The weekly farmers market was crowded with shoppers who were able to stock up on produce, sweets, beef to bison, hot sauce, olive oil, hot dogs, Vera's Polish dinners, and all the crafters you could imagine. The Belleville Area Museum stayed open and plans to do that on Mondays so the community can visit with them, as well. We even got a visit from Channel 4. Overall, they were two great events with wonderful weather. Belleville on Mondays is the place to be!

Do you have a business item you would like to see in this column? Call Janet Millard at (734) 699-9020.

Upcoming Meetings

• Monday, June 10 - Van Buren Township Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS

• Tuesday, June 11 - Sumpter Township workshop/regular meeting, 6 p.m. Also. Belleville Area District Library board, 7:30 p.m.

• Wednesday, June 12 - Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.

• Thursday, June 13 - Keystone Academy school board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township planning commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.

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Democrats to 'Splash into Summer' June 9

To the editor:

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The Southwestern Wayne (County) Democratic Club invites you to "Splash into Summer" with us at the Quirk Park Pavilion and Splash Pad on Sunday, June 9, from 2 to 5 p.m. Bring along your children and grandchildren, swimsuits and towels and join us for some fun, fellowship, and lunch.

The Quirk Park Pavilion and Splash Pad is located behind Van Buren Township Hall, with parking available off Quirk Road just south of Tyler Road.

Adult's \$10 donation includes a hot dog or hamburger, pasta salad, beverage and light dessert. \$5 for children ages 5-12, and a donation for children under 5.

Come on out and meet your neighbors. Find out who we are and what we're about as we gear up for the 2024 Election and enjoy some summer fun!

Tickets will be available at the site or can be purchased online at: https://donorbox.

org/splash-into-summer_.

Hope you will join us for an afternoon of fun, friendship and laughs on Sunday, June 9, 2-5 p.m.

Debbie Chamberlain Correspondence Secretary Southwestern Wayne (County) Democratic Club

Alysse Nadine Brendtke graduates from Lee Univ. *summa cum laude*

CLEVELAND, TN -- Alysse Nadine Brendtke of Belleville graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Theatre from Lee University during the 190th commencement exercises on May 4.

Brendtke was among more than 400 students who received undergraduate and graduate diplomas.

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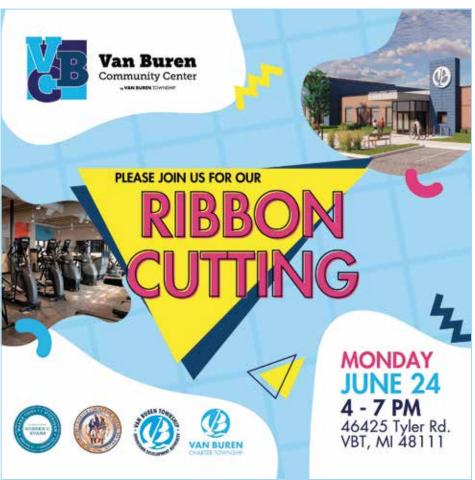
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Eagle Scout gets to wear cord for Senior Walk

To the editor:

This is an update to a story that was in the *Independent* the week of April 25, 2024.

Kenneth Farr, a senior at Belleville High School, addressed the school board at its meeting on Monday, April 22, 2024. He had asked the school board to consider letting him wear a cord for his Boy Scout Eagle award. He had also asked them about why at the previous year's graduation commencement the JROTC and William D. Ford students with high honors could not wear theirs.

Fast forward a week and Kenneth had answers from Belleville High School Principal Nicole Crockett and Superintendent Pete Kudlak. He was told that he could wear his cord before and after the ceremony and in the Senior Walk at the high school. He could not during commencement because BHS was going to recognize school program awards only. His is a national award. The JROTC and William D. Ford cords would be shown as they are school program awards.

He understood and considered his appeal to the school board as a win, because the programs that were left out the previous year were going to have their due.

As his proud parents were in attendance the other night at the 2024 commencements it was nice to see everyone get their recognition that night. Go, Tigers.

Kevin and Sarah Farr Van Buren Township



More Letters

Narcan in free 'paper boxes' could save lives

To the editor:

I am writing to highlight a critical public health initiative and to seek the support of local businesses in Belleville, Van Buren and Sumpter Township, MI. Our community is not immune to the devastating impacts of the overdose crisis, which affects our children, siblings, parents, and our community as a whole. It is time for us to take proactive steps to address this issue and save lives.

One effective measure that has proven to be lifesaving is the widespread availability of naloxone (Narcan), a medication that can reverse the effects of an opioid overdose. Communities across the country have seen significant reductions in overdose fatalities where naloxone is readily accessible. This life-saving medication can and should be a standard component of every first aid kit, just like bandages and antiseptics.

Currently, there are about 50 naloxone kits weekly distributed throughout various food pantries, and around 100 a week distributed to individuals in the community by myself and others in the community.

To this end, I am advocating for the installation of naloxone newspaper boxes throughout the 48111. These boxes would provide free access to naloxone, ensuring that it is available to anyone in need, 24/7. This initiative is a powerful demonstration of community solidarity and a practical approach to reducing overdose deaths.

We are seeking local businesses that are willing to host these naloxone newspaper boxes on their premises. By doing so, businesses will play a crucial role in safeguarding the well-being of our community. Hosting a naloxone box is a FREE simple yet impactful way to



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support public health and demonstrate a commitment to the safety of all 48111 residents. There are vending machines available as well, but those do have requirements including being inside due to the weather.

Community support for this initiative is strong, and we believe that with the cooperation of local businesses, we can make naloxone readily available to those who need it most. The presence of naloxone in strategic locations throughout our town could mean the difference between life and death in an overdose situation.

In conclusion, I urge business owners and community leaders to join us in this vital effort. Let us come together to make naloxone as common and accessible as other first aid supplies. Your participation could help save lives and demonstrate that the 48111 is a community that cares deeply for all its members.

Looking forward to connecting, feel free to email me ashleyshukaitconsulting@ gmail.com for further information.

Ashley Shukait, MPH, CHES Public Health Consultant and Harm Reduction Van Buren Township resident

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At-risk Sumpter woman found safe in woods after being gone 11 hrs.

Janet Lesperance, an 88-year-old woman with dementia, was last seen about 10:45 a.m. on Friday when she left her residence in the 39000 block of Willis Road in Sumpter Township for her daily walk.

About three hours later, Sumpter Police

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put out a call to the public for help in finding her.

Shortly after 10 p.m. they reported she had been found uninjured in a wooded area not far from her residence by one of the three assisting K-9 units from the Michigan State Police.

Sumpter police also were aided in the search by the Michigan State Police Aviation unit and the Huron Clinton Metroparks Drone unit.







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"Energetic" by Joe Washing of Toledo is priced at \$8,000. It is located in front of the Van Buren Township Hall on Tyler Road.



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"Wall Goats" by Jonathan Bowling at a cost of \$1,200 each is located near the Secretary of State office on E. Columbia Ave., Belleville.



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"Three Old Furnace Fellas" by Jennifer Meyer of Chicago is \$4,000. It is located next to the front door of the Belleville Area District Library.



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Library has new room-booking service, mobile printing, homepage

By Rosemary K. Otzman Independent Editor

Starting May 1, the new and improved events calendar and room booking service, mobile printing, and homepage were rolled out for the Belleville Area District Library. At the library board's regular meeting on May 14, Library Director Mary Jo Suchy explained the services.

She said LibCal is the library's new events and room-booking calendar software.

"This is a major project, and all things

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considered, it has been rolled out fairly smoothly, considering that it is a little bit like an airplane refueling mid-flight!" Director Suchy said.

She said the library has also implemented Princh, a new mobile printing service and so far it seems to be much easier to use than the previous service.

People can send from home what they want printed to the library over the internet and then come pick it up and paying the ten cents per page regular printing fee.

Board member Dan Fleming said he really liked the new homepage and he uses the library internet services a lot.

Director Suchy said the flagpole light has again malfunctioned. She said they just put on a whole new cover for the light, but there is water in it again. An electrician is coming to look at it.

This light in the cement below the flag has been a problem for several years.

Board member John Juriga said the flag

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"I don't think the public is concerned, but we want every little thing right," said board chairperson Sharon Peters.

Suchy also reported that the staff participated in a very full in-service training day on April 29 when the library was closed for the day. She said topics included: Safety, active shooter, and emergency procedures review; demonstrations of some of the many databases available through the Michigan eLibrary (MeL), including LearningExpress Library and NoveList Plus; an instruction webinar on the library new calendar/room booking software; and others.

Also staff members Karen Dubke and Lindsay Lore attended the annual Public Library Association Conference in Indiana and brought back information.

She said library clerk Jasmine Riehl got a full-time job elsewhere and so two halftime employees will cover that position. Micaya Cannon was promoted to library clerk and new employee Lavonne Shetler will be a library clerk.

Heard Suchy report that the free comic book day/plant swap/Friends' book sale on May 4 was a great success. She said this continues to be one of her favorite days of the year at the library.

In other business at the 46-minute meeting, the board:

• Learned the Phil Hale Jazz Trio will be back by popular demand at 7 p.m. Wednesday, May 29; and

• Heard Juriga thank Fleming for mentioning at the last meeting the FEMA grants available for damage from last August's storms. Juriga said his wife called FEMA and they got \$3,500 put into their bank account in just a few days. He said that is one-tenth of what he paid for cleanup, but he was glad to get it. Fleming said he saw the information in the *Independent*. Chairperson Peters said she called FEMA and they came right out. The grant request deadline has now passed.

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• Approved the resignations of Amy Marton from transportation after two years of service as of June 7 and Tracy Watson from transportation after less than a year as of May 20;

• Approved the employment of Tiuera Mayes as a paraprofessional at Savage Elementary as of May 20; and • Learned three principals are retiring: Savage Principal Lisa Preuss, Owen Principal Jason Salhaney, and Tyler Principal Aliesa Pitt. McBride Principal Fred Abel is moving to Tyler. There have been 50 applicants each for the Savage and Owen positions.

Board member Calvin Hawkins and Kelly Owen were absent from the meeting.

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The City of Belleville's City Council will conduct a public hearing regarding the 2024-2025 Budget.

The City Council will conduct its public hearing on June 17, 2024, at 7:30 PM, during the regular City of Belleville City Council meeting, at the Municipal Council Chambers located at 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan.

Copies of the budget will be available for inspection by the public at the Office of the City Clerk, 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan. Written comments will be received before the hearing record is closed on June 17, 2024. Written comments should be sent to the City of Belleville's City Manager, Jason Smith, at 6 Main St, Belleville, MI, 48111.

Briana Hootman Clerk/Treasurer

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BY KRISTY DOE BELLEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT RECORDS CLERK

Belleville Area District Library Public Notice

Belleville Area District Library

Notice of Public Hearing

The Belleville Area District Library (167 4th Street, Belleville, MI 48111) will hold a public hearing at the Library Board meeting on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at 7:30 pm, to consider the proposed 2024-2025 Library Budget.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing. The debt service millage rate proposed to be levied for the repayment of the bonds for the new library will also be a subject of this hearing.

A copy of the proposed budget is available on the library's website (<u>www.belleville.lib.mi.us</u>) and at the Library during open hours (Monday – Thursday, 9:30 am – 9 pm, Friday & Saturday, 9:30 am – 6 pm, and Sunday, 1 pm – 5 pm).

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF BELLEVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION

The City of Belleville's Planning Commission will conduct a public hearing regarding proposed changes to the B-1 District in the Zoning Ordinance.

The Planning Commission will conduct its public hearing on June 13, 2024, at 7:00 PM, during the regular City of Belleville Planning Commission meeting, at the Municipal Council Chambers located at 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan.

Copies of the proposed changes will be available for inspection by the public at the Office of the City Clerk, 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan. Written comments will be received before the hearing record is closed on June 13, 2024. Written comments should be sent to the City of Belleville's City Manager, Jason Smith, at 6 Main St, Belleville, MI, 48111.

Briana Hootman Clerk/Treasurer

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REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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Victoria Commons added to the list.

Council Member Beebe

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John Juriga

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Mayor Pro-Tem Bates

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Cadet Program

presented

Mayor Voigt

Motion Carried.

a. Accounts Payable

ii. Crawford Door

vi. Sunbelt Rentals

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Beebe

Council Member Kissel

Council Member Priest

Mayor Pro-Tem Bates

Mayor Voigt

Motion Carried.

iii. Grainger

v. Stryker

Aye

Aye

Ave

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

Aye

PAYABLE

Ave

Ave

Aye

Aye

Aye

AND

h. Resolution # 24-019 - Belleville Fire Department

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Bates

Resolution # 24 - 019 to establish and maintain

the Belleville Fire Department Cadet Program as

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Kissel

to approve Accounts Payable and Departmental

a. Thanked both Nick and Steve Demond for their

b. Thanked Council Member Kissel for her

Expenditures in excess of \$500, as presented.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

years of service with the city.



i. Thanked the citizens who attended the meeting to speak about their concerns.

ii. Would like to see language changed within Ordinance # 14-002, regarding removal of snow and ice, to have the word sidewalk changed to public pathway. Additionally, he would like to see the language specify clearing of debris from public pathways d. Beebe

i. Thanked the Victoria Commons HOA for bringing in food for the Police Department in honor of Police Week

ii. Appreciates the concerns that residents of Victoria Commons brought before the Council.

iii. Looking forward to viewing the budget in its entirety to see where the money being spent is coming from.

iv. Likes the proactive follow up lists that City Manager Smith sends to the Council on a regular basis

• MAYOR'S COMMENTS

a. Announced that a solution has been found to restore water service at Hillside Cemetery, noting that is has not been operational for approximately 5 years.

b. Suggested that everyone look at the restored pumphouse on S. Liberty, stating that it looks wonderful. He noted that members of the BYC have put in several hundred man-hours to complete the restoration, and Randy Brown Landscaping offered their services as well. Additionally, the Belleville Garden Club plans to complete landscaping around the building.

c. Happy to see the street-sweeping and leaf pickup programs revitalized.

d. Excited for the return of the SMART bus program for handicapped and senior citizens.

e. Excited to see the first phase of road repairs begin. CITIZENS COMMENTS

a. None

 ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Priest to adiourn at 8:59 PM. No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman

City Clerk/Treasurer Published: 06-06-24

> One Call Does It All... ...At The Independent 734-699-9020



17441 (CTLS .	11. CDDO 2025 Hutura Det	
Monday, May 20, 2024 - 7:30 pm		c. DPS Activity Report	
• PLEDGE OF ALLEG	• PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF d. Special Events		
SILENCE	1		emorial Day Parade Ice
• ROLL CALL		Cream Truck.	
Council Member Beebe	Present	MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Prie	
Council Member Kissel	Present	approving the consent agenda items as presented.	
Council Member Priest	Present	ROLL CALL VOTE:	
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Present	Council Member Beebe	Aye
Mayor Voigt	Present	Council Member Kissel	Aye
PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS		Council Member Priest	Aye
a. Presentations		Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
i. Introduction of Officer H	Boudreau	Mayor Voigt	Aye
Police Chief Faull introduced Officer Boudreau		Motion Carried.	
to the Council.		 PUBLIC HEARING 	
ii. Police Department YTD Stats – April 2024		a. None.	
• Police Chief Faull presented year-to-date stats, as		7. INTRODUCTION OF O	RDINANCES
of April 2024 to the Council.		a. None.	
iii. Department of public Services Budget		GENERAL BUSINESS D	ISCUSSION
• City Manager Smith presented the fiscal year		a. Selection of Contractor for Harbour Pointe Road	
2024-25 budget for the Department of public Services		Repairs	
to the Council.		MOTION: Motion by Pries	t, supported by Kissel to
iv. Administrative (Administrative (Clerk/Treasurer/Cemetery) select Hard Rock Concrete as the contractor for		s the contractor for repair
Budget		of the roads in Harbour Point	te subdivision.
City Clerk/Treasurer Hootman presented the fiscal		ROLL CALL VOTE:	
	he Clerk/Treasurer's office	Council Member Beebe	Aye
and Hillside Cemetery to the Council.		Council Member Kissel	Aye
v. Council Follow Up List		Council Member Priest	Aye
Council Member Priest		Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
1. Inquired about the pump house on S. Liberty,		Mayor Voigt	Aye
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asking if it was a city park. Additionally, he asked Motion Carried.

b. Accessible Pedestrian Signal (APS) Quote for 3rd and Main

ii. MMRMA Monthly Claims Acknowledgements

iii. DUWA Finance Charge

iv. CDBG 2023 Award Letter

i. City Manager Smith provided an update, stating that he is working with the company that provided the initial quote for the APS to obtain additional grant sources and opportunities.

c. Purchase of ESRI ArcGIS licenses.

MOTION: Motion by Priest, supported by Beebe approving the purchase of ESRI ArcGIS licenses, as part of the City Works and GIS mapping software ... ROLL CALL VOTE:

OLL CALL VOIL.	
ouncil Member Beebe	Aye
ouncil Member Kissel	Aye
Council Member Priest	Aye
layor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
layor Voigt	Aye
Iotion Carried.	

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Priest approving the purchase of new garage doors for the Police Department from Crawford Door in the amount of \$14,400.

ROLL CHEL TOTE.	
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Kissel	Aye
Council Member Priest	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
Mayor Voigt	Aye
Motion Comied	-

Motion Carried.

e. Confirmation of Appointment of DPS Director

Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Kissel	Aye
Council Member Priest	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
Mayor Voigt	Aye
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f. Resolution # 24-017 - Appointments to Boards and

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Priest

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ROLL CALL VOTE:	
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Kissel	Aye
Council Member Priest	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
Mayor Voigt	Aye
Motion Carried.	-

g. Resolution # 24-018 - City Wide Yard Sale

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Bates approving Resolution # 24-018 the dates of September 7th and 8th for the 2024 City Wide Yard

1. Would like signage issues in Harbour Pointe / C 1. Paid a visit to the DPS yard recently, noting it d. PD Garage Door Quotes.

ROLL CALL VOTE:		
Council Member Beebe	Aye	
Council Member Kissel	Aye	
Council Member Priest	Aye	
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Ave	

MOTION: Motion by Priest, supported by Beebe approving the appointment of Anthony Bollini as the new Director of the Department of Public Services. ROLL CALL VOTE

COLL CALL VOIL.		
Council Member Beebe	Aye	
Council Member Kissel	Aye	
Council Member Priest	Aye	
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye	
Mayor Voigt	Aye	

Motion Carried.

Commissions

approving Mayor Voigt's appointment of Claudette Serpetti to the Board of Review

organizational work on the City Hall archive room, noting that it looks much better. c. Informed Council that city email addresses will undergo a migration from Rackspace to Outlook 365. VC3 will be on-site to assist with the transition and to work out any kinks.

d. Stated that the list of I.T. inventory is ready to go, and the items just need to be ordered.

e. Will be attending the Aging Mobility Resources SEMCOG meeting on the 23rd of May.

f. The City Works software implementation is underway and is expected to go live by the end of

approved, noting that the city will be receiving 4

i. The flashing yield sign to be placed at the 5-points intersection arrived today and will soon be installed

ii. Looking forward to positive changes and momentum in the city.

iii. Excited for Clerk Hootman to continue her education and would like to see more cross-training within the city to allow employees to utilize their paid time off more easily.

sounding amazing.

ii. Reminded everyone about the Memorial Day parade taking place on Monday, May 27.

iii. Noted that the organization of the city archives is going well.

iv. Spoke to City Manager Smith about obtaining more robust budget reports.

c. Priest

2. Would like the Fire Department to conduct a controlled burn of branches/brush in the DPS yard. · Bob O'Donnel

vi. Citizen Comments on non-Agenda Items

1. Discussed concerns about traffic and parking in Victoria Commons.

Kent Emerson

1. Echoed O'Donnel's concerns about traffic in Victoria Commons, adding that he is worried about the safety of children in the area.

2. Would like to see the ordinance regarding campers and boats parked on property enforced in Victoria Commons.

· Martha Hanoian

1. Stated that she recently experienced vandalism to her home on N. Liberty while she was away from the property, adding that the responding Police officers handled the situation with grace and respect.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

ROLL CALL VOTE:	
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Kissel	Aye
Council Member Priest	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Aye
Mayor Voigt	Aye

Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

a. Approval of Minutes

i. May 6, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting

b. Communications i. Ritter GIS Activity Report

June.

g. Announced that the GIS intern program was interns this summer, in 2 rounds of 2 students each.

h. Hoping to receive an announcement on the T-Mobile Hometown Grant for digital kiosks by the end of this month.

by the Department of Public Services. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

a. Bates i. Excited to have a proactive DPS.

iv. Thinks the Frie Department Cadet Program

v. Thanked everyone in attendance at the meeting. b. Kissel

i. Inquired if the GIS interns should have a city I.D. card.

Van Buren Township **Police Dispatch Log**

There were 287 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following. Sunday, May 26:

- 0250 intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
- 0328 noise complaint, Denton Rd.
- 0721 vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
- 0744 fight, Quirk Rd.
- 0937 larceny from auto, Belleville Rd. 1029 - property damage accident, Rawsonville
- Rd./W. Huron River Dr.
- 1122 leaving the scene of a property damage cident, E. Huron River Dr.
- 1238 vehicle lockout, Haggerty Rd.
- 1412 road hazard, S. I-94 Service Dr./Hannan
- 1321 property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275 1505 - vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
- 1401 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Huron River Dr./Ormond Dr.
- 1530 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Coolidge St./Wheeler St.
- 1549 property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Morton Taylor Rd.
- 1639 malicious destruction of property, W. Huron River Dr.
- xxxx malicious destruction of property, Haggerty Rd.
- 1647 road hazard, Rolan Meadows Dr./Tyler Rd.
- 1706 welfare check, Haggerty Rd.
- 1659 intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.
- xxxx trespassing, Belleville Rd.
- xxxx malicious destruction of property, Rebecca Ct.
- 1828 missing person, Cedarhurst Dr.
- 1912 trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1925 property damage accident, Haggerty/I-94
- 1939 property damage accident, E. I-94 / Belleville Rd.
- 1955 property damage accident, E. I-94 / Belleville Rd.
- 2019 fight, Belleville Rd.
- 2052 property damage accident, W. I-94 / Haggerty Rd.
- xxxx civil matter, Denton Rd.
- 2156 felony assault, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 2312 malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- Monday, May 27:
- 0115 welfare check, Morton Taylor Rd.
- 0727 mental subject, Westlake Cir.
- 0830 intrusion alarm, Chandler
- 0838 911 welfare check, Wildflower Ct.
- 0911 threat, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 0920 property damage accident, Ecorse/NB. I-275
- 1227 assist fire dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1332 assist other dept., Parkwood Dr.
- 1344 domestic, Haggerty Rd.
- 1346 family trouble, Chandler
- 1405 animal complaint, Sumpter Rd.
- 1415 welfare check, W. Huron River Dr.
- 1457 breaking & entering, S. I-94 Service Dr.
- 1458 fraud, Belleville Rd.
- 1503 assist fire dept., Maude Ct.
- 1512 animal complaint, Congress St.
- 1519 domestic, Park Estates Dr.
- 1655 assist fire dept., Belleville Lake
- 1722 intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1742 private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
- 1837 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
- 1913 retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
- 1945 intrusion alarm, Hanover Dr.
- 2224 personal injury accident, Savage/Haggerty
- 2226 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,
- Sumpter Rd.
- Tuesday, May 28:
- 0438 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
- 0452 breaking & entering, Hardwood Dr.
- 0731 private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
- xxxx assist other dept., Kirkridge Park Dr.
- 0849 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Old
- Michigan Rd.
- 0925 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse/bypass
- 1000 larceny, Martinsville Rd.
- xxxx assist other dept., Alden Ave.
- 1052 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.

- 1212 911 welfare check, Stoneybrook Ct.
- 1229 welfare check, Belleville Rd./Van Born Rd. 1314 - ordinance violation - all 7300 MICR codes, Filmore St.

1027 - parking complaint, Castell Blvd.

1510 - domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1535 - civil matter, Park Estates Dr.

1629 - intrusion alarm, Bayshore Dr.

1642 - welfare check, Belleville Rd.

1651 - trespassing, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1712 - misc. complaint, Harmony Ln.

2103 - noise complaint, Greenbriar Dr.

2236 - disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.

2328 - neighbor trouble, Edwards Rd.

2319 - noise complaint, Greenbriar Dr.

2355 - noise complaint, Greenbriar Dr.

0027 - family trouble, Haggerty Rd.

0214 - misc. complaint, Jackson St.

0313 - welfare check, Belleville Rd.

1229 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1342 - disorderly, Belleville Rd.

1204 - overdose, Kirkridge Park Dr.

1243 - missing person, Winchester St.

1353 - domestic, E. Huron River Dr.

1441 - assist fire dept., Denton Rd.

1545 - neighbor trouble, Ironwood Dr.

1452 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1558 - retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

1758 - harassment call, Tyler Rd.

1844 - welfare check, Belleville Rd.

2055 - neighbor trouble, Edwards Rd.

2108 - family trouble, N. Cumberland

2329 - 911 welfare check, Marina Dr.

2357 - disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.

which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

2347 - road hazard, Ecorse/Denton

2121 - warrant arrest, Michigan/Belleville

2213 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

Also, on this week's log are 77 traffic stops, 28 of

Belleville Police

Dispatch Log

0933 - animal complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1538 - welfare check, Sumpter/Belle Villa Blvd.

1734 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

2018 - animal complaint, Second St./Main St.

1829 - assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.

1111 - juvenile complaint, Owen St.

1317 - unattended death, Estrada Dr.

1358 - neighbor trouble, Henry St.

1351 - parking complaint, Lake Villa Dr.

0714 - hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0944 - PPO violation, N. Ponderosa Trl.

0147 – assist fire dept., Alba Ct.

xxxx - fraud, Belleville Rd.

2111 - welfare check, Ayres Ave

1108 - larceny, Belleville Rd.

1617 - fraud, McBride Ave.

1633 - fraud, Belleville Rd.

Rawsonville Rd./S. Grove Rd.

1644 - civil matter, Oak Ln.

1724 - civil matter, Ecorse Rd.

1852 - mental subject,

River Dr.

Haggerty Rd.

Belleville Rd.

Saturday, June 1:

Ln.

0129 - fraud, Price Rd.

1054 - overdose, Pine Dr.

Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.

Ecorse Rd.

Sunday, May 26:

Monday, May 27:

High St.

Service Dr.

Belleville Rd.

1104 - malicious destruction of property, S. I-94

1400 - private property/property damage accident,

1536 - private property impound, Bayshore Dr.

1559 - motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Ecorse Rd.

1641 - private property/property damage accident,

1936 - private property impound, S. I-94 Service

1950 - intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron

2153 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

2314 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

2243 - malicious destruction of property, McBride

0252 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Oak

0748 - assist other dept., E. Huron River Dr./Loza

1227 - property damage accident, W. Huron River

1426 - unauthorized driving away of auto, Haggerty

1622 - property damage accident, Hannan/Tyler

1635 - larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.

xxxx - intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.

Belleville Area Independent/June 6, 2024

2352 - traffic stop, Sumpter/Industrial Pk. Dr.

2310 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance

0709 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance

0818 - traffic stop, Potter Dr./E. Huron River Dr.

1159 - juvenile complaint, S. Edgemont Ave.

1534 - private property/property damage accident,

1748 - traffic offense, W. Columbia Ave./South

1912 - motorist assist, E. Columbia Ave./Main

1947 - assist other dept., Harbour Pointe Dr.

2300 - traffic stop, High St./W. Columbia Ave.

1038 - juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1501 - background investigation, Main St.

1549 - welfare check. Carmell St.

2238 - assist fire dept., Main St.

2158 - traffic stop, High St./Main St.

1350 - assist other dept., Sumpter Rd.

2215 - traffic stop, Main St./High St.

1139 - traffic stop, Main ST.

1547 - traffic stop, Main St.

1704 - traffic stop, Main St.

1805 - traffic stop, Main St.

1829 - traffic stop, Main St.

1838 - traffic stop, Main St.

1554 - assist fire dept., Main St.

2244 – 911 welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd.

0139 - traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./High St.

1728 - juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.

1740 - traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr.

1854 - follow up by officer, Ponderosa

There are 16 traffic stops on this week's log.

1946 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

2051 - malicious destruction of property, San Carlos

Sumpter Township

Police Dispatch Log

0015 - welfare check, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.

0206 - citizen assist, Birch Ct.

0213 - alarm, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.

0243 - fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.

0404 - alarm, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.

0759 - citizen assist, 39000 bl. Willis Rd. 0907 - welfare check, 41000 bl. Judd Rd.

1147 - citizen assist, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1315 - 911 hangup, California St./Dakota Ct.

1852 - traffic complaint/hazard, Harris/Boyd

1921 - animal complaint, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.

1918 - falsely summon police, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.

2014 - suspicious circumstance, 42000 bl. Bemis

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1558 - civil matter, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.

1203 - 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.

2124 - assault, Rustic Ln.

0038 - noise complaint, 23000 bl. Carleton West

1130 - driving while license suspended, Willis Rd.

1816 - traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.

0747 - traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Loza Ln.

0849 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

0904 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance

2351 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

0205 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N.

1623 - motorist assist, E. Huron River/Madelon St.

1714 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

1534 - traffic stop, High St./W. Columbia Ave.

2024 - intrusion alarm, Owen St.

1123 - mental subject, Main St.

1146 - harassment call, Astor Pl.

1319 - vehicle lockout, Carmell St.

1827 - animal complaint, Sumpter Rd.

1110 - juvenile complaint, Owen St.

1339 - juvenile complaint, McBride

1806 - traffic offense, Main St.

2131 - traffic offense, Robbe St.

1409 - fraud, E. Columbia Ave.

Main St.

Fourth St.

Wednesday, May 29:

Thursday, May 30:

Estrada

Church St.

Main St.

Liberty St.

Madelon St.

Main St.

Sunday, May 26:

/ Rawsonville Rd.

St.

Saturday, June 1:

Friday, May 31:

Tuesday, May 28:

Main St./Third St.

- 1342 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
- 1353 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
- 1358 animal complaint, Lenmoore Ave.
- 1528 traffic offense, Van Born Rd./Hannan Rd.
- 1548 vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
- 1547 larceny from auto, Riggs Rd. 1629 - intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
- 1644 parking complaint, Lincoln St.
- 1655 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr./Hannan Rd.
- 1701 parking complaint, Belleville Rd./Robson
- xxxx animal complaint, Rawsonville Rd.
- 1854 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
- 1928 family trouble, Victoria St.
- 2131 suicidal person, S. Ponderosa Trl.
- 2211 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
- 2215 domestic, Rawsonville Rd. 2257 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S.
- I-94 Service Dr.
- Wednesday, May 29:

Hanover Dr.

Barnwell Dr.

Thursday, May 30:

Belleville Rd.

Hamilton St.

Friday, May 31:

Sunrise Ln.

- 0028 suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse Rd.
- 0931 assist other dept., E. Main St.
- 1007 assist citizen, Parkwood Dr. 1031 - property damage accident, Belleville Rd./S.
- I-94 Service Dr. 1036 - assist other dept., N. I-94 Service Dr. /
- Morton Taylor Rd. 1047 - animal complaint, Belleville Rd./Quirk Rd.
- 1053 civil matter, Hanover Dr.

1145 - property damage accident, Greenwood Dr.

1323 - property damage accident, Beck/Ecorse

1554 - property damage accident, Tyler/Haggerty

1712 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

1151 - domestic, Haggerty Rd./Robbe Rd.

1501 - road hazard, E. I-94/Belleville Rd.

1254 - mental subject, Quirk Rd.

1437 - threat, Haggerty Rd.

1554 - civil matter, Ecorse Rd.

1606 - missing person, Quirk Rd.

1651 - intrusion alarm, Westlake Cir.

1842 - noise complaint, Sumpter Rd.

1939 - intrusion alarm, Cobblestone Ct.

2040 - civil matter, N. Ponderosa Trl.

2110 - follow up by officer, Ouirk Rd.

2217 - mental subject, Parkwood Dr.

2302 - 911 welfare check, Revere Dr.

0002 - assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.

0648 - property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

0956 - road hazard, N. I-94 Service Dr./Quirk Rd.

1456 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

0126 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

1504 - property damage accident, Tyler/Walden

1523 - property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.

1033 - welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr./Quirk

0648 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,

0138 - intrusion alarm, W. Schooner Dr.

0858 - animal complaint, Bak Rd.

0910 - intrusion alarm, Hannan Rd.

1122 - welfare check, Brandi Dr.

1210 - welfare check, Fret Rd.

1235 - civil matter, Oak Blvd.

1611 - domestic, Arthur St.

2349 - fraud, Belleville Rd.

1850 - neighbor trouble, Holly Ln.

2352 - disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.

0022 - property check, Belleville

xxxx - repossession. Westlake Cir.

0438 - intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.

0913 - vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.

0914 - welfare check, S. Woodbury Dr.

0933 - intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

1002 - trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.

0658 - welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.

2235 - domestic, Parkwood Dr.

1841 - welfare check, Parkwood Dr.

1329 - unattended death, W. Adams

1839 - civil matter, S. Bellridge Dr.

xxxx - juvenile complaint, McBride

1120 - animal complaint, Lenmoore Ave. 1144 - suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance,





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Driver may have fallen asleep at the wheel causing VBT accident

On Friday May 30, at 3:23 p.m., a vehicle traveling north on Haggerty Road crossed the centerline and sideswiped a vehicle going south on Haggerty. This caused the southbound vehicle to run off the road and into a culvert, where it partially overturned. The vehicle traveling north ran off the roadway into a ditch.

Van Buren Township Deputy Police Chief Joshua Monte reported this occurred on the straight roadway on Haggerty north of Savage Road.

The accident tied up traffic during a busy part of the day, pushing some of the drivers into the city of Belleville and the Lower Huron Clinton Metropark seeking alternate routes.

The driver of the northbound vehicle admitted to not sleeping much over the previous two days and it is believed he fell asleep while driving, Deputy Chief Monte

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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0245 - animal complaint, Sumpter Rd./Willis Rd.

1023 - civil matter, 8600 bl. Meadow Springs Ln.

1337 - animal complaint, Greenmeadow Dr. /

1755 - suspicious vehicle, Bemis Rd./Sumpter Rd.

1848 - fire dept. assist, Country Club Blvd. 1942 - 911 hangup, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.

0050 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Wear Rd. 0139 – fire dept. assist, Walnut St.

0314 – follow-up investigation, Wyoming St. 0352 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.

0918 – follow up investigation, Virginia St. 0945 – suspicious circumstance, Oregon St.

1541 – family trouble, 40000 bl. Willis Rd. 1615 – 911 hang up, Knollwood Dr. 1702 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1719 - 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.

0851 - civil matter, 47000 bl. judd Rd.

1004 - fire dept. assist, Knollwood Dr.

1138 - fire dept. assist, Timberlane Dr.

1247 – citizen assist, New Mexico St. 1309 – follow up investigation, Texas St. 1343 – family trouble, Nevada St. 1402 – fire dept. assist, Colorado St.

1343 – family trouble, Nevada St. 1402 – fire dept. assist, Colorado St.

1200 - suspicious circumstance, Oregon St.

1218 - fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.

1429 - animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1429 - animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1544 - shots fired, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

1214 - animal complaint, 8600 bl. Meadow Springs

1952 - fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.

0411 – follow-up investigation, New Mexico St. 0507 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willis Rd. 0512 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.

2142 - suspicious person, California St.

1147 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr. 1148 – 911 hangup, Carriage Ln.

2030 – fire dept. assist, Delaware St. 2247 – welfare check, 47000 bl. Executive Dr. 2315 – family trouble, New Mexico St.

0629 - fire dept. assist, Iowa St.

1135 – civil matter, Rustic Ln. 1419 – assault, California St.

Wednesday, May 29:

Ln.

1449 – citizen assist, out of township 1454 – alarm, 22000 bl. Carleton West Rd.

Monday, May 27:

Carriage Ln.

Tuesday, May 28:

said.

Fortunately, everyone was properly seat-belted in and there were no reported injuries, he said.

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"This could have been much worse, as we've recently seen," he said referring to the May 18 fatal accident on Haggerty a short distance south of this site.

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1751 – welfare check, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1837 – animal complaint, Martinsville/Wear
2014 – civil matter, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
2244 – animal complaint, Oakville Waltz/Haggerty
2251 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
2302 – citizen assist, Oakville Waltz/Haggerty
2346 – welfare check, Vermont St.
2346 - suspicious circumstance, 43000 bl. Judd
Thursday, May 30:
0220 - citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1107 – animal complaint, Haggerty/Oakville Waltz
1228 - follow-up investigation, 40000 bl. Bemis
1517 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1536 – fire dept. assist, Country Club Blvd.
1603 – welfare check, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1641 – animal complaint, Wilmot Rd./Kozma Rd.
1713 – citizen assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1749 – suspicious vehicle, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1907 – suspicious circumstance, Oregon St.
2033 – civil matter, Wyoming St.
2103 – neighbor dispute, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2124 – family trouble, 47000 bl. Judd Rd.
2255 – neighbor dispute, 20000 bl, Sherwood Rd. 2354 – suspicious person, Delaware St.
Friday, May 31:
0035 – suspicious vehicle, 20000 bl. Martinsville
0128 – traffic complaint/hazard, Willis Rd./Elwell
0215 – 911 hangup, Maine St.
1109 – missing person, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.
1138 – family trouble, Utah St.
1214 – 911 hangup, 8300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1221 – 911 hangup, 29000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1301 - suspicious circumstance, 20000 bl. Bohn
1348 - fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1439 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
1529 - animal complaint, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1611 - follow up investigation, Willis/Haggerty
1635 – 911 hangup, Arizona St.
1702 – suspicious person, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1808 – follow up investigation, 39000 bl. Willis
1920 – animal complaint, Clay Rd./Sumpter Rd.
1934 – follow-up investigation, 45000 bl. Clay Rd
2005 – follow-up investigation, Willis/Haggerty
2127 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
2153 – 911 hangup, 40000 bl. Harris Rd. 2314 – mental health call, Wyoming
Saturday, June 1:
0332 – welfare check, Rawsonville/Willis
0452 – family trouble, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
0507 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0834 - alarm, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0918 – property damage accident, 50000 bl. Wear
1211 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1458 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1508 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1931 – assault, 9400 bl. Rawsonville
Also on this week's log are 178 patrol checks, 78
traffic stops, and 11 misc. details.

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