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## VBT male cited for spray painting ‘Kill Cops’ graffiti on sign

A 40-year-old male resident of Van Buren Township was cited for malicious destruction of property on July 2 after spray-painting “Kill Cops” on the brick base of the Menards’ sign on Belleville Road.

Police Lt. Kenneth Floro said at about 2:30 p.m. on July 2 the Van Buren

Township Police Department received a non-emergency call in reference to a person damaging the Menard’s sign.

The caller reported that a white male subject with long curly hair and a beard, with a black backpack wearing black pants and Bat Man emblems on the pants was spray painting the Menard’s sign on

Belleville Road.

The caller further advised that the male subject spray painted the phrase “Kill Cops” on the brick base of the sign.

Lt. Floro said Van Buren Officers had observed the male subject several times earlier in the day walking on Belleville Road and the male subject displayed

derogatory hand gestures toward the officers.

Floro said it should be noted that there have been other malicious destruction of property reports with identical “Kill Cops” graffiti painted on buildings in the township over the last few weeks.

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Photo courtesy Elena Manalp, VBT Communications Dept.

Even though it was very hot, on Sunday people visited the lavender fields at Debuck’s Family Farm on Martz Road in Van Buren Township. Reportedly, the sunflowers are starting to open up as well, so Debucks may have to move up their next festival.

## City Council ‘waiting for the dust to settle’ after city manager loss

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
 Independent Editor

On Monday after hearing public comment and one other announcement, the Belleville City Council went into 40 minutes of closed-door session to discuss a written legal opinion regarding long-term contracts. Present were an attorney, the DPW director, and the public safety director.

Before the mayor asked everyone to

leave the meeting room, the council heard comments from the owner of a store on Main Street who has the parking spaces in front of her store blocked by trucks whose drivers belong to the business next door. She says she’s been asking the city for help with this for six months and won’t give up.

The council also heard a resident of North Liberty Street say she is disappointed their road will not be done this year, but the sidewalk is all broken up and can that be

repaired? She learned flags and sidewalk disarray was part of a DTE project to move gas meters inside. She asked for a speed bump on Liberty to slow down traffic and mayor Voigt said they could look into that as part of next year’s work.

A third speaker asked about crazy water bills. She said she is a shop owner and also a Realtor and her client sold her city property and moved out of state. Her client was told not to pay the water bill and she

didn’t and the Realtor was worried about escrow problems.

Mayor Voigt said the city wants to work with everyone on the water bill problems and he said the same thing happened to him with the billing.

When asked about when a new city manager will be on board, mayor Voigt said, “We’re waiting for the dust to settle ... We’re not in a hurry ... We want to take

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## City Council

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a logical approach.”

Assistant city manager Steve Jones is handling the manager position now.

Public Safety Director Kris Faull said MCOLES (Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards) did an on-site evaluation of the police department a week earlier and the department passed “with flying colors. We did very well.”

Then everyone was asked to leave the room and all but three people who were in the audience went home. Then Fire Chief 2 Chris Zweng joined those waiting for the council to continue the meeting. The public had to sit on the stairway for 40 minutes, since no chairs were in the hallway. Chief Zweng sat on the floor.

When the door to the council meeting room was reopened, the council took no action except to vote to go back into public session.

In other business at the one-hour-11-minute meeting, the council:

- Heard councilwoman Julie Kissel say that the consent agenda was not working the way the previous city manager thought it would and maybe Jones would like to make changes. She also asked for budget reports every month;

- Heard the mayor report the pickleball court is up in Village Park and has yet to have the sign put up with rules on it;

- Heard mayor pro-tem Kelly Bates ask if the orange thing on the ground at Victory Park could be removed now that the new restroom was finished. Jones said that was part of the EV charging station that was coming;

- Voted unanimously to pay up to \$6,200 to Giffels Webster to put together an updated Recreation Plan so the city would be eligible for grants. Mayor Voigt said the city missed out on a recreation grant this year because they weren’t eligible because of the old plan;

- Heard Jones report that the new clock for the Fourth Street Square has been delivered and is at the DPW yard until it is installed on July 16. He also said they are working to get all the water bills reassessed and corrected. He noted that there have been a lot of tax bill questions and citizens were expecting a larger over-all decrease in their summer taxes;

- Heard Kissel say there has been a busy two weeks and she thanked everyone who put their heads down and pitched in to help. The mayor thanked Kissel for working to solve the problems that have arisen; and

- Approved accounts payable, including a \$4,500 payment to Davenport Brothers for cleaning up the city property next to the DPW yard where all the trash containers had been lined up, along with other trash. Kissel said she found that this bill was 35 days old and so she called Davenport to check on it.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman

At Monday’s meeting of the Belleville City Council, Antonio Harrison, left, and Eamon Conner told the council what they do at city hall as interns. Conner said he came to Eastern Michigan University to study public administration and he has been a management intern at the city since early May. He said he manages the high school work crews and is working to update the general policy manual, which hasn’t been updated since the 1990s. Harrison said he is a junior at Grand Valley State University and he wants to be a lawyer and his work for the city will build on that.

## VBT signs 20-page agreement with Stellantis developer

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

On July 1, a 20-page development agreement on the Stellantis project was unanimously approved between Van Buren Township and YIP Ecorse BTS Partners Development, LLC, for the developer.

The project is a 2.1 million-square-foot warehouse on the 354-acre site on Ecorse Road between Denton and Beck roads. It is owned by Wayne County Airport Authority. Hillwood/Sterling Group, LLC of Rosemont, IL is the developer which has a long-term land lease.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara said a similar agreement was entered into in 2018 for the Subaru development on Michigan Ave.

The Stellantis agreement splits the project into two phases: site grading, stormwater detention pond, construction of the building footprint and shell, parking lot, and berms. The second phase will include all other items. There is a \$100,000 performance guarantee.

There also is a provision for a tree agreement. The township shall accept a payment into the tree fund of \$83.33 per tree for 1,200 trees for a total tree fund

payment of \$100,000. This fund shall be used by the township to support the development of a neighborhood park in the Denton Village area.

The board also approved a variance from the township’s engineering standards for the Stellantis project to allow a dry detention pond and to allow the development to meet the county discharge rate for the project.

Ron Akers, director municipal services, said the township’s engineering standards were last updated in 2014 and 2021. The project meets the county discharge rate.

He said the property has a large wetlands area that would need to be filled in if it attempted to meet the township rules. Akers said the township will be updating its engineering standards.

He said the project is adjacent to Willow Run Airport’s runway approach.

A special land use also was approved for 9.7 acres of industrial outdoor storage for Stellantis.

In other business at the 40-minute meeting on July 1, the board:

- Approved the 2024 annual audit of all township funds presented by Plante Moran. Supervisor McNamara said it showed \$1.6 million surplus in the general fund and

\$1.3 million in the landfill fund and, “We did great. It’s a great audit”;

- Approved the first reading of a zoning ordinance amendment to create zoning regulations addressing Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). The second reading and adoption is expected at the next meeting of the board. The BESS containers, which are the size of a train car, must not be white, but painted neutral colors to blend in with its surroundings, and they will not be stacked. Sam Cusano of RWE, which plans a BESS site at the corner of Bemis and Rawsonville roads in the township, helped planners with details for the ordinance. Krishnan stressed the BESS ordinance is not just for his site but for use throughout the township. Cusano helped consultants craft the ordinance to be more stringent. Krishnan told them Cusano had said the federal government might require barbed wire on top of a BESS fence for security;

- Approved the first reading of a zoning ordinance amendment to require at least a quarter of a mile of spacing between motor vehicle fueling stations. The second reading and adoption is expected at the next meeting of the board. Akers said

a moratorium on fueling stations had been in effect from January until June 21 while they studied the issue. Township planning consultant Vidya Krishnan of McKenna Associates told the planners that a study showed the township now has 14 gas stations and five more if you look at places just across the borders in the cities of Belleville and Romulus and Sumpter township, which makes 19 total. She said six township sites still have C-1 zoning and would qualify as potential gas station sites;

- Approved proposed fee increases for McKenna & Associates, planning consultants, which has had no fee increases since 2017. The first year the increase will be 9% and the next year will be 4.5%. The exact figures will be determined and brought back for approval at an upcoming meeting. McNamara said the increases are not unrealistic and the township has had a 20-year partnership with McKenna;

- Extended the deferment of the review of new applications pertaining to soil removal/mining and ponds until Jan. 1, 2026. A six-month moratorium on the issue was put into effect on Jan. 25. Director Akers said his department has been so tied

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# O P I N I O N S

## Guest Editorial:

### Congress must help new postmaster general pull USPS back from brink

By Martha Diaz Aszkenazy, Chair  
National Newspaper Association  
Publisher of *The San Fernando Valley*  
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The United States Postal Service is on the brink of a self-induced collapse. The failed policies of the Delivering for America Plan have driven away customers through a combination of sky-high rate increases and degraded service.

David Steiner, who will take over as Postmaster General on July 14, 2025, has a tough job to do and little time to do it with some estimates indicating the USPS could be insolvent as soon as 2028.

Congress has a key role to play in helping him right the ship but must get off the sidelines and act. A useful step occurred early last week with a hearing before the House Oversight Subcommittee on Government Operations. The National Newspaper Association (NNA) provided a statement for the hearing that lays out key actions Congress can take to help restore the USPS.

We emphasized that NNA members serve their communities, providing news on local events and civic matters that are not covered anywhere else, and that they depend on the USPS to get their papers to subscribers. The USPS — and by extension the small businesses in the communities they serve — faces an immediate and

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## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

On July 1, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Kevin Cox held a special conference on the law suit trying to prevent radioactive waste from being brought to Wayne Disposal toxic landfill in Van Buren Township. It was filed last September by Belleville, Canton, Romulus, Van Buren Township and its fire chief, and Wayne County.

On July 1 there was a contingent of local residents in court. Both sides presented their cases on the issue and then Judge Cox said he would take it under advisement. He is expected to have a decision in the next few weeks. A review hearing was set for July 23.

The landfill, owned by Republic Waste, also is seeking renewal of its operating license through the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. It seeks perpendicular expansion, since the flight zone has been changed at Willow Run Airport, among other proposals. EGLE said it expected to have a final decision in the next few months and if the landfill is following all the rules set by the state and federal governments EGLE will not be able to deny the request.

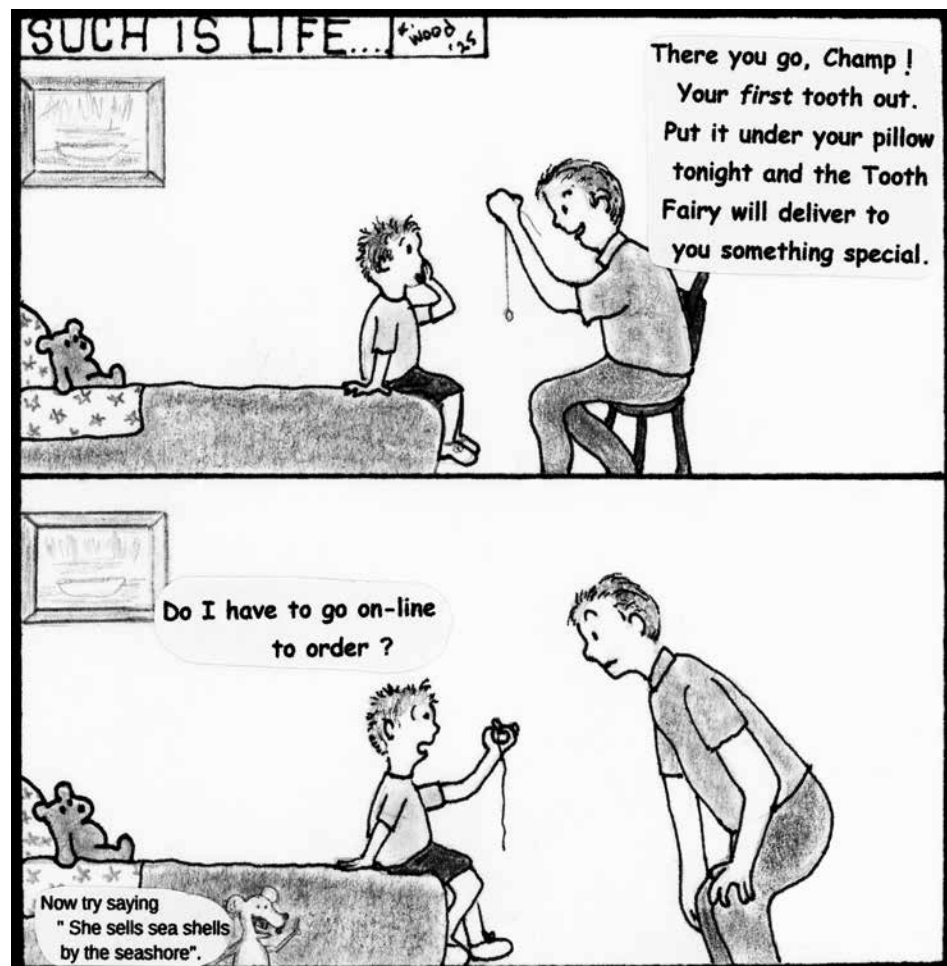
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At Monday's city council meeting, Belleville mayor Ken Voigt said the water-skiing squirrel at Lakefest was the coolest thing ever to happen to Belleville and, "We'll have to have him back."

He also said all the transitions necessary after the loss of the city manager have caused him to have migraines for two weeks, but it's not the worst thing to happen to the city since he's been there.

The mayor is a city retired police officer and he said he remembers having to go looking

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



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for a city manager before a meeting in 1994 and found the city manager had committed suicide. He said he knew I remembered that and I did. That city manager also stole the city attorney's gun to do it. Remember it well.

Nobody on the council remembered that because they weren't here at the time.

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During a discussion before a Belleville Planning Commission meeting, commissioner John Juriga mentioned that he had taught shop in Romulus before his retirement and he remembers paddling the boy who grew up to be the current mayor of Romulus.

Mayor Ken Voigt, the Belleville mayor, was in the audience and he exclaimed, "You paddled the Mayor of Romulus?"

Juriga responded he did because that's what you did in those days. He added, "You had to do it."

I've talked to several teachers who are shocked at the way students are allowed to treat teachers these days without any repercussions. It used to be the students would get disciplined at school and then disciplined at home as well when the father heard about what happened at school.

Not any more. Now the teachers get in trouble if they complain about the students, they tell me, so they don't complain, and it gets worse.

We're glad not all the students misbehave. Some appear to be the wonderful leaders of the future that we will need.

Somebody told me they saw on Facebook that a barbecue grille and a beer trailer were stolen from Johnny's on the Lake a couple of weeks ago. The loss was estimated at about \$20,000. I saw they had their barbecue sign up last week when we delivered papers, so somehow, they are back in the barbecue business.

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Craig Nathaniel Croom, 24, and Jaylen Malik Paschal, 21, both of Greensboro, NC, were video-arraigned in custody on June 16 on identical charges of fleeing and eluding a police officer 4th degree — felony and assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer on June 12 in Van Buren Township.

They both have bond set at \$500,000 cash or surety. On June 25 they both were present by video from the Wayne County Jail. And the probable cause conference for the co-defendants was adjourned until July 2.

Both defendants waived their preliminary exams and were bound over to circuit court for July 9 arraignments on the information. The defense attorney for Croom asked Judge Patton for a reduction in bond because he has no criminal history and is not a flight risk. Judge Patton denied the request based on the facts in the case but said the defendant could request bond reduction at circuit court.

Not a flight risk?



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## Letters

### Museum sets lecture on beginning genealogy

Dear Friends of the Belleville Area Museum,  
Thank you to everyone who came out for last month's lecture on "How to Date Your Old House" by Tyler Moll. I hope everyone learned as much as I did. I also learned from our impressive speaker that our lovely museum, in the old Van Buren Town Hall, is likely a Folk-Italianate style building due to its construction in 1875, its slightly-rounded windows, and the former stylized balcony.

This month's lecture is called "Genealogy: A Beginner's Guide" and will be presented by John Mills on Thursday, July 24. As usual, the

lecture will be from 6-7 p.m., while free pizza will be available at 5:30. If you're interested in coming, you can RSVP by emailing [bam@vbtmi.gov](mailto:bam@vbtmi.gov) to save a seat. Join us in learning new methods for researching genealogy.

Last month was also Belleville's annual Lakefest. The museum had over 170 visitors for the event, and we loved being able to see and talk to everyone about Belleville Lake's 100th anniversary.

Speaking of, the museum has expanded our permanent exhibit on the French Landing Dam, now with a drafting table that will display the master drawings for the dam on rotation. We will also have a slideshow in the exhibition area of our collection of photographs taken of the dam during its construction in 1925.

We also have a new centennial celebration sign outside the front door on Main Street for people to take photos with for the rest of the summer, so drop by to take a picture and see our exhibit. Also, we still have special Belleville Lake Anniversary merchandise available. We have T-shirts XS-3XL, coffee mugs, and tote bags! Pick them up while they're still available.

In case anyone missed it, our museum was featured in the Van Buren Community Service's Summer Program Guide in the spotlight section. If you would like to read about how the museum started and how it's been going, drop by and pick up a copy (available at the museum and at the township hall).

I hope everyone had an amazing holiday. Let me know if you have any questions.

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# Musings

By Janet Millard  
Independent  
Advertising Director



Don't forget the open house at Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue on Saturday. You know by now that it is one of my favorite non-profits that really puts all donations to work immediately. This can be a family event to enjoy and maybe even adopt one of their dogs or cats. At the very least, please attend to support their endeavors as a non-kill shelter.

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Next Thursday, July 17, at 6 p.m. take the family to Wayne County Community College, Ted Scott Campus at 9555 Haggerty Road, for a free movie. "Minecraft" is about four misfits who are suddenly pulled through a mysterious portal into a bizarre, cubic wonderland that thrives on imagination. To get back home, they'll have to master this world while embarking on a quest with an unexpected, expert crafter. Movies will be shown indoors but they say to bring your blankets,

## Guest Editorial

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existential crisis. We urge Congress to act swiftly and compel meaningful reform at the USPS.

Here are three actions Congress can take right now to get the USPS back on track and keep commerce in America moving:

- **Demand the USPS Board halt the Delivering for America Plan including the large rate increase planned for July 13, 2025.** This increase, far above the rate of inflation will only deepen the hole and ties the hands of incoming Postmaster General David Steiner, who should have the opportunity to assess the situation. The same holds true for the network consolidations and service cuts. Every customer that is lost through these increases and service reductions is one less Steiner can rely on in the future.

- **Modernize and empower the USPS regulator.** Effective checks and balances are needed to keep the USPS on track. Congress needs to update and modernize the postal regulatory process to better safeguard against excessive rates and poor service by passing H.R. 3004, the USPS SERVES US Act.

- **Measure newspaper costs accurately.** Congress should compel accurate measurement of newspaper service and hold the USPS accountable for maintaining and improving service quality by enacting H.R. 2098/S.1002, the Deliver for Democracy Act.

These are all commonsense steps Congress can take to address what has been clearly a failed approach by USPS management. Steiner has a huge job ahead of him and will need all the help he can get.

Congress must act now to make sure the nation's next Postmaster General is not the last one.

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Music Lakeside tonight at 7 p.m. with Lady Sunshine and the X Band.

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## Upcoming Meetings

- Thursday, July 10 – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. (Belleville Planning Commission canceled.)
- Tuesday, July 15 – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., and workshop at 5 p.m. as needed
- Wednesday, July 16 – City of Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m., Belleville City Hall, 6 Main St.
- Monday, July 21 – Belleville City Council, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, July 22 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 3 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township board, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, July 23 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, July 28 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building

- Wednesday, July 30 – Joint meeting of tri-community planning commissions of Belleville, Van Buren Township, and Sumpter Township at 5 p.m. at the Belleville High School cafeteria.

- Monday, Aug. 4 – Belleville City Council, 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 5 – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., and workshop at 5 p.m. as needed
- Monday, Aug. 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m. Administration Building
- Tuesday, Aug. 12 – Sumpter Township board meeting, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 13 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 14 – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m.

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### ANNIE HOOSE

May 20, 1924 – July 1, 2025

Age 101, of Belleville. Survived by nieces Betty Long of Willis, Lisa Zarr of Brooklyn, MI, Wanda Walters of Hamburg, and Linda Long of Belleville; and her sister Marylee Mullinax of Ellijay, GA.

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### HELENA SZOSTKOWSKI

October 28, 1927 – July 6, 2025

Age 97, of Fenton and formerly of Belleville. Survived by daughter Lillian Volz of Howell, granddaughter Kristy Shaney, and great-granddaughter Allison Shaney. Visitation is July 10 at Brown Funeral Home and Catholic Graveside Committal at Hillside Cemetery.

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### CAYSIN WOOLSEY

July 15, 2010 – July 5, 2025

Age 14, of Garden City. Survived by his mother Sarah Woolsey of Rockwood; siblings, Raylynn Hill, Savannah Woolsey, and Dominick Woolsey; grandparents Mike Harrington and Eric Bunnell. Services July 12 at David C. Brown Funeral Home.

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• **Saturday, July 12** – Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue Open House, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m., 51299 Arkona Rd., Sumpter Township. Building dedication, food trucks, face painting, bounce house. [giving@friendsofmichigan.org](mailto:giving@friendsofmichigan.org) (734) 391-0015

• **Sunday, July 13** – Bring returnable cans and bottles to Meijer on Belleville Road between the hours of 9 and 11 a.m. to donate them to the Belleville High School Dance Team. They are earning money to go to summer camp. Pickups: [bellevilledanceteams@gmail.com](mailto:bellevilledanceteams@gmail.com)

• **Monday, July 14, and Tuesday, July 15** – Van Buren Community Players have set auditions for roles in "The Odd Couple" for 7-9:30 p.m. both days at the Black Box Theater in the community center, 46425 Tyler Rd. The play will be put on in September. Information at [www.vanburencommunityplayers.com](http://www.vanburencommunityplayers.com).

• **Wednesday, July 16 through Saturday, July 19** – Vacation Bible School, "Hometown Nazareth," at LifePointe Church, 45170 Hull Rd. From 6 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Saturday. To register, see the link on their Facebook page or call (734) 697-0927.

• **Thursday, July 17** – Third Thursday in the Ville is from 5 to 8 p.m. when pop up crafters are in the Fourth Street Square and inside retail businesses in downtown Belleville. It's the Third Thursday of each month from March through December.

• **Thursday, July 17** – Music Lakeside in Belleville, 7-9 p.m. Tonight performing is Carl Bradychok.

• **Friday, July 18** – Eagle Riders Summer Steak Roast at the Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., Van Buren Township. Starts at 5 p.m. until gone, followed by entertainment.

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• **Saturday, July 19** – Sumpter Township Family Fun Day is from noon to 3 p.m. at Graham Park, 23483 Sumpter Rd. Activities include bounce house with water slides, games galore, free vision screening for the kids from the Lions Club, food trucks, ice cream truck.

• **Monday, July 21** – Auditions for the Missoula Children's Theatre production of "The Jungle Book" are being held at McBride Middle School, 47097 McBride Ave., Van Buren Township. There are 50-60 roles for students K-12. After rehearsals are held from 4:30-8:30 p.m., July 21-25, two performances will be held. Sponsored by Belleville Area Council for the Arts.

• **Thursday, July 24** – Music Lakeside in Belleville, 7-9 p.m. Performing is Smoke Jones.

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# Kelsey Trombly of Huron Twp. earns four world lifting records

Kelsey Thombly, 21, of Huron Township achieved four world records in Powerlifting in June.

She is a graduate of Huron High School. She has always been an athlete and had offers from various colleges to play volleyball. She decided she wanted to stay remote and was offered a nice scholarship to play and attend Schoolcraft College.

During her time at Schoolcraft she began lifting heavier weights more and saw the potential she had to attain state and national records in Powerlifting.

She ended up pursuing the route of AAPF Powerlifting (a branch of the World Powerlifting Congress), drug free, and Raw division and leaving school. She now trains/coaches athletes, does her own Powerlifting schedule, is an animal/dog sitter and had her first sponsored Powerlifting meet.

Kelsey has been Powerlifting for just two years starting at the age of 19 and attaining that age group's State records in her first meet.

In that short time she has attained eight state records, six national records and now holds four world records. June

13 was the APF/AAPF 2025 Nationals Championships at the Royal Oak Gym, Royal Oak, MI.

She competed in the AAPF, Female Junior division (20-23 year old), 165#/75kg weight class, Raw and beat all four World Records. These are her world records: Squat 319.5 pounds, Bench 214.75 pounds, Deadlift 380.25 pounds, Total of all three lifts 914.5 lbs.

All these were accomplished with an injured hamstring, which occurred in April during a church-related volleyball tournament. She plans on taking a break and rehabbing her hamstring and will attempt to beat her current records with the numbers she was hitting prior to hurting her leg.

Her mother, Kelley M. Trombly of Huron Township, said her daughter is an amazing

young woman with great aspirations.

"She is a positive role model for all young women and promotes positive attitude, a determination and goal-oriented mindset, and always walks through her spiritual faith in God," Kelley Trombly said. She said Kelsey is looking for larger

sponsorships so she can focus on her eating and lifting.

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## BHS Class of 1965 seeks classmates for 60<sup>th</sup> reunion on Sept. 27

The Belleville High School Class of 1965 is planning to celebrate its 60<sup>th</sup> reunion on Sept. 27 at the Belleville Yacht Club, 831 E. Huron River Dr., Van Buren Township.

Committee members are reaching out to classmates to find out how many plan to attend, so they can organize the party.

Those interested are ask to email Thomas Neuhart at [thomas.neuhart@yahoo.com](mailto:thomas.neuhart@yahoo.com) or Bill Cabana at [copaiii@aol.com](mailto:copaiii@aol.com). They also may plan a social hour on Sept. 26 at a different location.

## Pause, Stack named to Deans' List at Saginaw Valley State University

More than 1,800 students from Saginaw Valley State University earned a spot on the winter 2025 semester Deans' List.

They include Samantha Pause of Van Buren Township and Johnathan Stack of Belleville.

To be eligible for the Deans' List, a student must take at least 12 credit hours and carry a semester GPA of 3.4 or better.

## BHS Dance Team sets fundraising can/bottle drive for this Sunday

The Belleville High School Dance Team is holding a fund-raising can and bottle drive on Sunday, July 13, to earn money to help send members to summer camp.

If you received an orange ticket on your mailbox, leave returnables at the end of your driveway Saturday night for pick up early Sunday morning.

If you didn't get an orange ticket and you want to support the team, bring returnable cans and bottles to Belleville Meijer between 9 and 11 a.m. on Sunday, July 13, or email the team for pickup options: [bellevilledanceteams@gmail.com](mailto:bellevilledanceteams@gmail.com)

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# Sumpter board directs clerk to spend unknown amount on properties

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

Sumpter Township attorney Rob Young, who did not have a place on the June 24 agenda, interrupted the agenda to discuss properties that will be available for the township to buy.

He said a list of properties will be made available by Wayne County on July 1 and he didn't want Sumpter to miss out on buying three of them. The list will contain properties that have reverted to the county for non-payment of taxes, he said.

Young read the parcel numbers of the three pieces of property they should buy without further explanation.

He asked board members to pass a motion for the clerk to respond to the county on the three parcels and they can formally be purchased at the next regular township board meeting. He said he didn't want to wait too long after the properties were announced and risk losing out on them.

Before voting on the motion that was proposed aside from agenda items, board members asked how much the purchase will be.

Young said he didn't know the cost and it will be whatever the tax not paid is -- somewhere between \$20,000 and \$25,000, he thought. He said if the township then decides to sell the property, it will get more than its money back.

He said the purchases will "improve the surrounding area" for township residents.

Without any motion to add a new item to the agenda, the board unanimously passed the motion requested by the attorney. Absent and excused from the meeting were Clerk Don LaPorte and Treasurer Bart Patterson.

In other business at the 34-minute meeting, the board:

- Heard a report from financial director Julie Campbell, noting the royalty payment from the landfill was \$197,950.18 in May, which was \$7,000 more than last year at this time. She said the original general fund budget with revenues,

expenses, and how much has been spent so far is available. "We're fine and not running over budget," she said. She said there hasn't been a budget for Parks and Recreation as far as March, because it wasn't active, but she will produce that now. She said township revenue is exceeding expenses by \$1.3 million. She also said some MEDC and ARPA funds have been moved around and now needs to be audited;

- Heard Director of Public Works Ron Tabor give a report on water and sewer matters. He said there was \$75,000 in delinquencies for June and shut offs are scheduled for property owners who owe more than \$200 each billing period. He said water hydrants will be painted with aerosol cans because paint brushes get too sloppy. They will be able to stay away from the fittings. He said the annual water report required by the Environmental Protection Agency is available on the township website;

- Heard Township Manager Ken Marten explain that Zach Goodhart with Michigan Lake and Pond had an emergency and was unable to attend this meeting for his presentation. It has been rescheduled for July 22. Marten said Goodhart will talk about removing invasive vegetation from Sherwood Pond in Banotai Park;

- Heard Marten also say retired township manager Anthony Burdick's final payout will be on the July 8 agenda and there will be active-shooter training July 10 at township hall. He also announced the district library would like to use an outdoor area for some library programs and he'd like to see them use the property. He also said the board has his written report for the rest of the information given and there's no reason for him to read it to them;

- Heard Rush remind everyone that July 4 is the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and added that's why he's dressed so patriotically;

- Approved using remaining ARPA funds to pay for a portion of the HVAC system purchased from Dynamic Energy Solutions. It

originally was allocated as ARPA but was paid out of Capital Projects per the board agenda item. They will use about \$17,000, depending on interest accrued in ARPA investment. Trustee Matt Oddy said originally \$37,000 was approved;

- Approved retroactively extending the hiring of Wyatt Behrendt as a seasonal, part-time DPW worker effective April 7 through July 7 at the AFSCME rate of \$23.33 per hour up to 29 hours per week. The contract requires hiring on 90-day terms so this will be back on the agenda at the next meeting to approve his work into September. This is needed for grass cutting;

- Approved a recommendation by Parks and Recreation for a budget not to exceed \$700 for the garden at Banotai Park for repairs, plants, and marking the boundary to the site. Funds will be paid out of General Fund/Parks and Recreation;

- Approved a budget requested by Parks and Recreation not to exceed \$2,000 for Family Fun Day expenses. Funds will be paid out of General Fund/Parks and Recreation;

- Approved issuing a request for a proposal for protective epoxy floor coating in the fire house bays and gear room;

- Approved renewing CableCast support with CTI effective July 11, 2025 until July 10, 2026 at a cost of \$960;

- Heard resident Kay Harris ask the board to consider buying drones for the police and fire departments, given drones are helping with fighting the forest fires in several states and Canada. She noted police also could find seniors who lost their way in the woods and suspects who escape from arrest. The drones would help the fire department fight fires. She was told the police have a drone. She asked them to buy a drone for the fire department; and

- Heard Zeola Walker mention the new play equipment in Graham Park and asked if any board members ever try to sit in that park, which is full of mosquitoes.



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## Devin Nickolas Porter

Devin Nickolas Porter, 24, of Detroit was due for his probable cause conference on Jan. 24, 2024 on charges of receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle and unauthorized driving away of an auto on Oct. 21, 2022 in Van Buren Township. The probable cause conference was adjourned to Feb. 7, 2024 for discovery. A live preliminary exam was set for March 20, 2024 and then rescheduled for May 1, 2024. The exam was waived and

he was bound over to circuit court for a May 15, 2024 arraignment on the information. Calendar conference was set for June 28 and continued to Sept. 19 and then to Nov. 7, adjourned to Dec. 18. He failed to appear so a warrant was signed for his arrest.

## Dennis Michael House

Dennis Michael House, 68, of New Boston, is charged with operating while intoxicated-third and blood alcohol content of .17 or more on Oct. 9, 2021 in Sumpter Township. He was arraigned Nov. 11, 2023 out-county and personal bond set at \$10,000. His probable cause conference was set for Nov. 22, and then adjourned to Dec. 20 and then Jan. 10, 2024. The defense attorney told Judge Oakley that his client recently lost his foot.

House, now of Saline, on Jan. 29 was charged with operating with a blood alcohol content of .17 or more and operating while intoxicated on Jan. 13, 2023. He was arraigned on a bench warrant while in custody of Van Buren Township police. Personal bond was set at \$5,000. A probable cause conference was set for Feb. 7. Then a probable cause conference was set for Feb. 28.

His earlier Sumpter Township charges also were set for a probable cause conference on Feb. 7 and that also was set for another probable cause conference on Feb. 28.

On Feb. 28, 2024 he waived his exams on both charges and Judge Martin bound him over to circuit court for a March 13 arraignment on the information. A calendar conference was set for March 22. Final conference was April 18 and a jury trial was set for May 1.

On April 18, 2024 he pled guilty to a new charge of operating under the influence and one of the Sumpter charges was dismissed. The jury trial was canceled and sentencing set for May 17 on that case. During a May

17, 2024 pretrial on the Oct. 9, 2021 cases, the charges were dismissed.

His sentence to the new charge of operating under the influence was a fee of \$1,998, jail up to 13 months concurrent with the Washtenaw County case, three years of probation, upon release from jail he is to be remanded until pickup by the Salvation Army for in-patient treatment. Local confinement in the Wayne County Jail, credit of 23 days for time served. Also 30 days of community work.

## Darien Lynn Long

Darien Lynn Long, 56, of Stone Mountain, GA, is charged with brandishing weapons/firearms in public and two assault or assault and batteries on Oct. 6 in Van Buren Township. He was scheduled for a remote arraignment and pretrial on Feb. 7 which was adjourned until Feb. 14. He failed to appear, so a show-cause hearing was set for Feb. 28.

He was present, waived assistance of an attorney, and pled guilty before Judge Martin to brandishing and one assault/assault & battery charge and the second assault charge was dismissed. The brandishing charge will have a delayed sentence of 12 months and a fine of \$100 and the A&B a delayed sentence of four months and a fine of \$400. He also was sentenced to take an anger-management class. The charges will be dismissed if he has no further criminal charges in the state of Michigan during the delayed periods. Judge Martin called it "a global agreement."

## Daniel Lee Timpf

Daniel Lee Timpf, 37, of Dearborn Heights is charged with retail fraud on May 2, 2022 in Van Buren Township. He was scheduled for his remote arraignment / pretrial on Feb. 7, 2024. He failed to appear and a show-cause hearing was set for March 20. He failed to appear again. On March 27 a bench warrant was signed. On May 9 he called about the warrant and was told how to deal with the charges.

On May 22, he was charged with retail fraud and driving while license suspended on May 6 in Van Buren Township. He was set for arraignment/pretrial on those charges on June 20. He failed to appear so a show-cause arraignment/pretrial was set for July 18, 2024. He failed to appear and a warrant was signed.

## Anthony Amelio Castellani, Jr.

Anthony Amelio Castellani, Jr., 45, of Van Buren Township, was charged with

aggravated domestic violence and malicious destruction of property on Jan. 29 in Van Buren Township. His pretrial was set for Feb. 7 and then for March 6. Personal bond was \$5,000.

On March 6, the defendant pled guilty to a reduced charge of assault and battery. He was fined \$985 and put on six months of probation and a delayed sentence. If there are no further problems the charge will be dismissed.

## Andre Lovell Crittendon

Andre Lovell Crittendon, 21, of Sumpter Township, is charged with two counts of assault with a dangerous weapon, domestic violence-3<sup>rd</sup> offense notice, and interfering with a crime report on Dec. 11 in Sumpter Township. His preliminary exam was Feb. 7 which was adjourned to Feb. 14. He was being held on \$300,000 cash bond in the Wayne County Jail.

On Feb. 14, the defendant's mother called to say she talked to the officers at the jail and he was not on the docket and they would not be bringing him to the courthouse that day. The exam was conducted and Judge Green dismissed the charges.

## Grayling Jerome Regains

Grayling Jerome Regains, 63, of Van Buren Township, was video-arraigned on a bench warrant while in custody of Van Buren Township police on Dec. 18 on a charge of possession of narcotic or cocaine less than 25 grams on July 18 in Van Buren Township. Personal bond of \$1,000 was set by Judge Oakley and his probable cause conference set for Jan. 3. The preliminary exam was set for Feb. 7. A probable cause conference was held on Feb. 7 and the defendant waived the preliminary exam and was bound over to circuit court for a Feb. 21 arraignment on the information. Calendar conference was Feb. 28 and final conference March 29, when he pled guilty. Sentencing was May 3, reset to May 13. He was sentenced to total fees of \$298 and two years of probation.

He also was arraigned on bench warrants on the Oct. 13, 2020 charges by the Michigan State Police for no insurance and open intoxicant. Remote pretrials on those charges were also set for Jan. 3. The no insurance charge and open intoxicant charges were dropped and he pled guilty to double parking, with a fine of \$205.

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## VBT

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up with other projects that it didn't have time to address any changes that may be needed in the ordinance and needed more time. He said the township has received no new applications;

- Heard supervisor McNamara refer to a letter he received from State Representative Reggie Miller praising the fire fighters who answered the call of a disabled veteran to rescue a cat stuck in a tree for five days. McNamara also said there have been several community events over the past two weekends and there have been no incidents, that he has heard of. He then described the shooter on Bog Road who shot out of his house, but no one was injured and police were able to take him into custody without incident;

- Heard resident Reggie Ion say that a lot of people parked on Ecorse Road's south service drive, which is a residential area, during the air show at Willow Run. He said there was a lot of trash left and his dogs barked for five hours on Saturday and Sunday. He said he approached police before that weekend to make sure they weren't going to let people park in front of the homes to watch the air show for free and police assured him no one would be allowed to park there, but on Saturday people started parking there. Ion said he approached a police officer and told him people weren't supposed to be parking there and the officer reportedly told Ion that, "It was just for a couple of days." Ion said the officer wouldn't tell him who was in charge. Ion said last year a man was setting up a barbecue in his driveway before he got him to stop and when he left, he left diapers in Ion's yard. "We don't want them parking on that road next year," Ion told the board, adding, "Since when do they not have to tell us who's in charge?" He also asked to see permits that allowed road closings for the show. McNamara said he would look into this.

**Workshop session**

Before the 6 p.m. regular meeting on July 1, a 4 p.m. workshop session was held to discuss policy updates regarding: travel, purchasing, credit cards, policies and procedures, and the salaried employee manual.



**CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Monday, June 17, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE
2. ROLL CALL
 

Mayor Voigt	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Present
Council Member Kissel	Present
Council Member Beebe	Present - Arrival at 6:37 p.m.
Council Member Priest	Present

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

## 4. PRESENTATIONS &amp; CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

## a) Presentations

## i. 2025-2026 FY Proposed Budget

The 2025-26 fiscal year budget was presented to Council by City Manager Smith and Accountant Kelly Howey of Plante Moran.

## b) Citizen Comments

## i. None.

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

a) Approval of the 2025-2026 FY Proposed Budget, OR a Special meeting date before June 30 to approve the budget.

A Special Meeting will be held on June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. to approve the budget.

## 6. ACTION ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

## 7. Adjournment

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Kissel to adjourn at 8:55 p.m.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer

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**CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
Thursday, June 19, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE
2. ROLL CALL
 

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

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

## 4. PRESENTATIONS &amp; CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

## 5. NEW BUSINESS

## a) City Manager

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Bates to approve the City Manager's separation agreement, as presented.

## ROLL CALL

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

Motion Carried.

## 6. ACTION ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

## 7. Adjournment

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

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted by

Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer

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# City of Belleville Public Notice

## CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 26, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

4. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

ON AGENDA ITEMS

a. Presentations

i. 2025-2026 FY Proposed Budget

b. Citizen Comments

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Approval of the 2025-2026 FY Proposed Budget

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Kissel to approve the 2025-26 fiscal year proposed budget, as presented.

ROLL CALL

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

**Motion carried.**

b. Amendments to 2024-2025 FY Budget

**MOTION:** Motion by Priest, supported by Beebe to approve the amendments to the 2024-25 fiscal year budget, as presented.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**Motion carried.**

**6. ACTION ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING**

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to adjourn at 6:34 PM.

No objections were noted.

**Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted by  
Briana Hootman, City Clerk/Treasurer  
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## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES -- July 1, 2025

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Kelley, Trustee Boynton, Trustee Martin, and Trustee Frazier. Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Selman, Recording Assistant Beaudry, Deputy Director of Community Services Dohring, Director of Public Services Luckett, Director of Recreation Gerhart, Director of IT Barbaza, Director of Parks Locke, Director of Municipal Services Akers, the Communications Team and an audience of eight.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA:** Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:** Kelley moved, Budd seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

**ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:** Boynton moved, Wright seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Work Study Meeting

Minutes of June 17, 2025, Board Meeting

Minutes of June 17, 2025, Prepaid List of

June 19, 2025, Prepaid List of June 26, 2025,

Voucher List of July 1, 2025. Motion Carried.

**PUBLIC HEARING:** None

**C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:**

The Van Buren Township Fire Department rescued a cat stuck in a tree, Thunder Over Michigan air show was sold out for all three days last weekend, the Police Department responded to an armed individual and were able to detain the person without anyone getting harmed, and a resident expressed frustration with Thunder Over Michigan attendees parking in residential areas.

**PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business):** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Boynton moved, Wright seconded to approve

the 2024 Annual Audit of all Township Funds. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Kelley seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 07-01-25(1) which is a zoning ordinance amendment to create zoning regulations addressing Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS). Motion Carried.

Kelley moved, Wright seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 07-01-25(2) which is a zoning ordinance amendment to allow adequate spacing for Motor Vehicle Fueling Stations. Motion Carried.

Boynton moved, Kelley seconded to approve the McKenna & Associates Fee Increases. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Wright seconded to approve a variance request from the Township's Engineering Standards to allow a dry detention pond and to allow the development to meet the County discharge rate for the Project Venture/Stellantis Project. Motion Carried.

Boynton moved, Budd seconded to approve a special land use request for industrial outdoor storage related to Planning Case 25-015: Project Venture/Stellantis Project. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Kelley seconded to approve Resolution 2025-16 to extend the deferment of the review of new applications pertaining to soil removal/mining and ponds until January 1, 2026. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Martin seconded to approve a development agreement between the Township and YIP Ecorse BTS Partners Development, LLC for the Stellantis Project. Motion Carried.

**REPORTS:** None.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

**BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Boynton moved, Martin seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Publish: July 10, 2025

## Dingell shares letter from Republic Waste about VBT landfill

Congresswoman Debbie Dingell, MI-06, shared a letter from Republic Services in response to questions raised at her June 18 Western Wayne Community Town Hall regarding hazardous waste and safety at Wayne Disposal, Inc., which is located in Van Buren Township.

In the letter, Russ Knocke, vice president of public and government affairs for Republic, writes:

“Per our recent telephone conversation, we would like to provide some answers to questions we believe were raised by participants at your Western Wayne Town Hall event on Wednesday, June 18, 2025. Specifically, we would like to provide details regarding the testing and characterization procedures in place for all waste being shipped to WDI for disposal by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) as part of its Formerly Utilized Sites Remedial Action Program (FUSRAP).”

Excerpts from the letter:

*“WDI is not permitted to accept waste any more radioactive than a traditional non-hazardous solid waste landfill in Michigan – USACE simply chooses to dispose of this material at WDI because of its highly engineered construction and robust environmental monitoring programs.”*

*“WDI has an approved Radiological Monitoring Plan for the collection of data specifically designed to ensure the safe management and disposal of radiological waste. As part of that plan, the site monitors worker exposure, perimeter air samples, leachate, surface water, radon, and groundwater data for radionuclides. All data collected is submitted to EGLE for its review. Site worker exposure has always*

*been well below occupational safety levels, all monitoring results are consistent with natural background concentrations and below established action levels, and landfill leachate meets drinking water standards for radioactivity even before it is treated. In summary, WDI has a robust radiological monitoring program and makes the data publicly available via submission to EGLE as part of its regular compliance reporting cadence.”*

*“WDI remains firmly committed to transparency, active community engagement, and the responsible management of all materials accepted at the facility. We are confident in the strength and rigor of our environmental monitoring programs, which are designed to ensure that site operations remain protective of human health and the environment, with no adverse offsite impacts.”*

In addition to the information provided in the letter, Republic informed Dingell they are sending two of their team members to a nuclear training program at Harvard University in August and offered for someone from VBT Fire to join them. They also stated that if there's ever a similar program with the University of Michigan, they would be open to such a training in state.

In addition, at Rep. Dingell's request, Republic agreed to create a website for the landfill for transparency and community engagement.

The letter came ahead of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) public information session on June 26 on Republic Services' application to expand operations at Wayne Disposal.

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### JULY BOARD OF REVIEW CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN

#### NOTICE TO THE TAXPAYERS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF VAN BUREN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

The BOARD OF REVIEW of the Charter Township of Van Buren will meet at the Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Road on Tuesday, July 22, 2025 from 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting will be:

- 1) To correct clerical errors or mutual mistakes of fact;
- 2) Poverty Exemptions.

Any property owner who believes they qualify should contact the Van Buren Township Assessing Department at 734.699.8946 prior to July 22, 2025.

Leon Wright  
Van Buren Charter Township

Post: June 30, 2025  
Publish: July 10, 2025  
July 17, 2025



## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*There were 311 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police this week including the following.*

**Sunday, June 29:**

0100 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.  
0154 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.  
0159 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.  
0210 – intrusion alarm, Pinewood Ln.  
0214 – noise complaint, Lancaster Dr.  
0345 – assist other dept., North Shore Dr.  
0851 – weapons violation, Belleville Rd./Ecorse  
0905 – personal injury accident, Michigan Ave. / Rawsonville Rd.  
1118 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1137 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.  
1143 – sexual assault, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1149 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1152 – assist fire dept., Harmony Ln.  
1300 – trespassing, Milton Dr.  
1307 – 911 welfare check, Outer Dr.  
1515 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1449 – 911 welfare check, Outer Dr.  
1600 – civil matter, Lake Villa Dr.  
1613 – neighbor trouble, Lancaster Dr.  
xxxx – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1705 – domestic, Freedom Way  
1811 – assault & battery, Village Center Dr.  
1901 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
1935 – neighbor trouble, Sheldon Rd.  
1917 – assist fire dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1920 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Patty Ln.  
2001 – domestic, McBride Ave.  
2040 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
xxxx – private property impound, Belleville Rd.  
2215 – noise complaint, Country Walk Blvd.  
2225 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.  
2257 – road hazard, Beck Rd./Van Born Rd.  
2358 – motorist assist, Ecorse Rd./Kirkridge Pk.

**Monday, June 30:**

0000 – intrusion alarm, Harmony Ln.  
0230 – operating while intoxicated, Haggerty Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Quirk Rd.  
0337 – welfare check, Oak Blvd.  
1008 – dumping complaint, Morton Taylor/Yost  
1117 – larceny, Belleville Rd.  
1216 – intrusion alarm, Robbe Rd.  
1446 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.  
1539 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Ecorse Rd.  
1545 – misc. complaint, Sawgrass Ct.  
1616 – civil matter, Arthur St.  
1715 – malicious destruction of property, Riggs  
xxxx – found property/child, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1848 – intrusion alarm, Patty Ln.  
1838 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.  
2012 – breaking & entering, Oak Blvd.  
2103 – welfare check, Beckley Rd.  
2117 – missing person, Quirk Rd.  
2104 – threat, Water’s Edge Ln.  
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
2225 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.  
2306 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Andover Dr.

**Tuesday, July 1:**

0300 – hospice death, Woodgrove Dr.  
0407 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
0910 – motorist assist, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.  
1030 – assist other dept., J&T Towing  
1217 – neighbor trouble, Milton Dr.  
1218 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1310 – civil matter, N. Woodbury Green  
1334 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1440 – welfare check, Coolidge St.  
1711 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.  
1829 – welfare check, Haggerty Rd.  
2103 – follow up by officer, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2146 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2150 – neighbor trouble, Laguna Dr.  
2227 – follow up by officer, Belleville Rd.  
xxxx – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.

**Wednesday, July 2:**

0201 – threat, S. Bellridge Dr.  
0233 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.

xxxx – repossession, Oak Ln.  
0615 – domestic, Stratford Dr.  
0934 – weapons violation, Hull Rd.  
1034 – fraud, Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1104 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1350 – motorist assist, Ecorse Rd./Denton Rd.  
1416 – warrant arrest, S. Wayne Rd.  
1520 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1429 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.  
1433 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.  
1518 – property damage accident, Bemis/Sumpter  
1534 – fraud, Sunrise Ln.  
1521 – animal complaint, Brookside Dr.  
1652 – misc. complaint, Haggerty Rd.  
1636 – fraud, Fay Dr.  
1911 – domestic, Haggerty Rd.  
2010 – welfare check, Michigan Ave.  
2020 – trespassing, N. Timberview Dr.  
2037 – civil matter, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
2059 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.

**Thursday, July 3:**

0005 – fireworks, Freedom Way  
0050 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
0024 – 911 welfare check, Oak Ln.  
0101 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.  
0227 – motorist assist, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.  
0452 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville Rd.  
0500 – private property/property damage accident, Westlake Cir.  
0647 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Winchester St.  
1314 – 911 welfare check, Liberty Ln.  
xxxx – animal complaint, Ayres Ave.  
1419 – fraud, Jackson St.  
1529 – family trouble, Van Buren St.  
1632 – mental subject, Sumpter Rd.  
1706 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1712 – hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1715 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Bemis  
1729 – missing person, Rose Blvd.  
1849 – harassment call, Rose Blvd.  
1943 – motorist assist, N. I-94 Service Dr./Beck  
2023 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.  
2054 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
2149 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
2212 – noise complaint, Wheeler St.  
2238 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd./Robson Rd.  
2342 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Tyler Rd.

**Friday, July 4:**

0022 – intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
0031 – 911 welfare check, Madison Dr.  
0101 – PPO violation, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
0303 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Huron River Dr./Linda Vista  
0430 – assist other dept., E. Arizona St.  
0532 – mental subject, E. Sadie Ln.  
0638 – vehicle lockout, Ayres Ave.  
0905 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd./S. Ponderosa Trl.  
0918 – intrusion alarm, McBride Ave.  
0948 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Huron River Dr./Evelyn Ct.  
0948 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kennedy St.  
1028 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
1046 – assist other dept., rest area  
1127 – domestic, Haggerty Rd.  
1414 – traffic offense, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1428 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.  
1500 – domestic, Park Estates Dr.  
1515 – welfare check, Oak Ln.  
1614 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1825 – intrusion alarm, Meadows Cir.  
1832 – juvenile complaint, Lighthouse Dr.  
1836 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1942 – welfare check, Martinsville Rd.  
1959 – private property/property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2020 – indecent exposure, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2108 – civil matter, Tyler Rd.  
2133 – assist other dept. Knollwood Dr.  
2233 – neighbor trouble, Hoeft Rd.  
2249 – fireworks, W. Huron River Dr.  
2313 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave.

**Saturday, July 5:**

0019 – fight, Lake Point Pass  
0053 – welfare check, Denton Rd.  
0120 – noise complaint, Filmore St./Buchanan St.  
0440 – assist other dept., Lake Point Pass  
0756 – civil matter, Tompkins St.  
0834 – found property/child, S. I-94 Service Dr.

1000 – larceny from auto, Denton Rd.  
1021 – civil matter, Jackson St.  
1029 – hospice death, McBride Ave.  
1057 – 911 welfare check, Southport Apts.  
1109 – intrusion alarm, McBride Ave.  
1225 – disorderly, Denton Rd.  
1302 – vehicle lockout, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1350 – welfare check, Dora Ct.  
1401 – fight, Quirk Rd.  
1441 – disorderly, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1723 – animal complaint, Rolan Meadows Dr.  
1730 – personal injury accident, W. I-94/Belleville  
1847 – welfare check, S. Woodbury Dr.  
1922 – threat, Water’s Edge Ln.  
1936 – road hazard, Martinsville Rd./Riggs Rd.  
1936 – lake complaint-Belleville, Huron River Dr.  
1940 – juvenile complaint, Westlake Cir.  
2038 – larceny, Oak Ln.  
2121 – civil matter, Sandlewood Dr.  
2131 – abandoned auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
2226 – motorist assist, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Haggerty Rd.  
2245 – property damage accident, E. I-94 / Belleville Rd.

2308 – noise complaint, Ryznar Dr./S. I-94 Service  
Also, on this log are 119 traffic stops, 23 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways. There also were 12 ordinance violations.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, June 29:**

1106 – private property/property damage accident, Main St.  
1140 – intrusion alarm, Owen St.  
1319 – personal injury accident, Belle Villa Blvd./Sumpter Rd.  
1621 – assist other dept., Lake Villa Dr.  
2047 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Huron River Dr.

**Monday, June 30:**

0121 – noise complaint, Carmell St.  
0349 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Columbia Ave.  
1810 – animal complaint, N. Edgemont Ave./E. Huron River Dr.  
**Tuesday, July 1:**  
0203 – assist fire dept., S. Liberty St.  
0507 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
1255 – property damage accident, Light Tower Ct.  
1356 – civil matter, Potter Dr.

**Wednesday, July 2:**

**Thursday, July 3:**  
0802 – traffic offense, South St.  
1301 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
1306 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Denton Rd.  
1612 – welfare check, Dos Rios  
2020 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.  
2021 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.  
2056 – welfare check, Carmell St.

**Friday, July 4:**

0238 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, High St./Main St.  
0756 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Liberty St.  
0917 – threat, Astor Pl.  
1112 – neighbor trouble, W. Columbia Ave.  
1303 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.  
1415 – larceny, Charles Ct.  
1916 – welfare check, Henry St.  
2146 – welfare check, N. Liberty St./Third St.  
2242 – traffic offense, Main St./Second St.

**Saturday, July 5:**

1714 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Clarence St.  
1741 – assist fire dept., Main St.  
1815 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.  
2341 – private property/property damage accident, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.  
There are 98 reports on this week’s log, 66 of which are traffic stops.

“Half of the American people have never read a newspaper. Half never voted for President. One hopes it is the same half.”  
– Gore Vidal

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

**Sunday, June 29:**

0113 – 911 hangup, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0151 – noise complaint, Mulberry Dr.  
0215 – 911 hangup, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.  
0810 – death investigation, 22000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1118 – civil matter, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.  
1152 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.  
1241 – DB investigation, Montana St.  
1418 – 911 hangup, 43000 bl. Deborah Ct.  
1429 – neighbor dispute, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1454 – 911 hangup, Oregon St.  
1549 – suspicious circumstance, Martinsville/Judd  
2111 – citizen assist, Rustic Ln.

**Monday, June 30:**

0035 – family trouble, Birch Dr.  
0138 – misdemeanor warrant arrest, Willis Rd. / California St.  
0154 – welfare check, Alaska St.  
0245 – suspicious circumstance, Arizona St.  
0252 – citizen assist, out of township  
0323 – 911 hangup, 21000 Elwell Rd.  
0755 – traffic complaint/hazard, 44000 bl. Wear  
0918 – malicious destruction of property, Utah St.  
1137 – prisoner check, Huron Twp. PD  
1159 – suspicious circumstance, 24000 bl. Karr  
1220 – follow-up investigation, Montana St.  
1221 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd./Elwell Rd.  
1311 – suspicious vehicle, Harris Rd./Martinsville  
1424 – found property, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1509 – 911 hangup, 78800 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.  
1543 – suspicious person, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1741 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
1749 – juvenile matter, Magnolia Dr./Hickory Dr.  
1752 – juvenile matter, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.  
1840 – follow-up investigation, 21000 bl. Clark  
2012 – damage to property report, 44000 bl. Wear  
2015 – family trouble, Nevada St.  
2034 – 911 hangup, New Mexico St.  
2100 – suspicious circumstance, Knollwood Dr. / Rustic Ln.

2106 – neighbor dispute, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.

**Tuesday, July 1:**

0108 – 911 hangup, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0131 – family trouble, 488000 bl. Sully Dr.  
0425 – special detail, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0450 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane Dr.  
0743 – civil matter, Delaware St.  
0821 – animal complaint, 28000 bl. Martinsville  
0832 – civil matter, 21000 bl. Meri Dr.  
1353 – welfare check, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1640 – property damage accident, Rustic Ln. / Creekside Dr.

1744 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln. / Edgewood Dr.

2026 – 911 hangup, Alaska St.

2104 – suspicious circumstance, Country Club Blvd.

**Wednesday, July 2:**

0341 – 911 hangup, Magnolia Dr.  
0558 – fire dept. assist, Delaware St.  
1129 – follow-up investigation, 50000 bl. Willis  
1309 – 911 hangup, Nevada St.  
1516 – property damage accident, Bemis/Sumpter  
1546 – family trouble, Rustic Ln.  
1745 – ORV complaint, Martinsville/Arkona  
1834 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.  
2009 – follow-up investigation, Rustic Ln.  
2012 – neighbor dispute, Brookview Dr.  
2016 – follow-up investigation, 43000 bl. Willow  
2047 – 911 hangup, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
2103 – family trouble, Washington St.  
2120 – 911 hangup, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.

**Thursday, July 3:**

0253 – 911 hangup, Rustic Ln.  
0807 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0908 – civil matter, Kansas St.  
1130 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1149 – citizen assist, Mulberry Dr.  
1521 – fire dept. assist, 6500 bl. Oakville Waltz  
1627 – 911 hangup, Mulberry Dr.  
1722 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
1755 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.  
1809 – follow-up investigation, 9400 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

1817 – follow-up investigation, out of township  
1941 – follow-up investigation, 9400 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

2007 – follow-up investigation, out of township

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2046 – alarm, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
2111 – follow-up investigation, Oregon St.  
2259 – citizen assist, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.  
**Friday, July 4:**  
0030 – family trouble, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0450 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0838 – subpoena service, out of township  
1147 – family trouble, Birch Dr.  
1752 – follow-up investigation, 24000 bl. Sumpter  
1928 – 911 hangup, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2050 – noise complaint, Rustic Ln.  
2107 – family trouble, Knollwood Dr.  
2231 – juvenile matter, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.  
2321 – traffic complaint/hazard, 25000 bl. Elwell

**Saturday, July 5:**  
0015 – fire dept. assist, Redwood St.  
0046 – family trouble, Brookview Dr.  
0242 – suspicious circumstance, Delaware St.  
0316 – family trouble, Washington St.  
1015 – 911 hangup, 46000 bl. Reed Ave.  
1030 – family trouble, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1321 – assist other agency, Bemis/Savage  
1834 – neighbor dispute, Rustic Ln.  
2012 – 911 hangup, 44000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2114 – citizen assist, Washington St.  
2116 – ORV complaint, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.  
Also, on this week's log are 140 patrol checks, 64 traffic stops, and 8 misc. details.



Independent photo by Yvette Gorecki

This photo was taken about 2:55 p.m., Wednesday, July 2.

## Graffiti

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Officers located a male subject, wearing a black backpack and carrying a white bag, that matched the suspect description precisely, walking westbound on the North

I-94 Service Drive near Quirk Road.

The male subject was in possession of three cans of spray paint and he was taken into custody by officers for malicious destruction of property.

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processed on the charges, and released from the Van Buren Township police station.

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**1 Van Buren Township Community Center**  
46425 Tyler Rd  
*Woman Supreme*, Wadsworth Jarrell



**2 Van Buren Township Hall**  
46425 Tyler Rd  
*Flowers in a Glass Vase*, Rachel Ruysch



**3 Quirk Park**  
46425 Tyler Rd  
*Staunch Friends*, William Frederick Yeames



**4 Harris Park**  
10101 Belleville Rd  
*Postman Roulin*, Vincent van Gogh



**5 French Landing Park**  
12090 Haggerty Road  
*Boat Abstraction*, Marsden Hartley



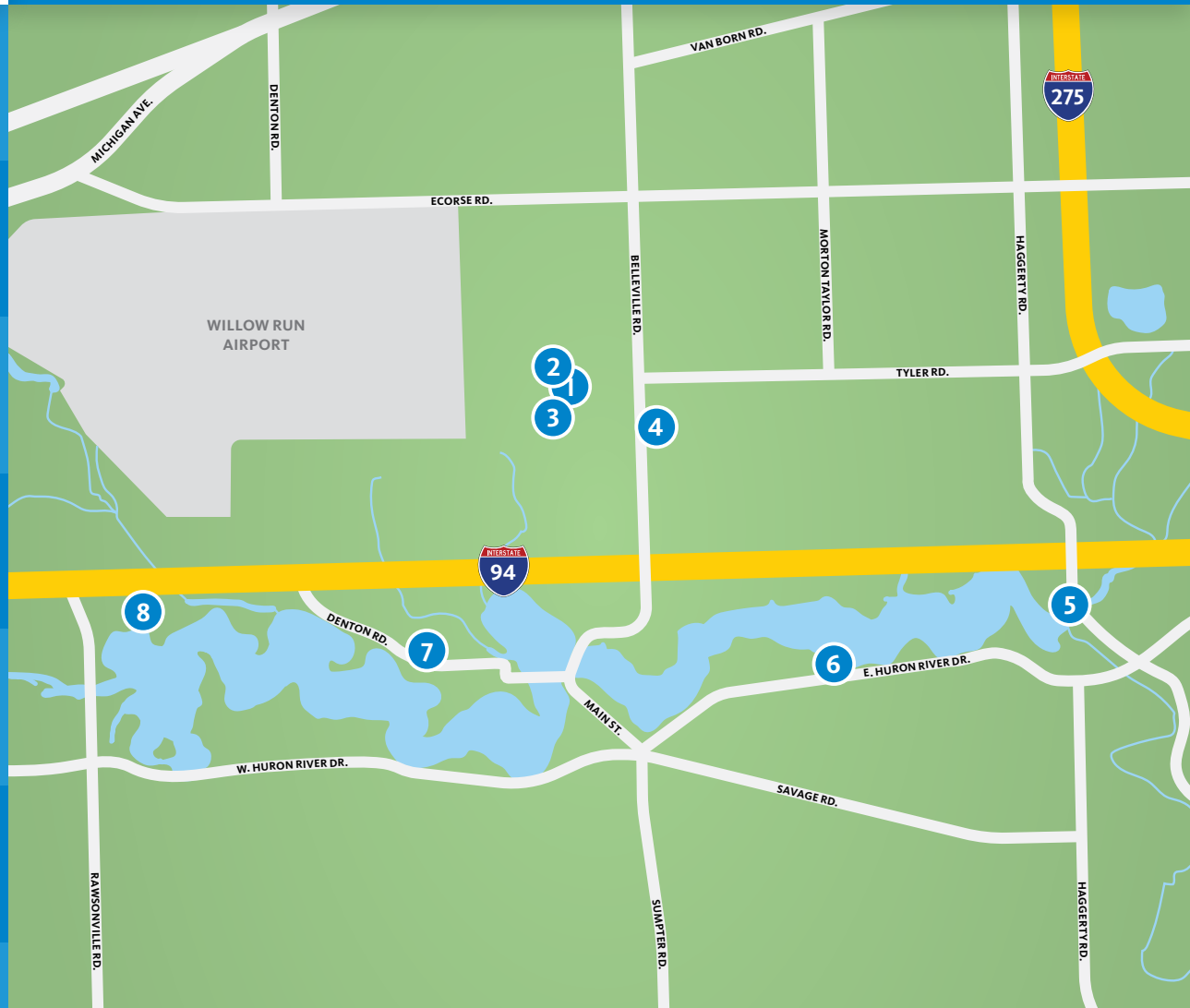
**6 Riggs Heritage Park/Iron Belle Trail**  
12945 Martinsville Rd  
*The Recitation*, Thomas Wilmer Dewing



**7 Pickle Park**  
47800 Denton Rd  
*Solitude*, Jean-Léon Gérôme



**8 Van Buren Park**  
50901 S Interstate 94 Service Dr  
*The Lily Pond*, Charles Harry Eaton



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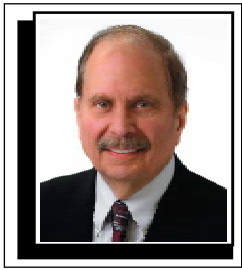
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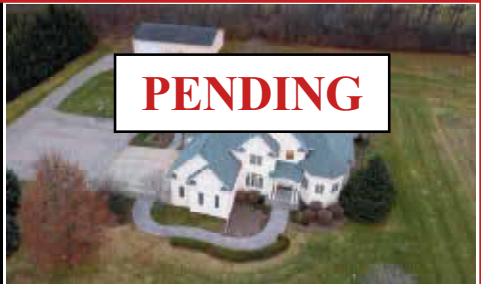
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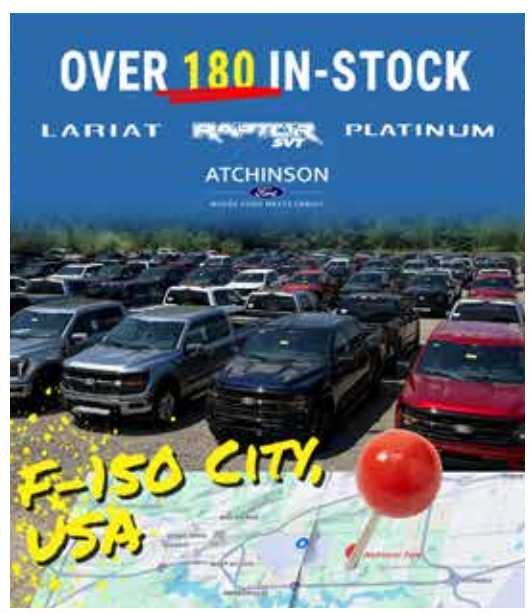


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