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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman

On Jan. 25, the Van Buren Township board meeting room was packed with lakeside residents who came to talk about the proposed amendments to the Lake Ordinances and ask questions on how they will personally be affected. The planning commission will consider the ordinances at an upcoming meeting and vote on whether to send them on to the township board for approval.

Residents fill VBT meeting to discuss new lake ordinance

By Rosemary K. Oztman
 Independent Editor

The board meeting room at Van Buren Township Hall was filled with residents who live along Belleville Lake and wanted to find out more about the two proposed ordinances that will affect their lives.

A public hearing was held Jan. 25 before the VBT Planning Commission for the proposed 30-page Belleville Lake Shoreline Districts amendments and General Ordinance.

Matthew Best, deputy director of planning

and economic development, said this is the seventh time a lakeshore ordinance has been attempted. After a meeting a year ago where a similar crowd objected strongly to the document presented to them, the ordinance changes were withdrawn from moving forward and turned over to a committee of those opposed to work out a compromise.

Best and planning and economic director Ron Akers praised the work of the citizen committee. They said they just sat back and let the committee work, offering directions

when needed.

Attorney Will Hawley, who lives on the lake, was signing up people for a law suit against the township last year. This year, after serving as chairman of the citizens' committee that worked on the documents for more than 30 hours over the last year, Hawley was supporting the ordinances.



Will Hawley

"I was most vigorously opposed to the ordinances at the time," Hawley said at the public hearing last week, referring to last year. "I thought it was ridiculously overburdening."

He said there were a dozen active

members of the committee including two lawyers – him and Doug Peters.

"The last one I was not happy with at all," Hawley said. "We spent a total of 30 hours ... and they worked because they love the lake."

He said they asked why after 60 years without an ordinance do they need one now?

He said he was convinced and, "I want this ordinance."

He said last year's presentation indicated everyone was grandfathered in, but it didn't have a grandfathering clause. They put one in.

"I've been watching Oakland County lakes where regulations bury people," Hawley said, noting the grandfather

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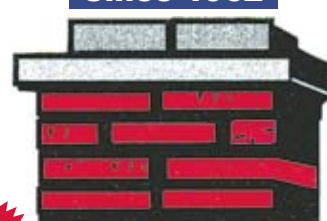
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Employee	Wages	Total Compensation			
Elected Officials					
Morgan, John	\$33,761.54	\$34,599.16	Spoonamore, Shauna	\$532.00	\$547.42
Hoffman Jr, Clarence	\$30,712.52	\$31,951.27	Damico, Robert	\$266.51	\$274.23
Bates, Alan	\$23,864.90	\$24,707.28	Armatis, Colleen	\$170.28	\$185.19
Trustees			Guisgand, Katrina	\$171.00	\$184.08
Swinson, Donald	\$22,204.16	\$23,238.58	Massel, Jennifer	\$111.63	\$120.17
Laporte, Donald	\$22,204.16	\$23,235.26	Walter-Hamm, Chris	\$97.66	\$100.50
Oddy, Matthew	\$22,204.16	\$23,208.10	Police		
Morgan, Peggy	\$22,204.28	\$22,888.10	Luke, Eric	\$101,976.16	\$146,011.93
Accounting			Gannon, Patrick	\$97,508.21	\$143,405.22
Glahn, James	\$80,013.86	\$125,680.62	McGlynn, Christopher	\$87,603.82	\$137,016.24
Bardell, Roxanne	\$57,698.30	\$80,623.82	Cox Jr, Jerry	\$84,616.36	\$125,579.46
Assessor			Cayce, James	\$93,845.07	\$124,574.66
Bukis, Brenda	\$164.25	\$164.25	Toth, John	\$81,539.16	\$122,779.85
Building			Steffani, Brian	\$79,851.14	\$116,775.07
Roman, Michele	\$42,797.44	\$60,498.39	Ashby, John	\$92,295.20	\$116,601.90
Wright, Timothy	\$28,670.33	\$31,851.64	Egerer, Elizabeth	\$77,492.18	\$113,083.32
Tackett, Jonathan	\$1,508.82	\$1,624.25	Buccellato, Danielle	\$75,401.28	\$112,179.04
Clerks			Balowski, Joseph	\$73,713.77	\$102,331.78
Beaudrie, Marie	\$51,030.30	\$77,550.93	Salajan, George	\$71,270.22	\$97,750.88
Hoffman, Janet	\$54,854.34	\$68,584.87	Gottschalk, Colleen	\$55,886.41	\$85,844.17
Bowman, Debbie	\$14,847.05	\$15,982.85	Paquette, Malissa	\$59,436.88	\$73,982.81
Hurst, Esther	\$10,180.98	\$12,487.71	Dufresne, Susan	\$44,494.93	\$61,557.83
Bellingham, Michelle	\$11,517.24	\$12,442.42	Herrick, Christopher	\$37,080.45	\$54,154.91
Harris, Eva	\$5,247.91	\$5,649.37	Leonard, Jewell	\$31,800.43	\$52,488.21
Fire			Pierce, James	\$38,061.94	\$51,203.98
Januszyk, Joseph	\$25,001.60	\$27,276.74	Russell, Patrick	\$9,870.86	\$11,522.00
Brown, Richard	\$21,024.74	\$21,317.69	Seniors		
Wisniewski, Michael	\$14,658.69	\$15,083.79	Watson, Mary Ann	\$57,054.78	\$80,549.11
Lynch, Collin	\$12,437.37	\$12,788.77	Morgan, Richard	\$6,195.45	\$6,689.92
Krushlin, John	\$10,565.09	\$10,871.47	Watkins, Wanda	\$2,740.00	\$2,928.53
Sliwa, Richard	\$10,777.25	\$10,805.59	Supervisor's Office		
Krushlin, Jamie	\$8,273.74	\$8,513.68	Woodington, Karen	\$57,497.22	\$65,241.67
Armstrong, Timothy	\$8,119.04	\$8,354.50	Treasurer's Office		
Stumpf, James	\$7,378.41	\$7,585.19	Armatis, Karen	\$64,192.24	\$89,998.79
Montecinos, Daniel	\$6,468.57	\$6,649.82	Winter, Anna	\$13,255.60	\$14,384.17
Simmons, Williams	\$5,941.72	\$6,114.02	Water		
Thompson, Walter	\$5,925.35	\$6,089.35	Kunka, Kenneth	\$75,396.67	\$94,212.76
McHenry, Michael	\$4,602.79	\$4,736.27	Campbell, Leroy	\$76,892.63	\$92,752.96
Goode, Jamie	\$4,187.47	\$4,308.91	Petrowski, Michael	\$65,331.77	\$92,063.48
Akans, Garbriel	\$3,974.06	\$4,087.09	Krushlin, John	\$80,228.73	\$90,337.51
Laporte, Donald	\$3,783.79	\$3,838.65	Lynch, Randy	\$66,073.47	\$74,786.54
Long, Eric	\$3,188.58	\$3,281.04	Buchanan, Sybil	\$52,895.34	\$69,282.50
Beaudrie, Michael	\$2,861.35	\$3,121.73	TOTAL		
Barnette, Ronald	\$2,526.94	\$2,599.27		\$3,352,244.78	
Laporte Jr, Donald	\$2,518.58	\$2,588.22	Benefits include FICA and may include health care,		
Watson, Mary Ann	\$2,283.06	\$2,349.26	dental, life insurance and pension		
Frost, Daniel	\$1,934.04	\$1,990.12	Fire Fighters receive no benefits		
Spitznagel, Anthony	\$1,954.33	\$1,982.67	Compiled by Diane Madigan.		
Blackburn, Brian	\$1,044.82	\$1,139.90			

Three police officers promoted to sergeant in Sumpter Township

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

At its regular Jan. 24 meeting the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously to promote three police officers to sergeant rank, as recommended by Police Chief Eric Luke.

Detective/Corporal John Toth was promoted to detective/sergeant and officers Beth Egerer and Brian Steffani were promoted to sergeant.

34th District Court Chief Judge Tina Brooks Green was present to swear them into their new ranks and family members pinned new badges on the new sergeants. The meeting room was packed with other members of the police department supporting their officers along with the officers' family members.

At the end of the meeting, pieces of chocolate cake were served to the audience to continue the celebration.

Det./Sgt. Toth started with the department in 2000, coming to Sumpter from the Belleville Police Department. He was appointed to detective in 2010. He had previously been promoted to the rank of corporal in 2014. "Toth's detective work is top-notch and his contributions to the department's mission and his drive in the pursuit of justice is without equal," said Chief Luke. Toth was honored as the department's "officer of the year" for 2012.

Sgt. Egerer has been with the department since 2004. During that time, she has worked in an area Computer Crimes Against Children task force and been a field training officer (training newly hired officers) since 2012. "Egerer is a very productive officer and is well-liked by the community due to her outgoing personality. She recently started training, and garnering experience as the department's main media liaison," Luke said.

Sgt. Steffani started with the department in 2011 and has been a field training officer since 2013. "He is a very productive officer, leading the department in arrests year after year," Luke said. Steffani was honored as the department's "officer of the year" for 2013.

Chief Luke said seven met the prerequisites to test. Six originally signed up but three dropped out prior to the testing date, for a variety of personal reasons, leaving the three that tested and were subsequently promoted.

"I hope nobody makes the mistake of thinking that due to attrition in the testing group leading up to the actual test that in

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O P I N I O N S

Editorial

Chief Besson's departure sets off flurry of comments

More than 40 comments on the Van Buren Township Police and Fire departments have been added to the *Independent's* website, set off by the announcement by Fire Chief Dan Besson that he is leaving VBT at the end of February for another job Up North.

About half of the comments are on the Besson story and half on the list of police salaries printed on last week's front page.

Some writers think candidates for the fire chief position shouldn't be required to have a bachelor's degree when the public safety director, the chief's superior, only has a high school diploma. Should the fire chief's requirement be dumbed down? Is experience better than education?

Then, comments on the list of police salaries focus on Lt. Ken Floro's top pay of \$208,004.01 and how outrageous it is for an hourly police officer to earn that many taxpayer dollars. "Aren't you all glad the millage passed?" asks Fire Guy. "Good use of our tax dollars."

Robert writes: "Remember, the township spent \$400,000 to remodel offices, prior to asking for a millage increase, and just gave themselves another 3% wage increase."

Some writers offer suggestions on how to make the public safety department more efficient -- and with better morale. These busy folks won't write a letter to the editor, but have no problem dashing off their ideas on line. See them all at www.bellevilleareaindependent.com.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

Keystone Academy charter school faculty and friends are celebrating the announcement that South Arbor Academy in Ypsilanti, Keystone's sister school, was named best school in the state last week during National School Choice Week.

It's an elementary/middle school and was chosen by the State Reform Office and ranked every school in the state.

WJR radio announcer Frank Beckmann interviewed South Arbor Principal Kim Bondy on Jan. 26 to discuss the honor and it's on the WJR website if you'd like to hear it.

See: <http://www.wjr.com/frankbeckmann>

Bondy said their students come from Lincoln, Ann Arbor, and Ypsilanti, in that order. South Arbor is chartered by Central Michigan University and is part of the National Heritage Academy group of charter schools.

Keystone also is a National Heritage Academy school, but it's chartered by Bay Mills Community College. One of the Keystone mothers emailed me to say that South Arbor's honor is: "Solid proof that having a good school isn't determined by teachers' salary."

She obviously referred to the Jan. 19 issue of our paper showing the modest pay for Keystone teachers.

I received a phone call and an email thanking me for explaining the way Keystone Academy enrolls students. They do not turn away special education students. There is a lottery for seats and I remember sitting through one of those drawings. All students come in that way, except for siblings being allowed to come in with their



brother or sister.

The family of Belleville Police Cpl. Todd Schrecengost announced on its facebook page that they would be selling their house in the city of Belleville and moving Up North. He didn't tell his boss, Chief Hal Berriman, until after I called Chief Berriman to ask him about it. First, the house has to sell before he can resign and move, we're told.

Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara said he was expressing his personal opinion while demonstrating at Metro Airport on Sunday afternoon against President Trump's executive order on immigration.

The demonstration was inside and outside the McNamara Terminal, named for Kevin's father.

VBT Public Safety Director Greg Laurain said that on Sunday afternoon he sent three VBT officers to the airport to assist with the demonstrations since VBT is part of the Western Wayne County Mutual Aid agreement. Laurain said they were alerted on Friday by the airport that they might need help and were standing by on Friday and Saturday and came to help when the crowd formed on Sunday.

He said he believed they had a permit to demonstrate, but weren't leaving on time and had to be reminded to disband.

I emailed the airport media people for information on the permit, but received no

reply.

Someone asked about Wayne County Health Department inspections at local restaurants and what the inspections showed. We looked into it and found a website on the county site that allows the public to see results of the inspections.

The site is swordsolutions.com/ and when you get there plug in Wayne County and Belleville and the dates you want covered. We found if you go back for a year or two you get a better list of visits by inspectors to various places that serve food. No need to put in the name of a restaurant, unless there is one you're concerned about since it will show visits to all places with Belleville addresses serving food to the public.

We found that local restaurants have done very well and often the simple violation is immediately corrected (like having the staff put on hats or hair nets). We were thinking about printing inspection reports, but there's really nothing significant to tell, so far.

It's comforting to know the county inspectors are keeping watch over details to keep us safe, but they aren't able to come out very often, except when "revisit" is noted on the inspection report.





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 his own brain too little falls into lazy
 habits of thinking."

— Albert Einstein

Letters

Gulf Auto Lube guys are friendly, honest

To the Editor:

Just wanted to give a "shout out" of "thanks" to the fellows at the Gulf Auto Lube located on South Street, close to Five Points. I've heard several good reports from others and was recommended to go there for an oil change.

It had been quite a while since having my oil changed, driving mostly local, and not putting many miles on. So, last fall I went there. They checked my mileage and informed me that an oil change wasn't needed at this time, however they checked and filled all the fluids under the hood, along with checking the tire pressure. No charge.

I was impressed with their friendliness and honesty!

A while afterwards, my tire pressure light went on. Not knowing where I could go to have this checked, I decided to return. Without hesitation, they checked all my tires and explained it was probably due to the cold weather. Again, very helpful and friendly.

Recently, again my tire pressure light came on. Thinking it was probably the weather change, I ignored the notice until today, when my back tire did look low.

So, back to my helpers! Again, they took me right in and found a nail in the tire that was low. They were able to get a worker from next door to come over, remove the nail, and plug the hole.

I was so glad to have my problem solved so quickly and inexpensively.

I didn't get any names, but all involved were very nice and efficient. I appreciated the "local help."

J. Jordan
 Belleville

We need to end Daylight Savings Time

To the Editor:

RE: Daylight Savings Time.

Call or email your District House Representative to support HB 4011 to End Daylight Savings Time and return to Standard Time. DST has negative impacts on health, increases auto/work accidents increasing costs on all levels.

DST can exacerbate diabetes, is a precursor to Alzheimer's which is epidemic, and hurts school-age children. The American Pediatric Association recommends late start times for middle and high school students which would be nullified by DST. Students are subjected to Michigan state testing

shortly after DST which negatively impacts results. SAT scores are lower due to DST.

DST negatively impacts the masses, including golfers' children and grandchildren.

Human circadian rhythm never adjusts to DST!

(Refs: American Diabetes Assn., Oregon Health & Science Univ., "Spring Forward, The Annual Madness of Daylight Saving Time" by Michael Downing, "Seize the Daylight" by David Prerau, the internet.)

Meg Ferguson

Van Buren Township

Thanks for helping with presentation

To the Editor:

On Nov. 4, 2016, the Michigan Chapter of Honor and Remember, Inc. recognized two families that lost a loved one that served in our Armed Forces. One was from the Belleville area and the other one was from Riverview, MI. The families of these Fallen Heroes were asked to attend a ceremony that was held at the Belleville High School main auditorium.

We acknowledged the importance of the sacrifice that these soldiers, one in the Army and the other in the Marine Corps., gave in defense for their comrades in arms by sharing with those in attendance, what the symbols of the Honor and Remember Flag represent and what it means to those who receive a personalized flag with the name of their loved one embroidered on the flag.

I, as the director for the Michigan chapter, realized that the holidays came and went and we had not properly recognized all those that had helped to make this ceremony possible. That is my undoing. I seek to correct this by doing the following: A special thanks goes out to the following people: James Williams, Building Facilities; Brian Rupnow, Belleville High School; April Gibson-Warner, who sang the National Anthem at the beginning of the ceremony.

Special thanks also goes out to volunteers that escorted the families to the stage for the flag presentation: Al Merritt, Vietnam Veteran and member of Chapter 310, VVA, Washtenaw County; Tim Driscoll, Commander of Saline American Legion Post #322; and to John Spencer, president of Chapter 528, Vietnam Veterans of America, Plymouth-Canton Area; who escorted the family of a Marine Fallen Hero and handed a certificate to a Family; Staff Sgt. Andrew F. Sass, U.S. Army, Livonia.

Special thanks goes out to Glenn Silvenis, who handed the certificate to one of the families. I hope that I didn't forget anyone. If I did, it wasn't intentional.

Thank you for understanding.

Sincerely,

LeRoy V. Paige, Sumpter Township
 Director, Michigan Chapter
 Honor and Remember, Inc.

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 — Yogi Berra

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-- Booker T. Washington



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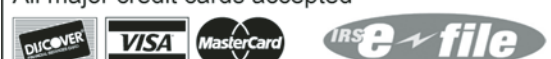
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Obituaries



Deanna L. Glenna

DEANNA L. GLENN

(September 30, 1961 – January 22, 2017)

Deanna L. Glenna, 55, of Sanford, died at her home Sunday evening, January 22, 2017.

She was born September 30, 1961 in Dearborn. Deanna worked for twenty years at the Sanford American Legion. She enjoyed watching soap operas, traveling and vacationing in Florida. She was a very caring person and would gladly lend a helping hand to anyone in need.

Deanna loved her family, and will be missed by her daughter Jennifer (David) Grzesik; sister and brother, Tracey (Brad) Zabik, and Larry (Linda) Sobczak; mother Karolyn Medici; daughter-in-law Sarah Schatilo; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and many friends. She was preceded in death by her father Bernard Sobczak, husband Kevin Glenna, sons Jonathon Andrews and Jason Andrews, and brothers Matt Sobczak and Kevin Sobczak.

Services were held Thursday, January 26, 2017 from the Ware Smith Woolever Funeral Home, 1200 West Wheeler Street, Midland.



Peggy Jane Davis

PEGGY JANE DAVIS

(November 27, 1937 – January 27, 2017)

Peggy Jane Davis, age 79, of Brooklyn, Michigan, died early Friday morning on January 27, 2017.

Peggy was the beloved wife of the late James (d.2003); loving mother of Debra (Joe) Summers of Belleville and Diana (Michael) Cude of Brooklyn, Michigan; proud grandmother of Michael (Kelly) Martinez, Jessica (Kathleen) Mitchell, Brian (Charity) Wade, Christina Ashley and Janie (Ryan) Branham. Mrs. Davis is also survived by her great-grandchildren, Natalie, Mikeila, Alex, Skyler, Madisyn, Breslin, Celise, Ethan, and Colette; siblings, Grace Crabtree of Brighton and Lyle (Sharon) Hath of Howell and numerous nieces and nephews. Sadly, she is preceded in death by daughter Judy Ashley and grandson James Raymond.

Peggy was born on November 27, 1937 in Howell, Michigan to William and Leona (Young) Hath. The Davis family settled in the Belleville area in 1956. She loved playing bingo, taking trips to the casino, word searches, reading and taking trips to Florida. Mostly, she enjoyed times with her family.

A funeral service was held at 2 p.m. Sunday, January 29, in the main chapel of the David C. Brown Funeral Home in Belleville (734) 697-4500. Visitation was held Saturday from 1 until 8 p.m., and Sunday from noon until the 2 p.m. service. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to the Hospice of Michigan.



Mildred Wood Roberts

MILDRED WOOD ROBERTS

(August 31, 1920 – January 26, 2017)

Mildred Wood Roberts, a longtime Van Buren Township resident, died January 26, 2017 at 96 years of age.

Mildred is the loving wife of the late Earl (d.1988); cherished mother of Peggy (the late John) Golliher of Florida and Harold Martin of Van Buren; dear grandmother of Jill (Ray) Byerly of Florida and Heidi (Matthew) Higgs of Tecumseh. Mrs. Roberts is also survived by nine great-grandchildren, three great-great-grandchildren and many loving extended family and friends.

Born on August 31, 1920 in Princeton, Kentucky to Edward Grey and Sammie Jones, Mildred moved to the Belleville area in 1950. A member of the Antioch Baptist Church, she enjoyed quilting, taking care of the flowers around the house, and spending time with her family. A funeral service was held at 1 p.m. Monday, January 30, in the main chapel of the David C. Brown Funeral Home of Belleville (734) 697-4500. Interment followed at Hillside Cemetery. Visiting hours were Sunday from 2 until 8 p.m. at the funeral home and one hour prior to the service. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes may be directed to Compassionate Care Hospice.

Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Feb. 6 – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Feb. 7 – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Feb. 8 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Feb. 9 – Keystone Academy School Board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission possible meeting at 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, Feb. 13 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education regular meeting, 7 p.m., Belleville High School Commons
- Tuesday, Feb. 14 – Van Buren Township Senior Center Endowment Committee at 11 a.m. Also, VBT Recreation Committee at 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m. and regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

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Police officers

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some way the department ‘settled’ with the three remaining. That would be very far from the truth.

“I am very proud to have Toth, Egerer, and Steffani as our new sergeants. They’ve done a fantastic job in the former positions and I know they’ll be a huge benefit to the department and community in their new roles.

“They’re quality police officers, but more importantly they’re quality people.”

Luke said his department already had two sergeants, Chris McGlynn and James Cayce. These two are what remained of the five that were promoted to sergeant in 2008.

The three vacancies were created by the retirement of Det./Sgt. Michael Czinski in 2010, Luke’s promotion to lieutenant in 2010, and Patrick Gannon’s promotion to lieutenant in 2015.

Egerer and Steffani will be filling the two night shift sergeant positions and McGlynn and Cayce will be the two days shift sergeants.

“For me it means that I now have true first-line supervisors on all four shifts,” Luke said.

In other business at the Jan. 24 meeting, the board:

- Approved, on a 4-3 vote, extending the land contract with Moose Lodge #934 for five years, through 2023, and keeping the interest rate at 3%. Making the motion was Treasurer Peggy Morgan and those voting in favor were Treasurer Morgan, Supervisor John Morgan, Clerk Clarence Hoffman, and Trustee Don LaPorte. Voting no were Trustees Don Swinson, Esther Hurst, and Matthew Oddy, with Oddy saying he would like to go to prime rate on the loan. When the *Independent* asked if it was proper for Treasurer Morgan to make the motion on the deal, since she belongs to the Moose, attorney Rob Young said Treasurer Morgan has “no benefit derived and I don’t see a problem”;
- Approved placing fire fighter Jamie Goode on the Washtenaw County Technical Rescue Team;
- Approved setting a public hearing at 6:15 p.m., Feb. 14, at the township hall to receive comments and suggestions for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan;
- Heard attorney Young say he has been contacted by the district library and they want feedback on where Sumpter wants its



The Sumpter Township Police Department has three new sergeants: from left, Brian Steffani, Beth Egerer, and John Toth. At right is Police Chief Eric Luke.

satellite library. The board agreed the octagon (hexagon) DPW building across the street was their choice. Young said that property came to the township via grant money so he will get a title company to check out the deed. Young said they also should get an engineer to assess the building’s structure, but Supervisor Morgan said the library’s engineer came out two or three times to look at it;

• Heard Trustee LaPorte announce that the fire department will be accepting applications from those 18 years of age and older for paid-per-call fire fighter positions. He said they will be trained in medical skills, fighting structural fires, and hazardous materials. Applications are available at the clerk’s office;

• Heard Jay Bardell ask how many acres the township owns and was told no one on the board had that information at that time. He suggested using township property for a solar farm and put earnings back into the community. Supervisor Morgan said the township is still considering if it wants solar farms to happen and suggested, “Some people might rather see trees and grass” on township property;

• Heard Tim Rush speak on behalf of his neighbors in the Martinsville, Oakville Waltz, and Arkona roads area. The problem is a dangerous, condemned building at 29200 Martinsville Road that is owned by the township. Rush said when the wind blows there are smells of a burnt-out building and he has to shut his windows. “Something needs to be done with this building,” Rush said. He said neighbors have been cutting the grass there and Supervisor Morgan said they are trespassing and shouldn’t be on

the property. Another neighbor wished to add some thoughts, but Supervisor Morgan slammed his gavel and declared him out of order because he didn’t sign up to speak. At the end of the meeting, Morgan let him speak and he said he had offered to demo the building, which is 50’ from his house. He asked the board to secure the building so people and animals (such as snakes and rats) can’t get in and Morgan said that could be done. The demolition process is lengthy and

takes time and money, Morgan said;

• Learned Fire Chief Joseph Januszyk is working with Huron Township on a mutual aid agreement; and

• Heard Deb Callison say about a month ago her F-250 plow truck was stolen with the plow and salter. It turned out there were many thefts in a wide area around Sumpter. Her vehicle was recovered and, she said, Sumpter police helped her and Officer Jim Cayce stayed with her until she got it towed where she wanted it towed. She was in tears as she praised the work of the police department.

CDBG public hearing

At 6 p.m., before the regular meeting began, a public hearing was held on the 2016-17 Community Development Block Grant estimate of \$73,000.

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Court Watching:

Charles Cahill, Jr. sentenced to 27-50 years for drunk driving death

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

On Tuesday, Jan. 24, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Bruce Morrow sentenced habitual offender Charles James Cahill, Jr. of Sumpter Township, to 27 to 50 years in prison for the second-degree drunken driving murder of 12-year-old Victoria Charles Cahill, Jr. Mack last summer.

He had been facing a life sentence. The crash was at Martinsville and Willis roads in Sumpter Township at about 8:18 p.m. July 27 and Victoria died on July 30. Cahill reportedly was going 89 mph when he hit the van in the rear with Victoria in the third seat. The prosecutor said he braked two seconds before the crash. She suffered head and spinal injuries.

Cahill's blood alcohol level was .203%. Michigan law sets a .07% limit for drivers.

Cahill also was sentenced to 5 to 15 years for operating a vehicle while license was suspended causing death and another 5-15 years for operating while intoxicated-3rd offense causing death.

He also pled guilty to two misdemeanors: operating with a high blood alcohol content (sentenced to six months in the county jail) and to open intoxicants in a vehicle (sentenced to three months in jail).

This is his fifth prison sentence for drunk driving, going back to 1997. His license has been suspended since 1990. Cahill also has faced 12 driving while intoxicated charges, according to Secretary of State records. He is labeled a habitual offender.

In November, Cahill pled guilty to all of the charges. He has been in the Wayne County Jail since the accident, first on

a bond of \$1 million. Then, 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green revoked that bond and he was held without bond.

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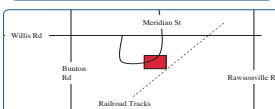


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Lakeside

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wording is a very important clause and the committee unanimously wanted that.

"If this isn't in here, we'll turn on this like rabid dogs," Hawley said.

He said committee members suggested re-deeding the property along the lake to the residents, but they found that couldn't be done because of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission license. The money that comes in pays the costs of the dam.

"You'll never be the owner, but you'll have sole recreational use of the entire property," Hawley said.

He said the township is getting into property disputes and that's why they want

an ordinance.

"Anything that was stricter than MDEQ, we took it out," Hawley said. "The township was going to make up their own regulations and we said *no*."

"We eliminated the unnecessary regulations and formed an informal resolution panel," he said.

"If we don't finish this, they'll go back and do it again," Hawley said. "If you find something in here you don't like, I want to know."

He said the township doesn't have the resources to do a lot of enforcement and, "If I'm going to own it, I have the responsibility to clean it up... I think we satisfied every single thing I needed to do."

Then, 15 residents, came to the microphone, asking specific questions about the ordinance and how it would affect their properties. They also gave comments on the history of the dam.

Attorney Doug Peters, who had served on the committee, explained the situation.

"We do not own or have exclusive use of the land between the land and water. Someone could come up in a boat, get out their hibachi and tent and stay overnight. That's not illegal," Peters said.

Once the ordinance is passed the shoreline residents would have exclusive use of this piece of land between their property and the lake.

"Now is the time to do this," Peters said. "We will get exclusive rights."

"We did the very best we could to benefit the citizens."

He discussed the history of the lake and the dam, noting he enjoyed the water being down when the lake was lowered, but it ruined the dam. It cost \$25 million or so to replace the dam and the township gets about \$50,000 a year for lake patrol after the bond payment for the dam replacement.

He said the township made a deal with the devil when it signed up with FERC.

He said there was a vote and the people throughout the township didn't want to pay for the dam to provide lake access for lakeside residents.

If the dam wasn't there, the sometimes very narrow Huron River would be running along the bottom of a steep hill, with barbed wire fences and dead trees still in place.

Bob Fedchenko, an engineer of West Huron River Drive, said when Edison owned the lake living along the lake was nice. But, when Edison sold the lake to VBT for a dollar, "a lot of our freedoms were lost."

He said they used to drop the water level down each fall so people could work on docks and cut up trees.

"The big problem is the FERC license, which stipulates the level of the lake for 12 months a year and the township gets \$50,000. The township gets \$4,000 to \$5,000 a year in taxes from each house.

"We can no longer work on docks and cut up trees," Fedchenko said, noting as far as regulations and government, government can't get enough.

"Move with caution on this," he warned. "There are too many regulations. It should be scaled down." He asked how much less revenue the township would get without the FERC license and the audience applauded.

Fred Trombley of North Liberty Street in the city of Belleville said in the 1950s they dropped the water down three feet and everything caved in.

Fedchenko said dropping three feet didn't hurt anything. It was when they dropped the lake for the bridge to be built that there were collapses. He said as soon as the FERC license came in 1987, they stopped lowering the lake. He insisted the dropping of three feet didn't bother the seawalls and people could repair their properties.

Dave Frankling said he now has a very large dog and they have a fence around the house and down to the lake, but there is a stipulation that there will be "no fence on property" and he wanted to know if his fence is grandfathered in.

Akers said the FERC license currently does not allow residents to put fences on the property. He said a fence would be grandfathered, but it's a structure and could be a problem.

Frankling said the ordinance said it's a \$2,500 fine a day and sometimes it takes a year to go to court. He said the ordinance is 30 pages long and the penalties make it impossible to fight city hall.

"Why do that?" Frankling asked.

Akers said they can't issue fines while an appeal is under way. He added, "The holy grail of ordinances is voluntary compliance."

Michael Long of Borgman Avenue said some of the original rules were made to keep minorities from the lake. He asked what the "court of equitable appeal" would be and he was told that would be the Board of Zoning Appeals which would handle appeals.

Long said the ordinance situation started with Judge Stempien's order in the 1990s when there were access problems on Lake Pointe Pass.

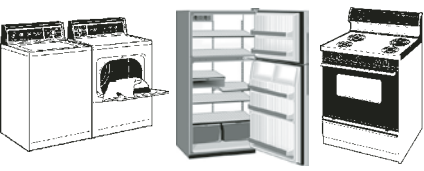
At the end of the 90-minute meeting, planning commission chairwoman Carol Thompson said the township will roll out a schedule for the ordinance. She said the commission usually doesn't vote on an issue the same night as the public hearing.

The ordinance will come up at the next meeting or the next. Best said they will put the status on the front page of the township website and residents can check the agenda posted before each meeting to see if it is scheduled.

Akers said if the planning commission approves the ordinance it will go to the board of trustees for a work/study session

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Court Watching:

Parents face charges after child hit, killed on Harris Road in 2015

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Larissa Lydia Gagnon, 30, and co-defendant Chad Ryan Vanover, 27, are each facing two criminal charges after their child was hit and killed by a vehicle on the roadway of Harris Road in 2015.

On Dec. 1, 2016, the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office signed identical felony charges against the two: homicide / involuntary manslaughter and second-degree child abuse.

If convicted of the manslaughter charge, each could get 15 years in prison and/or a fine of \$7,500. The second-degree child

abuse charge stems from a reckless act that causes serious harm to a child. Conviction of that charge brings a penalty of not more than 10 years for the first offense.

Gagnon was in 34th District Court before Judge Brian A. Oakley on Jan. 25 for her probable cause conference with her court-appointed defense attorney David Langford. She is free on \$20,000 personal recognizance bond.

Co-defendant Vanover is not due for his probable cause hearing until Feb. 22 and his preliminary exam is on March 1, so Judge Oakley adjourned Gagnon's Feb. 1 preliminary exam to match her co-defendant's schedule, since they will face charges together.

Judge Oakley said any further adjournment (postponement) on March 1 "is not real likely."

Their child, a 19-month, male toddler,

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The vehicle driver, a 59-year-old Sumpter Township resident, stopped immediately and cooperated fully in the investigation.

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Toth is the officer in charge of the case.

Amy Jo Plots

Amy Jo Plots, 49, waived her preliminary exam on charges of operating while intoxicated-3rd and driving while license suspended on March 21 in the city of Belleville. Judge Oakley bound her over to circuit court for an arraignment on the information on Feb. 8. She is represented by retained attorney Murray Duncan and she is free after posting her \$1,000/10%

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Sumpter Township Regular Board Meeting Minutes January 10, 2017

Meeting called to order at 6: 30 p.m., showing present: Supervisor J. Morgan, Clerk C. Hoffman, Trustees: Oddy, P. Morgan, Swinson, LaPorte. Also showing present: Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk J. Hoffman and approximately 28 residents.

3. Agenda: Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Oddy to approve the Agenda as amended Item H: Consider approval to hold a Public Hearing for CDBG funds on January 24 at 6:00 pm and February 14 at 6:00 pm at the Township Hall, and Item I: Consider Approval the Appointment to fill the Treasurer's Position. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comments on Agenda Items Only:

5. Minutes:

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Warrants: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to approve warrants totaling \$1,591,683.07. Roll call vote: Yes: J. Morgan, C. Hoffman, Oddy, P. Morgan, Swinson, LaPorte. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Water & Sewer Report: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to Receive and File Water & Sewer Report. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Police Report-Luke: Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Oddy to approve Police Report. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Building/Ordinance Report-LaPorte: Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Swinson to approve Building/ Ordinance Report. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Fire Report-Januszyk: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to approve Fire Report. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Treasurer's Report: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to Receive and File Treasurer's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Supervisor's Report- J. Morgan:

A. Name of Liaison for Departments:

- Seniors Liaison: Supervisor John Morgan
- Building Department Liaison: Clerk Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.
- Water Department Liaison: Treasurer Peggy Morgan
- Planning and Zoning Liaison: Trustee Matt Oddy
- Parks & Rec/ Chamber Liaison: Trustee Don Swinson
- Fire and Police Liaison: Trustee Don LaPorte
- Library Liaison: New appointed Trustee

Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Oddy to approve the Supervisor's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Attorney's Report- Young:

A. Library

B. Huron Township Moment of Silence for Alan Bates.

Motion by Swinson, supported by C. Hoffman to approve the Attorney's Report. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Board Response:

A. Trustee Don Swinson spoke on Alan Bates and what he meant to him, Alan will be missed.

B. Trustee Matt Oddy thanked the Residents that came to Alan's funeral and for the outpouring of support.

C. Clerk C. Hoffman informed everyone that whomever the Board appoints they will have to run for election in two (2) years.

15. Old Business:

A. Motion by Swinson, supported by Oddy to Table Item A: Consider approval to Extend Land Contract with Moose Lodge #934 for 5 years, through 2023, for additional information. Motion carried unanimously.

16. New Business:

A. Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by LaPorte to approve for Eric Long to be placed on Washtenaw Area Mutual Aid Association Hazmat Team. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by P. Morgan to Hire Peter C. Gregory as full time Ordinance Officer. Start date January 17, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Swinson to approve the Wayne County Annual Maintenance Permit Package A-17044 resolution 2017-01. Motion

carried unanimously.

D. Motion by C. Hoffman, supported by Oddy to approve the Wayne County Annual Pavement Restoration Permit Package A-17099 resolution 2017-02. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Motion by Swinson, supported by C. Hoffman to approve the Wayne County Annual Permit for Special Events Package A-17133 resolution 2017-03. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to approve for Security Pest Control to service monthly general pest control prevention/maintenance for township Hall, Post Office, Police/Community Center and Fire Station at a cost of \$300.00 per month. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Motion by Swinson, supported by Oddy to approve the Specialized Services Operating Assistance Program Third-Party Contract between Smart and Sumpter Township for Fiscal Year 2017. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Swinson to approve to hold Public Hearing for CDBG funds on January 24, 2017 at 6:00 pm and February 14, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Township Hall. Motion carried unanimously.

I. Motion by Oddy, supported by LaPorte to approve the recommendation by Supervisor J. Morgan to appoint Peggy Morgan as Township Treasurer. Roll

Call Vote: Yes: J. Morgan, C. Hoffman, Swinson, LaPorte, Oddy. Nay: None.

J. Motion by P. Morgan, supported Oddy to approve the recommendation by Supervisor J. Morgan to appoint Esther Hurst as Trustee. Roll Call Vote: Yes: J. Morgan, P. Morgan, Swinson, LaPorte, Oddy. Nay: C. Hoffman. Motion carried.

17. Announcements:

18. Open Floor:

A. Tim Rush:

• Spoke in behalf of the residents that voted for him in 2016 Election

• Congratulations to Peggy Morgan and Esther Hurst on their newly appointed positions

B. Mary Ban:

• Alan Bates and his dedication to Parks, He will be missed

• Congratulations to Peggy Morgan and Esther Hurst

• Lohr and Bemis hole getting deeper

• Trash Pick up

• LaPorte any discussion with Huron Township?

C. Jay Bardell

• Rate of pay for New Ordinance Officer

D. Ronald Barrington Robinson

• Pest Control are they bonded and insured?

• Lydia Graber should have been recommended as Treasurer

• Thanks to Swinson for Acknowledgement

• Bonded Treasurer Position

19. Adjournment: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by C. Hoffman to adjourn at 7:23 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

Sumpter Township

Certification

I, Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the following is a true copy of minutes taken at a Regular Board Meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on January 10, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and the said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes were kept and will be available as required by said act.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

Published: February 2, 2017

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice



Van Buren Township Local Township Road Improvement Request for Participation



The Wayne County Department of Public Services has allocated \$750,000 to repair, resurface, or reconstruct existing local township residential zoned roads under Wayne County's jurisdiction within Van Buren Township. In order to utilize these funds, Wayne County has required that a 20% match of the total cost of a project be provided. Van Buren Township is seeking to identify subdivisions who have funds available for road improvements and are interested in making improvements to the roads in their subdivision.

Who is Eligible?

Subdivisions in Van Buren Township who have Wayne County owned public roads in their subdivision are eligible for this funding. This funding can only be used for road repairs, resurfacing, or reconstruction in an eligible subdivision.

How Can My Subdivision Apply?

Please submit a letter to the Township which provides the following:

- A request for participation to the Township from your homeowner's association indicating the subdivision that is interested in the program,
- Contact information for the designated representative for the subdivision,
- The amount of funds that your subdivision can contribute towards the potential road project.

Subdivisions without a homeowner's association should contact Ron Akers. Director of Planning & Economic Development, at 734-699-8913 prior to applying to discuss options for providing the required 20% funding match. All requests for participation can be sent via e-mail to rakers@vanburen-mi.org or to the following mailing address:

Planning & Economic Development
Attn: Ron Akers
46425 Tyler Road
Van Buren Township, MI 48111

Requests for participation must be received at Township Hall no later than 4:00 p.m. on Friday, March 3, 2017.

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Lakeside

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and then to a regular board meeting the next night or the next regular meeting. At that time there would be a first reading and then at the next meeting a second reading. It takes about a month to pass it, Akers said.

Chris Donley of West Huron River Drive thanked the committee for making the bad ordinance "a little less bad."

After mentioning specific problems with the ordinances, he said, "I would like the township to have a plan in place to clean up its shoreline," noting the residents will be held responsible for their shorelines, while the township doesn't clean up its own property.

Akers asked if he was referring to Van Buren Park, noting, "There have been discussions."

"A lot of cost there," Best added.

"We feel your pain," Donley said.

Court watching

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bond. Officer in charge of the case is Belleville Officer Jeff Wickham.

Eddie Al Dusseau

Eddie Al Dusseau, 50, is charged with possession of less than 25 grams of narcotic or cocaine and possession of marijuana in the city of Belleville on Nov. 17, 2014. He is labeled a habitual offender.

His retained attorney Michael Vincent asked Judge Oakley to delay the scheduled Feb. 1 preliminary exam until Feb. 15 so he could get the video from the Belleville Police Department and Judge Oakley agreed.

Dusseau is free on \$20,000/personal recognizance bond. Officer in charge of the case is Belleville Cpl. Kris Faull.

Timothy Komendera

On Jan. 18, 34th District Court Judge David Parrott bound over Timothy Komendera, 50, of Detroit to circuit court for a Jan.

25 arraignment on the information. His disposition conference was then set for Feb. 2 before Judge Richard M. Skutt.

Komendera is charged with larceny of \$20,000 or more, receiving and concealing stolen property of \$20,000 or more and fleeing police in a vehicle on Jan. 7 in Van Buren Township.

A utility trailer was stolen from a storage lot at Haggerty and Van Born and the pursuit included I-275 and I-94 until the red pickup crashed into a cement wall before the driver bailed out and ran into the woods. Komendera was apprehended at the scene.

He is lodged in the Wayne County Jail on bond of \$50,000/10% and is represented by court-appointed attorney Jeremy Erskine Henner. Officer in charge of the case is VBT Det. Ken Toney.

Joshua Javonie-Henry King

Joshua Javonie-Henry King, 17, waived his preliminary exam before 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green on Jan. 11 and she bound him over to circuit court for a Jan. 18 arraignment on the information. A disposition conference has since been set for Feb. 7 before Judge Deborah A. Thomas.

He is charged with receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle and assaulting/resisting/obstructing a police officer on Dec. 30 in Van Buren Township. He was lodged on \$3,000/10% bond and unable to post that. Judge Green reduced bond to \$10,000 personal recognizance.

He also is set for a probation hearing in circuit court on Feb. 2 in another case.

King's court-appointed defense attorney is David Langford and officer in charge of the case is VBT Det. Mark Buxton.

Susan Renee Bozzi

Susan Renee Bozzi, 55, waived her preliminary exam before Judge Green and was bound over to circuit court for a Jan. 25 arraignment on the information. She was charged with operating while intoxicated-3rd on Sept. 22, 2015 in VBT.

But, at her arraignment on the information at circuit court, she plead guilty to operating under the influence of liquor/per se/operating while intoxicated 3rd offence notice, a felony. The operating while intoxicated charge was dismissed.

She will be sentenced on Feb. 16 by Judge James Chylinski.

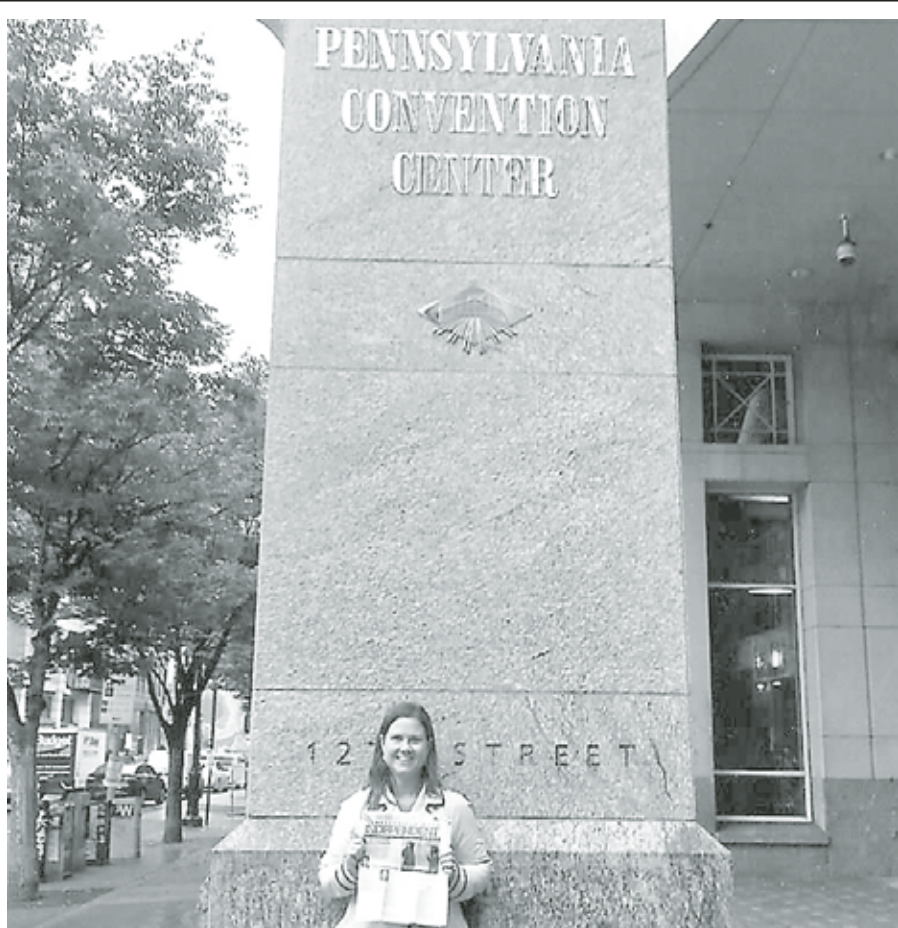
Bozzi is free on \$3,000 personal recognizance bond and her court-appointed attorney is Jeffrey Perlman. VBT Det. Donovan McCarthy is the officer in charge of the case.

Matthew Christopher Farrow

Matthew Christopher Farrow, 25, waived his preliminary exam before Judge Green and was bound over to circuit court for a Jan. 25 arraignment on the information. His disposition conference was set for Feb. 3 before Judge Dana Margaret Hathaway.

Farrow is charged with breaking and entering a building and two counts of malicious destruction of property in VBT on Dec. 24. He is free after posting \$3,500/10% bond. Farrow's retained attorney is Joseph Lavigne and VBT Sgt. Jeff Gueli is the officer in charge of the case.

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Shelly Brown-Chudzinski reads her *Independent* outside of the Philadelphia Convention Center on Oct. 27. She and her husband Jim, who took the picture, attended the National Funeral Directors Association International Convention Oct. 23-26 and celebrated their third wedding anniversary while there. They also took time to see some sights, like the Rocky Steps, the downtown Market, the Liberty Bell, and so much more. They had a wonderful time learning during the day and exploring in the evenings.

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Sumpter Township Public Notice



Sumpter Township Notice of Public Hearing Variance

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Sumpter Township Zoning Board of Appeals on Thursday, February 23, 2017 at 7:00 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, for the purpose of receiving statements and views on a proposed Variance requested on 81-046-99-0012-701 better known as 19731 Haggerty Road. The Variance requested is not compliant with the provisions of Section 5.3 (4) of the Sumpter Township Zoning Ordinance.

The Detached Accessory Building must comply with Section 5.3 (4) Accessory Building, Structures and Uses of the Zoning Ordinance.

Per Section 5.3 (4) Accessory Building, Structures and Uses of the Zoning Ordinance, the maximum allowable size for the total of all detached buildings on an individual site is based upon a scale by parcel size (acreage). The total acreage of the parcel, 2.76 acres, falls between 1.01 acres to 3 acres and allows a maximum combined gross floor area of 2,200 square feet.

The proposed Detached Accessory Building is 360 square feet over the maximum allowable floor area.

Clarence J. Hoffman Jr.
Clerk
Sumpter Township

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Van Buren Township
Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 560 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police this week, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Jan. 22:
0505 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / Van Born Rd.
0603 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1139 – agency assist, Henry
1322 – malicious destruction of property, Andover
1559 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville / Tyler
1944 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.
2056 – family trouble, Ormond Dr.
2140 – agency assist, Willow
2337 – mental, S. I-94 Service Dr.
Monday, Jan. 23:
0011 – family trouble, S. Bellridge Dr.
0046 – private property incident, Oak Ln./N. I-94 Service Dr.
1122 – assault & battery, Belleville Rd.
1151 – sexual assault, Freedom Way
1335 – property damage accident, Ecorse / Belleville
1650 – harassment call, Water’s Edge Ln.
1810 – abandoned auto, Ecorse/Denton
2002 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
2007 – assist fire dept., EB I-94 west from I-275
2201 – private property incident, Southport
2259 – private property accident, Belleville Rd.
Tuesday, Jan. 24:
0038 – private property incident, Industrial
0250 – assault & battery, Richard Run
0718 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
0720 – personal injury accident, Haggerty Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
0836 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Bog Rd.
1056 – court duty, 34th District Court
1117 – malicious destruction of property, Lake Villa Dr.
1244 – assault & battery, Tyler Rd./Belleville Rd.
1409 – assault & battery, E. Walden Dr.
1500 – juvenile complaint, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Borgman
1522 – disorderly conduct, Van Buren St.
1532 – harassment call, Parkwood Dr.
1633 – vehicle repossession, Belle Villa
1759 – disorderly conduct, Belleville Rd.
1906 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd. / Hannan Rd.
1909 – intimidation threat, Bog Rd.
1947 – suspicious person, Ryznar Dr.
Wednesday, Jan. 25:
0616 – assault & battery, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0947 – disorderly conduct, Village Green Ln.
1002 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1031 – property damage accident, W. Huron River Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.
1041 – sexual assault, Tyler Rd.
1142 – mental, Belleville Rd.
1208 – agency assist, Clarence
1226 – personal injury accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.
1348 – fraud, Sylvia Dr.
1725 – family trouble, Maple Dr.
1741 – malicious destruction of property, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1815 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1833 – missing person, Denton Rd.
2151 – assault & battery, N. Bellridge Dr.
2339 – noise complaint, N. Woodbury
Thursday, Jan. 26:
0133 – vehicle repossession, Marlowe Ave.
0606 – vehicle repossession, Savage Rd.
0701 – vehicle repossession, Belle Pointe Dr.
0721 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Beck Rd.
1206 – private property accident, COSTCO
1315 – property damage accident, Van Born Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.
1339 – abandoned auto, Packard Ct.
1426 – fraud, Richmond Dr.
1447 – larceny, Rose Blvd.
1452 – property damage accident, W. Michigan / Johnny’s

1656 – larceny, Belleville
2304 – assist fire dept., Belleville Rd.
Friday, Jan. 27:
0259 – disorderly conduct, Oak Blvd.
0326 – malicious destruction of property, Rawsonville
0416 – operating while intoxicated, WB I-94 / Belleville Rd.
1125 – harassment call, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Harbour Club
1319 – harassment call, Denton Rd.
1319 – fraud, Milton Dr.
1424 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave.
2017 – assault & battery, Pine Dr.
Saturday, Jan. 28:
0003 – noise complaint, N. Woodbury
0613 – disturbance, Parkwood Dr.
0927 – assault & battery, Denton Rd.
1502 – water leak found, Ayres Ave.
1516 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1559 – vehicle repossession, Westlake
1648 – disturbance, Rawsonville Rd.
1757 – malicious destruction of property, Wheatgrass Ln.
1836 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Water’s Edge
1908 – family trouble, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1923 – property damage accident, WB I-94 / Haggerty Rd.
1932 – personal injury accident, Denton Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
2055 – assault & battery, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2115 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / US Ecology
2133 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
2246 – larceny, S. I-94 Service Dr.
2331 – noise complaint, N. Woodbury
2335 – larceny, Oak Ln.
Also on this week’s log are 247 traffic stops, 81 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways and bypasses, 17 at Lakewood shopping center, six at Woodstone, and four within the city of Belleville.

Belleville Police
Dispatch Log

Sunday, Jan. 22:
0055 – juvenile complaint, E. Huron River Dr.
0540 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
1004 – assist citizen, Belle Villa Blvd.
1042 – property check, Belle Villa Blvd./Sumpter
1136 – suicide or attempt, Henry St.
1212 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1231 – assist fire dept., Carmell
1433 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1619 – parking complaint, Victorian Ln.
1014 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
1919 – disorderly conduct, Henry St.
2134 – assist citizen, E. Huron River Dr.
2154 – assist citizen, Willow
Monday, Jan. 23:
0621 – assist fire dept., Loza Ln.
0747 – property check, Sumpter Rd.
0811 – personal injury accident, High St./Main St.
1023 – narcotics crime, W. Columbia Ave.
1159 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.
1707 – suspicious situation, South St. / E. Columbia Ave.
Tuesday, Jan. 24:
0934 – assist fire dept., Third St.
1235 – private property accident, Citizens Bank
1324 – mental, W. Columbia Ave.
1426 – civil matter, W. Columbia Ave.
1615 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
1639 – fight, Marathon
1644 – vehicle repossession, Belle Villa Blvd.
Wednesday, Jan. 25:
0700 – assist fire dept., Belle Villa Blvd.
0708 – vehicle lockout, Belle Villa Blvd.
0728 – animal complaint, Victorian Ln.
0825 – disorderly conduct, Belle Villa
0843 – mental, Bay Point Dr.
0906 – suspicious vehicle, W. Columbia Ave.
1119 – intrusion alarm, N. Aberdeen Ct.
1121 – suspicious situation, Owen/Belle Villa
1151 – welfare check, Main St.
1155 – civil matter, Clarence St.
1201 – disorderly conduct, Clarence St.
1328 – malicious destruction of property, N. Liberty St.

1429 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
2031 – civil matter, Bay Pointe Dr.
Thursday, Jan. 26:
0835 – P.B.T. alcohol, Main St.
1008 – fraud, Main St.
1121 – court duty, 34th District Court
1253 – suspicious situation, E. Huron River Dr.
1331 – vehicle lockout, Third St.
1505 – follow up, Walter
1617 – civil matter, E. Huron River Dr.
1838 – traffic hazard, Main
1933 – suspicious situation, Main St./N. Liberty
Friday, Jan. 27:
0215 – parking complaint, Carmell
0246 – assist fire dept., N. Liberty St.
0906 – assist fire dept., Henry St.
1329 – mental, Main St.
1513 – E-911 hang up/investigation, W. Columbia
1621 – E-911 hang up/investigation, W. Columbia
1734 – juvenile complaint, Carmell St.
Saturday, Jan. 28:
0329 – malicious destruction of property, Potter Dr.
0413 – assist fire dept., W. Columbia Ave.
0820 – miscellaneous complaint, Main St.
1141 – agency assist, Menlo Park Dr.
1956 – abandoned auto, W. Columbia Ave./South St.
2148 – E-911 cellular, Biggs Ave.
Also on this week’s log were 30 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township
Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Jan. 22:
0030 – noise complaint, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
0102 – fire dept. assist, Colorado
0837 – traffic hazard, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0942 – assist other agency, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.
1020 – assist other agency, 51000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1322 – ordinance violation, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1431 – family trouble, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1623 – 911 hang up, 42000 bl. Willis Ct.
1731 – warrant arrest, 36000 bl. S. Huron Rd.
2112 – felonious assault, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
Monday, Jan. 23:
0847 – civil dispute, 21000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0934 – well-being check, Second St.
1143 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1523 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Karr Rd.
2007 – fire dept. assist, Third St.
2043 – family trouble, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
Tuesday, Jan. 24:
0901 – threats complaint, New Mexico
1101 – malicious destruction of property, Mulberry
1129 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1143 – larceny, Nevada
1204 – malicious destruction of property, Mulberry
1322 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1345 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1613 – harassment complaint, 26000 bl. Sherwood
1823 – alarm, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2016 – assist other agency, Bemis/Savage
Wednesday, Jan. 25:
0021 – suspicious vehicle, 8200 bl. Rawsonville
0936 – larceny, 26000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1049 – fire dept. assist, 26000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1237 – threats complaint, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
1329 – fire dept. assist, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1337 – property damage accident, Harris/Sumpter
1533 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.
2011 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.
2013 – suspicious incident, 10000 bl. Rawsonville
2141 – warrant arrest, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
2245 – well-being check, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.
Thursday, Jan. 26:
0108 – fire dept. assist, 29000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0128 – fire dept. assist, New Mexico
1534 – civil dispute, Carriage Ln.
1555 – fraud complaint, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1735 – suspicious person, Judd/Rawsonville
1753 – neighbor dispute, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1949 – ORV complaint, 23000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
Friday, Jan. 27:
0032 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.
0134 – prisoner check, 36000 bl. S. Huron Rd.
0214 – well-being check, 46000 bl. Willis Rd.
0536 – assist other agency, 40000 bl. Judd Rd.
1006 – suspicious incident, Rawsonville/Willow
1017 – civil dispute, 9300 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
1040 – assist other agency, out of township

1311 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1612 – reckless driver, Willow/Sherwood
1646 – disorderly person, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
Saturday, Jan. 28:
1325 – suspicious vehicle, Rawsonville/Judd
Also on this week’s log are nine follow-up investigations, 35 miscellaneous details, 94 patrol checks, and 28 traffic stops.

VBT Police hold suspect
in homicide at Harbour
Club Apartments

Van Buren Township Police are holding a suspect in the Sunday afternoon shooting death of a 37-year-old Ypsilanti man at Harbour Club Apartments in the 48000 block of Denton Road.

VBT Public Safety Director Greg Laurain said police responded to the scene of a reported deceased male at about 5:30 p.m. They found the victim dead from what appeared to be a gunshot wound to the head.

The investigation revealed that the suspect, a 44-year-old male who resides at Harbour Club apartments, had an altercation with the victim while he was visiting the suspect at his apartment in VBT. At some point, the suspect shot the victim in the head, Laurain said.

Officers took the suspect into custody and he is being held in the VBT lockup. VBT police have submitted a request for an arrest warrant from the Wayne County Prosecutor’s Office. Once the warrant is signed, the suspect will be formally arraigned by the 34th District Court and then his name can be released.

League of Women Voters
to meet Feb. 23
at Trinity Episcopal

Local members of the League of Women Voters – and anyone else interested in the league – will meet at 7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 23 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 11575 Belleville Road.

The local geographical unit of the non-partisan League of Women Voters, is made up of male and female members from Belleville, Van Buren Township and Sumpter Township.

The purpose of the meeting is to review the Belleville Geographical Unit’s first year and plan for the coming year.

The Belleville unit is part of the Northwest Wayne County League, a group based primarily in Livonia.

At the Belleville group’s first meeting in January 2016, about 40 showed up and 26 have become paid members.

For more information on the group, call attorney Barbara Rogalle Miller during business hours at (734) 697-4455.

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Photo courtesy Wayne County Commission
On Jan. 5, Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara, right, administered the oath of office to Abdul "Al" Haidous, D-Wayne, to begin his second term as a Wayne County Commissioner. Supervisor McNamara is a former commission member. Haidous serves District 11, which includes Belleville, Romulus, Wayne, Sumpter, Huron, and Van Buren townships and part of Westland. The 15-member commission is Wayne County's legislative branch and adopts and administers the county's \$1.5 billion operating budget.

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GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD and a Best Buy Spacious 4 Bedroom, 2 1/2 Bath home offers Family room w/ Fireplace, Formal Dining Room, Living Room, Extra Storage Space in Huge Unfinished Basement. 2 Tier Deck, Large Yard and 2 1/2 Car Attached Garage. Ask a Neighbor *'how good it can be'* to live here \$205,000

GOLF COURSE VIEW



226 PIERCE LAKE, CHELSEA
IMMACULATE PIERCE LAKE CONDO with Golf Course Views on the 7th Tee. 3 bedrooms, 3 Baths, First Floor Master, Granite Counter Top Kitchen with Ceramic Floor. Great Room has Hardwood Flooring and Deck overlooking the Golf Course. A Finished Lower Level has a Family/Recreation Room. Just Listed at \$300,000

PRIVACY AND QUALITY



21700 DALE DRIVE, SUMPTER
DREAM SECLUDED LOCATION on Private Paved Street. Immaculate 4 Bedroom 2 1/2 Bath, Open Kitchen, Livingroom with Fireplace, Central Air and Whole House Generator. 2 1/2 Car Attached and Heated Garage. It's Curb Appeal Plus on 1.35 Acre Parcel with Extra Wide Cement Drive and Parking Pad. \$225,000

HUGE COOKS KITCHEN



10696 VAN BUREN LANE, VAN BUREN
SUPER AFFORDABLE LARGER VAN BUREN ESTATES HOME. 3 Bedrooms, 1 Full Bath, Extra HUGE Cooks Kitchen, Hardwood Floors and More. Corner Lot with Full Brick Exterior PLUS Fenced Yard. Enjoy the Neighborhood. Just Listed and Priced to Sell at \$105,000

PRICED TO SELL



9753 WILDFLOWER CT, VAN BUREN
PRICED TO SELL 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath Upper Floor Condo with Master Bedroom and Master Bath, Open Kitchen-Dining and Great Room to Balcony. Affordable and Conveniently Located - close to The Van Buren Recreation Center, Senior Activity Center, Schools, Freeways & Airport. \$77,000

UPDATED AND 2+ ACRES



23260 KARR, SUMPTER
IMPRESSIONS AND UPDATED 4 Bedroom 2 Bath Ranch with Granite Counter Tops & SS Appliance. Large Living Room with Fireplace, and Hardwood Floors. Formal Dining Room Master Bath with Jetted Tub and Separate Shower. Central air and ceiling fans, Attached Garage, Shed and on 2.2 Acres. \$209,900

30x60 POLE BARN



9191 RAWSONVILLE, SUMPTER
LIVE THE BETTER COUNTRY LIFE and All of the Extras. Featuring Huge Rooms, Impressive Hardwood Floors, Large and Open Kitchen, FULL Basement and More. 1.3 Acres, 30x60 Pole Barn (with Electric and Cement Floor), Paved Street and Immediate Possession. \$189,900

AUGUSTA TOWNSHIP	
VACANT MCKEAN 11+ ACRES	\$85,000
RAWSONVILLE & JUDD 78 AC	\$400,000
TORREY 2.48 ACRES PERC & SURVEY	\$50,000
SUMPTER TOWNSHIP	
VACANT KARR ROAD 5 ACRES	\$35,000

42915 WILLIS 4 SPLITS \$30,000 & \$40,000	\$30,000
26960 SHERWOOD 2.5 ACRES	\$30,000
45885 BEMIS PAVED BUIDABLE LOT	\$25,000
24409 SHERWOOD 1.15 ACRES	\$30,000
20743 GRIFFIN COURT 1.4 AC	\$29,500
ELWELL ACROSS FRM 29300 10AS	\$59,500

49317 ARKONA 40.28 ACRES	\$180,000
BEMIS 6 ACRES + 6 ACRES	\$65,000 EACH
VINING AND SIBLEY 21+ ACRES	\$450,000
WILLOW ROAD 1.36 ACRES	\$15,000
22407 KARR 21 AC & POLEBARN	\$195,000
26455 KARR 5 ACRES 162X1308	\$33,000

VAN BUREN TOWNSHIP	
45109 S SERVICE DRIVE HUGE FRONTAGE 2.29 ACRES. SUPER DEVELOPMENT	\$287,500
PARCEL WITH ALL UTILITIES	\$287,500
47441 MARTZ ROAD 17+ ACRES	\$176,000
VACANT BOG ROAD .55 ACRES	\$29,750

VACANT BOG ROAD 1.36 ACRES	\$30,000
VACANT BOG RD 12.83 ACRES	\$129,000
6422 GILMORE 82X165 ALL UTIL	\$15,000
739 SAVAGE PAVED ST 1.02 ACRES	\$35,000
HURON TOWNSHIP	
26129 LEONTINE DOUBLE LOT	\$24,000



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