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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman

Those who took part in the press conference on Monday afternoon at the Belleville Area District Library posed for cameras after almost an hour of speeches. They held up signs against being the country's dumping ground for toxic waste.

## Rep. Miller urges landfill pressure on Gov., House Speaker

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
 Independent Editor

During an hour-long press conference on Monday, during which almost a dozen people spoke, State Rep. Reggie Miller, D-Van Buren Township, urged the public to pressure Gov. Gretchen Whitmer and Republican House Speaker Matt Hall on a local atomic waste issue, where bills are pending.

The press conference was held inside the Belleville Area District Library, with a crowd of sign-waving people outside the doors who also were against Wayne Disposal getting its license renewed or being allowed to expand.

Reporters from Detroit media jammed the Cozadd meeting room and blocked members of the public who were trying to witness the comments from a line of politicians.

Rep. Miller said the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy

(EGLE) did not follow public engagement because it announced a Sept. 18 public hearing at Wayne County Community College on the renewal of the hazardous waste landfill permit, in "a local weekly newspaper of limited circulation."

She referred to the *Independent*, which is the newspaper of record for the city of Belleville and Van Buren Township. The required legal notice for such a meeting was put into the Aug. 14 edition, with the information that EGLE planned to issue the renewed license for Wayne Disposal on the North I-94 Service Drive unless some information from the public comes up to dissuade them. The public was encouraged to attend the meeting and give opinions and/or write their objections to a given site.

EGLE has said right along that unless something changes, Wayne Disposal will get its renewal because it has followed all the state rules.

Miller pointed out that the wishes of the

community have been ignored. She said there is "no undo button here" and, "Once it's here, it's here."

She said the landfill is steps away from water, schools and you don't want to send your kid to school with a Geiger counter in his lunch box.

"When the community says no, EGLE needs to listen," she said, and there was rousing applause from the crowded room. She called on EGLE to halt the steps to approval until all the questions have been answered.

Miller said to the crowd that on Sept. 18 at Wayne County Community College she wants people to stand up, pack the place, be strong and don't take no for an answer.

"We will not accept this expansion – not now, not then, not ever," and there was more applause. The vertical expansion will put the landfill higher than it is now, made possible by a change in the flight paths at Willow Run Airport.

State Sen. Darrin Camilleri, D-Trenton, spoke next saying this area is "not interested in being the country's dumping ground." He referring to Senate Bills 246 and 247 he sponsored that were passed last term and are in committee. He said they raise the tipping costs from the lowest fees in the country and put a five-year moratorium on any expansion while they study the details.

He said this is not a partisan issue and, "our legislature will stop them."

U.S. Rep. Debbie Dingell, MI-6, said EGLE has announced Wayne Disposal will get approval because state law says if they meet the requirements, they get it.

She referred to Republicans holding up progress of the Michigan bills and told them to "quit f---ing" and then showed fake surprise at what came out of her mouth.

She said tipping fees should be at least \$15 and, "We are not the trash capital of the United States of America... There are

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Demonstrators lined up with their signs outside the library on Monday afternoon.

## Landfill

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strong feelings, but we have to have action.” She said raising the fees would have an economic disincentive.

Throughout the rest of the comments from politicians, there was reference to Dingell’s statement, with Wayne County Executive

Warren Evans saying, “I co-sign her comments. I just won’t say them.” Belleville mayor Ken Voigt began his comments with, “I promise not to say the f word.”

Romulus mayor Robert McCraight said, “Debbie got me wound up, but I won’t cuss.”

Mayor Voigt said this is not NIMBY – not in my back yard – because the Great Lakes

is everybody’s back yard.

Speaker after speaker railed against having radioactive waste in a local toxic landfill near a lake and schools and urged EGLE not to renew the license or approve expansion.

Janine Rippey and engineer of Van Buren Township, one of the founders of Michigan Against Atomic Waste, with 1,100 members, urged EGLE to pause the expansion to study

the elevated lead 210 recently found in the ground water and to implement ground-water monitoring with real-time reporting.

Rep. Miller ended the session asking the public to pressure the Governor and Speaker Hall to get legislation on the issue to a vote.

She also urged the public not to wait until the Sept. 18 hearing, but to get on the EGLE website now and put their ideas in writing.

## Informational meeting, public hearing set on hazardous landfill

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency have given notice of intent to issue a hazardous waste management facility operating license to Wayne Disposal Inc.

A public informational meeting and hearing will take place Sept. 18. The public comment period for the draft license opened Aug. 14 and will close at 5 p.m. Sept. 29.

Wayne Disposal Inc. (WDI) operates a hazardous waste disposal facility located at 49350 North Interstate-94 Service Dr. in Van Buren Township. WDI seeks authorization to begin storing hazardous waste in containers, and to continue disposing of hazardous waste, certain radiological materials, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB) waste generated offsite. WDI proposes to expand the disposal

volume and add hazardous waste storage capacity.

The in-person information session and hearing are set for 5-9 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 18, at the Wayne County Community College District, Ted Scott Campus, 9555 Haggerty Rd. in Van Buren Township.

To attend online, register at <https://bit.ly/MMD09182025> and participants will receive a confirmation email containing information about how to join the meeting. For those who do not have internet access and would like to join by phone only, use the following phone number: (636) 651-3142, and conference code 374288. Pre-registration is not required to attend. Individuals interested in participating can click the link above at the start of the presentation portion of the event, set for 6 p.m.

The public informational meeting will start with an open house from 5-6 p.m. for residents to come and talk to EGLE and U.S. EPA staff one-on-one, ask questions and learn about the facility in general.

The open house will be followed by a presentation from 6-7 p.m. about the facility’s application and draft license, and a session with a panel. The public meeting will be followed by a public hearing from 7-9 p.m. where interested individuals will have an opportunity to submit oral or written comments on the draft license into the formal record.

The public is encouraged to review the draft license, application, and associated materials for more detailed information before commenting. A copy of the draft license is at the Belleville Area District Library. All individuals attending

the public hearing in person who intend to speak are requested to register by filling out a comment card.

Comments may be given at any time before the end of the comment period at 5 p.m. Sept. 29. Participants may provide comments on the draft license in any of these ways:

- At the public hearing on Sept. 18
- By email: [EGLE-MMD-HWS@Michigan.gov](mailto:EGLE-MMD-HWS@Michigan.gov)
- By U.S. mail: EGLE, Materials Management Division, Attn: Christine Matlock, P.O. Box 30241, Lansing, MI 48909-7741

For questions about the application or draft license, contact Christine Matlock at (517) 290-4612;

[MatlockC2@Michigan.gov](mailto:MatlockC2@Michigan.gov); or [EGLE-MMD-HWS@Michigan.gov](mailto:EGLE-MMD-HWS@Michigan.gov).

## Sumpter board gives itself \$10,000 raise each on split 4-3 vote

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

At its regular Aug. 12 meeting, the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees voted 4-3 to give itself raises in pay of \$10,000 each.

Voting yes was supervisor Tim Bowman and trustees Tim Rush, John Honey, and

James Frazier.

Voting no were treasurer Bart Patterson, clerk Don LaPorte, and trustee Matthew Oddy.

When the item was up on the agenda, treasurer Patterson addressed Bowman who had put it on the agenda. Patterson said he was not in favor of the motion as

presented. He said there was no supporting documents that show what the board is making now and what it will be after the raise, or a review of other communities and what they pay their board members.

Patterson said he thought more investigation should be done and there are some issues with Michigan Employees

Retirement System (MEARS).

“I agree we need an increase,” said Oddy, noting that they hadn’t had an increase in four years.

He said Van Buren Township is \$30,000 for trustees and the supervisor, clerk, and treasurer make more because they are full

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# O P I N I O N S

## Editorial:

### Be sure to let EGLE know your thoughts on landfill

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy, has said in no uncertain terms that it will grant the renewal of the Wayne Disposal toxic landfill license in Van Buren Township unless it has reason to believe that should not be done.

They've said that the landfill qualifies under all the current laws and so they cannot deny the renewal. We imagine they would get sued by Republic Services, owner of Wayne Disposal, if they tried that.

They have told the protestors that the law is in place and the only thing that could change that is a different law. But protestors push against the evil EGLE for following the law. Go figure.

They need to work with their legislators to change the state law and Rep. Reggie Miller and Sen. Darin Camilleri have proposed laws in the system that are stuck in committee. At Monday's press conference, Rep. Miller said to put pressure on the governor and the house speaker to move the laws forward.

Until then, the present law is in place and the public hearing at Wayne County Community College on Sept. 18 has been announced as part of the required steps in that law. People can go to the meeting and register their complaints in person or write them down and mail/email them to EGLE before Sept. 29. If EGLE thinks one of the ideas is enough to hold off, it can. You have to convince them – or work to change the law.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

We have to apologize to Tina Pyzik. Last week our paper misspelled her name twice – on the same page. That would be page 5. First, we apologized in a column for not getting her name in an earlier paper nearer to the birthday. And, then we put it in the birthday column and both names were misspelled. Hope your birthday was happy, anyway.

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Michigan State Rep. Brenda Carter, D-Pontiac, introduced House Bill 4675 on June 25 and it is now in committee. The bill mandates the Michigan Department of Education to curate a list of cursive writing instructional programs by June 1, 2027. If the programs are ready ahead of the 2026-27 academic year, schools will be "strongly encouraged" to implement the curriculum then.

Rep. Carter said, cursive is "a foundational skill that not only enables them to sign their own name, but also gives them access to important historical documents, including many of our nation's founding texts."

I agree. I read a news story about a young man who couldn't vote because he couldn't sign his name -- provide a signature. These days, kids print everything they can't type in, and there are no signatures.

I remember my father's handwriting. It was like an artwork -- so beautiful. The thought that students are not able to read or write cursive boggles the mind.

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Captain Nemo's restaurant on Third Street in Belleville is closed. No one was there when we tried to deliver the *Independent* last Thursday.

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A reader called to say Van Buren Township

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



doesn't need a building to sit in and look at the lake. The township could put out some benches for that, she said.

She was referring to the Lake House the township is planning for the former DNR property just north of the Belleville Bridge. The township just requested a grant from the county to help pay for the fishing pier the township had to promise to build to get the property from the DNR.

There's sure to be a fishing pier boardwalk, but the Lake House proposal is still being developed. We're told people will be able to hold meetings there.

Our reader said they just built a community center with lots of meeting rooms. The idea of spending \$16 million of taxpayer money on another place to meet makes her crazy.

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Connor Stalions has admitted his leading role in the University of Michigan sign-stealing football scandal after being nabbed by the NCAA which spelled it out in its just-released NCAA report. Central Michigan University was also involved.

He now admits it was him on the sidelines of a CMU game at MSU in October 2023, dressed in CMU maroon and gold and wearing a goatee while he was still employed as a Michigan staff member.

Stalions received an eight-year show-cause penalty from the NCAA, effective Friday. That means he's banned from holding any job involving college athletics through August 2033, unless a school interested in hiring him can show the NCAA why he is

employable.

Stalions resigned in the middle of the 2023 season, when reports began surfacing that he had orchestrated a network of associates to attend and film games of future Michigan opponents.

In the NCAA report released Friday, which mostly laid out a case against Michigan that led to stiff penalties, the NCAA wrote Stalions was on the CMU sideline at MSU wearing a bench pass for two reasons: to decipher signals of Michigan State, a future Michigan opponent, as well as to help Central Michigan with its in-game game plan.

It was right after Stalions quit his Michigan job that Van Buren Public Schools quietly hired him in the middle of its 2023 football program. Let's stay away from him this time. The district has been punished for hand-picking football players from Detroit schools and it needs to get its reputation back.

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There are no members of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees quoted or pictured from Monday's afternoon press conference at the library concerning the toxic waste landfill in VBT. The reason? They were attending an all-day meeting on their budget, that had been set long in advance. The press conference was set at the last minute.



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## Letters

### Let's protect our furry creatures in VBT

To the editor:

I can barely look at the *Independent* any more because it tells about all the planned development in Van Buren Township.

I moved here nearly 25 years ago because it still had a rural feel. But I fear that all is changing, Traffic and noise is bad on and near Belleville Road.

My biggest concern is for the wildlife that resides here. God made these creatures for a reason and they deserve a place to live unthreatened. What is the township doing to preserve wooded areas for our deer, raccoons, opossum, turkeys, squirrels, and other beautiful animals?

Ypsilanti developed a land conservancy to protect natural areas and the creatures who live there. I really wish our leaders would value all life and preserve some of what drew people here in the first place.

We don't need any more gas stations or car washes. I understand new living sites will be built, but let's protect great numbers of acres for our furry neighbors. If we don't, they will be forced to scavenge around our homes and fear extinction in this area. Have a heart! If you agree with me, please speak up and make your feelings known.

Sincerely,

Tisha Prusak

Van Buren Township

### Atchinson Ford has always looked out for us

To the editor:

My family and I were very pleased with Service Advisor at Atchinson Ford, Mr. Cody Argo. A special shout out to him and Atchinson Ford employees. We have never had a bad experience. They have always looked out for us.

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As a husband-and-wife team, we're excited to continue this legacy of care while bringing fresh energy, expanded services, and a family-focused approach to the community. Joanna and I are both originally from Michigan and we are both passionate about patient-centered dentistry. We're committed to making New Boston Family Dental a place where patients feel welcomed, heard, and cared for.

We thought this transition might make a great human-interest story for your audience -- highlighting local business revitalization, community investment, and the next chapter of a familiar Main Street institution...

Mike O'Brien, DDS

Joanna O'Brien, DDS

New Boston Family Dental

### BACA invites public to join in citywide yard sale at Victory Park

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts invites the public to join in the Belleville citywide yard sale from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sept. 6 and 7 by setting up their sales at Victory Park. You don't have to live in the city to take part in the sale.

Reg Ion, chairman of the BACA yard sale which is a fund raiser for the group, said members of the public who want to take part in the sale should just show up and pay \$20 for each day. There is no pre-registration, he said.

For more information, call Ion at (734) 732-2472 or email him at rion2004@comcast.net.

### BHS class of 1960 to hold 65<sup>th</sup> reunion at BYC on Sept. 5

The Belleville High School class of 1960 will hold its 65<sup>th</sup> class reunion at noon on Friday, Sept. 5, at the Belleville Yacht Club, 831 E. Huron River Dr. in Van Buren Township.

Carol Posegay Sturtz said there is no registration required and all the classmates need to do is show up and order and pay for their own lunch. For more information, call her at (734) 697-2316.

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time. "This will take us over them," he said of the trustees.

Oddy said when they were talking about a raise, he was surprised to see it was this high.

Bowman called for the vote and it passed 4-3, with no further discussion.

The pay for 2024 provided to the *Independent* in January under a Freedom of Information Act request showed supervisor Bowman made, \$39,900 base pay and with benefits on top of that total compensation of about \$41,000; Rush made \$31,505, and more with benefits; and the trustees made about \$24,000 each, and more with benefits. The clerk changed after the 2024 election and so the final figure was confusing.

In other business at the Aug. 12 meeting, the board:

- Heard LaPorte announce the planning consultant wants the board to review commercial and business licenses and a proposal to hire a fire inspector. LaPorte said presently the inspections for home-based business licenses are "drive-by," which the consultant said is of no value. She wants to come to a meeting to discuss this with the board. Rush said most municipalities are "farming out" fire inspection duties to third parties and the customers pay for the cost;

- Approved a motion to receive and file all the reports from the supervisor, township manager, attorney, police/ordinance, building and fire departments, without any verbal information given to those present;

- Approved hiring Gary Stevenson and Kyle Weaver as paid-on-call fire fighters, contingent on them passing physical and drug tests;

- Approved posting a job description to fill a full-time position in the clerk's office, with the proviso that that person may float to other departments as needed when available;

- Approved Monday, Nov. 10, 2025 as a CBA-recognized floating holiday;

- Approved rescheduling the board of trustees meeting from 6 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2025 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 12;

- Approved seeking bids to repair the police department roof;

- Approved the township's amended travel and millage reimbursement policy;

- Approved accepting the FOPLC contract modification request concerning the vacation-bid process in Article 20.1;

- Approved naming Mrs. Liz Bowman as a voting member of the Parks and Recreation committee effective Aug. 13;

- Approved the Parks and Recreation Trunk or Treat event at the community center from 6-8 p.m. on Oct. 25;

- Approved the Parks and Recreation Meet and Greet activity on Sept. 20, with times to be determined;

- Approved seeking quotes to purchase a mini excavator with hydraulic head;

- Approved removing the 90-day waiting period for health insurance benefits for

new employees, as long as a letter from the insurance company states this is OK;

- Passed a resolution approving millage funding allocation of \$14,423 for improvements to Banotai Park;

- Approved having the amended purchasing policy go into effect Sept. 1, 2025;

- Approved asking the planning commission to consider rezoning the following parcels from MHP to RF or R-1:

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- Approved hiring the proposed DPW laborer as of Aug. 25;

- Approved raising the pay of financial director Julie Campbell from \$92,000 to \$96,000 as of 60 days following the hiring date of April 14 as agreed at hiring;

- Heard LaPorte announce that active

community member Leona Mixon has passed on and sympathy is sent to her family. He also announced a ribbon cutting for the new township carwash on Aug. 15, with free car washes that day. He also announced the Aug. 22-24 indoor-outdoor yard sale at the community center, and a special election Nov. 4 for precincts in the Van Buren and Lincoln school districts; and

- Heard Patterson congratulate Public Safety Director Eric Luke and his detectives for their excellent police work in discovering a perceived suicide instead was a murder. Oddy said it should be called an "alleged murder" until the court sessions are complete.

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# Court Watching

**Robert John Sills**

Robert John Sills, 24, of Sumpter Township was video-arraigned in custody on May 28 on charges of carrying a concealed weapon, gun possession while intoxicated, and driving while license suspended on June 17, 2024 in Sumpter Township. Personal bond is \$5,000 and the probable cause conference set for June 11. A probable cause conference then was set for June 18. A preliminary exam was held July 30 and he was bound over to circuit court for an Aug. 13 arraignment on the information.

On July 28, he was scheduled for arraignment in custody on a new charge of possession of narcotics on Jan. 20, 2025 in Sumpter Township. The charge

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## Obituaries



James David Hughes

### JAMES DAVID HUGHES

November 5, 1947 – August 11, 2025

James Hughes, age 77, of Van Buren Township, MI, passed away at home in hospice care surrounded by his family. He fought a long hard battle with lung cancer. He was born on November 5, 1947, in Nashville, Tennessee to Frank and Hazel (Andrews) Hughes. James served our country in the United States Army as a Private E-1. He then married the love of his life, Cheryl. Together they had three boys, and James opened a car repair shop. He loved cars and did mechanical work all his life. He was a hardworking man. James's favorite car was his 1959 Pontiac Catalina, which he lovingly restored to look exactly like the one he married Cheryl in on their wedding day. He owned two shops, one in Romulus on Goddard Road and then another one on Savage Road for a total of 58 years in business. But most of all James was a family man. He loved his family, his kids, his grandkids and the great grandkids. A loving man who will be greatly missed.

James is survived by his loving wife, Cheryl Hughes of Van Buren Township, MI; his children Jim (Andrea) Hughes of Belleville, MI, and David Hughes of Sumpter, MI; his grandchildren Jessica (Luke) Lindberg, James (Katelin) Hughes, Paige Hughes, Preslie Hughes, and Hazel Hughes; his great-grandchildren William, Mason, Robert, Jimmy, Ian, and Mia; his siblings John (JoAnn) Hughes of Belleville, MI, Lillian (Jim) Howe of Crossville, TN, and Debra (Doug) Vanderbusch of Florida; as well as his nieces, nephews, cousins neighbors and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, two siblings Burton and Frank Hughes, his son Jason Hughes, and his grandson David Wayne Hughes.

According to his wishes, dignified cremation rites have been accorded with the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111.

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Bruce Allen Domen

### BRUCE ALLEN DOMEN

June 21, 1943 – August 10, 2025

Bruce Domen, age 82, of Belleville, MI, passed away at his home on August 10, 2025. He was born on June 21, 1943, in Ypsilanti, MI, to Raymond and Olive (McConnaughey) Domen. Bruce served our country in the United States Marines as an MP2, and he worked on the tanks. He was very active in his traveling all over the United States to see his friends and family. He worked out at Anytime Fitness regularly. He enjoyed guns and the gun range as well. Bruce loved riding his tractor and dining at Sam's Restaurant in Belleville, sometimes on a daily basis. His love for his family and his guidance and mentorship to the grandkids cannot be put in words. Bruce believed in a close family, and he was the model for it. He loved his family, his kids, and doted on his grandkids.

Bruce is survived by his children Michele Domen of Lincoln Park, MI, Bruce (Barb) Domen of Belton, SC, and John (Josine) Domen of New Boston, MI; his siblings Dave Domen of Murfreesboro, TN, Birdie (Ted) Grignon of Saline, MI, Fred (Darlene) Domen of Covina, CA, and Danny (Darlene) Domen of Rochester Hills, MI; his grandchildren Gregory, Briana, Kylee, Allison, Hunter, Joey, and Keith and one great grandson, Eli; as well as his nieces, nephews, cousins neighbors and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings, Paul, Jeanie, Marilyn, and Martha.

A memorial is planned for Friday, August 22, 2025, at The David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI, 48111, with visitation time from 11 a.m. until the time of service of 1 p.m. Pastor Gordon Moore will officiate.

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### MARK ANTHONY MOOTRY

June 14, 1953 – July 26, 2025

Age 72, of Van Buren Township. Survived by wife Constance, son Marc, daughter Devon, bonus son Maurice, 8 grandchildren; sister Johnnie. Memorial celebration is 2 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 30, at Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 45 S. Edgemont St., Belleville. Zoom available for viewing memorial. [www.davidcbrownfh.com](http://www.davidcbrownfh.com)

### KENNETH JOHN RICER

October 10, 1956 – August 14, 2025

Age 68 of Ypsilanti. Survived by wife Susan, four children, six grandchildren, two siblings. Visitation is Saturday, Aug. 23, 4-8 p.m. Funeral is Sunday, Aug. 24, at 11 a.m., with viewing at 10 a.m., all at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville. [www.davidcbrownfh.com](http://www.davidcbrownfh.com)

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# Keystone working toward reauthorization of school charter

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

Keystone Academy Board of Directors was informed at its regular meeting on Aug. 14 that its presentation to Bay Mills Community College has brought very good feedback.

Keystone is nearing the end of its most recent seven-year school charter granted by Bay Mills and is taking the steps required toward reauthorization. The charter has been authorized by Bay Mills since Keystone opened in 2003.

Bay Mills recently authorized granting charters for up to ten years and Keystone is waiting to hear that the charter has been renewed and for how many years.

At the Aug. 14 meeting the full Keystone board officially ratified its Board PowerPoint Presentation for Reauthorization that was given in June, as required. Former Keystone president Steve Harsant was authorized by the board previously to review and authorize the presentation prior to submission in June.

The Aug. 14 meeting was the first under newly elected president Christine Mihaly who was sworn in for her second three-year term by National Heritage Academy representative Andrew Roth.

Kimberly Kowalski, who is board secretary, also was sworn in for another three years. Both Mihaly and Kowalski will serve until June 30, 2028.

In other business at the 38-minute meeting, the board:

- Learned Keystone earned two 2024-25 national NHA Eagle Awards, which was announced at an award ceremony in July. Keystone won awards for Employee Engagement and Safety;

- Approved the 2026 Children's Internet Protection Act Form 479, which is required to get universal service fund discounts for internet access services and network hardware and maintenance. It must be submitted by Nov. 15 for the following school year;

- Tabled until the Sept. 11 meeting the proposed resolution on a Teacher Evaluation and Employee Certification Warranty. This annual certification is due to Bay Mills, this year on Sept. 27. The resolution confirms that all personnel working at the academy are properly licensed, certified, and endorsed for the 2025-26 school year;

- Approved authorizing up to \$28,000 from the board fund budget for the 2025-26 school year as requested by principal Jorvanna Drain: Family Fun Night, \$4,000; school store, \$1,500; Perfect Attendance Award for students, \$3,000; athletics, \$13,000; and teacher recognition, \$7,250 (which includes the new Ski Club);

- Heard principal Drain report that the summer learning checkpoint #1 and #2 was a huge success and students celebrated

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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

The full Keystone Academy Board of Directors paused for a group picture of the board and officers during the Aug. 14 meeting. From left are vice president Steve Harsant, secretary Kimberly Kowalski, president Christine Mihaly, director Christina Dare, and treasurer Charlene Derrick. Mihaly and Kowalski were sworn in before the meeting to serve another three years, until June 2028.

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## Keystone

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their hard work in a fun way at Rolling Hills Water Park and Best in Games. She said 51 families attended the Kindergarten event, Barnyard Bash. All Y5s and Kindergarten families were invited to spend an evening meeting with their child's teacher while enjoying a petting zoo and pony rides;

- Learned, there are currently 753 students registered and re-enrolled for the 2025-26 school year, with five more students in acceptance status. There also are 48 students on the waitlist. The first day of

school is Aug. 25; and

- Heard president Mihaly wish the *Independent* editor well as she moves toward retirement. Mihaly said the stories the Keystone meetings were accurate and she enjoyed seeing Keystone promoted in the paper.

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After completing her undergraduate degree, she taught band, choir, and music theory at Taylor Preparatory High School. Since earning her master's degree at Eastern Michigan University, she has pursued various musical interests including directing music for Shakespeare in the Arb, teaching private voice lessons, and arranging music.

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On July 29, he was arraigned on a charge of possession of marijuana on May 5 in Sumpter Township. Remote pretrial was set for Aug. 18 and bond is \$1,000.

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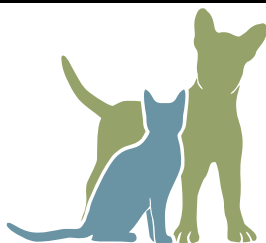
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# Musings

By Janet Millard  
Independent  
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The BHS Marching Tigers are back from band camp tomorrow so their annual performance is Friday at 5 p.m. Be the first to see all their new moves.

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Sumpter Township is holding its Summer Vendor Market and Annual Community Yard Sale this weekend, Aug. 22, 23 and 24 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. You will be able to shop until you drop in the fairgrounds (behind the police department) and inside the community center at 23501 Sumpter Rd. Good thing it lasts for three days – you will need all of them!

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The Belleville Area Museum is having Tyler Moll back on Thursday, Aug. 28, from 6 to 7 p.m. to speak on Bob-Lo Island. Boy, that is a real blast from the past. Loved Bob-Lo and enjoyed taking our Girl Scout troop there for an outing. Anyway, please register in advance and enjoy pizza at 5:30 p.m. The museum also has a new slideshow of historic photos of French Landing and Belleville Lake that you can enjoy when you have some time to spend with them.

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Willis Fest will take place this year on Sunday, Sept. 21 from noon to 5 p.m. in the fair city of Willis. There will be a car show, craft show, kids' corner, and food trucks. Monies raised will be donated to Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue. It will be a nice family outing on a Sunday afternoon.

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Let me give a shout out to Belleville Firefighter Garrett Kissel. Garrett saved the day at Monday's Farmers Market by lifting a very heavy sewer grate and retrieving one of the baker's cell phones. Good job, Garrett.

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One more Wednesday in Harris Park. On Aug. 27 from 5 to 7 p.m. Flute Cocktails and the Renegades will perform.

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TONIGHT – Third Thursday popups on Main from 5 to 8 p.m., Bridge Walk at 5:30 p.m., Taste of Belleville on High Street from 6 to 8 p.m. (SEE MENU in today's paper), and Music Lakeside with Ghost Town Marshalls from 7 to 9 p.m. A busy, busy night!

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# City council gets fire dept. assessment with options to consider

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

At Monday's regular meeting, the Belleville City Council received an assessment report on its fire department.

Greg Flynn and Rich Marinucci were present to report on their study of the department and to suggest options for the city to consider, including joining up with a neighboring department for reliable service in a reasonable timeframe and to turn over any situations more than muscular, cuts, scrapes, and bruises to Huron Valley Ambulance to handle.

Another consideration was that the Assistant Chief's position may no longer reflect the department's current needs and could be replaced with a Captain of Training, who would be responsible for coordinating fire and EMS training. Two lieutenant positions were suggested to enhance on-scene supervision.

The assessment team also proposed establishing clear participation requirements, since having paid-on-call personnel has led to inconsistent participation in training and emergency response.

A synopsis of the 17-page report was given by Flynn, who suggested after consideration the city could decide to do nothing different and continue on the way it has.

Councilman Randy Priest asked about the inspections Flynn had suggested and Flynn said inspections of buildings by a fire marshal would help prevent new fires, but if the city is already doing such inspections that wouldn't be necessary.

Flynn applauded the city for reaching out for an assessment, making itself vulnerable. He said local insights can be clouded by historical knowledge.

The council did not discuss the report at the meeting but members of the fire department sat in the audience in uniform to hear the assessment.

In other business at Monday's meeting, the council:

- Approved naming interim city manager Steve Jones as the alternative representative

to the DUWA sewer board to replace Jason Smith. Jones also was named Act 51 Street Administrator, taking the place previously held by former city manager Smith who is no longer with the city;

- Received an update from Jones on the upgrades to 330 Charles St., which is being renovated to become the new city hall. He told the council the most up-to-date floor plans are before them, the doors are in the right spots, the budget numbers are becoming more clear and, "We are moving forward." He said the demolitions are done and 90% of the framework is there and it's not just an empty shell. Councilman Jeremiah Beebe said he has toured the structure and you can visualize where everything goes. "I'm excited to see some of the numbers come through," Beebe said. Jones reported the former loading dock is gone and leveled off to make a place for the garage;

- Heard councilwoman Julie Kissel thank Beebe for helping with six or seven houses that got volunteer help to meet city ordinances. Beebe said Kissel started the whole project. He said they agree that people should look out for their neighbors and help those struggling with the ordinances. He said three or four members of Redemption Bible Church came out to help and got stung. "We could do more of that civil service. It doesn't need to go through the city," he said;

- Heard Kissel ask about the \$1,982.45 spent on vehicle maintenance for the Vactor truck and she was told it still is not functional; and

- Heard mayor Ken Voigt give a report on the press conference at the library held earlier that afternoon. He said it was well-attended and local activists were there. The event was to protest the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy's recent announcement it would grant the renewal of Wayne Disposal's toxic landfill operating license because the landfill qualifies. He cited details from the speakers and said, "We need to keep fighting this."



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# VBT planners postpone action on Yost Transfer Station addition

By Rosemary K. Otzman  
Independent Editor

In 2023, two days after the Van Buren Yost Transfer Station passed all building inspections and the certificate of occupancy was in hand, a fire erupted.

Although the official cause of the fire was undetermined, it is believed it was from a lithium battery. The structure of the building was not affected, but the siding and roofing were damaged.

Now, South Yost, owner of the business at 44145 Yost Rd., wants to repair the damage from the fire to the north portion of the building and to construct an 8,280-square-foot addition to the existing waste transfer facility.

Rob Wagner of Midwestern Consulting, which is representing the applicant, told the Van Buren Township Planning Commission at its Aug. 13 meeting that the township now has many more requirements than it did when they built the 44' building.

He said the business is a drive-through where trucks bring mainly construction materials, such as drywall, and unload it so they don't have to take it to a landfill. He

said Yost then ships it to a landfill.

Wagner opposed McKenna planning consultant Lauren Sayre's recommendation that the commission table voting on approvals until the company could get better information. She listed 11 items for Yost to consider.

She said they could consider the preliminary and final site plans together at a future meeting after everything is worked out.

Wagner agreed to change the sign that was proposed to read "Superior Township" to read "Van Buren Township" but he said now the height of the building already in place is being questioned, as well as the setback, which was approved by the township before, "but now is wrong, I guess".

And, since only three or four people work at the site and nobody parks and there are no visitors, they would like a total of four parking spaces approved instead of the 37 needed under the ordinance. Four was what was approved in 2023.

Sayre said she did not get elevations and the the photos the developers took that morning were not enough.

Wagner said the business has been operating since 2018 and conforms with state and county rules 100%. He said inspectors from the state and county can show up at any time.

Commissioner Medina Atchinson asked since the building is non-conforming, can the commission approve repairing it? She was told the damage was minor enough for the repair project to be approved.

Commissioner Jeff Jahr said there are more than the usual number of question for a preliminary site plan. He would like a clear diagram of parking allowed in 2021, what it is now, and what is proposed. He said now the information is disorganized and he wants it put on a clear sheet.

Wagner said in 2021 for the last project, they needed just four sheets for the site plan and now they need nine because there have been a lot of changes.

"We're missing information that you have," said commissioner Bernie Grant, who is professional architect.

Wagner said they would submit the application for variances to the height and setback requirements to the Board of Zoning Appeals the next day and get the requested drawings for the planning commission.

Commissioner Jahr said there are a lot of moving parts and, for example, the sidewalk agreement was not executed. He said in 2020, the planning commission deferred the sidewalks and required the applicant to execute an agreement to construct a sidewalk along the site's frontage at a future date when such sidewalks are required as part of a larger redevelopment of the area. The agreement was never executed.

Brittney Williams, the township's planning and zoning specialist, said she was not a part of that and there is no agreement on file. She said she will make sure it is signed.

"They're close," Jahr said, adding they can address the McKenna list.

"I'd like to postpone this, not deny," Jahr said. "And, I would like to see the sidewalk plan closed out."

Jahr made the motion to postpone until the applicant can address the concerns, and the sidewalk agreement is complete. Commissioner Grant seconded the motion and the commission unanimously approved it.

Commission chairman Brian Cullin said he hopes to approve the preliminary and final site plans at the same time.

In other business at the 54-minute meeting on Aug. 13, the commission:

- Approved the final site plan for the 5,033-square-foot Chick-fil-A drive-thru restaurant at 10150 Belleville Rd., in front of Menards. A correction to the proposed sign was agreed to, so the reference to the city of Belleville will change to Van Buren Township. Chick-fil-A has a grand-opening team that will come out weeks before the location opens and works with the owner-operator and staff specifically on traffic management. The team also will meet with the police department and other officials to make sure everyone is on the same page. The restaurant is expected to start construction in April;
- Approved the site plan amendment for The Timbers subdivision for nine revised single-family architectural elevations, so Century Complete can build on the 37 lots in the unfinished development on the east side of Elwell Road, south of Harbour

Pointe Court and North of Lauren Court. When asked the costs, the developer said the smallest houses will be about \$354,990 and the larger homes about \$379,000; and

- Discussed the subcommittee that was proposed at the recent tri-community planning commission meeting. Commissioners Atchinson, Jahr, and Peter Creal volunteered to serve. When asked what they were expected to do, Jahr said usually at the first meeting the group decides if the subcommittee is a good idea and then what they should do. Commissioners said the joint city/township sidewalk along Sumpter Road was mentioned at the recent joint meeting, as well as turning the island into a park.

## Court Watching

(continued from page 11)

### Jacklyn Annette Murray

Jacklyn Annette Murray, 37, of Ann Arbor was video-arraigned while in custody of the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department on May 29 on four outstanding warrants. She was arraigned on a charge of retail fraud-2<sup>nd</sup> degree on May 31, 2019; two additional charges of retail fraud on March 13, 2020 and Feb. 17, 2021; and a charge of possession of narcotic paraphernalia on Feb. 17, 2021. She was scheduled for a probable cause conference on June 11 on the first charge and \$5,000 personal bond. She failed to appear and a warrant was issued.

The three other charges were scheduled for a remote pretrial on July 3, with \$3,000 personal bond on each of those charges. She remained in Washtenaw County custody. The defendant failed to appear on July 3 and a warrant was issued.

### Ardis Leroy Valentine-Lewis

Ardis Leroy Valentine-Lewis of Adrian is charged with home invasion-2<sup>nd</sup> degree on Feb. 24, 2020 in Sumpter Township. He was video-arraigned in custody on May 7 and his probable cause conference held May 21. The preliminary exam was set for May 30, but the post office could not deliver his notice, so a probable cause conference was held at that time and the exam set for June 5. Bond is \$10,000/10%. He was bound over to circuit court for a June 12 arraignment on the information. A calendar conference was set for June 17, final conference is Aug. 1 and jury trial is Sept. 8.

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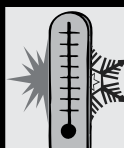
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# Sumpter woman dies in 3-vehicle head-on collision on Haggerty

A 64-year-old Sumpter Township woman was pronounced dead at the scene following a three-vehicle head-on collision on Haggerty Road, just south of the North I-94 Service Drive on Friday morning.

At about 11:15 a.m. Aug. 15, the Van Buren Township Public Safety Department and Huron Valley Ambulance were dispatched to site.

Detective/Lieutenant Kenneth Floro said the preliminary investigation revealed that a red Chevrolet Silverado was traveling northbound on Haggerty Road when the vehicle crossed over the center line and collided with a burgundy Ford Explorer that was traveling southbound on Haggerty Road.

A third vehicle, a silver BMW, that was traveling southbound on Haggerty was also involved in the collision.

The township fire department had to extricate the driver of the Chevrolet Silverado from his vehicle. The 22-year-old Belleville man was treated at the scene and then transported to Trinity Hospital – Ann Arbor by Huron Valley Ambulance, where

he was further treated for his injuries. He was listed in stable condition.

D./Lt. Floro said Janet Lynn Schonscheck, of Sumpter Township, who was driving the Ford Explorer, was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the BMW was not injured in the accident and was released at the scene.

The Van Buren Township Accident Investigation Team was called to the incident and completed the on-scene investigation, collecting data and securing physical evidence.

The preliminary details of this accident indicate that excessive speed may be a contributing factor, D./Lt. Floro said.

This incident remains under investigation and anyone with information related to the accident is asked to contact D./Lt. Floro at (734) 699-8915.

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## City of Belleville Public Notice



### CITY OF BELLEVILLE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

**Monday, August 4, 2025 - 6:30 pm**

#### 1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### 2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Voigt	Absent- Excused
Mayor Pro-Tem Bates	Present
Julie Kissel	Present
Jeremiah Beebe	Present
Randy Priest	Present

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Presentations
- i. None.
- b. Citizen Comments
- i. Matt McLean
1. The car show on Main St. had a great turnout.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

**Motion Carried.**

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA

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

- a. Approval of Minutes
- i. July 21, 2025 – Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. Budget report
- c. Council Follow Up List
- d. DPW Report

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

**Motion Carried.**

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None.

#### 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

a. None.

#### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

a. **Resolution # 25-017 - Moody Brews – Social District Permit**

**MOTION:** Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve **Resolution # 25-017**, as presented.

**Motion carried.**

#### b. Resolution # 25-015 – City Purchase Policy

**MOTION:** Motion by Priest, supported by Kissel to approve **Resolution #25-015**, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion carried.**

#### c. Award Recommendation – Water Sewer Pavement Repairs

**MOTION:** Motion by Kissel, supported by Priest to approve the bid submitted by GV Cement Contracting Company for water sewer pavement repairs in the city, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion carried.**

#### d. Discussion – Continued Remote Monitoring – Generator at 330 Charles St.

**MOTION:** Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve commercial remote monitoring of the generator at 330 Charles St., as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion carried.**

#### e. Agreement with Van Buren Township – Building Official Services

**MOTION:** Motion by Beebe, supported by Priest to approve an agreement with Van Buren Township for temporary inspection and plan review services, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion carried.**

#### f. Agreement with Van Buren Public Schools – School Resource Officer

**MOTION:** Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe

to renew the inter-local governmental agreement with Van Buren Public Schools for School Resource Officer services, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion carried.**

#### g. DDA Budget Amendment

**MOTION:** Motion by Kissel, supported by Beebe to approve amendment(s) to the FY 25-26 DDA budget, as presented.

**Motion carried.**

#### 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

- a. Accounts Payable
- b. Departmental Expenditures

**MOTION:** Motion by Priest, supported by Kissel to approve Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures in excess of \$2,500, per **Resolution # 25-016**, as presented.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

**Motion Carried.**

#### 10. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

- The review and applicable adjustments of residents' water bills in the city has been completed.

- Mayor Voigt is not in attendance as he is currently out of town.

- The purging and organization of files and records at City Hall continues; thank you to Council Member Kissel for her assistance.

- The Department of Public Services, along with the DWIHN Summer Youth Program workers, have been doing a great job of cleaning and keeping the city's public spaces maintained.

#### 11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

a. **Council Member Beebe**

i. No comments.

b. **Council Member Priest**

i. Asked what renovations/remodeling are scheduled

to be taking place at the new City Hall building.

- ii. The city looks nice.
- iii. The car show was great.

#### c. Council Member Kissel

i. Thank you to Account Clerk Takisha Henry for her hard work on reviewing and adjusting the city's water bills.

ii. The DWIHN Summer Youth Program will be wrapping up soon for the year.

iii. The city's employee time-clocks have been installed and are now functional.

iv. Continues to meet with the city's I.T. service providers, along with administration, to sort out various technology issues and concerns.

v. CityWorks is working to add a reporting module to the city's program.

Progress continues to be made on purging and organizing at City Hall

#### 12. MAYOR PRO-TEM'S COMMENTS

- Thank you to everyone in attendance.

- Appreciates all of the hard work that the staff, Council Member Kissel, and Mayor Voigt have been doing at City Hall.

#### 13. CITIZENS COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEM

a. Therese Antonelli

i. Loves the Go Gov app that the city recently implemented.

ii. Asked that the city consider suspending the required Certificate of Occupancy process while utilizing the services of Van Buren Township's Building Official.

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

None.

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Motion by Beebe, supported by Kissel to adjourn at 7:00 PM.

No objections were noted.

**Motion Carried.**

Respectfully submitted by, Briana Hootman

City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: August 21, 2025



# Things to do in the Belleville area...

• **Thursday, Aug. 21** – 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, Aug. 21** – Annual Belleville Bridge Walk starts at the Gateway sign at 5:30 p.m., followed by Taste of Belleville from 6-8 p.m. on High Street and Horizon Park, also the last Music Lakeside for the season, 7-9 p.m. Performing tonight is Ghost Town Marshalls. The Rotary launches its Lucky Ducky fundraiser in Belleville Lake at 6:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Aug. 22, 23, and 24** – Yard sale behind the Sumpter Township police department and vendor sales inside the community center, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cost for space is \$5 for outside and \$10 for inside.

• **Friday, Aug. 22** – Tacos and Margaritas from 5 to 7 p.m. (or until they run out) at the Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus, (734) 941-3030. Public welcome. All proceeds to the building fund.

• **Sunday, Aug. 24** – Michigan Flight Museum at Willow Run Airport presents Open Cockpit Day from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Some of the static aircraft on display will be opened up so you can get an inside look at the AH-1J Cobra, F-84F Thunderstreak, and the F-4 Phantom II. This extra feature is included with the price of your admission ticket. (734) 483-4030. [miflightmuseum.org](http://miflightmuseum.org)

• **Sunday, Aug. 24** – BBQ under the pavilion 3-5 p.m. (or until they run out) at Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post 78, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus (734) 941-3030. \$10 includes all sides and 2 hot dogs OR a hamburger OR + 50 cents for a cheeseburger. Everyone welcome.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 27** – End of Summer Celebration from 5-7 p.m. at Harris Park, 10101 Belleville Rd. Flute Cocktail & the Renegades, musical. Sponsored by Van Buren Township DDA.

• **Wednesday, Sept. 3** – Michigan Flight Museum's Historic Presentation Night presents "Baseball Hall of Famers Who Served" at 7:30 p.m. with speaker Steve Mrozek. He is former assistant curator at the National Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, NY. He now is executive director of the Selfridge Military Air Museum and a retired Army paratrooper. \$10 per person for non-members. Museum members: free with registration. Museum is at 47884 D Street at Willow Run Airport.

• **Friday, Sept. 5** – 65<sup>th</sup> reunion of the Belleville High School class of 1960 at noon at the BYC. No need to register. Just come and order lunch with your classmates. Information: Call Carol Posegay Sturtz, (734) 697-2316.

• **Sunday, Sept. 7** – Bugles Across America starts at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street on the lake in Belleville. A brief ceremony honors all those who are serving or have served in the military, put on by the VFW and PLAV. The event includes a salute to the flag, singing of the "National Anthem" and a bugle playing "Taps."

• **Friday, Sept. 12** – A Belleville High School Alumni Tailgate party will take the place of the annual All-Alumni Dinner this year, starting at 4 p.m. at the BHS Commons. A free tailgate buffet for those who RSVP will be available from 4:15 to 6:15 p.m., along with entertainment. At 6:30 p.m., the alumni will join the BHS Marching Band as they walk to the football field where the alumni will get into the stands and cheer on the Tiger team. Questions: (734) 740-7464. To register

sign on to: <https://www.vanburenschools.net/o/belleville-high>

• **Friday, Sept. 12** – 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.

• **Saturday, Sept. 13** – Mental Health Fun Day, noon – 4 p.m., Romulus Downtown Historical Park. Yard games and art, live music, raffles, vendors, face painting, relaxation zones, comfort food.

• **Thursday, Sept. 18** – 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.

• **Saturday, Sept. 27** – Romulus High School Class of 1975 is holding its 50-year reunion from 6:30 to 10:30 p.m., with dinner at 7 p.m., at the Romulus VFW, 39270 Huron River Dr. \$40 per person/\$75 per couple. Contact Peggy Statten for information, (734) 740-0647.

• **Sunday, Oct. 5** – Bugles Across America starts at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street on the lake in Belleville. A brief ceremony honors all those who are serving or have served in the military, put on by the VFW and PLAV. The event includes a salute to the flag, singing of the "National Anthem" and a bugle playing "Taps."

• **Saturday, Oct. 11** – Harvest Fest and Harvest Market at the Fourth Street Place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Hosted by the CBC, the library, and museum. Lots of free things for the kids and the market has food, crafters, and non-profits.

• **Thursday, Oct. 16** – 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.

## Upcoming Meetings

• **Monday, Aug. 25** – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building

• **Tuesday, Aug. 26** – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 3 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township board meeting, 6 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Aug. 27** – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Sept. 2** – Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m., and workshop at 5 p.m. as needed. Also, Belleville City Council, 6:30 p.m.

• **Monday, Sept. 8** – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons

• **Tuesday, Sept. 9** – Sumpter Township board meeting, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library, 7:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Sept. 10** – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.

• **Thursday, Sept. 11** – Keystone Academy School Board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 6:30 p.m.

# Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Charter Township of Van Buren Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) will hold a public hearing on **September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held in person at Van Buren Township Hall, located at **46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111**, in the Board Room.

**Case # 25-029** - Request for a dimensional variance by Ann Arbor Sunrooms on behalf of owner Mark Powell to construct a sunroom off the rear of the home located at 13744 Milton Drive, parcel ID# 83-101-04-0005-000.

Per approved Exhibit B of Country Walk II Condominium Subdivision PRD:

- Rear Yard Setback:
  - Required: 25.00 feet
  - Proposed: 20.17 feet \*
  - Variance requested: 4.83 Feet

\*The existing dwelling is located at a setback of 30.17' per the plot plan submitted. Therefore, 5.19' of the proposed addition is located within the building envelope area while 4.83' projects into the required rear yard.

**Case # 25-032** - Request for a dimensional variance by Midwestern Consulting on behalf of owner VBTS, LLC to construct an 8,280 square foot addition to an existing waste transfer facility located at 44145 Yost Road, parcel ID# 83-009-99-0004-001.

Section 3.115 (E) Dimension Regulations:

- Maximum Building Height:
  - Maximum: 30.00 feet
  - Proposed: 44.00 feet
  - Variance requested: 14.00 feet

Section 3.115 (E) Dimension Regulations:

- Minimum Side yard Setback:
  - Minimum: 40.00 feet
  - Proposed: 7.8 feet
  - Variance requested: 32.2 feet

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

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

Posted: August 18, 2025  
Published: August 21, 2025



## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*There were 401 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police this week including the following.*

### Sunday, Aug. 10:

0117 – noise complaint, Brookside Dr.  
0143 – civil matter, Rawsonville Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, N. Cumberland Dr.  
0826 – road hazard, N. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville  
1015 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.  
1049 – 911 welfare check, Bemis Rd.  
1138 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Parkwood Dr.  
1305 – 911 welfare check, Salem Ct.  
1329 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.  
1327 – disorderly, Quirk Rd.  
1357 – assist other dept., Ecorse Rd.  
xxxx – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.  
1424 – assault & battery, rest area  
1602 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1614 – shooting, Elwell Rd.  
1641 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1717 – parking complaint, Water's Edge  
1709 – larceny from auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
xxxx – traffic offense, E. Main St.  
1926 – trespassing, Bradley Dr./Jeremy Rd.  
2104 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Sunrise Ln.  
2113 – breaking & entering, Evelyn Ct.  
2117 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
2128 – intrusion alarm, Chandler Dr.  
2138 – 911 welfare check, Hamilton St.  
2320 – road hazard, Denton Rd./Michigan Ave.  
2330 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Woodbury Green

### Monday, Aug. 11:

0004 – domestic, S. Bellridge Dr.  
0018 – shooting, Robson Rd.  
0100 – felony assault, Haggerty Rd.  
0123 – 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.  
xxxx – repossession, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0636 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Oak Blvd.  
0704 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Alden Ave.  
0947 – trespassing, Parkwood Dr.  
1118 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./Westlake Cir.  
1138 – fraud, Madison Dr.  
1159 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.  
1321 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1334 – welfare check, Quirk Rd./Ayres Ave.  
1416 – civil matter, Van Born Rd.  
1453 – assist fire dept., Savage Rd.  
1620 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler  
1700 – welfare check, Western St.  
1817 – missing person, N. Timberview Dr.  
2009 – welfare check, Belleville Rd./Tyler Rd.  
2013 – welfare check, Lighthouse Dr.  
2107 – assist other dept., W. I-94/Haggerty Rd.  
2225 – shooting, Denton Rd.

### Tuesday, Aug. 12:

0031 – family trouble, Lighthouse Dr.  
0051 – property check, Stamford Rd.  
0123 – welfare check, Ecorse Rd./Haggerty Rd.  
0409 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
0413 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.  
0431 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.  
0441 – motorist assist, Jeremy Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
0900 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1011 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.  
1054 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1050 – 911 welfare check, E. I-94/Belleville Rd.  
1130 – intrusion alarm, Robbe Rd.  
1217 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse Rd. / Belleville Rd.  
1319 – assist fire dept., Robson Rd.  
1331 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Freedom Way  
1333 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.  
1409 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1429 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.

1442 – road hazard, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service  
1450 – neighbor trouble, Capitol Dr.  
1527 – threat, Fairbanks St.  
1742 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Archwood Dr.  
1757 – family trouble, N. Adams  
1821 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Elwell Rd.  
1841 – overdose, Denton Rd.  
1844 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
1850 – motorist assist, Rawsonville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1928 – fraud, Greenbriar Dr.  
1953 – motorist assist, Haggerty Rd./Independence  
2001 – traffic offense, Colony Ln./Patriot Ln.  
2120 – 911 welfare check, Rawsonville/Martz  
2144 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.  
2201 – family trouble, Fay Dr.  
2241 – animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
2244 – assist fire dept., Zachary St.  
2307 – domestic, Belleville Rd.

### Wednesday, Aug. 13:

0221 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
0713 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Meadows Cir.  
xxxx – unauthorized driving away of auto, Independence Ln.  
0824 – misc. complaint, Belleville Lake  
0910 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Quirk Rd.  
0923 – assist other dept., S. Bellridge Dr.  
0925 – animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.  
1032 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.  
1113 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd./Van Allen Ave.  
1241 – harassment call, Nautica Dr.  
1148 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Bog Rd.

1402 – warrant arrest, S. Huron St.  
1408 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1417 – domestic, Alden Ave.  
xxxx – private property impound, N. I-94 Service  
1511 – assist other dept., E. I-94/Haggerty Rd.  
1514 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Capitol Dr.  
1543 – property damage accident, Greenbriar  
xxxx – private property impound, N. I-94 Service  
1603 – traffic offense, Ecorse Rd.  
1604 – civil matter, Tyler Rd.  
1619 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1711 – mental subject, Capitol Dr.  
xxxx – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
1818 – hospice death, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1824 – larceny, Belleville Rd.  
1959 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Haggerty Rd.  
2028 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville Rd.  
2145 – assist other dept., Heatherfield Blvd.  
2214 – motorist assist, Van Born/Haggerty  
xxxx – threat, Meadows Cir.

### Thursday, Aug. 14:

0011 – breaking & entering, Denton Rd.  
0106 – breaking & entering, Oak Ln.  
0311 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Crest Dr.  
xxxx – repossession, Edgedale Dr.  
0759 – abandoned auto, Ecorse Rd./Denton Rd.  
xxxx – private property impound, Belleville Rd.  
xxxx – private property impound, Parkwood Dr.  
1002 – malicious destruction of property, Lake Villa Dr.  
1121 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service  
1213 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1403 – civil matter, Sylvia Dr.  
1613 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1641 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1703 – domestic, Denton Rd.  
1828 – civil matter, Rickman Dr.  
1839 – runaway, Quirk Rd.  
1815 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.  
1948 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.

1951 – warrant arrest, Michigan Ave.  
2018 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.  
xxxx – missing person, Quirk Rd.  
2205 – assist other dept., S. Sadie Ln.  
xxxx – repossession, Pond Bluff Dr.  
xxxx – repossession, Winding Pond Dr.

### Friday, Aug. 15:

0019 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
0059 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
0640 – assault & battery, Ecorse Rd.  
xxxx – repossession, Vernon St.  
xxxx – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.  
0812 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Harmony Ln.  
0831 – assist fire dept., Jeremy Rd.  
0937 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0951 – property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275  
0944 – motorist assist, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.  
1055 – welfare check, Dover Ct.  
1107 – property damage accident, Haggerty/I-94  
xxxx – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Coolidge St.  
xxxx – road hazard, Hayes St.  
1555 – welfare check, Chatsworth Dr.  
1324 – civil matter, E. Huron River Dr.  
1335 – disorderly, Ecorse Rd.  
1548 – disorderly, Dewitt Rd.  
1531 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Westlake Cir.  
1509 – personal injury accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.  
1600 – threat, Bentley Dr.  
1544 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1647 – 911 welfare check, Stamford Dr.  
1918 – parking complaint, Quirk Rd./Ayres Ave.  
1755 – assault & battery, Belleville Rd.  
2010 – welfare check, Country Walk Blvd.  
1929 – threat, Belleville Rd.  
1918 – domestic, Freedom Way  
1925 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd.  
1956 – assist fire dept., Bog Rd./Republic Dr.  
2021 – threat, Hamilton Ct.  
2025 – misc. complaint, Rawsonville I-94 ramp E. / E. I-94  
2121 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Tompkins St.  
2209 – mental subject, Belleville Rd.  
2222 – family trouble, Freedom Way  
2245 – noise complaint, Oak Ln.  
2308 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.

### Saturday, Aug. 16:

0050 – harassment call, Oak Ln.  
0117 – assist fire dept., rest area  
0149 – domestic, Martinsville Rd.  
0246 – civil matter, W. Huron River Dr.  
0748 – PPO violation, Arlene  
0841 – malicious destruction of property, Lake Point Pass  
0956 – welfare check, Lauren Ct.  
1106 – mental subject, Lake Crest Dr.  
1147 – civil matter, Fairbanks St.  
1145 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1258 – neighbor trouble, Ellen Ave.  
1352 – fraud, Rawsonville Rd.  
1514 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.  
1540 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
1604 – intrusion alarm, Hardwood Dr.  
1606 – welfare check, S. I-275/Tyler Rd.  
1637 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd.  
1719 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1830 – domestic, Maple Dr.  
1905 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Cumberland Dr.  
1937 – assault & battery, Rawsonville Rd.  
2109 – assist citizen, Ecorse Rd./Beck Rd.  
2129 – mental subject, Redwood Dr.  
2256 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
2246 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.  
2305 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Kirkridge Park condos  
2334 – disorderly, Parkwood Dr.

Also, on this log are 174 traffic stops, 37 of which are on the I-94 and I-275 freeways. There also are 17 ordinance violations on the log.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, Aug. 10:

0536 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Henry St.  
0552 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
0839 – property check, W. Columbia Ave.  
1407 – animal complaint, High St.  
1736 – traffic offense, Main St.

1929 – animal complaint, Main St.  
2058 – 911 welfare check, N. Liberty St.  
2107 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Edgemont Ave.  
2224 – assist other dept., N. Aberdeen Ct.  
2254 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.

### Monday, Aug. 11:

0033 – 911 welfare check, Church St.  
1100 – assist fire dept., Charles Ct.  
1205 – assist fire dept., Potter Dr.  
1244 – property damage accident, Main/First  
1603 – welfare check, Belle Villa Blvd./Menlo Park Dr.  
1642 – trespassing, Main St.  
1729 – welfare check, Harbour Pointe Ct.  
1737 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
2303 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Menlo Park Dr.

### Tuesday, Aug. 12:

0451 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.  
0750 – vehicle lockout, W. Columbia Ave.  
1056 – ordinance violation, High St.  
1517 – ordinance violation, N. Liberty St.  
1605 – ordinance violation, N. Liberty St.  
2225 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
2346 – repossession, Main St.

### Wednesday, Aug. 13:

1204 – welfare check, Main St.  
1453 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.  
1630 – animal complaint, Sumpter Rd.  
2126 – motorist assist, Main St.  
2147 – assist citizen, Belle Villa Blvd.

### Thursday, Aug. 14:

1156 – domestic, Henry St.  
1326 – larceny, E. Columbia Ave.  
1937 – found property/child, Huron River Dr.  
1950 – harassment call, Main St.  
2021 – assist fire dept., Roys St./Church St.  
2034 – assist other dept., N. Biggs Ave.

### Friday, Aug. 15:

0100 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Savage Rd./Victorian Ln.  
0600 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
0824 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd./South St.  
1250 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.  
1752 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd.  
1821 – threat, South St.  
1957 – neighbor trouble, South St.  
2042 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
2241 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. Industrial Park Dr.

### Saturday, Aug. 16:

1051 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.  
1327 – misc. complaint, High St.  
1433 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.  
1959 – threat, Belleville Rd./Sunrise Ln.

There are 76 reports on this week's log, 26 of which are traffic stops.

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, Aug. 10:

0145 – family trouble, 8200 bl. Oakville Waltz  
0151 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
0252 – noise complaint, Texas St.  
0820 – family trouble, Georgia St.  
0904 – 911 hangup, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1122 – citizen assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1137 – follow-up investigation, 25000 bl. Sumpter  
1334 – 911 hangup, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1554 – citizen assist, 21000 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
1627 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1730 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
1747 – suspicious person, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1937 – 911 hangup, 27000 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
2131 – motorist assist, Willow Rd./Elwell Rd.  
2239 – welfare check, 17000 bl. Sully Dr.

### Monday, Aug. 11:

0008 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0011 – suspicious circumstance, 45000 bl. Willis  
0239 – suspicious person, Delaware St.  
0541 – alarm, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
1156 – suspicious person, Haggerty Rd./Harris  
1237 – civil matter, 45000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1438 – 911 hangup, 46000 bl. Bemis Rd.  
1506 – citizen assist, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1530 – suspicious person, 46000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1552 – mental health call, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.  
1717 – family trouble, Arizona St.

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## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

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1721 – fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1751 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico St.  
1958 – ORV complaint, Elwell Rd./Arkona Rd.  
2221 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.  
2228 – suspicious circumstance, 48000 bl. Harris  
2342 – family trouble, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.

**Tuesday, Aug. 12:**  
0048 – mental health call, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0919 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.  
1007 – civil matter, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1156 – family trouble, Arizona St.  
1247 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Carleton West  
1331 – fire dept. assist, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1343 – 911 hangup, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1515 – civil matter, Hawaii St.  
1536 – 911 hangup, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1549 – fire dept. assist, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1658 – 911 hangup, 47000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1731 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2125 – open burning complaint, 45000 bl. Bemis  
2149 – civil matter, Iowa St.  
2223 – down wires, 21000 bl. Fenster Ave.  
2320 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.

**Wednesday, Aug. 13:**  
0559 – 911 hangup, Carriage Ln.  
0623 – 911 hangup, Washington St.  
0809 – animal complaint, 43000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1120 – follow-up investigation, 51000 bl. Arkona  
1214 – property damage accident, Willis Rd. / Martinsville Rd.  
1414 – assault, Arizona St.  
1644 – alarm, 22000 bl. Carleton West Rd.  
1701 – shots fired, Elwell Rd./Judd Rd.  
1722 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
1730 – civil matter, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.  
1745 – 911 hangup, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1827 – down wires, 21000 bl. Prince Rd.  
1854 – welfare check, 17000 bl. Savage Rd.

1938 – animal complaint, Rawsonville/Judd  
2036 – 911 hangup, Wayside Dr.  
2115 – suspicious circumstance, 45000 bl. Paris  
2318 – follow-up investigation, 50000 bl. Willow  
2324 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.  
2339 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.

**Thursday, Aug. 14:**

0149 – malicious destruction of property, Wyoming St.  
0219 – follow-up investigation, Wyoming St.  
0948 – welfare check, 45000 bl. Bontekos Ave. 1017 – mental health call, Dakota Ct.  
1213 – property damage accident, Arkona/Sumpter  
1403 – follow-up investigation, 45000 bl. Arkona  
1410 – civil matter, Arizona St.  
1526 – civil matter, Magnolia Dr.  
1528 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.  
1602 – motorist assist, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1608 – follow-up investigation, Arizona St.  
1615 – suspicious circumstance, 25000 bl. Carleton West Rd.  
1620 – property damage accident, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
1744 – follow-up investigation, Arizona St.  
1823 – assault, 43000 bl. Dunn Rd.  
2041 – suspicious circumstance, 26000 bl. Sumpter  
2230 – civil matter, Arizona St.  
2309 – follow-up investigation, 50000 bl. Willow  
2310 – noise complaint, 45000 bl. Dunn Rd.  
2346 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln. / Country Club Blvd.

**Friday, Aug. 15:**

0013 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.  
0032 – suspicious circumstance, 28000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
0304 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0538 – fire dept. assist, Maine St.  
0549 – 911 hangup, 41000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0633 – citizen assist, Rawsonville/Bemis  
1316 – civil matter, Magnolia Dr.  
1536 – welfare check, 18000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2045 – mental health call, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2121 – traffic complaint/hazard, 51000 bl. Judd  
2350 – property damage accident, 44000 bl. Harris

**Saturday, Aug. 16:**

0143 – assault, Rustic Ln.  
0314 – property damage accident, 51000 bl. Willis  
0633 – suspicious vehicle, Willis Rd./California St.  
1234 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Willis Rd.  
1532 – suspicious circumstance, 49000 bl. Wear  
1602 – follow-up investigation, 50000 bl. Wear  
1617 – ORV complaint, Country Club Blvd. / Brookview Dr.  
1625 – suspicious circumstance, 21000 bl. Fenster  
1848 – fire dept. assist, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2010 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.  
2057 – family trouble, 21000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
2114 – personal injury accident, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
2149 – 911 hangup, Colorado St.  
2342 – 911 hangup, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.  
Also, on this week's log are 136 patrol checks, 76 traffic stops, and 12 misc. details.

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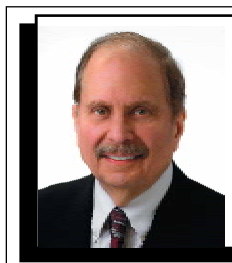
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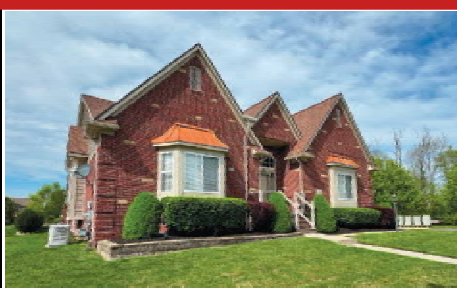
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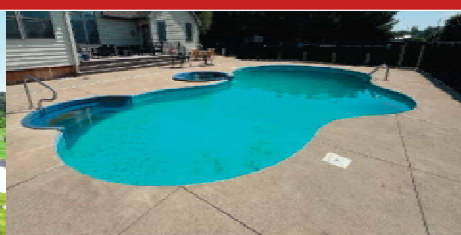
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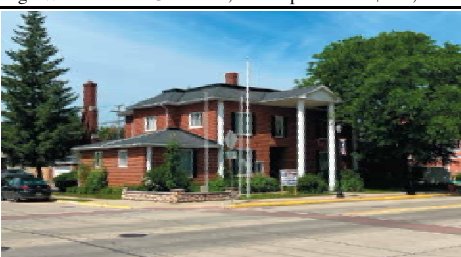
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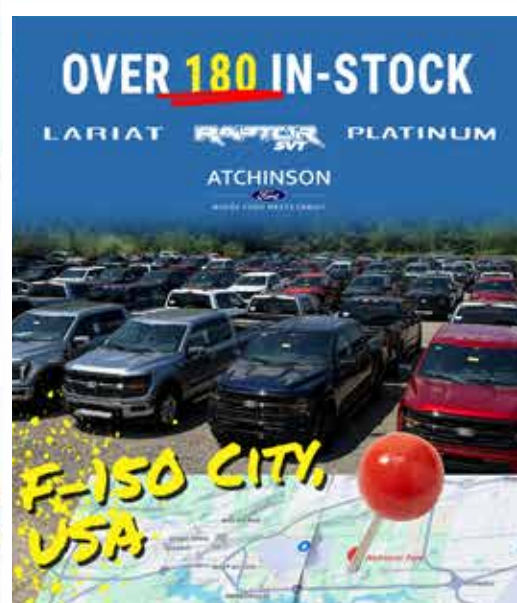


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