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At the Jan. 31 public meeting there were maps and charts and lots of information on the state's Iron Belle Trail walking/biking path that will be cutting through Van Buren Township. The trail starts at Belle Isle and ends at Iron Mounting in the Upper Peninsula.

Possible routes through VBT for Iron Belle Trail discussed with public

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

A possible route for the Iron Belle Trail through Van Buren Township was explained to a crowd that gathered Jan. 31 at the Commons at Belleville High School.

The session, put on by Van Buren Township, was planned to have the public walk around and look at maps and pictures and ask questions of PEA, Inc. representatives.

PEA is a landscape architectural firm that has done several links in the Iron Belle Trail and was hired by VBT to work out a trail through the township.

But, as the crowd grew and the questions multiplied, Sam Loball of PEA said they decided it would be better to have everyone sit down and have a presentation and discussion as a group.

The Iron Belle Trail goes from Belle Isle in Detroit to Iron Mountain in the Upper Peninsula and communities along the route are working on links. The Iron Belle is 2,000 miles long and the longest state-

designated trail in the nation. It is divided into a cyclist trail and a hiker trail.

The path PEA proposed for VBT, started at the Lower Huron Metropark entrance at Haggerty and E. Huron River Drive. The 10' wide hard-surfaced hiking/biking trail would go across E. Huron River Drive north on Haggerty to the abandoned road bridge over the Huron River, south of the French Landing Dam. Then the path would head out on Edison Lake Road along Sandy's Marina and out to E. Huron River Drive heading west to Edgemont Street in the City of Belleville, where the path would cease and hikers/bikers would use the city sidewalks to get to W. Huron River Drive and eventually the path again to the Washtenaw County link at Rawsonville Road.

Although there are separate hiking and biking routes for the trail in the state, Loball said in Southeastern Michigan there is hiking and biking on both routes.

He said in VBT it is difficult because the

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Van Buren Township 2017 Public Safety Wages and Total Compensation

	Police Wages	Fire Wages	Total Compensation
Police			
Floro, Kenneth V	107,588.86	83,002.05	237,236.01
McCormick, Ryan M	79,889.66	67,333.04	183,156.90
Abdilla, Marc L	90,768.96	48,822.66	182,106.29
Keele, Louis J	93,508.84	40,776.77	177,464.97
Champagne, David A	80,476.44	33,169.52	161,073.67
Bazzy, Charles E	101,491.56		157,864.78
Buckberry Jr, Mark D	105,702.50		151,889.97
Schulz, Alexander W	105,741.99		151,889.12
Smith, Amy M	95,752.73		145,787.50
Laurain, Gregory M	106,823.93		144,784.68
Byrd, Adam R	90,871.67		140,342.04
Papin, Michael W	96,365.02		140,237.29
Toney, Kenneth W	96,288.49		135,615.94
Stanton, Jeffrey L	86,184.22		134,733.51
Rini, Michael J	102,826.76		134,468.96
Raschke, Matthew A	95,096.50		134,189.72
Buxton, Mark R	84,668.68		132,920.17
DeVos, Bart W	99,967.71		132,284.63
Wright, Jason J	78,359.44		123,895.92
Gueli, Jeffery D	97,866.41		123,362.84
Short, Jordan G	81,804.98		123,133.49
King, Mark J	76,384.33		122,953.94
Barry, Ryan T	84,104.52		121,037.82
McCarthy, Donovan L	83,485.57		120,297.24
Fey, Christopher R	74,016.33		120,120.63
Perez, Derek S	82,338.82		118,925.16
Valinski, Christopher M	80,470.24		116,689.40
Griggs, Scott M	82,174.28		114,859.02
Harrison, Dale A	81,782.20		114,560.77
Wehrman, Patrick J	77,068.36		112,619.05
Bidwell, Ryan A	65,852.61		110,476.69
Long, Michael D	85,069.64		109,763.21
Hayes, Christopher J	74,018.43		108,969.81
Hillen, James E	69,085.09		107,884.14
Tront, Jason L	74,993.53		105,058.27
Sweet, Frederick W	63,865.65		97,171.71
Fleming, Pamela R	48,846.31		83,523.36
Bettendorf, William J	49,372.92		80,191.70
Venier, Andrew G	56,276.63		78,957.54
Hernandez, Daniel	38,336.40		63,136.62
Mowbray, Kurtis	43,091.06		55,816.96
Daniels, Keith	37,031.58		50,193.15
Dougherty, Eric S	19,997.04		26,106.87
Svabik, Daniel	5,747.60		6,888.28
Ordinance			
Schuler, David J	46,551.11	41,301.41	117,058.37
Queener, Robert W	53,902.61		94,712.60
Fire			
McInally II, David C	53,600.54		84,232.85

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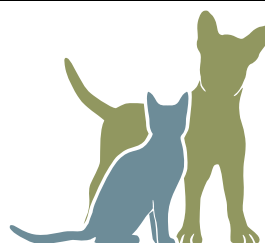
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Van Buren Township 2017 Employee Wages & Actual Cost

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Van Buren Township				Wages	Compensation	
2017 Public Safety Wages and Total Compensation						
	Police Wages	Fire Wages	Total Compensation			
Elected Officials						
				McNamara, Kevin M.	91,907.23	110,084.67
				Budd, Sharry A	82,553.73	110,362.37
				Wright, Leon	82,525.00	130,509.66
				White, Paul D.	15,773.62	44,888.89
				Frazier, Sherry A.	18,773.62	22,284.92
				Martin, Kevin D.	18,773.62	22,284.92
				Miller, Regina L	18,773.62	22,144.76
Assessing						
				Cline, Kathleen A	16,467.50	17,727.26
				Dorazio, Gina M	34,680.00	71,675.20
				Stevenson, Linda M	68,014.87	113,019.44
Board of Review						
				Jensen, Juanita M	480.00	516.72
				Nettro, Angela R	480.00	516.72
				Roesch III, Harry R	420.00	452.13
				Speaks, Loretta D	480.00	516.72
Building Dept.						
				Akers, Ronald A	76,499.48	121,692.72
				Best, Matthew R	68,474.75	100,987.46
				Fields, Judy A	92,854.42	133,756.53
				Grishaber, Tina	46,114.75	66,356.54
				Halstead, Anna N	32,020.03	68,792.70
				McGuire, Laura	18,137.60	22,132.93
Building & Grounds						
				Jenkins, Kirk A	57,742.31	99,508.83
				Fondaw, Jeffrey K	59,386.50	91,436.19
				Burgor, Michael L	54,873.57	81,514.91
				Esch, Charles A	56,015.44	74,013.15
				Drotar, Ryan T	53,806.30	71,635.01
				Cochenour, Jonathon R	44,962.54	63,970.18
				Taylor, Gerald W	39,413.85	63,136.11
				Miller, Patty A	42,999.36	52,324.13
Cable						
				McCracken, Alwena A	54,834.63	67,047.23
				Carnacchi, Robert D	21,521.25	23,167.63
				Bleifeld, Nicole L	20,306.25	21,859.68
Clerk's Office						
				Montgomery, Joanne M	79,004.11	96,265.90
				Towles, Carol E	67,288.06	81,439.34
				Morse, Vernon B	40,249.24	59,429.86
				Tyler, Karen	12,917.52	20,324.52
DDA						
				Ireland, Susan D	78,318.76	105,301.43
				Lothringer, Lisa M	51,194.67	71,723.36
Elections						
				Beaudry, Brittany	14,302.47	23,553.38
				Hooper, Shauntay	9,039.29	15,689.54
IT						
				Rankin, Steve L	71,559.80	97,186.97
				Dandy, Kenneth R	62,424.35	95,076.13
				Sabin, Joel S	54,328.56	75,299.50
Museum						
				Dallos, Kathryn M	39,512.99	58,359.72
Parks						
				Campbell, Freddie J	6,676.62	6,676.62
				Nicholson III, Earvin	15,402.95	15,402.95
				Wall, Sydney R	11,805.75	11,805.75
				Dybicki, Ryan J	11,160.30	11,160.30
				Simpson, Corenina M	7,944.75	7,944.75
				Kosiba, James M	3,480.77	3,480.77
				Nofz, Brittany M	3,496.50	3,496.50
			TOTAL	\$7,179,534.31		
Compiled by Diane Madigan.						
2017 Total Public Safety Wages & Compensation -- \$7,179,534.31						
2016 Total Public Safety Wages & Compensation -- \$6,814,180.85						
Difference + \$365,353.46						
2017 Public Safety total wages & compensation had approximately a 5.36% increase since 2016.						

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Recreation

Wright, Jennifer A	64,788.89	97,929.91
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OPINIONS

Editorial

Sumpter opts out of having marijuana businesses in twp.

At Tuesday's regular meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, the board voted 5-2 to opt out of having marijuana as a business in the township.

Before that vote the board also voted 5-2 against setting up 23 marijuana facilities in Sumpter.

The two in favor of having the new Medical Marijuana Facilities Act (MMFLA) and the 23 facilities were Treasurer Peggy Morgan and Trustee Sheena Barnes.

Trustee Barnes had been on the township's fact-finding committee that has been meeting since November. She was tasked with deciding how many MMFLA facilities the township should allow. She gave an intensive report and reportedly spent \$1,600 out of her own pocket to get information to report to the committee.

Treasurer Morgan was not on the committee, but she gathered information on MMFLA and firmly supported Sumpter opting in. She gave a long report on Tuesday before the voting began, hoping to influence the outcome.

The City of Belleville and Van Buren Township have already announced they were opting out of the MMFLA.

Those in the standing-room-only crowd that were opposed to opting in breathed a sigh of relief after the votes, but most of those present left in disappointment.

Several people in the township said they had hoped to use their property to make a lot of money and give jobs to local people.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

Phil Miller of Belleville has left for the seven-day drive to Alaska, where he has accepted the job of assistant city manager in Valdez. He will assist city manager Elke Doom, who he knew when she was an active Democrat in Huron Township and a member of the local Democratic Club. I remember publishing Elke's picture with the club and talking to her after she left for Virginia, I think, to begin her career as a city manager.

Valdez has about the same population as the city of Belleville, but it has a lot more money, since it is the end of the Trans Alaskan Pipeline and there is a lot of activity there. Phil is the son of Belleville attorney Barbara Rogalle Miller.

Van Buren Township fire fighters responded to a smoky fire at McBride Middle School the morning of Feb. 6. Fire Chief Amy Brow said it was arson in the girls' bathroom. She said a female student started a double roll of toilet paper on fire. Supt. Kudlak said that fire melted the plastic on the dispenser above and the science teacher next door smelled something, checked on it, saw the fire and put it out with a fire extinguisher. Students evacuated the school and then waited inside the cafeteria while Serv Pro did air scrubbing. The student responsible has been out of school since then and is facing an expulsion hearing.

Eddie Sikes called me from Texas to ask me to publish information about his grandson, Skylar Griffith, a 17-year-old junior at Belleville High School. Skylar was drawing hot water for a bath at his Garden City home when he had a seizure and fell face-first into the scalding water. He was



burned over 30% of his upper body. He has been at the University of Michigan Burn Center since the accident on Jan. 30 and is recovering from a six-hour skin graft.

Eddie said his daughter Kristie is Skylar's mother. Scott Griffith, a single father, said he is having trouble meeting the \$15,000 deductible for his son's treatment. He is a salesman for Wallside Windows and has been taking a lot of time off to be with his son, whose pain is between an 8 and a 10, he said.

A Go Fund Me page has been set up for him and there was a piece on Fox 2 News, Eddie said.

Eddie is one of a group of young men who graduated from Belleville High School and went off to serve in the Marines together in Vietnam.

"I can live with what they're doing," said Romulus resident Jan Lemon at the Feb. 5 Romulus City Council meeting, referring to the workshop session earlier that day that explained the new building for the 34th District Court and the way the veterans monument will have to be moved slightly to the north. She said she attends all the council meetings and never had heard anything about moving the monument until recently. Her family has several engraved bricks there so she was concerned. But, it looks like the plans are reasonable.

We've been told the monument, erected in 1992, needs some maintenance, so the monument will be fixed up and possibly

expanded as part of the project.

Also at the Feb. 5 Romulus City Council meeting, the council committed five years of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to make payments on a new fire truck, since one of their trucks was decommissioned by the state. The truck will cost about \$530,000 and the CDBG funds are between \$113,000 and \$114,000 a year. The first payment is \$113,238.

The public was assured the parks will still have funding, although the CDBG funds won't be for parks, as in the past.

Anna Scherer-Wambaugh, who lost 70% of her hearing from a concussion in the head-on accident involving a Van Buren Township patrol car going 62 mph on Belleville Road with no lights or siren, has sued VBT, the officer and others.

Wambaugh is being represented by the Mike Morse law firm and the case is considered a personal injury/auto negligence case. A case evaluation is set for March 19 and a settlement conference for May 3 before Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Muriel Hughes. Named in the suit were the Charter Township of Van Buren, Geico Indemnity Company, Jon Marcellous Swagerty, Sallie Matthews, and Officer Jordan Grant Short.



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To Van Buren Township Residents:

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Clerk Wright was appointed to champion marketing efforts such as advertising, point of interest signage, and township address identification. Over the years, numerous residents made complaints to the township that they were unable to indicate Van Buren Township on their driver's license. Conversations then commenced with the Secretary of State branch and the U.S. Postal Service Address Management. Clerk Wright was informed that residents could, indeed, indicate Van Buren Township on their license as well as their mail if the township provided the entire street index to the Postal Service Director of Address Management for updating. The street index was submitted last year and the process was completed.

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The Van Buren Township Board of Trustees is committed to moving the township forward. The street index correction will help generate demographical data independent from our neighboring communities of Belleville and Sumpter and assist in further developing us as the premier community we have become.

The Van Buren Township Board of Trustees
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Lions Club thanks all for their donations

To the editor:

The Belleville Area Lions Club, serving the communities of Van Buren Township, Sumpter Township, and City of Belleville, would like to thank our supporters and communities at large for all their kind donations throughout the year.

Last year we were able to donate and support some of the following organizations: Leader Dogs for the Blind, Eversight, Bear Lake Camp, Seedlings, Diabetes, the Deaf, Goodfellas/Hunger and a couple local relief disasters.

In addition to serving locally, Lions support five global service areas: vision, hunger, the environment, pediatric cancer, and diabetes.

So, if you or a family member have ever been financially impacted by impaired vision, hunger, the environment, cancer or diabetes, then please know, you can make a difference.

To learn more of the Belleville Area Lions Club, you're invited to our monthly meetings, the third Tuesday of each month at Wayne County Community College at 9555 Haggerty Rd., Room C-104, Belleville.

Our meetings include guest speakers to talk and educate members on the different humanitarian topics we serve. In February, we will have Deborah Love-Peel speaking on Deafness and Hard of Hearing at our Feb. 20 meeting.

If you wish to contact us, please email Jo Ann at balclionjo@comcast.net or call (248) 390-9233. You are welcome to stop by and visit us at our next meeting.

Belleville Area Lions Club

Owen School opens clothes closet, pantry

To the editor:

Owen Intermediate School staff is excited to announce the grand opening of the clothing closet and food pantry at Owen. The celebration will take place on Wednesday, Feb. 21, at 4 p.m. in rooms 32 and 33 at Owen, 45201 Owen St., Belleville.

The clothing closet and food pantry is available to any families in the Van Buren Schools. Families can be referred through the social worker from their respective building. The social workers have been provided a referral form for any families that would like to take advantage of this.

Families, staff, and members of the community are invited to the grand opening and to utilize the closet and pantry.

Jerome Roberson and Jessica Moore

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More Letters

Transparency: Don't stop printing the salaries

To the editor:

Keep it up -- Don't stop printing the salaries of those who are paid with our tax dollars. It's called TRANSPARENCY.

All service-related employees should be reminded they CHOSE their profession and the taxpayers should have this information.

We all appreciate our teachers and you, Rosemary, have supported them recently during the firing of some of our teachers by our former superintendent.

(Mrs.) Ruth Bleeker
Belleville

Thank you for helping us with our dog Pepper

To the Animal Medical Center of Van Buren:

We want to thank you for helping us solve her health issues and care for our sweet Pepper.

Years later, when we had to tearfully say good-bye to her, you all were so kind. You shared our pain.

We wish you all the best and will be back with our next dog.

Rick and Carol Towles
Sumpter Township

Upcoming Meetings

- Tuesday, Feb. 20 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, Feb. 21 – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

- Monday, Feb. 26 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. at the Commons at Belleville High School.

- Tuesday, Feb. 27 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

- Wednesday, Feb. 28 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

- Monday, March 5 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

- Tuesday, March 6 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

- Thursday, March 8 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m., if needed. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

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Obituaries



Erma Jean Summer

ERMA JEAN SUMMER
 (May 7, 1924 - February 11, 2018)
 Age 93, and former long-time Belleville resident, passed away Sunday night, February 11, 2018 at Saline Evangelical Home. She was born on Wednesday, May 7, 1924 in Ionia County, MI, daughter of Ewart and Erma (McCormick) Sutcliffe.
 Erma Jean Summer is the loving mother of Alan "Skip" (Lori) Summer of Belleville, MI. She is also survived by her brother James (Ola) Sutcliffe of Sparta, TN. Sadly, she is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Emmet Lee Summer (d.2005).
 Erma was a devoted member of the Belleville First United Methodist Church and also a member of the Bells group there. She was an avid quilter; it was a hobby that she greatly enjoyed. She was a loyal fan of the Detroit Tigers and University of Michigan basketball.
 In keeping with Erma's wishes, a simple cremation has been arranged. No public services are planned at this time.
 In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be directed to the "Food Closet" at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles Street, Belleville MI. 48111, (734) 697-9288; and also to The Buster Foundation (pit bull rescue), P.O. Box 233, Belleville, MI 48112 (734)252-8009.
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Volunteers needed to help with free dental clinic on Feb. 25

You are invited to participate in a free dental event coming to Belleville on Sunday, Feb. 25, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Edgemont Elementary School, 125 S. Edgemont St.

The event is being sponsored by the Belleville Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Participation from dental professionals is vital. Needed are dentists, hygienists, and dental assistants who are community minded and have a desire to provide better health to those in need.

To be a part of this rewarding health event, contact local coordinators Joe Mucha or David Canada, cell: 269-876-1434, bellevillefreedentalclinic@gmail.com or dental coordinator, Randy Griffin, DDS, at (317) 409-3260, randy.griffin@lakeunion.org.

Romulus Wesleyan Church to offer GriefShare program

GriefShare is a 13-week, non-denominational program that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one.

Meetings will take place at 6 p.m. Thursdays at the Romulus Wesleyan Church at Goddard and Huron River Drive. The series will run from Feb. 22 through May 17. Participants may attend any or all meetings, although the most benefit is received through attending every meeting.

The seminar/support group features DVDs with nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories by people who have experienced the pain of losing a loved one, followed by group discussion.

Grief-related handouts will be available each week. The registration fee of \$15 will include a journal/workbook that coordinates with the DVD lesson for each week.

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School Board considers what to do with four vacant school properties

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

At Monday's regular meeting the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education discussed four vacant properties it owns, what they are worth, and how it would be nice to own the 10 acres behind St. Anthony Catholic Church, next to the high school.

Plante Moran CRESA provided maps, zoning, and value of the properties, with vacant land being estimated as being worth about \$26,889 per acre.

The list included:

- 19.84 acres on Denton Road, Canton Township, zoned R-1, Single Family Residential, estimated value of \$533,478;
- 31.52 acres at 17601 Elwell Road, Sumpter Township, zoned AG - Agricultural, estimated value of \$847,541;
- 10.93 acres on Morton Taylor Road, Van Buren Township, zoned R1B, Single Family Residential, estimated value of \$279,377; and
- 8.56 acres in West Willow, Ypsilanti Township, zoned R-5 One-Family Residential, estimated value, \$230,170.

They also got information on about 10 acres of St. Anthony's property in Belleville, zoned R-1 One-Family Residential, estimated value of \$268,890.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak said people have shown interest in buying some of the properties.

James Williams, director of buildings and grounds, said they will have the appraisals they have ordered in March and a small group will sit down to review the information and make a recommendation to the board.

He said the district also will have appraisals of property with buildings owned by the district.

Board Treasurer Susan Featheringill said if the school district owns the property no taxes are paid, but if houses are built on it there would be taxes and students to come to the district's schools.

"At one point there was talk about buying the St. Anthony property," Supt. Kudlak said. "The roadway would then be ours. They are very gracious and will let us use it for the robotics event. It could be made into a practice field.

"We'll narrow details down to get closer to whether we want to buy or sell," Kudlak said.

A board member suggested selling West Willow and with the money received

buying the St. Anthony property.

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

- Approved purchase of two, 71-passenger conventional school buses at a total cost of \$195,590 from Hoekstra through the MSBO/MAPT Bus Purchase Program. Shareen Barker, director of finance, said there was \$199,664 left in the approved bus purchase line item for this school year and no used buses with the district's specification were available. These will be delivered in March. Barker said a bus's recommended life span is eight years for the type of territory this district transports within and more than half the district fleet was built in 2008 or before;
- Approved a May 9-10 motor coach / ferry trip to Mackinaw City/Mackinac Island for about 200 fifth-grade Owen Intermediate students. Cost to students is \$269 each;
- Removed until the next meeting the Van Buren Township request for bus transportation for its summer camp program;
- Heard an update from student Bradley Williams and mentor Vic DeLibera on the robotics team competition that will bring an estimated 1,000 team members, plus their families, to the high school March 22-24. The BHS culinary arts students, in their chef outfits, will provide food for the VIP lounge. DeLibera said the event is being funded by the community and, "We could use volunteers to set up and tear down." There is no admission charge for the public to watch the competition. "This is a huge undertaking," Supt. Kudlak said. "We really want to make this a community event." Board president Keith Johnston asked if robotics team members could get varsity letters and Kudlak said he would look into it;
- Watched the Van Buren Civic Fund representatives present a check for \$8,275 to the New Tech Media Studio students and their teacher. It will buy five iMacs, three Nikon cameras and the students will prepare a marketing plan for the Van Buren Civic Fund;
- Watched a presentation by eight Owen Intermediate School students, as part of its annual presentation to the board;
- Heard Kudlak give a presentation on the Michigan Education Finance Study that showed it costs \$9,590 base cost per student to assure every child in Michigan can meet the academic state standards. He

said Michigan was eighth in the country at one point and now is dead last. "The funding model is broken," he said. He said the Van Buren base now is \$7,779 per student. The study also showed more funds are needed for students who have English as a second language, at-risk students, students with disabilities, and career tech students. Also recommended is universal preschool for all three and four year olds at a cost of \$14,155 per student. None of this includes transportation, he said. He asked everyone to contact their local

representatives in Lansing to encourage a whole new funding model to be put in place for education;

• Heard Barker announce that they are shooting for a March 1 refund day for the employees who had 3% of their salaries held back in error; and

• Heard Abdul Madyun, human resources director, announce he is holding three open meetings on insurance on Thursday, Feb. 15: at 9 a.m. in the Transportation Department, and at 3 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. in the BHS auditorium.

Public forum: Should VBPS start classes before Labor Day?

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

About 70 people attended Monday's public forum at Belleville High School to give their opinions on a proposal to start classes before Labor Day.

Twenty-two statements were made both in favor and against the proposal brought before them by School Supt. Pete Kudlak.

He said current state law says students cannot start before Labor Day, but the state allows waivers and Van Buren Public Schools applied for and received initial approval for a three-year waiver. The district doesn't have to use it, he said.

He said a district has to apply before a decision is made and this forum was part of the process.

Supt. Kudlak said the district had an on-line survey on the subject and there were

303 respondents, which is 68% of the parents, and they were 71% "not in favor" of the idea.

Kudlak said on Facebook it looked like 100% were against it.

He said 59.4% of the teachers were in
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Public forum

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favor and if you just counted 7-12 grade teachers, 70% were in favor.

At the end of the 40-minute meeting, Kudlak invited those with questions or comments to contact him at pkudlak@vanburenschools.net.

In explaining the proposal, Supt. Kudlak said the state requires 180 school days and 1,098 hours of instruction and with the requirement to start after Labor Day there are very few options for the school calendar.

He said the summer is long and students regress during this time. He said the teachers play catch-up for most of September and an option would be to shorten the summer.

Also, the school year is long and students get burnt out. An option would be to build in additional breaks during the school year, like a week off in February.

It is difficult to keep students engaged in June and an option would be to end school earlier in June than the present June 14, he said.

Parents pointed out this year the students will still be in school as Strawberry Festival starts in Belleville.

Kudlak also said Career Tech students, about 100, miss out on instruction because where they attend, William D. Ford in Wayne/Westland, starts early.

Kudlak pointed out, however, that Band Camp has always been the second to the last week of August and more than 300 students and staff attend. Also, sports practices and games would have to be changed from during the day to after school.

Kudlak said the next step would be to discuss the forum and survey results with union leadership.

Teacher union president Marcus Hosman said last year 38% of the school districts had waivers. He noted Van Buren Public Schools had more half days than any other district in Wayne County and the superintendent wants to change that.

One woman said she would be more comfortable if she had a sample school calendar so she could see what the proposed changes would look like.

Another parent said it would helpful to know when it would start, so they can plan. She said some people plan vacations a year in advance.

Another parent asked Kudlak what he thought and he said he was in favor because

it adds flexibility to the calendar. She said if the superintendent and the teachers think it's the thing to do, the district should do it.

Kudlak said a district in Ohio starts two weeks early and the students take their exams before Christmas break and begin a new semester in January, which works very well.

Sumpter Township board hears proposal for 'Green Farm'

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Leen Kakos planned to give a proposal to the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees at the end of the Jan. 23 meeting during the open-floor part of the session. But, Supervisor John Morgan suggested she speak at the end of the work/study session before the regular meeting began.

Kakos said Sumpter Collective, LLC, has owned 17 acres of Agriculturally zoned property for more than 11 years at 23157 Karr Road in Sumpter. Although she didn't say "marijuana" and some of the audience members were confused about her subject, that's what the proposal was about.

Sumpter Collective is interested in setting up the property as a "Green Farm" for cultivation with a state-of-the-art system full of fully enclosed greenhouses. There will be perimeter fencing, advanced security cameras and systems, she said. There also will be a security gate that must be passed to enter the cultivation area. They plan to push the Green Farm back from the frontage of the property by at least three acres to conceal it from public view.

She said having all the greenhouses on one property will help control the "smell"

factor in an enclosed area, on large acreage, that is far from people's homes and the main road.

"We would install commercial-grade air-scrubbers as to ensure that there are no leaks in smell," she said in the packet of information she distributed to board members. She was accompanied by her attorney Randy Richardville, a former state legislator.

She said the company, Construction Pros, owned by her and her husband Steven Kakos, has been 100% successful in all growing operations that have been built. The construction company builds grow houses for those licensed as caregivers, like he is.

Steven Kakos of Bloomfield Township was quoted in a Nov. 8 *Oakland Press* article about the state's first education session in Novi for medical marijuana. Leen Kakos provided copies of that story to members of the township board.

She said the greenhouse setup would have five Class A units in row one, five Class B units in row two, and five Class C units in row three. Placing all of the licensees in the same Green Farm has many benefits and allows the township to keep a closer eye and minimize risks and security issues involving cultivation.

This proposal would put all the marijuana cultivation facilities proposed for Sumpter Township at the marijuana fact finding committee in one location.

Sumpter has yet to decide if it will opt in or out of the Michigan Medical Marijuana Facilities Licensing Act. The subject is expected to be on the Feb. 13 meeting of the township board.

In other business at the Jan. 23 meeting, the board:

- Approved the supervisor's re-appointments to the Board of Review for Katrina Guisgand, with a term to expire Jan. 1, 2020; Dawn Sliwa and Karen Woodington (alternate), with terms to expire Jan. 1, 2021; and Brenda Bukis, with a term to expire Jan. 1, 2019;

- Approved the specialized services operating assistance program third-party contract between SMART and Sumpter Township for the 2018 fiscal year; and

- Approved a wage increase for election inspectors to \$10 per hour, co-chair to \$10.50 per hour, and chair to \$11 per hour.

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Joyce Rochowiak, center, received the Woman of Achievement Award from the Belleville Area Women's Club at its Feb. 5 meeting. With her are her husband Walt Rochowiak and sister Darlene Devall.



Hannah Zilka was born Feb. 28, 1995, and she was the first birth announcement published in the *Independent* after the newspaper started publishing that January. Her grandmother, Lois Mida Zilka, was the paper's advertising salesperson at the time. Hannah, who will be 23 this month, graduated from John F. Kennedy High School in Taylor in 2013, earned an Associates in Business Administration from Henry Ford College and will graduate in 2019 with a Bachelor of Culinary Arts at Henry Ford College. She will start work on her Master's of Hospitality Management in the winter of 2020. Hannah lives with her mother Tammie in Taylor.



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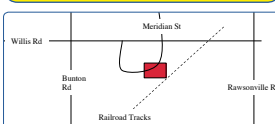
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• **Saturday, Feb. 17** – Give blood at the Red Cross Blood Drive, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., at St. Stephen’s Catholic Church, 18880 Huron River Drive, New Boston.

• **Sunday, Feb. 18** – Jay Frandsen & Saxophone will entertain 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Rd., Van Buren Township. Free afternoon of music. For more information, call Jimmy Baleja, (734) 223-4824 or Lynette Jordan, (734) 699-8918.

• **Monday, Feb. 19** – Support Belleville Fire Dept., dine and donate all day at Egan’s Pub, 396 Main Street, Belleville. All proceeds will go for legal fees to keep the Belleville Fire Dept. in the city. Bring flyer or show a pic on your phone of flyer.

• **Monday, Feb. 19** – Belleville Area Garden Club meets at 7 p.m. in the Belleville First United Methodist Church in downtown Belleville. Past President of the American Conifer Society and noted

speaker and photographer Don Wild will be back to talk about the care of garden conifers, including their planting and pruning.

• **Tuesday, Feb. 20** – Lion Deborah Love-Peel will speak at 6 p.m. on raising the community consciousness and funds needed to award annual scholarships to support deaf/hard-of-hearing students. There will be an ASL interpreter for this presentation, presented by the Belleville Area Lions Club at its general meeting at Ted Scott College (Wayne County Community College District, 9555 Haggerty Rd. Rm C104, Belleville). RSVP to Jo Gardner (248) 390-9233.

• **Wednesday, Feb. 21** – Grand opening of the Food Pantry and Community Clothes Closet at 4 p.m. at Owen Intermediate School, 45201 Owen Street, Belleville, for families in the Van Buren Public Schools. Social workers at each school have forms to fill out.

• **Thursday, Feb. 22** – Give blood at the Red Cross Blood Drive, 1 to 6:45 p.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville.

• **Thursday, Feb. 22** – GriefShare program begins at 6 p.m. and runs on Thursdays for 13 weeks at the Romulus Wesleyan Church, Huron River Drive at Goddard Road. Attend any or all sessions. Information: (734) 941-1511.

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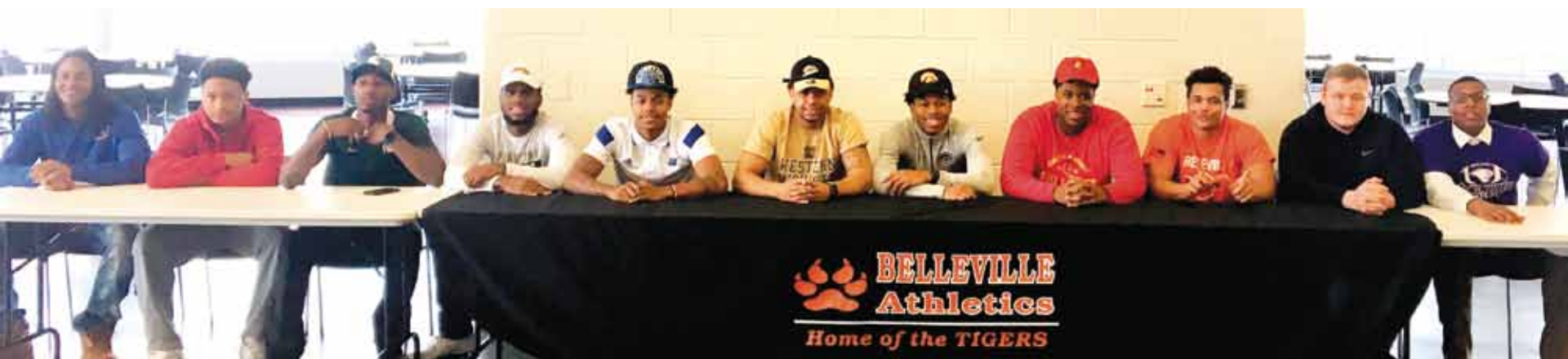
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Belleville High School had 13 student-athletes commit to playing football at the college level at the Feb. 7 signing day. Pictured are 11 of the 13. From left are: Jayden Dunham (Sienna Heights), Jalen Wallace (Urbana), Davion Williams (Michigan State), Kmare Carey (Western Michigan), Matthew Ransome (Grand Valley), Patrick Lupro (Western Michigan), Kaevon Merriweather (Iowa), Cameron Herrod (Ferris State), Patrick Burrage (Wayne State), Nathan Millard (Cal-Fullerton), and Jalen Gaskin (Makendry). Not pictured: Thomas Hornberger (Concordia) and Jahmil Taylor (Mt. Union).

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Smart Hospitality MI LLC, based in Knoxville, TN, announced that the former Comfort Inn Belleville, MI at 45945 S. I-94 Service Drive, Belleville, is undergoing a renovation and has become newest member of the Baymont Inn & Suites in Michigan.

Opened on Dec. 6, as Baymont Inn & Suites, this 63-room hotel will feature a number of notable upgrades, including refreshed bedrooms and baths, flat-screen televisions, upgraded bedding, and a newly renovated Natorium.

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Taking part in the Feb. 1 ribbon cutting celebration at Moving the Mitten real estate group at 337 Main Street are, from left in front, Paul Henning, Randy Brown, Mayor Conley, Emily Feeny, Angela Martin, Steve Pecoraro, Diedre Rivera-Creal, Patricia Antonelli, Broker/Owner Therese Antonelli, Kristin Rochon, Staci Kowalczyk, Heather Kolbe, and Robert Kenyon. Also present: Shannon Terrick, Danell Ledin, Tim Craiger, Karen Jacovetti, Halee Copple, Margo DeLibera, Colette McClinton, Connie Ramsey, Barb Stimach, Jim Stimach, John Juriga, Peggy Curtis, Brian McClinton, Carol Gomes, Kelly McWilliams, Architect Wayde Hoppe, Adam Drobot, Royalle Sleep, Stacey Coury, Julie Wery, and Bill Jacovetti.



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Keystone school board approves scholarship for a high school grad

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Keystone Academy school board approved adding \$500 to the Parent-Teacher Organization's \$500 to make a \$1,000 college scholarship to a top-performing student graduating from Belleville High School.

The scholarship was suggested to the board before its Feb. 8 regular meeting by Shaylette Stuckey, representing the PTO. The winner would be based on an essay judged by a Keystone dean.

Eighth-grade graduates of Keystone go on to high schools other than BHS, including Arbor Prep, Milan, Huron and Lincoln, but for this first year the scholarship will be limited to BHS.

Connie Shull, board secretary, said she would like to see every student have a chance, even if they don't get all A's. If the student can write an excellent essay, that's what is important.

Board president Vesta Losen said the board received a \$2,000 prize from Bay Mills Community College, its charter authorizer, a couple of years ago, so, "We have the money to do it."

Keystone Principal Keturah Godfrey said Belleville High School does a school scholarship banquet and a lot of former Keystone students are invited to the banquet, but Keystone is not included.

Losen said every year there are Keystone graduates among the top students in the BHS graduating class and at other high schools.

In other business at the 44-minute meeting, the board:

- Learned that board vice president Susan Meland is moving to Wisconsin in May and her resignation from the board will be in effect after the May meeting. Board treasurer Carol Manley also has indicated she will serve out her term through June and will not consent to reappointment because of her son's activities at Flat Rock High School and her intent to be involved. The board needs two new members and is working on candidates;

- Heard Principal Godfrey report that three Keystone teachers were named Teachers of Excellence by National Heritage Academies: Kindergarten teacher Sheila Montri, her paraprofessional Laura Dean, and fourth-grade teacher Elsbeth Carty. They were recognized by the school and their families were able to join in;

- Learned art teacher Laura Ball has resigned to work closer to her home on the other side of Detroit at another NHA school. She has been replaced by Christina Robbins;

- Reviewed the discipline reports for Dec. 21 through Jan. 22 that showed no middle school student-on-student or student-on-staff physical or verbal assault, no persistent disobedience in the district, 15 gross misdemeanors in the district, and

39 absent and 21 tardy students listed by student number and grade;

- Approved the 2018-19 board meeting calendar, which indicated the board meeting at 6 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month. The only deviation from that is the February 2019 meeting, which was changed from Valentine's Day, Feb. 14, to the next week, Feb. 21; and

- Learned none of the board members was interested in attending the 2018 National Charter Schools Conference June 17-20 in Austin, TX.

Belleville Fire Dept. fund raiser set all day Feb. 19 at Egan's Pub

The Belleville Fire Auxiliary invites the public to support the Belleville Fire Department with a Dine and Donate event all day long Monday, Feb. 19, at Egan's Pub, 396 Main Street.

They ask the public to show its support by bringing a flyer or showing a picture on your phone of the flyer. Fifteen percent of all proceeds will go towards legal fees to keep the Belleville Fire Department in the City of Belleville.

Remaining proceeds will be used for needed equipment or donated back to the community.

Prizes and raffles are planned for Monday's event. No carry outs.

The auxiliary will be hosting a town hall sometime in the near future to update the public on the ongoing legal case against the city.

Lydia Marvaso, 14, to model in NY for Fashion Week 2.0

Lydia Marvaso 14, daughter of Larry and Marianne Marvaso of Van Buren Township, was selected by *Art & Beauty Magazine* to model in New York during New York Fashion Week 2.0. Lydia will represent her International title for Pure International Pageants and be one of the 15 national titleholders modeling fashions for designers from across the globe.

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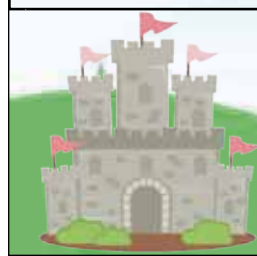


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Officers reelected at Sumpter Township Planning Commission

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

At its regular meeting Feb. 8, the Sumpter Township Planning Commission reelected its officers for another year of leadership.

The commission unanimously reelected Jane Stalmack as chairman, James Clark as co-chairman, and Virginia Belinski as secretary.

During its 34-minute meeting, the commission discussed details of the proposed master plan being put together by Zoning Administrator Christopher Atkin,

of Carlisle/Wortman in Ann Arbor.

Although commissioners studied a draft, Atkin said he was not comfortable handing out the future land use part yet, about what the township would like in the future. He said Sumpter had Hamlet and Hamlet Transitional designations and he took out those commercial nodes, based on input from the commission and public comment.

He said he pretty much left what was there now. He left Residential in the northwest area and took out the Commercial nodes in Industrial. He also condensed the Mobile Home Parks area based on fewer residents,

so if someone wants to purchase land there and rezone, they can.

Atkin said this is a rough draft and he will add the implementation plan, surveys, and more maps for the next meeting.

He said the Agricultural zoning minimum now is one acre and he asked commission members if they wanted to increase that to five, ten, or more acres, to preserve the Agricultural identity of the community.

Commissioner Jay Bardell said he thought it should be at least 2.5 acres, since that's what you need to have for chickens. Atkin said you get 250 chickens on three acres and you need another quarter acre if you want one more chicken, 251.

"You'll see the informational part by the next meeting, with additional maps," Atkin said of the draft plan.

Atkin said, based on the state act, there must be a public hearing and the master plan disseminated to surrounding communities and utilities for 63 days for input. Then it goes back to the planning commission for consideration of the input and a recommendation to the township board which makes the final decision on adoption.

Atkin said the road commission wants to get its information in the plan, but it is the commission's discretion on that.

Waste Management to be a sponsor of Robotics

Last week, Kathleen A. Klein, community relations representative for Waste Management, said the landfill will be a sponsor of the regional robotics competition on March 24, as well as a sponsor of the Belleville High School robotics team.

She said Waste Management is sponsor of three local robotics teams in Southeastern Michigan where it has a landfill presence: Richmond, Lake Orion, and Belleville.

Klein said students utilize STEM (science, technology, engineering, math) skills for a hands-on educational experience building

and competing with their robots.

"It is a great educational event and industries like ours are relying more and more on technology and automation like robotics and artificial intelligence to assist with managing costs associated with recycling and the handling of waste as a resource," she said. "It is a natural fit for WM to be a sponsor and we look forward to this event."

Klein thanked the *Independent* for printing information on the competition that was necessary for WM to have to decide to become involved.



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Van Buren Township 2017 Employee Wages & Actual Cost

	Wages	Total Compensation
Recreation continued		
Zaenglein, Jennifer B	49,788.15	79,749.20
Harman, Christina A	50,498.82	76,686.95
Price, Jennifer L	46,109.24	75,256.99
Villa, Samuel S	13,552.97	14,589.77
Fleming, Cole R	11,170.75	12,025.31
Zantop, Kendyl M	9,877.50	10,633.13
Fleming, Scott D	4,747.50	5,110.68
Rodriguez, Andrea V	3,756.50	4,043.87
Nelson, Justine E	3,251.00	3,499.70
Weise-Brashear, Cameron L	2,898.00	3,119.70
Stypelkoski, Lexie M	2,787.75	3,001.01
O'Neill, Stephanie E	2,772.00	2,984.06
Perez, Victoria C	2,738.25	2,947.73
Rupnow, Cole W	2,736.00	2,945.30
Hayden, Meghan C	2,661.75	2,865.37
Buhro, Zachary D	2,486.25	2,676.45
Boykin, Jeffrey R	1,449.00	1,559.85
Seniors		
Jordan, Lynette J	51,915.19	87,253.95
McBride, Patricia M	36,027.27	49,887.55
Callihan, David H	12,144.60	13,073.66
Moore, Melvin L	10,865.40	11,696.60
Johnson, Henry	10,384.40	11,178.81
Boone, Dezmun Z	6,889.50	7,416.55
Schnettler, Mikayla V	5,185.60	5,582.30
Porter, Beverly L	4,738.59	5,101.09
Supervisor's Office		
Sumpter, Nicole D	65,664.06	97,680.69
Selman, Daniel V.	51,957.79	72,442.03
Belanger, Cynthia N	15,116.01	16,272.38
Treasurer Dept.		
Bellingham, Sean L	79,582.09	115,733.05
Adams, Kathy A	42,005.75	66,504.94
Shevrovich, Jessica M	37,684.50	65,041.66
Water Dept.		
Pinard, Mario L	77,310.66	115,118.62
Caincross Jr, Noah	67,580.55	111,499.20
Strickland, Joseph E	67,092.19	98,524.16
Taylor, James T	80,231.98	97,436.96
Hine, Bradley L	65,060.76	96,292.82
Osborne, Jeffrey W	51,168.31	92,544.93
McIntosh, Laurie A	46,582.89	86,947.76
Ladd, Martin E	59,386.50	86,550.07
Valinski, Jason A	67,149.10	86,100.20
Bovitz, Kristy M	45,833.85	79,856.31
McLeod, Jeremy M	47,855.92	77,552.48
Pecsenye, Karen E	47,442.95	76,702.08
Patton, Brandon N.	44,478.16	72,590.17
Zysk, Marcus	14,691.92	23,935.11
TOTAL	\$4,978,074.72	

Benefits include FICA and may include health care, dental, life insurance, vision and pension.

Compiled by Diane Madigan.

2017 Total Employee Wages & Actual Cost -- \$4,978,074.72

2016 Total Employee Wages & Actual Cost -- \$4,661,481.27

Difference + \$316,593.45

2017 employee total wages & compensation had approximately a 6.79% increase since 2016.

It's Pothole Season

The Wayne County Department of Public Services said it can't fix potholes unless it knows where they are. Report Wayne County potholes to 1-888-ROAD-CREW.

2017

VB T Retiree Health Care Costs

Employee	Cost to VBT
Brooks, Dennis	\$7,852.79
Brooks, Kenneth	\$8,298.56
Cline, Kathleen	\$27,598.94
Combs, Linda	\$6,533.03
Foster, Helen	\$11,669.23
Greene, Robert	\$26,850.93
Guenther, Dale	\$16,539.49
Hunter, Donna	\$6,325.78
Kaupila, Barbara	\$23,957.63
Kennedy, Sharon	\$20,720.33
Kurtz, Brenda	\$16,602.19
Miller, James	\$26,680.03
Moening, Michael	\$8,298.56
Morse, Vernon	\$8,087.38
Noye, George	\$12,849.14
Partridge, Denise	\$20,892.87
Schroeder, Roy	\$8,683.44
Sears, Robert	\$16,166.88
Smith, Daniel	\$15,521.38
Smyth, Keith	\$11,555.85
Soja, Stephanie	\$11,669.23
Thornsbury, Ernie	\$15,441.16
Wilson, Diane	\$11,594.25
Yono, Frederick	\$11,555.85
TOTAL	\$351,944.92

Compiled by Diane Madigan.

2017 VBT Retiree Costs -- \$351,944.92

2016 VBT Retiree Costs -- \$362,549.31

Difference - \$10,604.39

2017 retiree health care costs had approximately a 2.92% decrease since 2016.

"I fear the day that technology will surpass our human interaction. The world will have a generation of idiots."
— Albert Einstein

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The Van Buren Township Fire Department asks residents to clear the snow from around fire hydrants near their homes to make sure fire fighters can get to the hydrants quickly in case of an emergency.

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City of Belleville Public Notice



City of Belleville PUBLIC NOTICE MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING



The City of Belleville Board of Review will be held on the following dates:

TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018

TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018

Hours will be from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 6th. A second meeting will be on Tuesday March 13th from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. **MEETINGS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY.**

Please call (734) 697-9323 ext. 7014 or ext. 7015 to set up an appointment.

The meetings will be held in the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville. The purpose will be to review the assessment roll and hear any objections. Resident and non-resident taxpayers are permitted to file protests in writing without personal appearance; letters must be received by March 13, 2018.

Sherri Scharf,
City Clerk/Treasurer
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February 22, 2018
March 1, 2018

Iron Belle

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township is all built up and they are forced to work with road rights of way.

Loball said on E. Huron River Drive, the homes are close to the road and the residents are not happy about the route.

He suggested they could use the ITC electrical power lines easement to go back to the railroad and use the railroad right of way for the trail,

But, he said, Norfolk and Southern will not allow use of its right of way. He said they are investigating the project with Norfolk and Southern anyway, but because of the liability the railroad wants no part of it.

Loball said another idea was to develop an easement on the backs of the properties along E. Huron River Drive, just north of the railroad right of way. He said just 15' is needed from the homeowners.

Joe Monte said where he lives on the curve is dangerous and mailboxes, a fire hydrant and tree have been hit by motorists. His wife Karen said when pulling out into traffic from their drive, sometimes they have to pull back in to get out of the way of cars that speed around the curve.

Residents suggested a route that leaves the Metropark at Bemis Road, goes west to the ITC power lines and then north to just beyond Hull Road and then over to Martinsville Road and north to Riggs Park. Then the route would head west to Belleville on E. Huron River Drive.

Loball said that route would miss some of the "cool stuff" along the lake, including crossing the river on the old bridge.

One resident said VBT Supervisor Kevin McNamara said the route was supposed to be on the North I-94 Service Drive. She said he told her originally the plan was to take the bridge to the North Service Drive and then to Haggerty Road south to the Metropark.

Loball said that was never a part of any plan he heard of.

Jennifer Wright, VBT Director of Parks and Recreation, said people wanted more sidewalks along Huron River Drive and it is the more scenic route.

A resident asked how they had proposed to get over E. Huron River Drive from Edison Lake Road and a PEA representative said there is some undeveloped land by the railroad at that point and they could get an easement at the backs of the properties.

Loball said he thinks bicyclists would go straight across and make a dirt trail through people's front yards because it would be a

more direct route.

When asked who would maintain the trail, Wright said township parks crews would remove the trash.

VBT Trustee Sherry Frazier asked about snow and leaves and Loball said some communities don't remove snow.

Trustee Frazier said there would be liability if someone broke a leg.

Another person said the Metroparks don't maintain their trail and have signs to that effect. He said it doesn't seem to be a problem.

Monte asked who would make the final decision on the route and Loball said the township board would make that decision.

Loball said some communities are having difficulties making that decision because they have worse problems than VBT.

"It sounds like people are pro trail, but it's the route we have to agree on," Loball said.

He said the next step is to write grants to the DNR Trust Fund and Michigan Department of Transportation. He said there is money available.

Wright said the township has to apply for funds. It got \$30,000 to hire PEA. She said they did apply once before and got turned down. But now the township is applying to the Trust Fund and the application is due in April. It's a slow process, she said.

She said this is Gov. Snyder's project and with his term almost being up, it makes you wonder.

Loball said they are talking to Wayne County and some of the ditches and drains proposed are not to their standards. He said the road right of way is 33' from the center line and goes up to 60'.

He said there is some drainage work to be done in the City of Belleville and they could write the grant to cover the township and the city.

"I thought we got the grant to pay PEA to tell us where to go," Frazier said.

"We came up with a lot of challenges," Loball said. "We brought it to the DNR and VBT and we're looking at big ideas."

Frazier asked about the biggest problems.

Loball said the path is planned for 10' wide, but it may have to be 6' in some places which doesn't comply with the state plan for biking paths. He said they have to identify where they need easements. The plan didn't allow for any ditch, so they will have to add underground drainage and a curb.

He said maybe a 6' path would leave room for a shallow swale and to build some type of underground drainage so they don't need a curb. For a curb, they would have to

rebuild the road, which is too much.

He said it is a significant cost to repair asphalt or concrete and some paths are crushed limestone.

"This trail has challenges," he said, adding if it is only 6' wide it does not meet trail standards for bikes, so there would be no grants for that. It would only be for walking. He said bikes can legally ride in the street.

They had planned to have the path 10' wide in Riggs Park and then go back to 6' when it leaves the park.

Loball said they could have a push-button stop light to get cyclists over Haggerty Road. He said some want the path to go over to French Landing Park, as well.

He said some of the land along Sandy's Marina is being used, so it will be a tight squeeze.

"Where do we go from here?" Wright asked.

"We're done with our work," Loball said.

"Next is a contractual issue. The township is interested in getting a grant by April 1 ... Right now it's all about contracts and money. We needed the public hearing today as part of our work. Community impact is a valuable tool.

"We keep going and going until it's built," he said.

He said if they apply in April, they won't hear back until late fall or next year. The end of next year it might start.

Frazier said earlier that day she went to a DNR workshop on grants and loans. She said the township could get a \$100,000 loan and then get a grant for \$100,000 and pay it off.

A woman said they could use money from the landfill.

Wright said there are other grants out there that she will be pursuing.

Loball said a TAP grant pays off the DNR loan and you don't pay a dime.



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Court Watching:**Jamie Wood bound over on charges of unarmed robbery, larceny in building**By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

After a preliminary exam on Feb. 7 before 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley, Jamie Joel Wood, 25, was bound

over to circuit court. His arraignment on the information is Feb. 21.

He is charged with unarmed robbery and larceny in a building in Van Buren Township on July 17, 2017.

Prosecutor Phoebe Longnecker asked for an adjournment of the preliminary exam to another date because her witness was stuck in the snow in her driveway on Edison Lake Road. But Judge Oakley said everyone else got to court and Van Buren Township police should send an officer over to pick her up or get the DPW to pick her up. The case was delayed and the witness got to court.

Christine Smith testified that her daughter Alexandria Rich and her boyfriend Jaimie Wood were arguing. Smith's boyfriend, who was home for lunch, told Jaimie to leave and he did, but came back when the boyfriend went back to work.

Smith said the two had been told to leave and so they had someone coming to pick them up and she saw the contents of their bags set out in front of the garage. Smith said she saw her tablet in Alex's bag, plus a jar of money from the house in a bag, her younger daughter's birthday money, about \$100 in \$2 bills that belonged to her boyfriend, her prescriptions, and other items. There was alcohol, as well, and Alexandria was on rehabilitation. She said she was taking the items out of the bag when Wood grabbed her arms from behind and fell on top of her on the ground. She said he hit her many times and her daughter hit her, too. She said their ride came and they left her laying in the driveway. Someone had called the police and VBT police were there just after the couple had driven off.

Under cross examination by court-appointed defense attorney Geoffrey Glaser, Smith said she struck Wood in the head and pushed her daughter after the daughter hit her.

Judge Oakley found probable cause to

*(continued on page 20)***Court Watching:****Jury finds Kenneth Landstrom guilty of two misdemeanor counts**By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Kenneth Joseph Landstrom of Van Buren Township was found guilty by a 34th District Court jury of one count of lying to a police officer and one count of contributing to the delinquency of a minor, both misdemeanors.

He had been charged with three counts of lying to police, but two charges were dropped, leaving just the charge of lying to Van Buren Township Police Lt. Kenneth Floro.

He also had been charged with lying to VBT Officer David Champagne and Sgt. A. Smith.

The trial was held on Feb. 9 before Judge Brian A. Oakley.

Landstrom was sent to the district court's probation department for a presentence report and recommendation for the judge who will do the sentencing in the future.

Robert Coutts was retained as defense attorney.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 6, 2018**

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Public Services Director Best, Public Safety Deputy Director (Fire) Brow, Executive Assistant Selman, Engineering Consultant Sloan and an audience of nineteen (19).

Trustee White requested the agenda be amended moving Consent Agenda item #6 [Prepaid List of January 25, 2018] to New Business item #4.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Motion Carried.**CONSENT AGENDA:** Frazier moved, Miller seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. [Work Study Session minutes of January 8, 2018, Closed Session minutes of January 8, 2018, Board Meeting minutes of January 9, 2018, Prepaid List of January 11, 2018, Prepaid List of January 18, 2018, Prepaid List of February 1, 2018, Voucher List of January 23, 2018, Voucher List of February 6, 2018, Approval of the personal leave of absence for Firefighter Chris Roy, Approval of the revision to the Endowment Committee bylaws, Approval of the 2017 Planning Commission annual report, Approval of the re-appointment of Harlan Davenport to the Construction Code Appeals Board with a term to expire February 28, 2020, Approval of the appointment of Aaron Sellers to the Board of Zoning Appeals with a term to expire December 1, 2018, Approval of the split/combo of lots 83-110-01-0137-301 and 83-110-01-0137-302 and Approval of Resolution 2018-1 authorizing the submission of the Michigan Township Association application for the Township of Excellence Certificate of Achievement in Election Administration]. Motion Carried.**PUBLIC HEARING:** Budd moved, Wright seconded to open the Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m. to receive public comment on the use of program year 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Roll call vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

Consultant Sloan presented an overview of the proposed 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding allocations. Pursuant to federal guidelines the Township proposes the following projects for funding by the Community Development Block Grant program: \$75,581 Public Facilities & Improvements, \$30,000 Demolition, \$21,315 Senior Services and \$14,210 Administration. No public comment was received.

Miller moved, Budd seconded to close the public hearing at 7:17 p.m. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE: Supervisor McNamara summarized an email from Museum Director Dallos informing the Board of the increase in museum traffic. In 2016 the year end total was 3859 and in 2017 the year end total was 5641, read a letter from the Canton

Township Public Safety extending a thank you to Deputy Director Wright and the Supervisor for the support and assistance during the bank robbery and hostage situation on January 25, 2018 and read a letter from the Michigan Law Enforcement Accreditation Commission welcoming the Van Buren Township Police Department to their program.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.**NEW BUSINESS:**

Miller moved, Martin seconded to approve the use of program year 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. Motion Carried. Pursuant to federal guidelines the Township proposes the following projects for funding by the Community Development Block Grant program: \$75,581 Public Facilities & Improvements, \$30,000 Demolition, \$21,315 Senior Services and \$14,210 Administration.

Martin moved, Miller seconded to approve of the second (final) reading of Ordinance 1-9-18 (1) a revision to the General Code of Ordinances Chapter 82 (Traffic and Vehicles), Sec. 82-2 to include the Motor Carrier Safety Act (MCL 480.11a). Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Nays: None. Motion Carried. The amendment allows certain motor carrier violations, as set forth in the statute, to be written under local ordinance.

Miller moved, Budd seconded to approve the Donation Agreement to Schoolcraft College and Schoolcraft Institutional Scholarship. Motion Carried. Under this agreement the Township will donate a 1986 ladder truck that no longer meets State of Michigan certification requirements. In exchange, the Township will receive two full scholarships at Schoolcraft College. Scholarships will be provided to two Van Buren Township residents pursuing a career as a firefighter or police officer.

Board members discussed the prepaid list "no receipt" expenses charged to the Board Other account. Treasurer Budd indicated that it is necessary to pay the Visa credit card invoices by the due date in order to avoid incurring late fees. Instances have occurred where receipts have not been turned in prior to the need to submit payment to Visa and expenses are placed under Board Other until reconciled. All receipts have been received and journal entries will be made reimbursing the Board Other account. Supervisor McNamara will remind Departmental Directors of the importance of submitting receipts in a timely manner. Further discussion questioning the use of Board Other occurred. Martin moved, Miller seconded to call the question. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Martin and Miller. Nays: Frazier and White. Motion Carried.

White moved, Frazier seconded to approve the prepaid List of January 25, 2018. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Martin and Miller. Nays: Frazier and White. Motion Carried.

REPORTS: The October 2017 and November 2017 Budgetary Reports were received. Both reports are available for public inspection at the Township Clerk's office, 46425 Tyler Rd., Van Buren Township, MI 48111.

U.S. Ecology Director of Government Community Relations, Alex Hurley in

conjunction with U.S. Ecology Director of Operations, Kerry Durnan provided a report on their most recent permit renewal request to the State of Michigan. The following modifications to the facility permit have been requested: Debris immobilization by sealing and alternative microencapsulation jackets, treatment outside of treatment tanks, treatment of (D003) reactive sulfide containing waste, addition of waste codes, reevaluation of the maximum design throughput capacity of treatment tanks and reevaluation of the maximum design capacity of container storage areas and the expansion of the South East Container Storage Area (SECSA). U.S. Ecology representatives clarified the following: the request involving expansion was not an expansion of the physical footprint of the landfill size; the request is to expand operations within an existing treatment facility capable of additional equipment containment; treatment outside of a storage container related to the desire to allow employees to move debris into sealed containers outside the confines of treatment tanks; changes in throughput capacity are requested to uncap intake on a daily basis to accommodate peaks and not on overall capacity of materials; and a desire to add additional waste codes. Residents interested in learning more are encouraged to schedule a tour of the facility. Information about the permit renewal request is available at the Township Clerk's office. The DEQ will hold a public hearing to receive public comment on the permit renewal request. The date, time and place will be noticed in the Belleville Area Independent Newspaper in advance of the DEQ public hearing. Residents commented on and asked questions regarding containment processes, encapsulation techniques, leak detection, monitoring systems, violation records, capacity, transportation methods of materials entering the facility, and facility end life responsibilities.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: The following announcements were made: The Township Administrative offices will be closed Monday February 19, 2018 in observance of Presidents Day, the next Work Study Session will occur at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday February 20, 2018 followed by the Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m., Trustee White invited residents to contact him directly at pwhite@vanburen-mi.org if they would like to be chaperoned on a tour of the U.S. Ecology facility, the 22nd Annual Quilt Show will be held at the Belleville Area Museum March 1-28, 2018, the museum will begin taking in quilts for the exhibit on February 13, 2018, the McBride Road Pavement Project is on schedule to begin in the spring, individuals interested in donating to the BYC Polar Plunge can contact Whitney McClinton at the Garden Fantasy Floral Shop, Saturday February 10, 2018 the Eagles will host a Valentine dance and dinner starting at 6:00 p.m. and The Rotary Club will host a Fat Tuesday Italian dinner at the Eagles on Tuesday February 13, 2018 from 4:30-7:30 p.m.**NON-AGENDA ITEMS:** None.**ADJOURNMENT:** Miller moved, Budd seconded to adjourn at 9:14 p.m. Motion Carried.Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
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Court watching

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bind him over to the higher court. Wood's bond of \$10,000/10% was continued.

Wood's co-defendant on the same charges, Alexandria Sharon Rich, 24, has a jury trial set for March 8 before Judge Lawrence Stuart Talon. Her retained attorney is Leslie Cooper.

Terence Montez White

Terence Montez White, 31, was bound over to circuit court on separate charges from Van Buren Township and Romulus after a preliminary exam before Judge Oakley. He is charged with felonious assault, possession of a weapon by a felon, weapons felony firearm, and domestic violence on Dec. 30 in Van Buren Township. He also is charged with assaulting / resisting / obstructing a police officer in Romulus on March 7. White is lodged on \$100,000/10% bond and also being held on a violation of probation charge from earlier separate charges.

VBT Police Officer William Bettendorf testified he was dispatched to 9104 Parkwood during the daytime on Dec. 30 to investigate two subjects shooting at each other in front of the address. Sgt. Smith searched a vehicle. Officer Hayes located a weapon in a snowbank. Officer Bettendorf said he knocked on the door and a woman, Ebony Brown, gave him permission to come in and look around for victims or suspects. He said he found another male upstairs with children, a long gun with a black case in the upstairs closet, and a stack of credit cards on the dresser. He said Brown said he could look anywhere, but he didn't put that in his report.

VBT Police Officer David Champagne was the next witness. He said he was told around 1:30 p.m. that people were shooting at each other in the parking lot. He said Detective Jeff Stanton directed him to stay at the residence until he returned with a search warrant, which he did and the residence was searched.

He testified there was a 12-gauge shotgun in the closet and a black nylon case with five magazines, three of which were loaded. There were a lot of other things upstairs, including pill bottles.

Det. Stanton testified that while no police officer saw White on that day, he personally knew of the defendant from an ongoing investigation into White working with another unit.

He said Sgt. Shultz pointed out FTDs (financial transaction devices) and a Michigan ID card for White, as well as a medical pill bottle for Terence White. There also was a wallet with White's Social Security card in it, a court notice from 34th District Court to White at his Beverly Street address in Romulus.

Det. Stanton said a photo was thumbtacked to the wall of the bedroom and White was in the photo.

Romulus Police Officer Joseph Ashley testified that on March 7, he made a traffic stop and White was the passenger. He said he told White to put his hands on the dashboard and stay in the car until he could

put the driver with a suspended license in his squad car. But, White ran off, he said.

Court appointed defense attorney Susan Rock argued that in the Romulus case her client didn't do anything illegal and the officer just made it up that he told him to wait. She said that wasn't in the police report that was written last March.

In the VBT case, she said her client was never seen entering the Parkwood address and no proof he had possession of a shotgun. She said there was no lease or utility bills to prove he lived there and, "There's nothing to establish he was in that bedroom."

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Amanda McRae made a motion to bind over White to the higher court and Judge Oakley agreed it was for a tryer of fact to decide. He is scheduled to be at circuit

court for an arraignment on the information on Feb. 14.

White co-defendant on the VBT charges, Hyleah Cherie-Ciscle Clark, 30, is charged with domestic violence on Dec. 30 and she is yet to be arrested.

Derek Williams-Ryan Jones

The probable cause conference for Derek Williams-Ryan Jones, 26, was adjourned until Feb. 21. He is charged with possession of a weapon by a felon x3, carrying a concealed weapon x3, weapons-felony firearm x3, and driving while license suspended in Sumpter Township on Jan. 29. He is free on \$10,000 personal recognizance bond.

Bradly James McKinnies

Bradly James McKinnies, 28, waived his preliminary exams on two files against him

and was bound over to circuit court for his arraignment on the information on Feb. 14. His bond of \$500,000/10% was continued. He is lodged in the Wayne County Jail.

McKinnies is charged with criminal sexual conduct-first degree (relationship) x4, criminal sexual conduct-second degree (relationship) x2, child abuse, plus an additional count of taking and distributing child images on Nov. 29 in the City of Belleville. In the second file he is charged with second-degree child abuse. His retained defense attorney is David Goldstein.

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

NOTICE OF ADOPTION CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN County of Wayne, State of Michigan Ordinance No. 01-09-18 (1)

At a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, Michigan, held in the Van Buren Township Hall within the Township, on the 6th day of February, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Trustees: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White.

ABSENT: Trustee: None.

It was moved by Trustee Martin and supported by Trustee Miller the following Ordinance be adopted to add Sec. 82-2 of Chapter 82 (Traffic and Vehicles) to read as follows:

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ("Township"), COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

Sec. 82-2. – Adoption of Federal Regulations.

- (1) The Charter Township of Van Buren adopts by reference MCL §480.11a with the following modifications:
 - (a) Where the term "United States department of transportation", "federal motor carrier safety administration", "federal motor carrier safety administrator", "director", "bureau of motor carrier safety", "pipeline and hazardous materials administration", or "associate administrator for hazardous materials safety" or "department of state police" appears, it refers to the Van Buren Township Police Department as that term is defined in Sec. 50-31.
 - (b) Where "special agent of the federal motor carrier safety administration", "administration personnel", "hazardous materials enforcement specialist", "peace officer", or "enforcement member of the motor carrier division of the department of state police" appears, it means a police officer of the Van Buren Township Police Department as that term is defined in Sec. 50-31.

State Law Reference: MCL §§ 480.11a and 42.23

Effective Date

This amendment shall become effective upon publication in a newspaper of general circulation within the Charter Township of Van Buren.

THIS ORDINANCE IS HEREBY DECLARED TO HAVE BEEN ADOPTED BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN, AT A REGULAR MEETING, CALLED AND HELD ON THE 6th day of February, 2018.

YEAS: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance.

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor, Charter Township of Van Buren

Leon Wright, Clerk, Charter Township of Van Buren

Adopted: February 6, 2018
Published: February 15, 2018
Effective: February 15, 2018

City of Belleville Public Notice

City of Belleville PUBLIC HEARING



The Council for the City of Belleville will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 during its regular business meeting at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to receive comments on the City's Parks & Recreation Master Plan.

The public hearing will be held in the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan.

Sherri Scharf
City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish: February 8th and 15th

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Sumpter Township Public Notice

SUMPTER TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING REQUEST FOR PARCEL REZONING and SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT

The Sumpter Township Planning Commission will hold Public Hearings at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111 at 7:00 pm, Thursday, March 08, 2018 regarding an application request for a parcel Rezoning and a Special Land Use Permit.

NATURE OF THE REQUEST(s)

1. An application to rezone 3.30 acres of the property split from the southwest corner of 48651 Harris Rd. (Parcel no. 81-019-99-0001-706) from the existing Single Family Residential (R-2) zoning district to the Agricultural (AG) zoning district.
2. A PROPOSED request seeking approval for a special land use permit to allow a 175-foot-tall Wireless Communication Facility in the AG, Agricultural zoning district as required in Section 4.6.2(aa) of the zoning ordinance. The site for the proposed special land use is located on a 3.30-acre parcel split from the southwest corner of 48651 Harris Rd. (Parcel no. 81-019-99-0001-706) Belleville, MI 48111.

This Public Hearing has been scheduled in accordance with the requirements of Public Act. 168, Section 0 of 1959 (amendments to the Township Rural Zoning Act. P.A. 184) to provide all interested citizens an opportunity to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss in detail all aspects of the proposed use.

For those unable to attend the Public Hearing, written comments may be submitted to the Township Clerk's Office prior to the hearing date.

Esther Hurst
Clerk
Sumpter Township

Published: February 15, 2018

Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue of Sumpter Township will be holding their monthly pet adoption clinic this Saturday, Feb. 17, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Westland Petco Pet Store on West Warren Avenue across from Westland Mall. For info, call (734) 461- 9458.

September Days Senior Center members can take part in a golf clinic every Thursday during the month of March at the Van Buren Township Municipal Center. The cost is \$25 for members, \$50 for non-members for participants ages 50 and over. The 5-week class will be conducted by USGA Professional Jorge Aponte and will cover the basics of the game and hands-on training indoors and out. Participants are asked to bring their own equipment and can sign up at the Senior Center during regular business hours. Call (734) 699-8918.

Free Fishing Weekend in Michigan returns this weekend, Feb. 17-18, all across

the state, including inland lakes and the Great Lakes. All fishing licenses will be waived for the two days, however, all fishing rules and regulations are in force and can be viewed at the Michigan Department of Natural Resources website at www.Michigan.gov/dnr. The state allows two weekends of free fishing in Michigan every year, with the second weekend set for June 9-10.

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

Birthdays

Feb. 16 -- Chris Whitt
Feb. 17 -- David Dybicki
Feb. 19 -- Bev Williams
Feb. 20 -- Robert Stoner

Do you have a birthday in February? Does anyone you know have a birthday soon? Call the *Independent* at 699-9020 and let us know. We'll list it in this column ASAP following your call. There is no charge.

"You have to be odd to be number one."
— Dr. Seuss

VBT Planning Commission approves change to Menard plan

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

A minor modification to the Menard site plan for 10010 Belleville Road was unanimously approved by the Van Buren Township Planning Commission at its regular meeting Jan. 24.

Ron Akers, director of planning and economic development, said the change doubles the size of the mezzanine, adds several windows on the north end of the front facade for daylight, and adds an exterior stairwell at the north end for a fire escape. There is an elevator in the building.

Director Akers said the changes meet the side yard setback and so he recommended they be approved.

Akers said Menard has not given a firm opening date, but said it would be late March or April. Akers said it could be May.

In other business at the 24-minute meeting, the commission:

- Discussed a proposal from Chris Madigan, planning and economic development intern, to run a survey to gauge public opinion on short-term rentals in VBT. The survey would be made available to the public through the township, social media pages, and various other forms, including a paper version. At its Aug. 9 meeting, Madigan gave commissioners a presentation on short-term rentals and their potential impact on VBT. Following the presentation, commissioners discussed whether some form of regulation of short-term rentals was appropriate in the

township and said they would like public input on the topic. When commission members showed support for the survey, Akers said they plan to put it out for 30 days and then report the results back to the commission;

- Discussed a proposed Planning and Zoning Seminar put on by township planning consultant Patrick Sloan of McKenna Associates and inviting the planners in Sumpter Township and the City of Belleville. He said at the discretion of the commission, they could invite other interested parties including the township board of trustees, township staff, elected and appointed officials from other communities, non-profits, township businesses, and members of the public. His fee for the seminar is \$950 and includes his preparation time, handouts, and the seminar itself. The training is expected to last three or four hours, but may be adjusted. "The more training the better," agreed planning commissioner Medina Atchinson. Commission chairwoman Carol Thompson asked Akers to look at proposed dates and he suggested a possible meeting on a Thursday. Both Sumpter and Belleville planning commissions meet on the second Thursday of each month; and

- Heard Sloan give a brief Master Plan update, noting the subcommittee hasn't met yet, but Michael Deem of McKenna is working on it and will report back to them in a few months.

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 364 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for the past week, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Feb. 4:

0833 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Bog Rd.
0905 -- suicidal person, Old Denton/cemetery
0924 -- property damage accident, Ecorse/Beck
1012 -- traffic offense, N. I-94 Service Dr./Beck
1313 -- property damage accident, Tyler/Hannan
1435 -- traffic offense, Woodgrove/Cobblestone
1445 -- property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275
1538 -- property damage accident, Ecorse/I-275
1543 -- property damage accident, Hannan/Tyler
1559 -- welfare check, WB I-94/Belleville Rd.
1612 -- property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1758 -- fight, Ecorse Rd.
1824 -- property damage accident, Denton/S. I-94 Service Dr.
1850 -- vehicle lockout, Parkwood Dr.
2253 -- property damage accident, Belleville
2257 -- property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Water's Edge Ln.

Monday, Feb. 5:

0228 -- vehicle lockout, W. Huron River Dr.
0640 -- property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
0734 -- threat, Ecorse Rd.
0749 -- personal injury accident, S. I-94 Service
0751 -- property damage accident, Ecorse Rd. / Haggerty Rd.
0803 -- vehicle lockout, Milton Dr.
0815 -- property damage accident, Water's Edge
0824 -- property damage accident, N. I-94 Service / rest area
0904 -- vehicle lockout, Oak Ln.
0919 -- property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1226 -- property damage accident, E. I-94 / Haggerty Rd.
1251 -- disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1257 -- property damage accident, SB I-275/WB I-94
1319 -- breaking & entering, Denton Rd.
1321 -- property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Old Denton Rd.
1357 -- private property/property damage accident, Denton Rd.
1409 -- private property impound, Ecorse Rd.
1509 -- found property/child, Oak Ln.
1513 -- private property/property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1642 -- domestic, Savage Rd.
1950 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Speedway
2008 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Beckley Rd.
2230 -- domestic, Ecorse Rd.
2255 -- property damage accident, Van Born Rd. / Morton Taylor Rd.
2306 -- civil matter, Belleville Rd.

Tuesday, Feb. 6:
0242 -- operating while intoxicated, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
0359 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
0649 -- property damage accident, Tyler/Parkwood
0651 -- property damage accident, WB I-94 / Belleville Rd.
0715 -- mental subject, Ayres Ave.
0835 -- property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / McBride Ave.
0849 -- assist other dept., McBride
0945 -- domestic, Westlake Cir.
1117 -- disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1242 -- motorist assist, Belleville Rd.
1347 -- suspicious person/vehicle, N. I-94 Service
1405 -- traffic offense, Burlwood Ln./Cobblestone Cir.
1408 -- assist other dept., Parkside Dr.
1517 -- private property impound, Ecorse Rd.
1614 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Park Estates Dr.
1641 -- sexual assault, Borgman Ave.
1726 -- 911 welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1805 -- family trouble, Park Estates Dr.
1842 -- larceny from auto, Hannan Rd.
2003 -- family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2015 -- assault & battery, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2109 -- hospice death, Pebblebrook Dr.
2141 -- private property/property damage accident, Lighthouse Dr.

2241 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd.
2255 -- assist other dept., W. Columbia Ave./High
2311 -- noise complaint, S. Bellridge Dr.

Wednesday, Feb. 7:

0105 -- civil matter, McBride Ave.
0146 -- 911 welfare check, Village Green Ln.
0416 -- assist other dept., W. Adams/Truman
0616 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
0713 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
0728 -- property damage accident, Haggerty/Riggs
0750 -- property damage accident, Haggerty/I-94
0754 -- leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Ecorse/Hannan
0844 -- property damage accident, Bemis/Elwell
0857 -- larceny, Denton Rd.
0907 -- property damage accident, Tyler/Haggerty
0912 -- malicious destruction of property, N. Cumberland Dr.
0920 -- domestic, Lake Villa Dr.
1011 -- vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
1104 -- property damage accident, Haggerty Rd.
1201 -- property damage accident, Christina Ln.
1207 -- domestic, Park Estates Dr.
1209 -- 911 welfare check, Arthur St.
1218 -- property damage accident, Meadows Ln.
1418 -- malicious destruction of property, Denton
1500 -- property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Haggerty Rd.
1501 -- property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.
1528 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Hull Rd.
1633 -- threat, Ecorse Rd.
1642 -- property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Ecorse Rd.
1814 -- leaving the scene of a property damage accident, EB Michigan Ave/bypass
1831 -- trespassing, Park Estates Dr.
1910 -- fraud, Tyler Rd.
1919 -- mental subject, Harmony Ln.
2007 -- animal complaint, W. Huron River Dr. / Cobblestone Creek
2033 -- property damage accident, EB Michigan Ave. / bypass
2049 -- animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2125 -- suspicious person/vehicle, McBride Ave. / Arthur St.
2309 -- assist other dept., NB I-275/Ecorse
2320 -- suicidal person, Wildflower Ct.

Thursday, Feb. 8:
0016 -- traffic offense, Jackson St.
0221 -- suspicious person/vehicle, McBride Ave.
0803 -- traffic offense, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Independence Ln.
0833 -- larceny from auto, Van Buren St.
1016 -- parking complaint, Westlake Cir.
1152 -- larceny, Belleville Rd.
1209 -- unauthorized driving away of auto, Beckley
1259 -- private property impound, Van Born
1310 -- miscellaneous complaint, McBride Ave.
1322 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Tyler Rd.
1330 -- property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler
1526 -- malicious destruction of property, Parkwood Dr.

1537 -- juvenile complaint, Tyler/Morton Taylor
1557 -- private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1619 -- property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1649 -- traffic offense, Ecorse/Haggerty
1703 -- domestic, Florence Ln.
1818 -- civil matter, McBride Ave.
1858 -- larceny, Denton Rd.
1857 -- suspicious person/vehicle, S. Purple Sage Ct.
1932 -- fraud, W. Walden Dr.
1937 -- vehicle lockout, Parkwood Dr.
1958 -- domestic, Haggerty Rd.
2047 -- property damage accident, Sawgrass Ct. / Sage Cir.
2047 -- 911 welfare check, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2229 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville
2231 -- sexual assault, Monterey Dr.

Friday, Feb. 9:

0024 -- larceny, Haggerty Rd.
0040 -- suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
0043 -- suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service
0549 -- larceny from auto, Oak Ln.
0638 -- property damage accident, Haggerty / E. Huron River Dr.
1020 -- property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1051 -- disorderly, Victoria St.

1137 -- fraud, Hardwood Dr.
1213 -- fraud, Forestdale Dr.
1237 -- vehicle lockout, Cobblestone Creek Dr.
1329 -- fraud, Belleville Rd.
1521 -- harassment call, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1601 -- property damage accident, Belleville / McDonald's
1616 -- motorist assist, Montague Ave.
1620 -- traffic offense, Ecorse/I-275
1632 -- traffic offense, Madison Dr.
1639 -- leaving the scene of a personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd./W. Huron River Dr.
1653 -- traffic offense, Ecorse/I-275
1704 -- assist other dept., S. Aberdeen Ct.
1848 -- property damage accident, Montague Ave. / Sumpter Rd.
2237 -- animal complaint, Parkwood Dr.
2324 -- property damage accident, Hannan/Tyler
2348 -- domestic, Lacy Dr.

Saturday, Feb. 10:

0034 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Stephanie/Fay
0146 -- domestic, Village Green Ln.
0216 -- domestic, Harmony Ln.
0234 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Bridge
0413 -- property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / Independence Ln.
0920 -- assist other dept., Sumpter/Bemis
0930 -- property damage accident, Robson/Morton Taylor
1013 -- 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1232 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville
1429 -- fraud, Belleville Rd.
1717 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
2214 -- leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Oak Ln.
2356 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Harmony Ln.

Also on this week's log are 72 traffic stops, 11 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Monday, Feb. 5:

1344 -- juvenile complaint, Main St.
1652 -- disorderly, Third St.
1827 -- civil matter, N. Aberdeen Ct.
2155 -- domestic, Loza Ln.

Tuesday, Feb. 6:

0025 -- warrant arrest, Main St.
1019 -- disorderly, McBride Ave.
1405 -- assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1509 -- warrant arrest, Main St.
1548 -- juvenile complaint, Sumpter Rd.
1556 -- road hazard, W. Huron River Dr. / Bay Pointe Dr.
1700 -- assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1749 -- assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1949 -- road hazard, W. Columbia Ave.

Wednesday, Feb. 7:

0445 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell St.
0808 -- assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
0958 -- assist fire dept., E. Columbia Ave.
1004 -- assist fire dept., High St.
1158 -- disorderly, W. Columbia Ave.
1236 -- 911 welfare check, Main St.
1454 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Carmell St.
1613 -- assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1750 -- civil matter, Carmell St.

Thursday, Feb. 8:

0803 -- assist fire dept., Main St.
1048 -- civil matter, Loza Ln.
1141 -- 911 welfare check, E. Columbia Ave.
1410 -- miscellaneous complaint, Owen St.
1627 -- parking complaint, High St.
1913 -- road hazard, High/W. Columbia Ave.
2236 -- traffic offense, South St.

Friday, Feb. 9:

0445 -- noise complaint, Henry St.
1238 -- road hazard, Victorian Ln./Oxford Ct.
1456 -- road hazard, South St./E. Davis St.
1604 -- civil matter, Belle Villa Blvd.
1659 -- domestic, S. Aberdeen Ct.
2351 -- civil matter, S. Industrial Park Dr.

Saturday, Feb. 10:

0003 -- property check, Loza Ln.
0006 -- assist fire dept., Carmell St.
0017 -- motorist assist, Santa Clara St.
0050 -- property check, Main St.
0238 -- parking complaint, Liberty
0242 -- parking complaint, N. Liberty

0312 -- parking complaint, Third/N. Liberty
0553 -- suspicious person/vehicle, Belle Villa Blvd.
1000 -- intrusion alarm, Light Tower Dr.
1550 -- intrusion alarm, E. Columbia Ave.
2256 -- traffic offense, Davis St.

Also on this week's log are 39 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Feb. 4:

0038 -- fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Willis Rd.
0353 -- fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
0847 -- fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
0935 -- malicious destruction of property, Rustic Ln.
1003 -- civil dispute, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1022 -- recovered missing vehicle, 46000 bl. Willis
1102 -- subpoena service, 27000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1127 -- civil dispute, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1247 -- assist other agency, out of township
1413 -- larceny, 23000 bl. Clark Rd.
1617 -- animal complaint, 26000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1913 -- subpoena service, Carriage Ln.
2224 -- suspicious incident, 50000 bl. Bemis Rd.

Monday, Feb. 5:

0738 -- suspicious vehicle, Sumpter/Willow
0847 -- alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1026 -- suspicious vehicle, Martinsville/Dunn
1217 -- fire dept. assist, New Mexico
1321 -- fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1602 -- fraud complaint, Carriage Ln.
1812 -- neighbor dispute, Virginia
1834 -- property damage accident, Wear/Sumpter
2124 -- family trouble, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.

Tuesday, Feb. 6:

0655 -- assist other agency, 46000 bl. Traskos
1148 -- animal complaint, 47000 bl. Willow Rd.
1449 -- alarm, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
1542 -- harassment complaint, 17000 bl. Sumpter

Wednesday, Feb. 7:

0819 -- fire dept. assist, 28000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0833 -- citizen assist, Sherwood/Willow
0910 -- traffic hazard, Sherwood/Willow
1043 -- fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Traskos
1105 -- 911 hang up, 46000 bl. Kozma Dr.
1220 -- reckless driver, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1234 -- assault, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1540 -- citizen assist, Bemis/Sully
1653 -- reckless driver, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1727 -- fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1729 -- reckless driver, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
2354 -- assist other agency, out of township

Thursday, Feb. 8:

0008 -- fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Lohr Rd.
1303 -- citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1336 -- fire dept. assist, Creekside Dr.
1355 -- alarm, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
1647 -- suspicious incident, 20000 bl. Sherwood
2105 -- fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2207 -- fire dept. assist, 45000 bl. Willow Rd.

Friday, Feb. 9:

0231 -- well-being check, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1012 -- animal complaint, 19000 bl. Martinsville
1047 -- larceny, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1202 -- traffic hazard, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1350 -- 911 hang up, Second St.
1414 -- fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
1434 -- fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1457 -- traffic hazard, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1527 -- animal complaint, 22000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1902 -- reckless driver, Bemis/Elwell
1903 -- assist other agency, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
2003 -- civil dispute, 28000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2249 -- family trouble, Knollwood

Saturday, Feb. 10:

0337 -- fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
0914 -- missing person report, 44000 bl. Paris Dr.
1421 -- citizen assist, 28000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1859 -- fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
2021 -- operating while intoxicated arrest, Oakville

Waltz/Sumpter

2031 -- property damage accident, Rawsonville / Bemis

2042 -- recovered missing vehicle, 44000 bl. Paris
2153 -- suspicious vehicle, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2328 -- trespassing complaint, 21000 bl. Clark Rd.

Also on this week's log are seven follow-up investigations, 16 miscellaneous details, 79 patrol checks, and 21 traffic stops.

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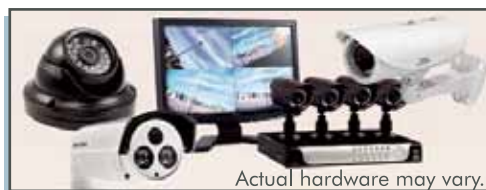
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Sumpter sets second special meeting on police

At the end of a special closed-door meeting at 4 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees voted to extend the issue on disciplinary action for one week.

Another special meeting has been set for Friday, Feb. 16, at 1 p.m.

The closed session was announced as "Consider requested disciplinary action as recommended by Chief Luke as to Police Department Personnel."

Police Chief Eric Luke offered no comment on the issue to the *Independent*.

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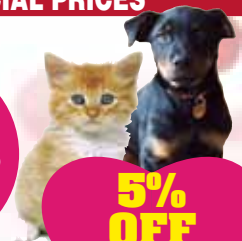
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