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Three file for three library board seats in Nov. 5 election

Joy Cichewicz of Sumpter Township and Alma Hughes-Grubbs of Van Buren Township have filed for reelection to the Belleville Area Library Board of Directors.

John Juriga of Belleville did not file for reelection.

Filing for that open seat is Maria Jackson-Smith of Van Buren Township.

The deadline for candidate filings was 4 p.m., July 18.

Cichewicz, Hughes-Grubb and Jackson-Smith will be on the Nov. 5 ballot.

The seats are for four years and board members serve without compensation.

Nelson Po, D, seeks to unseat Sumpter Twp. Supervisor Bowman, R

Incumbent Sumpter Township Supervisor Tim Bowman won the Republican primary election on Aug. 5 and will face off against unopposed Democrat candidate for supervisor Nelson Po in the Nov. 6 general election.

This will be the only race left in Sumpter for the general election.

Republican results in the primary for supervisor were:

Tim Bowman – 449

Vincent Warren – 208

Sheena Barnes – 145

Democrats had one candidate for supervisor:

Nelson Po – 484

There were no Democrat candidates for township clerk or treasurer, so the lone Republicans will probably win the seats on Nov. 6, unless a popular write-in candidate appears.

Don LaPorte, an incumbent trustee, ran for clerk to fill the seat being vacated by Clerk Esther Hurst. LaPorte earned 624

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Photo courtesy of Elena Manalp, Van Buren Township Communications

On Aug. 8, the Magic Bus Band performed before the largest Music Lakeside event of the season. John Juriga told the city council on Monday that there were well over 600 people present and 30 boats anchored in the lake, with 70 people dancing in the street. He said a large contingent from Plymouth was present and they were impressed at Belleville's turnout. The free summer concerts are put on by the Belleville Area Council for the Arts with sponsors.



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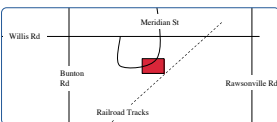
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Election

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votes in the primary.

Bart Patterson, incumbent treasurer, was unopposed and won 630 votes in the primary.

Four trustee positions need to be filled in the general election and only Republicans filed, so without further opposition these winners probably will take the seats in November.

Tim Rush – 510

John Honey – 509

Matt Oddy – 421

James Frazier – 386

Peggy Morgan – 324

Robert Lintner – 157

Tyler Thomas – 147

Ovidiu Suci – 97

Sumpter voters also approved a new fire millage: 823, yes; 735 no.

Van Buren Township candidates unopposed

Van Buren Township candidates are all Democrat incumbents, except one, and all were unopposed in both the primary and general elections.

William Frazier ran for the trustee seat being vacated by his mother Sherry Frazier.

Results from the primary election are:

Supervisor Kevin McNamara – 3,578

Clerk Leon Wright - 3527

Treasurer Sharry Budd – 3,472

Trustee Don Boynton – 2,535

Trustee candidate Frazier – 2,413

Trustee Bryon Kelley – 2,498

Trustee Kevin Martin – 2,556

In the unofficial tally, 5,672 voters cast ballots of the 25,378 registered voters, which is 22.35%.

New Wayne County Commissioner is Wilson

Voters elected Allen Wilson as the new Wayne County Commissioner in the 11th District to replace Al Haidous who did not run for reelection.

Unofficial primary vote totals are:

Allen Wilson - 3,014

Joe Rickert – 2,346

David Hotz – 1,940

Tim Craiger – 1,696

Jeremy Cady – 880

New 34th District Court Judge is Teresa Patton

Teresa Patton was elected 34th District Court Judge to fill the position of present Judge Tina Brooks Green who did not file for reelection.

Teresa Patton – 5,794

Robert Coutts – 3,110

Todd Barron – 1,972

Voters pass both Wayne Co. proposals

Voters passed both Wayne County Proposals. Proposition A, concerning hiring of the auditor, passed:

Yes – 124,600

No – 105,459

The Wayne County Parks Millage passed:

Yes – 181,353

No. – 62,544

Court Watching

Harmond Darnell Rolland

Harmond Darnell Rolland, 21, of Canton and formerly of Sumpter Township was video-arraigned in 34th District Court by Magistrate Al Hindman on June 5 while in police custody. He is charged with assault with intent to murder, assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and two counts of felony firearm on June 3 in Sumpter Township.

Bond was set at \$75,000/10% and a probable cause conference set for June 18. He was ordered not to return to the protected address, to have no contact with the protected party, and cannot possess a firearm while on bond.

On June 18, his live preliminary exam was set for July 24 and at that time he was bound over to circuit court for an arraignment on the information. A calendar conference was Aug. 7 and a final conference set for Sept. 25.

Cylenphia LaToye Miller

On Aug. 1, Cylenphia LaToye Miller of Flat Rock asked for an adjournment of her remote pretrial in 34th District Court until Sept. 16 in hopes of a global resolution on that charge and another “tangential” charge in another court.

Miller, who is a Wayne County Circuit Court Judge, is charged with a check-point violation at Detroit Metro Airport on June 8. Her original arraignment/pretrial was set for July 1 and adjourned until July 15 and then Aug. 1.

Transportation Safety Agents reported she carried a loaded firearm through the airport and they alerted airport police who brought the charge. She was on her way to catch a flight on June 8 and the TSA found a loaded .380 caliber Smith and Wesson firearm in her purse through the x-ray scanner.

Defense attorney Todd Perkins said his client pleads not-guilty to the charge and asked an adjournment of the case. Judge Martin set the personal bond at \$5,000, and adjourned the pretrial until Aug. 1 and then Sept. 16.



Independent photo by James Otzman

The former Belleville pump station at 100 N. Liberty St. was officially named a pocket park by the Belleville City Council on Monday. Belleville Yacht Club members have cleaned up the bank and worked on the building and replaced windows and doors, the city DPW dug up the soil, and the Belleville Area Garden Club planted the pollinator garden with a grant from the Belleville Rotary Club.

Belleville City Council designates 100 N. Liberty as a Pocket Park

By Rosemary K. Otzman

Independent Editor

At Monday’s regular meeting, the Belleville City Council voted unanimously to pass a resolution designating 100 N. Liberty as a Pocket Park.

Mayor Ken Voigt said the park idea started when Belleville Yacht Club members volunteered to fix up the exterior of the former pump station at the site and clean the shoreline there.

He said the DPW tilled the soil and the Belleville Area Garden Club planted the pollinator garden with a grant from the Belleville Rotary Club’s Cozadd Foundation. The city added a bench and trash receptable, already on hand, and now there is a park.

John Juriga said from the audience that former councilwoman Kay Atkins had talked about the pocket park in the past. But city officials told Juriga there is no record that it ever was officially designated a park.

In other business at Monday’s 65-minute meeting, the council:

- Approved a three-year, interlocal agreement with Van Buren Township for police and fire dispatch and lockup. The agreement is the same except for the price which goes up 3% a year. For 2024, cost is \$204,372, for 2025 it is \$210,502 and for 2026, it is \$216,816;

- Accepted the low bid of Nationwide Construction Group of Richmond, MI, at \$20,887 for the new fence at Victory Park. That was the lowest of nine bidders and one bidder was disqualified from the process because its bid was incomplete. This item was not on the agenda, but was added by assistant city manager Steve Jones after the meeting started;

- Discussed putting city funds in the Michigan Class Investment program. A

resolution on this will be ready for the next meeting;

- Approved having Beacon Meter Reading Consultants oversee the water meter installation swaps of BSA utility billing software at a cost of \$5,000;

- Approved the Belleville Area Council for the Arts using the annual city wide yard sale at Victory Park as a fund raiser. From 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sept. 7 and 8, BACA member Reg Ion will rent spaces for community members to have their yard sales at the park. BACA will make sure the park is cleaned up after the event, as it did last time it managed the event;

- Approved the Aug. 17 Margaritas in the Ville in the Fourth Street Square from noon to 10 p.m. No information was presented on this, with assistant city manager Steve Jones verbally adding the event to the agenda;

- Tabled the proposal from Leffler Property Maintenance to remove trees at Church and Third streets (one tree, \$2,000), Edgemont Ave. (three trees at \$1,800) and Hillside Cemetery (four trees at \$2,800) at a total cost of \$6,600. It was unknown whether the proposal included removal of the stumps, so this item was moved to the next meeting on Aug. 19;

- Approved the purchase of a 1991 Vac-Con Dual Enginer Combination Sewer Cleaner truck and extra accessories from Best Equipment for \$16,500. This truck would allow the city to clean and jet its sewer system, bringing a routine maintenance piece back into the DPS scope and eliminating the need to contract out the work, according to city manager Smith;

- Put off until after the sewer cleaner truck is on hand, the consideration of the televising and cleaning of the north section of the city. More precise location also is

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O P I N I O N S

Editorial

First round over in local general election selections

The primary elections whittled down the long list of candidates in Sumpter Township and for the first time in many years it looks like there will be no women or black people on the township board.

The only candidates that will be battling it out are the supervisor candidates, one Republican and one on the Democratic ticket, unless someone launches a write-in campaign.

New on the November ballot, besides the candidates for President, which is the exciting battle, will be candidates for the Belleville Area District Library Board. There are four seats open and four candidates. Easy choice.

In the city of Belleville, four changes to the city charter will be on the November ballot: allow the council to set the meeting dates and times (instead of having to start the meetings at 7:30 p.m. each time); rather than have each vote be a roll call, have roll calls only when city funds are being expended; let the city council set the purchase procedure; and get rid of the Civil Service Commission. The new city manager learned the whole charter didn't need to be rewritten after all, which is a ponderous procedure, and law allows the voters to change the charter in bits and pieces. They are going to give it a try in November.

In the region we have a Congressperson seat and U.S. Senate seat to be decided, along with State Representative and county positions. But here in 48111, there are just a few to decide.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

The artists who created the art for the banners published on last week's front page were Kim Ion, who took the picture of her pet rooster and won a prize for the art in last fall's community art show, and Kathryn Wood, who painted the farm scene and also won a prize in the contest. Kathryn is our editorial page cartoonist and she reports she just sold that painting.

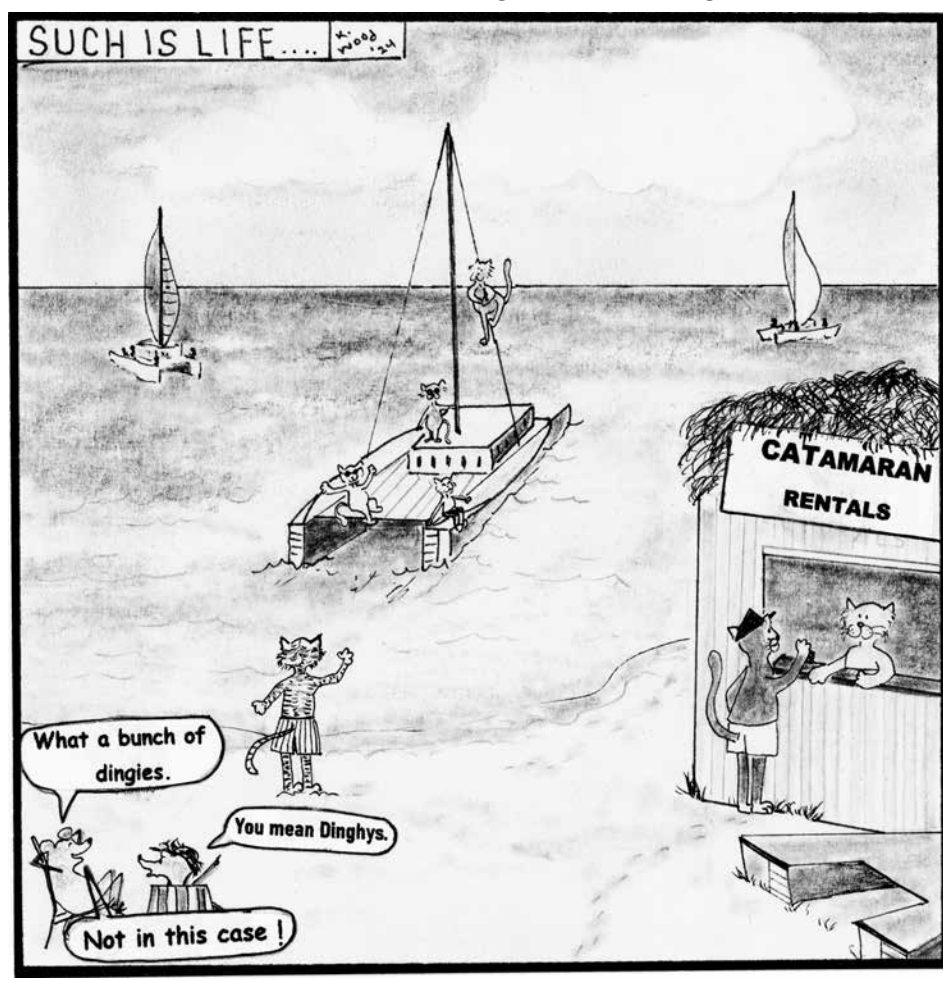
A reader said she saw the rooster at the Wayne County Fair and I figured that's possible because Kim gave her beloved rooster to a 4-H member when she could no longer keep it.

I checked and found that the reader could have seen it last year, because that's when the rooster earned Best of Show honors at the fair. Also, last year is when Kim also earned Best of Show for her photo of that special rooster.

The reader who questioned what was going on when the \$2 bills he got at the bank had stamps that were hand-canceled in 1976, looked it up on Google.

Google told him: "The 1976 was occasionally stamped with a commemorative postmark. On the first day of issue, some bills received an "APR 13 1976" red stamp at local post offices. 1. These stamped notes are available on eBay for around \$10 to \$15. 2. While they're not significantly more valuable than regular issues, they add a unique touch to this fascinating piece of currency!" Another caller said that April 13, 1976 was the first day the \$2 bill became available.

We've had several people call us up and come in to tell us that stamped \$2 bills are common and they are stamped on the bill or



on a stamp to mark various dates. My son Jim remembered when we were at a NASA shuttle launch in Florida, a person from the local post office was present at the press site with a hand stamp to cancel currency with that day's date.

Jim said you can go to Amazon and other sites to buy specially canceled currency to mark elections and other events.

I was out to lunch with my cousins on Saturday when they told me stories of people they know going into Trinity Hospital (formerly called St. Joseph Mercy Hospital) for falling or something else and coming home with COVID. There were three or four individuals that happened to. They were mostly light cases they brought home to their spouses, but one person spent 24 days in the hospital with a severe case.

A reader came into the office on Friday to tell us that her paper was late in being delivered. She also said that there were two days the previous week that she got no mail at all and that is highly irregular. She called the post office and she said a person told her they didn't deliver for two days on her route since they didn't have carriers to deliver.

She lives on Savage Road in Van Buren Township. There were two days last week that we also didn't get mail at our house at nearby Haggerty Road, which also is highly irregular. We're shocked. They keep raising the

rates at the post office and the service is deteriorating.

Many of our other subscribers call to tell us of irregular delivery of the Independent. We carry the papers to the post office before noon on Thursdays every week. What happens to them after that is a mystery.

Keystone Academy teachers Flo Holowick and Mark Higgins were scheduled to be married last weekend. The Keystone Academy board of directors didn't have a quorum to meet last Thursday, but we did get some pieces of information and that was a very romantic piece of information.

Keystone has 753 students registered and re-enrolled for the 2024-25 school year with 17 more students in acceptance status. That's 45 more students than last year at this time.

Andrew Roth, representative of National Heritage Academies at the Keystone Academy meetings, questioned me about the Strawberry Festival and whether it was coming back. He loves strawberries and said he'd love to get a barrel of berries and just stick his hands in and pull out handfuls. I told him I didn't think it was coming back. He was upset, saying he didn't learn about it until after it was over. He saw a story about the festival on Google with my byline.



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Letters

Councilman Wilson wins, Romulus loses

To the editor:
 Councilman wins, Romulus loses!
 Congratulations, Allen Wilson, on winning your county commission election bid. Also, no thank you for wasting the resources of the City of Romulus and wasting the citizens of Romulus time. You are not even going to serve your term!
 Do you remember the special session for the vacant seat, Mr. Wilson? Do you remember your union reps, your out-of-district state reps and your other cronies that you made come to that session? Do you remember how you stated it was your "right" to be the next council person and how it would be an "honor" to serve this city? But it ended up being false and we were just a steppingstone. What a joke it must have been for you.

Respectfully, Romulus City Council members, Mayor McCraight, and City Clerk, do not let this happen again! The reason Mr. Wilson did not win the seat earlier is because the CITIZENS of Romulus did not vote for him. He lost. You cannot continue this process of the next non-winning person to fill a vacancy. It is not who the CITIZENS wanted to be on the council.

I would like to add my name to the list for this now-again vacant council seat and unlike Mr. Wilson I would plan on serving the city and its citizens to the best of my ability.

Thank you for your time and consideration.
 Jeff Kotlarek
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Friends share thank-you letter from librarian

Editor's Note: *The Friends of the Belleville Area District Library share with our readers the following letter they received from a librarian.*

Dear Friends of the Belleville Area District Library!

Thank you so much for making this summer one of the most amazing summers yet! This year, kids received prizes of books, fun toys, and crafting activities as a reward for their reading. They particularly enjoyed the kits where they could make a bouncy ball, and the little spy notebooks with invisible ink. The Friends' shirts were also a big hit! Parents were super excited, and I saw kids wearing them at some of the performances. The theme of adventure really came out in our fun camping decorations (come visit Camp Read S'More!) and our programs.

Our first performance was with a mermaid! She read to them, and sang with them, and told them all about mermaid life. They also learned the life of a pirate one Saturday. The pirate even taught me how to spin plates! Our storyteller told fun stories with music, even giving kids egg shakers (so they could be rattle snakes), and they got to keep them. We brought the circus to them, showing fun balancing acts, and unicycle tricks. Our magician was hilarious and brought real book recommendations into his act. The act that felt most like a community was our drummer, who had an instrument for everyone, and, in a circle, brought the harmony out in all of us. I think the highlights though would have to be our educational animal shows from the Howell Nature Center and the Huron Clinton Metroparks. From them we met an owl, baby possum, and got to pet a toad, turtles, and a snake.

Parents and guardians and kids alike have spoken of how much fun they have had. We couldn't have done it without you.

Thank you!
 Karen Dubke and the Youth Department
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- Aug. 15 - Mary Talaga, Beverly Armatis
- Aug. 16 - Phil Miller
- Aug. 19 - Sheena Barnes, Steve Jones
- Aug. 20 - Carol Bodenmiller, Martha Hanolan, Eric Luke, Webster Mason

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- **Thursday, Aug. 15** – Belleville Bridge Walk, 5:30 p.m. Taste of Belleville from 6 to 8 p.m. at High Street / Horizon Park in Belleville with a DJ from 6 to 7 p.m. The Taste and DJ are sponsored by the Belleville Central Business Community. Also, the Music Lakeside concert at 7 p.m. at Horizon Park will feature "Jive Colossus."
- **Friday, Aug. 16** – Steak Roast at 5 p.m. at Van Buren Eagles, 9961 Beck Rd., Van Buren Township. DJ/Karaoke Mix at 7:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, Aug. 17** – Join Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus, for its 110th year anniversary celebration of the VFW, starting at noon. Absolutely no cost for the food (hamburgers, hot dogs and sides) starting at 1 p.m., pizza after 4 p.m. Activities, DJ, Army helicopter flyover at 2 p.m.
- **Saturday, Aug. 17, to Sunday, Aug. 18** – Milan's Relay for Life is a 24-hour event starting Saturday at 9 a.m. and ending Sunday at 9 a.m. at Wilson Park, 89 Wabash St., in Milan. There will be 5+ food trucks from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and a craft/vendor show from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. during the event. The luminaria ceremony is at 9 p.m. For more information see the website: Relay For Life | Cancer Walk | Cancer Fundraising Events .
- **Thursday, Aug. 22** – Van Buren Township open house from 5-7 p.m. in the Aspen Room in the Community Center to give public input on the Safe Streets Public Survey. Must use Community Center's main entrance. Share your experiences and opinion about safe driving, walking, and biking in the township.
- **Thursday, Aug. 22** – The Belleville Area Museum presents a program on "Eloise" and tells the history of the poorhouse, asylum, and hospital, at 6 p.m. Featured lecturer is Tyler Moll of the Wayne Historical Museum. You can get free pizza at 5:30 p.m., if you email BAM@vanburen-mi.org . The museum is at 405 Main St., Belleville.

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Obituaries



Robert Edmund Laurence

ROBERT EDMUND LAURENCE

(February 16, 1962 – July 30, 2024)

Robert Edmund Laurence, 62, passed away on July 30, 2024. Son of Sharon Kay Laurence (Rymut) and Victor John Laurence, he was born February 16, 1962 in Belleville, MI. His radiant personality was obvious from an early age, as evidenced by the nickname his grandfather gifted him: "Sonny Boy."

Bob had a passion for mechanics and began his career in the automotive industry in Belleville. When he met his wife Karren, they decided to make a change and moved to Northern Michigan to take ownership of Dingman's Bar together, later to be reimagined as Bear Lake Inn. There he became a staple in the community, welcoming many old and new friends with his gracious smile and contagious laughter. He enjoyed singing Elvis classics and spending time with his loved ones, including his precious dogs.

He was preceded in death by his mother, father, and brother Rick Laurence. He is survived by his wife Karren Laurence and her children: Christopher Skinner and his wife Chelsea, George Skinner, Sloane Skinner and her husband Sean; former wife and mother of their children Leslie Laurence of Belleville; their children Robert (Bobby) Laurence and fiancé Cayla Rose of Romulus; Ashley Laurence and fiancé Jonathon Trzeciak of Ypsilanti; 4 grandchildren Alijah and Cooper Trzeciak, Rayden Laurence, and Jacob MacNeil; sisters Tammy Robinson husband Tom of Romulus, MI, and Ann Clemmons and husband Larry of Kalkaska, MI, as well as many others.

Family and friends are invited to his celebration of life at the Bear Lake Inn on September 7, 2024 at 1 p.m. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made to Tyson's Love and Hope on Wheels at tysonsloveandhope.com.



Nickolas Berger

NICKOLAS BERGER

(May 30, 1989 – August 9, 2024)

Nickolas Berger of Belleville, MI, age 36, passed away on August 9, 2024. He was born on May 30, 1989, in Wayne, MI to Scott Berger and Cynthia Sapienza. After his high school years Nickolas worked in the construction field. He was very good with his hands and was often found helping those he loved with home repair and DIY projects. He was a house painter and was always making projects and keeping busy with his skills. Nickolas was very charismatic, he loved to talk, and people loved to talk to him. He could win you over in a very short time and would charm anyone he met into friendship. Nickolas was also active in his passion for sobriety and recovery. He helped many along the way and really enjoyed helping people attain their recovery goals.

Nickolas is survived by his parents Scott (Kimberly) Berger of Wayne, MI, and Cynthia (Peter Kus) Sapienza of Merrimac, MA; his brother, Charles (Kristy) Larocque of Belleville, MI, and their children, Logan and Dexter Larocque of Belleville, MI; and his grandfather John Berger, of Willis, MI.

He was preceded in death by his cousins, Evan Therrien and Amanda McKay, his aunt Renee McKinnis and uncle Jim McKinnis, grandmother Marlena (Molly) Berger, grandparents Joseph and Joyce Sapienza, great-grandmothers Amelia Cataldo and Mary Stayden, and his great-grandfather Nick Stayden.

A visitation and funeral have been planned for Thursday, August 15, 2024, from 4 p.m. until the time of service of 6 p.m. at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111.

In lieu of flowers, donations to the family's recovery mission of their choice would be greatly appreciated.

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MARY HAND

(December 23, 1943 – July 30, 2024)

Age 80, of Canton. Survived by children Medina (Craig) Atchinson, Erik (Leanne) Kawadri, and Marissa (Faris) Koura; five grandchildren Penelope, Ava, Ella, Cannon, Luc; two bonus children Carrol and Katherine.

Laid to rest with her husband in Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly.

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- Thursday, Aug. 15 – Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 19 – Van Buren Township 2024 Budget Review Meeting, all day. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 20 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 21 – Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 6 p.m. Also, City of Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m.



Photo courtesy of Elena Manalp, Van Buren Township Communications
 The last day of camping at the Van Buren Township community center was Aug. 8. Participants went on a field trip to the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum. Van Buren Township Recreation Programmer Jennifer Zaenglein is at right. The youth counselors are, from left, Parker Mears, Kendall Volk and Anyia Albright. Youngsters are Kais Edwards, Torin Edwards, Harlem Dickerson and Aris Carr.



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Andrew Roth, representative of National Heritage Academies, swears in Charlene Derrick for an additional three-year term on the Keystone Academy Board of Directors. Since her son graduated with the eighth graders this June she no longer qualifies as a parent on the board, but is now a member at large. She will continue to serve as board treasurer. The swearing in took place on Sept. 12, but the board did not meet because of a lack of a quorum.

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 Members of this summer's Van Buren Township REAL group paused for a photo during their last meeting on Aug. 7. From left are Maia Keen, Michael Myers, Cameron Wilson, Jack Richendollar, Lee Cerone, Director of Parks Jason Locke, April Hayes, Cydney Means, LaMa'ra Wilson, LaRayah Wilson, Eleanor Walker, Kayla McEwen, Hayden Leonard, Carly Hall. Not pictured is Cooper Mears. REAL stands for Revealing Exceptionally Amazing Leaders, a summer youth initiative funded through a grant from the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network.

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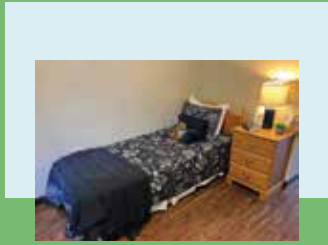
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Musings

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This is Third Thursday with special sales at downtown businesses. It also is the annual Taste of Belleville (see menus of participants in this issue) and the final Music Lakeside with Jive Colossus (Reggae/Funk/Jazz/Soul). This year Taste will have tables with food tickets in two locations (one closer to the stage) and for the first time credit/debit cards may be used to purchase food tickets. There will be the usual 50/50 and some great donated door prizes. See you there!

As part of the Thursday evening activities, the Belleville Area Council for the Arts will be celebrating the 15th Year of Music Lakeside's Summer Music Series. BACA's

president Rhonda Dutton will be thanking Al Haidous, Wayne County Commissioner, for the Community Partnership Grant on behalf of Commission District 11, that partially funded this year's concerts and other community art projects. The commissioner, in turn, will be presenting certificates of recognition to BACA and the Music Lakeside Committee. The last Music Lakeside concert of the year will follow at 7 p.m.

The Belleville Area Museum has rescheduled "Eloise, History of the Poorhouse, Asylum and Hospital" for 5:30-7:30 pm. Thursday, Aug. 22. The presenter is Tyler Moll, director of Wayne Historical Museum. RSVP for free pizza at 5:30 p.m. by emailing bam@vanburen-mi.org.

Next week the Belleville High School Marching Tigers will be at band camp, and that means at 5 p.m., Friday, Aug. 23 on the football field, will be the annual Band Camp performance. Let's fill those stands to see all the new things they learned at camp this year.

I hope you are enjoying the articles by Jennifer Trotter, executive director of Guiding Harbor (Girlstown), and have its annual family picnic on your calendar. It is happening from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 17. Take your family and you will surely enjoy the experience of touring the facility and learning more about their services that have helped and guided so many young girls since the '50s.

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City Council

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requested;

- Tabled the proposal to give the Belleville High School Dance Team \$1,500 for painting fire hydrants in the city. Mayor Voigt said he had no problem with the amount, but he needed to know how many they painted, how many hydrants are in the city, how many students are working, and other details. The team cleaned the Fourth Street Square last year and was given \$1,000 for its work;

- Heard Mayor Voigt explain that the cemetery now has water after DPW employee Mike suggest they use solar to power the pump that had been damaged in the past. He said it took less than \$1,000 to get the solar-powered pump working after all these years without water;

- Heard the mayor also note that R&R, that repairs fire engines, is now in the city's industrial park and so people will see lots of fire trucks from out of town in the city --- especially many from Detroit;

- Heard Fire Chief Brian Loranger announce that the new fire truck #451 is in service now. He said a few things need to be added, but it is operational as is. He said in a few days they also will get approval for medial runs with the truck. He also announced he has hired three new fire fighters, Ray, Isabella and Ellen, making 17. He would like 21, he said. New fire fighter Ray Miller announced a fire department open house on Aug. 24 from noon to 3 p.m.;

- Removed from accounts payable \$28,256.94 to CRG Electric for a full-building generator for the fire department because Mayor Voigt said it should be put out for bids;

- Accepted accounts payable of \$832,588.60 (minus the fire department's electric generator) and the following departmental expenditures over \$500: D&N Heavy Equipment, \$4,700 to repair the original street sweeper to get it back in service; Batteries Plus, \$551.15 to replace batteries that were causing the breaker to trip, and \$1,475.98 for four-year warranty for batteries for the Hummer; to Cradlepoint Netcloud, \$3,688.40, for computer software; Crawford Door Sales, \$14,400 for two new garage doors for police department; to MacQueen, \$4,432.95 for turnout gear for fire fighter Wisniewski; Pioneer Landscape, \$1,750 to mow and weed whip cemetery twice; R&R Fire Truck Repair, \$1,589.51 for annual maintenance and pump testing; through county grant with 12 communities, \$14,873.40, for emergency vehicle safety; and West Shore Fire, \$1,289, to replace air bottle for the Scott Airpack; and

- Heard city manager Jason Smith report that the attorney general has approved the charter amendments the city presented and the questions will be put on the November ballot. He also reported Harbour Pointe roadwork will begin in September, the trash bin swaps will be done towards the end of the first week in September, Priority Waste stopped picking up when it didn't

get the city's contract so Stevens came through and picked up on Saturday, all the new water meters have arrived, and new Public Works Director Tony Bollino has been dismissed and no longer works for the city.

School Board revises construction plans for McBride by \$222,258

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

At Monday's meeting of the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, the board unanimously approved changing the cafeteria serving line at McBride Middle School, which hikes the total cost of this summer's construction to \$1,082,258 in sinking funds.

Construction at McBride, as well as Tyler and Savage elementaries are taking place this summer.

James Williams, director of plant operations, said the district has wanted to upgrade/renovate the serving line at McBride for several years, but budget and other priorities have prevented this until now.

"The renovation of McBride is a great opportunity to address the long-needed serving line update," Williams said in a memo to the board. "Taking advantage of the building's renovation to complete the upgrade is a smart move. It's likely to be more efficient and cost-effective to integrate the serving-line improvements while other work is ongoing."

The board approved increasing the project by \$222,258 to the new total.

Robert Kakoczki, vice president of Plante Moran Realpoint, explained the series 3 bond construction consisted of Bid Package #9 at Savage and Tyler Elementary Schools and Bid Package #10 at McBride Middle School. The project award recommendation was approved in December 2023 with a 7.5% construction contingency totaling \$860,000. This construction contingency is established to cover changes that come up during construction.

Kakoczki said as part of Bid Package #10 at McBride, the cafeteria is being renovated. As construction was getting started, the district started to look at renovating the cafeteria serving line. They worked with a food service consultant to develop a new serving line that would enhance the services and provide a better student flow.

In other business at Monday's 68-minute meeting, the board:

- Heard the first reading of a list of more than 30 board policy updates recommended by Thrun Law Firm to keep up with the new Public Employment Relations Act and other

current laws. The board policy committee met last Friday to consider the changes, which were presented to the board by vice president Featheringill, who was presiding at the meeting in the absence of president Amy Pearce. The policy changes will be read for a second time at the next meeting and voted on;

- Accepted the resignations of the following teachers: Jason Butka from Belleville High School, as of Aug. 31, after 18 years of service; Nicole McCraight of Tyler Elementary, as of Aug. 23, after 12 years of service; Brittany Cavazos of the Early Childhood Center, as of Aug. 2, as of two years of service; and Whitney Aumiller of Savage Elementary as of Aug. 27, after three years of service;

- Approved the Aug. 28 employment of Hillary Dandridge as a fifth-grade teacher at Owen Intermediate, Alexandria Davis as a sixth-grade teacher at Owen, and Stefanie Halliday as a BHS media specialist. It was pointed out that Halliday had been a media specialist at the school two years ago and had left. "We're glad to have her back," said School Supt. Pete Kudlak; and

- Accepted the non-instructional employee resignations of Felicia Mahdi, after eight years at Owen, as of July 30; and Julia Thorn, after four years in Transportation, as of Sept. 2.

Absent from Monday's meeting were Amy Pearce, Simone Pinter, and Dionne Falconer.



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CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 15, 2024 - 7:30 pm

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

a. Presentations

i. Introductions

1. Retirement Recognition for Ofc. Bart DeVos
a. Chief Faull presented Officer DeVos with a plaque in recognition of his retirement from the city.

2. Introduction of Ofc. Charlie Brooks

a. Chief Faull introduced Officer Brooks to the Council.

3. Introduction of Ofc. Michael Pearl

a. Chief Faull introduced Officer Pearl to the Council, and Clerk Hootman performed a swearing-in ceremony.

ii. Refuse/Recycling RFP – Each bidding firm will have 5 minutes to present, followed by questions from the council.

1. Stevens Disposal

a. Each company provided a brief presentation on their services and answered questions from the Council.

2. Priority Waste

a. Each company provided a brief presentation on their services and answered questions from the Council.

b. Citizen Comments

i. None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by bates, supported by Kissel 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.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

a. Approval of Minutes

i. July 1, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting

b. Communications

i. SEMCOG Legislative Task Force Appointment

ii. Police Dept. Crime Stats/Calls – June 2024

iii. MMRMA Monthly Acknowledgements

c. Council Follow Up List

d. DPS Activity Report

e. Special Events

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to approve the consent 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.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

a. Water Meter AMI Contractor Selection

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Beebe to select SLC Meter as the city's water meter AMI contractor.

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.

b. Refuse and Recycling Contractor Selection

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Priest to select Stevens Disposal as the city's refuse and recycling contractor.

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.

c. Review of quotes for a new Tornado Siren

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Kissel to approve the purchase of a new tornado siren from Westshore Services/Federal Signal.

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.

d. Purchase of Sany Tracked Excavator

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Priest to approve the purchase of a Sany tracked excavator.

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.

e. City Hall Tree Trimming

MOTION: Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve Leffler's to trim trees at City Hall at a cost of \$1,800.

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.

f. Master Plan Quote

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Kissel to approve Giffels Webster to review the city's master plan at a cost of \$26,650.

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. City Manager Review

i. Council gave City Manager Smith an aggregate score of 90, over a total of 15 areas, in their assessment of his performance thus far.

ii. Mayor Voigt recommended an increase in Smith's salary of \$10,000 at an annual salary of \$95,000.

MOTION: Motion by Priest, supported by Beebe to approve an increase in City Manager Smith's annual salary of \$10,000.

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.

9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

a. Accounts Payable

b. Departmental Expenditures

i. Advanced Underground Inspection (2)

ii. Core and Main

iii. Amazon

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Kissel to approve accounts payable and departmental expenditures over \$500.

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.

10. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

a. Smith stated that he will be attending the MME Summer Institute in Marquette, MI this Tuesday through Friday, noting that he will be moderating and presenting a session on Wednesday.

b. The second round of GIS interns, Ivan and Tyler, started today. Mia and Jakobi, the first round of interns, caught them up to speed.

c. Noted that the Harbour Pointe road repair contract books have been signed, with the city waiting on a start date from Hennessey engineering.

d. The sale of the city's property at 100 Davis ST. in on track and is currently awaiting a closing date.

e. Stated that a film crew will be capturing some B-roll footage in the city, from July 18th-23rd, although he is not at liberty to disclose what is being filmed.

f. The city is waiting for the state's Attorney General to sign off on the proposed amendments to the Charter. Once that has been completed, it will go on to the County Clerk's office to be placed on the ballot.

11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

a. Mayor Pro-Tem Bates

i. Thanked everyone for coming to the meeting.

ii. Welcomes Officers Brooks and Pearl to the city.

iii. Thanked Officer Devos for his years of service.

iv. Would like further information from the city's new refuse provider.

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v. Excited for the city's new water meter service.
vi. Thanked City Manager Smith for his work, stating that she's glad he's here.

b. Council Member Kissel

i. Excited to have blurbs for Stevens Disposal to share on social media.

ii. Congratulations to Officers Brooks and Pear.

iii. Stated that she is going to start pulling files for SOPs and vendor lists.

iv. Noted that the Fire Department's new truck is about a month away from being completed.

v. Would like to explore an evergreen contract for City Manager Smith

c. Council Member Priest

i. Noted that Wheels for Independence would like some assistance in getting up and running.

ii. Stated that several citizens are inquiring about ordinance enforcement, such as grass overgrowth.

iii. Is very happy with the work that City Manager Smith has done thus far.

d. Council Member Beebe

i. Thinks that City Manager Smith is doing a great job.

ii. Believes that lots of good changes are coming.

12. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

a. Congratulated City Manager Smith on a good evaluation.

b. Noted that Officer Devos has had a long law enforcement career in the area, working with both Van Buren Township and the City of Belleville.

c. Is happy to have Officer Brooks with the city, stating that he worked with him many years ago via the city's mutual aid relationship with Van Buren Township.

d. Is glad to be getting started on road repairs in the city.

e. Is pleased to announce that Senator Camilleri and Representative Miller informed him that the city will receive \$750,000 for band stabilization at Horizon Park.

13. CITIZENS COMMENTS

a. Victoria Commons Resident

i. Discussed school safety and training offered through the Fortis Group.

b. Victoria Commons Resident

i. Inquired if the city was finished installing fountains in the ponds in Victoria Commons.

c. Mike Renaud

i. Thanks for securing funding from Senator Camilleri and Representative Miller.

ii. Congratulated City Manager Smith on his review, noting that he is always prompt in responding to inquiries and other communications.

d. Brian Loranger

i. Would like to get the Fire Department involved in active shooter training.

14. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Priest, supported by Bates to adjourn at 9:35 PM.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman

City Clerk/Treasurer

Published: Aug. 15, 2024

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 259 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, Aug. 4:

0255 – malicious destruction of property, Rawsonville Rd.
0414 – 911 welfare check, Ash Dr.
0453 – assist other dept., WB I-94/Rawsonville
0931 – welfare check, Van Buren St.
1049 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1152 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1245 – civil matter, Lauren Ct.
1341 – dumping complaint, Andover Dr.
1325 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1322 – vehicle lockout, DNR boat launch, Rawsonville Rd.
1324 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1432 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1512 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Oak Ln.
1537 – civil matter, Lake Crest Dr.
1523 – animal complaint, Rawsonville Rd.
1614 – parking complaint, Van Buren St.
1953 – larceny, Truman
1841 – neighbor trouble, Arlene Ln.
1840 – disorderly, Ecorse Rd.
1848 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd./Hull Rd.
2200 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
2312 – intrusion alarm, Kirkridge Park Dr.
Monday, Aug. 5:
0018 – family trouble, N. Woodbury Dr.
0201 – intrusion alarm, Van Born
0714 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Victoria St.
0725 – family trouble, Dewitt Rd.
0743 – larceny from auto, Oak Ln.
0819 – assist fire dept., Quirk Rd.
0924 – domestic, Denton Rd.
0944 – civil matter, Tyler Rd.
1256 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Beck
1259 – dumping complaint, Sheldon/Van Born
1305 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Independence Ln.
1402 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Sadie Ln.
1325 – fraud, Alden Ave.
1404 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1442 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1554 – private property impound, Hardwood Dr.
1541 – welfare check, E. Sadie Ln.
1558 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1645 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Harmony Ln.
1645 – malicious destruction of property, Dewitt
1712 – mental subject, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1946 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Alba Ct.
2016 – harassment call, Jackson St.
1957 – juvenile complaint, Belleville Rd.
2041 – intrusion alarm, Van Born
2119 – welfare check, Ecorse
2138 – suicidal person, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2140 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.
Tuesday, Aug. 6:
0029 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
0201 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.
0141 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0359 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0407 – domestic, Leon Dr.
0702 – unauthorized driving away of automobile, Locust Dr.
0720 – malicious destruction of property, W. Cherry
1003 – larceny from auto, N. Ponderosa Trl.
xxxx – repossession, S. Bellridge Dr.
1216 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
1322 – civil matter, Birch Dr.
1223 – 911 welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Village Green Ln.
1346 – welfare check, Alden Ave.
1511 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1544 – animal complaint, Denton Rd.
1544 – assault & battery, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1653 – suicidal person, E. Archwood Dr.
1717 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1716 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1845 – animal complaint, Thornwood Dr. / Greenwood Dr.
1842 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
1851 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1853 – family trouble, Dewitt Rd.
1902 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd.
1951 – assault & battery, Tyler Rd.
2007 – traffic offense, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
2037 – noise complaint, Cedar St.
2043 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
2104 – private property/property damage accident, Huron River Dr.
2122 – 911 welfare check, Rawsonville Rd./Bog
2222 – assist other dept., Dewitt Rd.
Wednesday, Aug. 7:
0004 – assault & battery, Michigan Ave. / Denton
0246 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Ponderosa Trl.
0348 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park Dr.
0414 – 911 welfare check, Redwood Dr.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.
0449 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
0524 – intrusion alarm, Savage Rd.
0852 – family trouble, Brookside Dr.
0937 – welfare check, Oak Ln.
0942 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
xxxx – private property impound, Belleville Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Village Green Ln.
1022 – fraud, Alba Ct.
1102 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1237 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1314 – neighbor trouble, Brandi Dr.
1318 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.
1440 – intrusion alarm, Ventura Dr.
1522 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tyler Rd. / Hannan Rd.
xxxx – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1604 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Huron River Dr./Rawsonville Rd.
1627 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
1650 – larceny, Savage Rd.
1851 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1854 – malicious destruction of property, Haggerty
1903 – found property/child, Belleville Rd.
1918 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1917 – all 4100 MICR codes – liquor, Belleville
2059 – animal complaint, W. Huron River Dr.
2140 – private property/property damage accident, Senate St.
2149 – welfare check, Harmony Ln.
2248 – shooting, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2318 – breaking & entering, E. Walden Dr.
Thursday, Aug. 8:
0034 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
0107 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
0117 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Woodbury Dr.
0234 – larceny, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0514 – larceny, Dellor St.
0657 – welfare check, Vista Dr.
0714 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0748 – larceny, Dellor St.
0835 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0902 – breaking & entering, Oak Ln.
0928 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr./Haggerty Rd.
1322 – animal complaint, Brookview Dr.
1200 – follow up by officer, Dellor St.
1212 – abandoned auto, Belleville/Quirk
1322 – abandoned auto, Lindsey Dr.
1443 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Denton
1629 – intrusion alarm, Fret Rd.
xxxx – repossession, Van Born Rd.
1648 – vehicle lockout, Rawsonville/Martz
1650 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1652 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.
1831 – follow up by officer, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1801 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1913 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1919 – road hazard, Hoeft Rd.
1932 – assist other dept., W. I-94/Belleville Rd.
2041 – civil matter, Redwood Dr.
2212 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Michigan Ave.
2328 – PPO violation, Redwood Dr.
2341 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd. / Huron River Dr.
Friday, Aug. 9:
0232 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
0432 – assist other dept., Rawsonville I-94 ramp E / E-194
0541 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Morton Taylor Rd.
0829 – breaking & entering, Ash Dr.
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.
1156 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0941 – road hazard, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
0941 – abandoned auto, Belleville Rd.
1305 – mental subject, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1303 – intrusion alarm, Oak Ln.
1342 – private property/property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1325 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1400 – assist citizen, Tyler Rd.
1333 – assist fire dept., Van Born Rd.
xxxx – animal complaint, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1407 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1425 – civil matter, Solitude Ln.
1457 – parking complaint, Wheeler/Coolidge
1530 – assist fire dept., E. Huron River Dr.
1548 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1754 – civil matter, McBride Ave.
1643 – abandoned auto, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1659 – neighbor trouble, Jackson St.
1729 – 911 welfare check, W. Huron River Dr.
1822 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
2013 – fight, DNR boat launch, Rawsonville Rd.
2126 – domestic, Rose Blvd.
2203 – animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2242 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Holly Ln.
2311 – welfare check, Oak Ln.
Saturday, Aug. 10:
0021 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0450 – intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0939 – vehicle lockout, Tyler Rd. Cemetery
0956 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1013 – threat, Belleville Rd.
1130 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1225 – assist other dept., Bayshore Dr.
1234 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1228 – assist other dept., Michigan Ave.
xxxx – assist other dept., Haggerty Rd.
1450 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Belleville Rd. / E. I-94
1533 – larceny from auto, Westlake Cir.
1543 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1552 – domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1616 – intrusion alarm, Kouza Ct.
1631 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
1638 – neighbor trouble, Cherry Ln.
1821 – private property/property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1951 – 911 welfare check, Endicott St.
2020 – assist other dept., Liberty/E. Columbia
2131 – welfare check, Belmont Dr.
2227 – road hazard, EB I-94/Rawsonville Rd.
2310 – parking complaint, Sonrisa St.
Sunday, Aug. 11:
0026 – threat, Van Born Rd.
Also, on this week's log are 59 traffic stops, six of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 4:

0325 – intrusion alarm, E. Waterbury Ct.
0554 – intrusion alarm, Carmell St.
xxxx – assist citizen, S. Edgemont Ave.
1853 – parking complaint, Veterans Memorial
1948 – domestic, Belle Villa Blvd.
2238 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
Monday, Aug. 5:
1352 – civil matter, Belle Villa Blvd.
1651 – welfare check, Main St.
2034 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St.
2121 – intrusion alarm, Sumpter Rd.
Tuesday, Aug. 6:
0413 – assist other dept., Sumpter Rd.
1000 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, W. Columbia Ave.
1104 – civil matter, E. Thornhill Ct.
1345 – parking complaint, Main St.
xxxx – sexual assault, High St.
2038 – animal complaint, South St./E. Davis St.
Wednesday, Aug. 7:
0255 – assist citizen, South St./Henry St.
0952 – domestic, Carmell St.
1332 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, High St./Edison St.
Thursday, Aug. 8:
0908 – parking complaint, Roland St.
0921 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR codes, Angola St.
1010 – intrusion alarm, Carmell St.
1831 – welfare check, Robbe St.
Friday, Aug. 9:
0212 – assist fire dept., S. Edgemont Ave.
0730 – abandoned auto, W. Columbia Ave.
1311 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sunoco
1405 – welfare check, South St.
1433 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville
1613 – civil matter, Main St.
2114 – threat, Harbour Pointe Dr.
xxxx – unauthorized driving away of auto, W. Wabash Ave.
Saturday, Aug. 10:
xxxx – larceny from auto, S. Industrial Park Dr.
0916 – private property/property damage accident, Main St.
1147 – assist other dept., E. Waterbury Ct.
1544 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.
2055 – breaking & entering, Belle Villa Blvd.
There are 73 dispatch calls on this week's log and 38 of those are traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 4:

0054 – family trouble, Arizona St.
0141 – traffic complaint/hazard, Sumpter/Willow
0207 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Rawsonville Rd. / Willow Rd.
0255 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Willis Rd. / Martinsville Rd.
0257 – welfare check, Bemis Rd./Rawsonville Rd.
0906 – assist other agency, 46000 bl. Harris Rd.
1008 – assault, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
1023 – animal complaint, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
1216 – civil matter, 18000 bl. Morton Ave.
1240 – suspicious circumstance, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1259 – harassment complaint, Rustic Ln.
1411 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1535 – alarm, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1539 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1624 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1711 – suspicious circumstance, Delaware St.
1857 – suspicious circumstance, California St.
2111 – 911 hangup, 22000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
2228 – civil matter, Colorado St.
2340 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
Monday, Aug. 5:
0111 – traffic complaint/hazard, Willow/Elwell
0354 – 911 hangup, Rustic Ln.
0621 – 911 hangup, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
0814 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
0928 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
0938 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Carleton West
1038 – fire dept. assist, Carriage Ln.
1130 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
1208 – suspicious person, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1324 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1411 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1421 – mental health call, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
1424 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico St.
1523 – assist other agency, Oakville Waltz / Sumpter Rd.
1557 – 911 hangup, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1619 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1703 – welfare check, Colorado St.
1734 – suspicious circumstance, Wilmot/Willis
1807 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1900 – follow-up investigation, Pecan St.
1902 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2021 – welfare check, Bemis Rd./Rawsonville
2106 – follow-up investigation, Pecan St.
2115 – death investigation, Utah Ct.

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Tuesday, Aug. 6:

- 0554 – traffic complaint/hazard, 22000 bl. Bohn
- 0739 – animal complaint, 5400 bl. Oakville Waltz
- 0846 – civil matter, 18000 bl. Morton Ave.
- 0957 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 1120 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1415 – subpoena service, Walnut St.
- 1500 – traffic complaint/hazard, Martinsville Rd. / Willis Rd.
- 1554 – neighbor dispute, 17000 bl. Martinsville
- 1556 – suspicious circumstance, 41000 bl. Willow
- 1644 – property damage accident, 44000 bl. Willis
- 1650 – civil matter, Alaska St.
- 1701 – assist other agency, Rustic Ln.
- 1817 – larceny, 45000 bl. Bontekos Ave.
- 1908 – suspicious circumstance, Greenmeadow Dr.
- 2129 – follow-up investigation, Greenmeadow Dr.
- 2212 – suspicious circumstance, Wyoming St.

Wednesday, Aug. 7:

- 0550 – fire dept. assist, Idaho St.
- 0605 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 0816 – assist other agency, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 0915 – 911 hangup, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
- 1206 – traffic complaint/hazard, 40000 bl. Bemis
- 1354 – animal complaint, Maine St.
- 1408 – animal complaint, Rustic Ln.
- 1431 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1539 – 911 hangup, Mulberry Dr./Hickory Dr.
- 1556 – civil matter, 49000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 1808 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1857 – suspicious person, Colorado St.
- 2001 – 911 hangup, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 2020 – PPO violation, Nevada St.
- 2143 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
- 2306 – follow-up investigation, Nevada St.

Thursday, Aug. 8:

- 0853 – traffic complaint/hazard, Savage/Harris
- 1451 – suspicious person, Magnolia Dr.
- 1522 – carrying concealed weapon violation, Rustic Ln.

- 1742 – property damage accident, Walnut St.
- 1825 – animal complaint, 13000 bl. Rawsonville
- 1917 – fire dept. assist, Kansas St.
- 1953 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 2159 – welfare check, Colorado St.
- 2301 – motorist assist, Martinsville/Judd Rd.

Friday, Aug. 9:

- 0440 – repossession, Utah Ct.
- 0805 – civil matter, Mulberry Dr.
- 0918 – animal complaint, Bemis Rd./Sumpter Rd.
- 1032 – suspicious circumstance, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
- 1119 – welfare check, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 1129 – assault, Wyoming St.
- 1232 – 911 hangup, Virginia St.
- 1407 – family trouble, Mulberry Dr.
- 1430 – assist other agency, Rustic Ln.
- 1543 – animal complaint, Oakville Waltz/Haggerty
- 1551 – property damage accident, 41000 bl. Judd
- 1622 – animal complaint, Oakville Waltz/Haggerty
- 1726 – follow-up investigation, Wyoming St.
- 1734 – welfare check, Kansas St.
- 2009 – 911 hangup, Knollwood Dr.
- 2117 – follow-up investigation, out of township
- 2250 – follow-up investigation, Wyoming St.
- 2331 – suspicious person, Mulberry Dr.

Saturday, Aug. 3:

- 0206 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Wear Rd.
- 0842 – harassment complaint, Magnolia Dr.
- 0923 – welfare check, 23000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
- 1008 – harassment complaint, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
- 1302 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
- 1306 – neighbor dispute, Rustic Ln.
- 1453 – 911 hangup, 45000 bl. Willow Rd.
- 1454 – welfare check, 21000 bl. Clemmons Ct.
- 1630 – follow-up investigation, out of township
- 1701 – fire dept. assist, Hickory Dr.
- 1706 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.
- 1714 – fire dept. assist, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
- 1834 – flee & elude, Willis Rd./Rawsonville Rd.
- 1947 – suspicious person, 48000 bl. Harris Rd.
- 2210 – noise complaint, 22000 bl. Carleton West
- 2313 – assist other agency, Willow/Leontine Rd.
- 2328 – noise complaint, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

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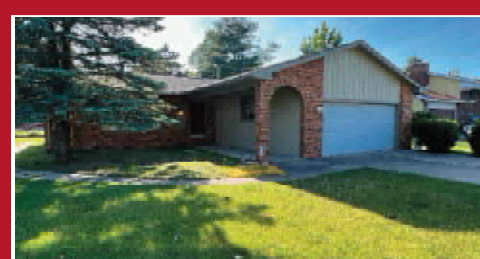
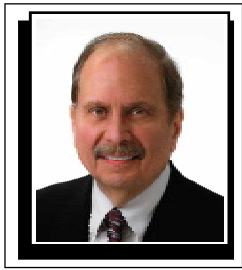
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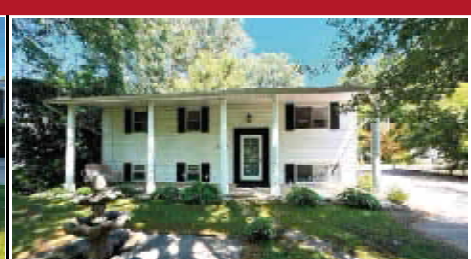
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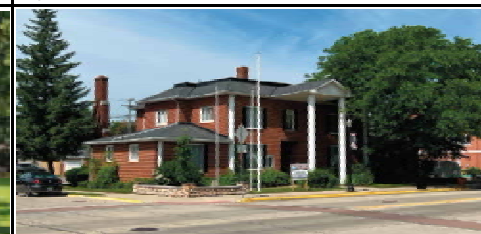
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