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Concerns voiced on increased traffic from a Menard's store in VBT

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

A public hearing was held before the Van Buren Township Planning Commission Aug. 22 on a proposed rezoning of .61 acres of land to make way for a Menard's store.

A decision on the rezoning is expected at the Sept. 12 commission meeting.

The parcel up for rezoning is being purchased from the Wayne County Fairgrounds in order to square off the land for the proposed Menard's development and allow the required setbacks.

The parcel, currently zoned R1-B (Single Family Residential) needs to be changed to C-2 (Extensive Highway Business) for the project.

Mike Simmons, real estate representative from Menard's, which is based in Eau Claire, WI, said the .61 acres will be incorporated in the 20.4-acre site for Menard's.

George Craven of Fisher Road voiced his concern about traffic patterns and increased traffic along Quirk Road and the North I-94 Service Drive.

Commission Chairwoman Carol Thompson said the traffic concerns are a little premature since they presently are dealing only with the rezoning of the parcel.

Commissioner Bob McKenna said he was concerned about the N. Service Drive and Belleville Road intersection and the traffic stacking.

McKenna said he talked to one of the VBT traffic officers who told him that intersection was probably one of the most dangerous intersections in the township. He said he was concerned about traffic going up and down Quirk Road, which is a residential area with homes close to the roadway. He asked what provisions are being made for the traffic.

VBT Director of Planning and Economic Development Terry Carroll said there have

been discussions on traffic and a Wayne County road engineer was at the township on another matter and they discussed a county traffic study for that area.

Carroll said Menard's was encouraged to get a traffic study and sign the site.

Carroll said by Oct. 3, he expects to have a pretty good listing of "no fits" to go to the Board of Zoning Appeals. He said he will administratively deny the plans so Menard's will have to go to the BZA for the variances.

Carroll said the applicant is trying to minimize the number of variances being requested.

Carroll presented an aggressive draft timetable for the Menard's project, which is right on schedule, so far.

Following the Aug. 22 public hearing, the schedule is:

- Sept. 12 – Planning Commission recommends approval of rezoning to township board;
 - Sept. 18 – Township board first reading of rezoning request;
 - Sept. 19 – Site plan staff review meeting #2;
 - Oct. 2 – Township board second reading/adoption of rezoning;
 - Oct. 3 – Site plan staff review meeting #3;
 - Oct. 24 – Planning Commission holds public hearing on special approval;
 - Oct. 30 – BZA hearing for variances (special meeting on fifth Tuesday);
 - Nov. 14 (or special Planning Commission meeting on Oct. 31) – Planning Commission recommends special approval and grants preliminary site plan;
 - Nov. 20 (or, if planning commission had special meeting, could be Nov. 6) – Township board grants special approval; and
 - Dec. 12 (or, if planning commission had special meeting, could be Nov. 28) – Planning Commission grants final site
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Independent photos by Rosemary K. Otzman

Heather Vettraino was introduced as Van Buren Township's newest police officer. She was introduced to the VBT Board of Trustees at its Aug. 21 meeting. After Public Safety Director Carl McClanahan, left, had a hard time pinning on Officer Vettraino's new badge, she did it herself.



Introduced at the Aug. 21 meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees were three fire fighters who had completed their probation and were presented with their badges and shields for their hats. From left are Jeff Schulz, Dave Brouillette, and Josh Worth.

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Fair



Marsh



Scribbling-Elmore



Booker

Court Watching

Three BHS seniors plead guilty to unarmed robbery, one goes to trial

By Diane Madigan
Independent Court Reporter

Three Belleville High School seniors are expected to be sentenced to 5-15 years apiece on two counts of unarmed robbery, plus an additional count of felony firearm which carries a mandatory 2 additional years.

The three entered guilty pleas on Friday in exchange for a plea bargain that reduced their original charges. Dismissed were two counts of armed robbery, a count of home invasion and a possession of marijuana charge.

The original charges could have brought up to life in prison. Unarmed robbery charges can be expunged five years after release.

The teens, all residents of Van Buren Township, are Renj Scribbling-Elmore, Brandon Fair, and Joseph Marsh. Scribbling-Elmore and Fair will be sentenced Oct. 4 and Marsh, whose attorney Murray Duncan couldn't make the Oct. 4 court date, will be sentenced Oct. 5.

The fourth defendant in the case, Jaleel Booker, also a BHS senior, who did not enter the residence, did not accept a plea bargain and is going to trial on Oct. 9 on two counts of unarmed robbery.

The four, who were 17 years old at the time of the March 22 armed robbery in Wagon Wheel South mobile home park in Van Buren Township, were in Judge Gregory Bill's courtroom at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit on Friday for a pre-trial hearing when the pleas were accepted.

The charges stem from an incident where a home's front door was kicked in and a couple was held at gunpoint while items were stolen.

The woman victim and the manager of the mobile home park were present for the court session.

The defendants are all out on \$10,000 cash bond, but are not wearing tethers, as previously reported.

Families of the teens were also in court, with lots of tears shed while they witnessed

their sons' futures dashed as prison sentences loom.

Delria Crippen of Detroit named new Edgemont Principal

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Delria Crippen-White of Detroit is the new principal of Edgemont Elementary School, effective immediately.

She was chosen from four outside applicants, with no internal candidates for the position.

Pay for the one-year contract is \$90,515, plus fringe benefits.

Crippen was recommended by School Supt. Michael Van Tassel and hired by the school board at its regular meeting on Monday.

The Edgemont position was vacated when Michelle Briegel moved on to another job out of the district late this summer.

Crippen has more than 14 years experience as principal/assistant principal with several public school academies, the most recent with B.E.S.T. Academy Public School Academy in Highland Park. That academy has closed, so Crippen was available.

She also has more than 12 years of experience as a teacher and holds a Master's Degree in Education from Central Michigan University.

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

- Decided, after much discussion, to wait until Oct. 8 to have the first board meeting in the new BHS Mini-Auditorium, which gives the new school a chance to settle in, "before we impose ourselves on them," according to School Board President Martha Toth. Until then, all regular and



Crippen



Independent photos by Rosemary K. Otzman

Three new full-time Belleville Police Officers were introduced to the City Council during a recent meeting. From left are Jeffrey Wickham, Joshua Wolfe, and Susan Beauvais. Wickham and Wolfe have completed their field training and Beauvais will be done at the end of August.

workshop meetings will be held at the administration building;

- Heard a complaint from parent Shannon Ackron of Hull Road on the new bus schedule that would have her child on a bus for 1 hour and 10 minutes, including a drop off at BHS and pick up by another bus, to get to North Middle School (now McBride Intermediate School). Her student will have to leave at 6:30 a.m. for a school that starts at 7:40 a.m. Students have to wait a half hour at BHS. "With 1,500 kids doing nothing for half an hour at the new beautiful school, it won't be beautiful very long," she said. She said she still had no schedule for her high school student and she was told the district hopes to get that out by Friday. She said that's good, since Monday is a holiday and school starts on Tuesday. Supt. Van Tassel asked to see the bus schedule card she received for her student;

- Heard from parent Charity Fielder that she lives five minutes from Edgemont, where her student will be going, but the bus trip will take an hour. She said it is a 15-minute, brisk walk to school. Fielder said the district said it was changing routes to try to have students on the buses for shorter times. Fielder said she will be providing her own transportation for her child this year;

- Heard Van Tassel say the transportation department has a new director, but the routes will be studied and adjusted;

- Approved the bread bid of Great Lakes Baking Company (same company as last year) and the milk bid to Berkshire Dairy (Country Pride was the successful bidder last year). The district is a part of the Southeast Wayne County Buying



Belleville Police Cpl. Todd Schrecengost, left, introduced Jon Heimstra, Belleville's new part-time police officer. Heimstra was not present during the council meeting because he was tied up at his fulltime job.

Cooperative to try to get the best prices by ordering in volume. The district pays only for what it orders and last year it paid \$18,900 for bread and \$98,700 for milk;

- Heard a report on last Friday's home football game, the first to be played on the new artificial turf field inside the new stadium. Toth said the capacity of the stadium is 2,500, but there must have been 3,000 there on Friday. People were parking in all the parking lots and anywhere they could find, including on the grass. She wondered what would have happened if the marching band had been home from camp and the crowd had been swelled by all their parents, as well. Trustee Brent Mikulski said they ran out of admittance tickets to sell. "The first night in the new stadium was just amazing," said Treasurer Toni Hunt;

- Approved the requested terminations of the following teachers: Mitzi Varda, South, 18 years, personal reasons; Sarah Igonin,

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OPINIONS

Editorial

Unwrapping the new Belleville High

The first use of the brand-new BHS football field two weeks ago brought a huge crowd. On Friday, the crowd should be as large – or larger – since the 200+ students in the marching band are back from camp and will be performing. All the parents and grandparents of band members are sure to be there.

For the first home game there were about 3,000 fans in the stadium designed for 2,500. Parking was at a premium with cars in every parking area, on the grass, in the fire lanes. They ran out of admittance tickets to sell. We are assured the bugs will get worked out soon.

On Tuesday the first day of school went well in the new BHS and the whole Van Buren district, according to some, and was a big mess, according to parents who were irate over the strange school bus routes and the incomprehensible shuttles. At least one bus stop for young students was on a busy street with no sidewalks. There were problems with class schedules.

This year the whole district has been readjusted, with two elementary schools closed, the two middle schools renamed and class assignments revamped, and a lot of the former administrators gone. Add that to a brand-new school.

There's hardly a corner of the district that is the same. Tyler teachers were still unpacking their classrooms on Friday.

It's a big undertaking for everyone. This, too, shall pass as all the kinks get worked out and the district gets down to its main task: educating our students. We need to get moving forward ASAP.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

The usual back-to-school ritual took place on Tuesday morning, as retired teachers gathered at Victory Park at Five Points in Belleville to wave to the bus loads of students going by on their first day of school.

Now that the streetscape is in place, these days the retired teachers can sit on the walls at the front of the park, if they didn't bring their lawn chairs.

We've had another sighting of something that may be a UFO (courtesy of www.ufostalker.com). A motorist, also unidentified, said he was driving over the bridge into downtown Belleville as the sun was going down on Aug. 29 and saw some 8-10 lights to his right in the sky over the lake.

He said the pattern of red lights resembled the Big Dipper. Then "drips" came down from the lights and these drips were white. Then the lights turned from red to orange to blue.

The motorist thought it might be those lighted balloons that people let off to celebrate events, but it wasn't balloons.

Did anyone else see things in the sky over Belleville that night?

About six months ago or so there was a reported UFO sighting over Harmony Lane in Van Buren Township. That's just a stone's throw from the bridge.

A reader asks about a flagpole he has noticed in the area of Willow and Haggerty roads, in which a church flag is flying above the American flag. Flag protocol, although not a law, calls for the American flag to always be on top. Our veteran, wonders



about it.

More sightings of coyote are reported in the Wildbrook subdivision area of Van Buren Township, off Savage Road. It's hardly news any more. The coyote live with us now. Lock up your cats and puppies.

On Tuesday morning we returned a call from a lady in Van Buren Estates who wanted to talk about a cat who was thrown out of its inside home and now is hungry, has little hair and is biting and scratching itself.

She called VBT Police and she said they told her to call "Rosemary" at the *Independent*, so she did. She is so sad about the treatment of cats in her community. She is upset that her neighbors threw their cat out. We decided there really wasn't anything I could do about the situation. She's made arrangements with a friend to bring her a trap, so she can try to capture the cat and help it.

Hopefully, we'll soon hear the results of the promised VBT Police investigation into who has been killing the stray cats at Van Buren Estates.

If you tried to get to the Canton area by way of Belleville Road recently, you may have noticed all the construction going on at Ecorse Road.

Both my sons remembered the project was going to begin -- after they were stuck

in a traffic jam last Saturday in separate cars on separate errands.

Haggerty north to Michigan Avenue works as an alternate, even though there is some construction along the way. It's not nearly as bad at the Ecorse/Belleville area.

Construction crews are working on the water and sewer pipes this year, plus the eastbound lanes of Ecorse. The project continues in the spring (and into next summer) with more sewer work, construction on the Ecorse service drives and the construction of westbound lanes of Ecorse.

It should be really nice when it's through. The roundabout that was first suggested for that intersection was dropped when Wayne County didn't go for it. Now we will have a Michigan left configuration, just like at the Belleville / Michigan Avenue intersection to the north.

Word has it that the Moose Lodge members will be voting soon on whether to sell their property to the BYC (known as Belleville Yacht Club). Boaters have reported that the work on the BYC docks at its property on North Liberty Street on the lake stopped some time ago. The Moose location would be perfect for a private club on the lake, but where will the Moose lodge members go?



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Letters

Email writer accuses officer of using race card

Dear Editor:

In the last edition of the *Independent* (Aug. 23) you printed a letter that was sent to you from someone who is currently employed as a police officer of Van Buren Township.

In that letter he took exception with numerous critical statements that had been submitted in an email and directed to the Township Clerk Leon Wright. For whatever reason, and I suspect the motive was to deflect criticism away from Clerk Wright, this police officer felt compelled to critique and reference only certain paragraphs of the correspondence that he perceived as racist.

In composing the substance of the email, the author was merely repeating what he had heard “from many residents in the community.” He went on to indicate that he didn’t share these same perspectives. In fact, he was in disbelief that anyone would select a political candidate based on skin color rather than on actual accreditation and achievements. This seems to be a very acceptable and sound idea, without any racist connotation. The police officer and the township supervisor inserted their own individual interpretation into the author’s original dialog.

We have all learned from past experience that some individuals will resort to any means possible to destroy a person’s reputation and ridicule that person’s efforts to seek answers to problems. This is one of those times, play the “race card” and let the chips fall where they may! This is a cancer that must not be allowed to spread, as it has in too many other communities. We have survived similar tears in the fabric of our township and in November we will have another opportunity to return to civility (with respect to listening to others with opinions that may conflict with our own).

The one issue that wasn’t addressed during this outrageous spectacle, and the real purpose of the author’s composition, was Clerk Wright’s recent example of careless driving and his near collision with a “special needs school bus.” This matter will now be presented in a different format since this original attempt was thwarted by the calls of racism from three individuals who themselves sound very racist.

Our police officers are sworn to uphold the

laws of the State of Michigan and to defend the residents of this community. Of course, that includes the wife and the children of the person who submitted the email, which the officer deemed as racist in content.

Once a person has been accused of having racist tendencies it is nearly an insurmountable task, and often impossible, to erase the damage to the family’s reputation. This should cause serious concern to all residents who are supposed to be protected by our police department personnel. How can we feel safe in this community when a police officer is allowed to publicly insinuate that a resident is inclined to harbor racist ideas, and in the public forum, scorns an individual and manipulates the political system for his own interests? Thank goodness we are speaking of only one officer, who isn’t representative of the core values of the entire Public Safety Department.

CeJay Marshall
Van Buren Township

ATTENTION: CLIENTS OF DONNA HALL-ESSER

After Donna Hall-Esser, a local accountant and tax preparer, passed in February of 2012, through arrangements with Donna’s family, my law office took confidential possession of Donna’s client accounting, business and tax files left in storage at Full House Storage on Belleville Rd.

If you were a business, accounting or tax client of Donna Hall-Esser, please contact my office to verify that my office has your records. If the records are in my possession, make an appointment to pick up your records on or before **September 30, 2012**. Picture ID will be needed at the time the file is picked up. A voluntary fee of \$20.00 is requested for our office expenses for storage and processing of your records.

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Editor’s Note: Clerk Wright denies cutting off a school bus. The bus driver (who was active in the recall campaign against Wright) came to Wright’s office with her complaint and reportedly loudly cursed him out, leading him to complain to the driver’s supervisor about a bus driver with “road rage”. The driver reportedly received a verbal reprimand for the incident. Wright said he has a driving record without blemish.

Thank you, Mr. Wright, for being a great leader

To the Editor:

Please put this in your paper.

“Thank you Mr. Wright for being a great leader and helping me with my Eagle Scout project. Without leaders like you boys like me would not have an opportunity to do the Eagle Scout project that I did.

It is with great pride that I thank you for all your help with my Eagle Scout project. If I could redo it again, I would do it the exact same way, with you helping me and getting me into meetings at the township.

Thank you, Mr. Wright, for all your help.

Sincerely
Jeffrey Neal, Troop 231

Editor’s Note: Jeffrey’s project was cleaning up the Tyler Road Cemetery, putting benches in, and cleaning the veterans’ headstones. Jeffrey said he was also able to sit in at the meeting for the cemetery because Mr. Wright was kind enough to help get him to the meetings, give him the times, and give him a proper introduction to the members in charge of the cemetery.

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More Letters

FMAR could use help with TNR program

To the Editor:

On behalf of the animals in our community I'd like to thank you for being the caring voice for the kittens and cats that were and are being tortured in a nearby trailer park. Hopefully an investigation will bring the heartless creeps to justice.

I would also like to thank Kathi Tinch for her very informative letter last week and her promotion of the Trapping, Neutering, and Release Program (TNR).

This is not a free vet service and I'm sure the folks at Friends of Michigan Animal Rescue could use our support. If you wish to help financially or have any questions, please contact FMAR1.org or 734-461-9458.

From one animal lover to another,
Diane Madigan, Van Buren Township

Thanks for your love after grandson's death

To the Editor:

We would like to say thank-you to everyone who sent cards, flowers and prayers in the sudden death of our grandson Oliver Jacques Hunt. A special thank-you to Harvest of Victory Church, Janowiak Funeral Home, and also our neighbors Pat, Shannon and Larry Adams and Kim and Ed Paris.

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Obituaries



Billie Jean Roney

BILLIE JEAN (NAVOA) RONEY

(December 19, 1973 - August 11, 2012)

Billie Jean Roney, age 38, of Edwardsville, IL, died August 11, 2012 from injuries suffered in an automobile accident on Interstate 16 near Jeffersonville, GA.

She was born December 19, 1973 in Belleville, the daughter of Amelia (Ong) Navoa, now of Ann Arbor, and the late Manuel Navoa. She was a member of the Belleville High School class of 1992. She married Steven J. Roney on October 24, 1999 in Las Vegas, NV.

Besides her mother and husband, she is survived by a son Joshua, a daughter Zoe and a sister Maria Jejuriar of Dallas, TX. After services at LeClaire Christian Church, she was buried at Sunset Hill Cemetery, Edwardsville. weberfuneralhome.com



Robert E. Detlor

ROBERT EARL DETLOR

(August 26, 1931 - August 28, 2012)

Robert Earl Detlor, 81, of St. Petersburg, FL, passed away August 28, 2012. He was born in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. He owned and operated Detlor Insurance Agency in Belleville for over 30 years.

He is survived by his sisters Diane (Jack) Stewart and Gwen Regenauer; brothers Joseph Detlor and Randy (Joann) Detlor; sons Kevin (Shawn) Detlor and Duane (Will Johnson) Detlor; daughters Lynn (John) Lenoir and DeAnn (Jeffrey) Mauch; and step-daughter Kim (Allan) Bester. Arrangements by David C. Gross Funeral Homes, St. Petersburg, FL. Guestbook at www.davidcgross.com.

LINDA L. DeLEON JULIEN R. DeLEON MATTHEW L. DeLEON

Linda L. DeLeon, age 34, Julien R. DeLeon, age 7, and Matthew L. DeLeon, age 4, all of Van Buren Township, died Aug. 16, 2012.

Linda was born June 11, 1978 in Deckerville. Julien was born May 21, 2005 in Livonia. Matthew was born April 29, 2008.

Linda enjoyed weaving and raising her two sons. She also worked in a charter school for a short time as a teacher.

They are survived by her parents and the boys' grandparents Arnold and Sally DeLeon, along with several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and cousins. Also, great grandfathers Leigh Decker and Eliberto DeLeon.

Funeral services for the three were held in the Apsey Funeral Home, Deckerville. The Rev. Marjorie Ackerman officiated. Burial was in Downing Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the DeLeon Fund, c/o Eastern Michigan Bank, 3636 Main St., Deckerville, MI 48427.

Condolences may be sent to <http://apseyfuneralhome.net/>



Robert Knight, Jr.

ROBERT NEIL KNIGHT, JR.

(June 14, 1962 - August 25, 2012)

Robert Neil Knight, Jr., age 50, of Romulus died at home Aug. 25, 2012.

Mr. Knight was a veteran of the U.S. Army. He had been working in Saudi Arabia as a teacher and was home on break. He was very involved in his church, Merciful Ministries in Redford, and enjoyed playing video and computer games. He especially enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife Cindy Knight; his parents Diane and Robert Knight, Sr., of Jasper, NY; his son Christopher Knight of Romulus; his daughter Yolanda (Sean Blocton) Holbrook of Wayne; four grandchildren, Madisyn, Sean Jr., Syvannah, and Ileigh; and his sister Kellie Knight and his brother Martin Knight, both of Romulus. He was preceded in death by a son, Robert III.

Services were held August 30 at Chapel of The Chimes Funeral Home in Westland. Burial with military honors was at Hillside Cemetery in Belleville.



Peggy A. Moore

PEGGY A. MOORE

(August 21, 1952 - August 28, 2012)

Peggy Ann Moore, age 60, of Van Buren Township, MI, passed away Tuesday, August 28, 2012 at her home. She was born August 21, 1952 in Fort Wayne, Indiana, daughter of the late Charles and Betty (Buettenbach) Richardson.

Peggy was a Belleville-area resident for over 15 years, coming from Indiana. She was a supporter of the Girl Scouts. She enjoyed camping and spending time with her family and she gave 100% as a Mom.

Mrs. Moore is survived by her children: Jerry Morris Baker, Jr. of Indiana, Laura (Barry) Daugherty of Texas, Gladys (John) LaCosse of Alabama, Angel (Jeff) Fletcher of Michigan, John Michael Perault, Ronald (Tonya) Murray, Jr., Peggie Lee Baker, April Denise Baker of MI, Jackie Lynn Moore, Lenny Alan (Bonnie) Moore, Kimberly Ann (Rick) Nazars, Michelle (Gary) Brightwell, 15 grandchildren, also two brothers, Daniel Richardson and Franklin (Sandra) Richardson, both of Indiana.

She was preceded in death by her husband Sherman Moore in 2006, a son Matthew Alan Baker, also a sister Betty M. Richardson.

Visitation was held Wednesday, August 29, 2012 with a Thursday, August 30, 2012 funeral service at the David C. Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, with Pastor Gordon Moore officiating. Interment followed at Mt. Hope Memorial Gardens, Livonia, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family to help defray funeral expenses and would be appreciated.

Please sign her on-line guest book and share a memory for her family to cherish at www.davidcbrownfh.com.

HELEN "JEAN" DEMSKI

(September 24, 2012 - September 3, 2012)

Age 83, passed away at Cedar Woods Assisted Living. Daughter of John and Louise (Fensch) Demski. She was a baker for over 30 years in the Van Buren Public Schools. Brown Funeral Home. Memorial service to be announced.

OLIVER JACQUES THOMAS HUNT

(September 1, 2011 - August 20, 2012)

Oliver Jacques Thomas Hunt, 11 months old, of Sumpter Township died August 20, 2012, at University Hospitals in Ann Arbor. He was born on September 1, 2011, in Ann Arbor, the son of Ray T. Hunt and Angelina M. Jacques, and they survive.

Also surviving are one step-sister Angelia and two step-brothers, R.J. and Ricky, as well as numerous other family members and friends.

The rite of cremation has been accorded. A memorial service to celebrate Oliver's life was held August 25 at Harvest of Victory Church, Ypsilanti, with Pastor Jason Fredenburg officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to his family. For more information call Janowiak Funeral Home at 734-482-6000.

Belleville Community Chorus sets holiday concert, seeks singers

Monday, Sept. 10, will begin the new fall session for the Belleville Community Chorus (BCC), Inc. Rehearsals are on Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Belleville United Methodist Church located at 417 Charles St., Belleville.

The chorus invites anyone who likes singing to join them. Whether someone is soprano, alto, tenor, bass, or not really sure, they are invited to join this dynamic group of friends and neighbors.

The BCC, with members from Belleville, Sumpter, Van Buren and other surrounding communities, is open to all singers age 18-80+ and is always looking for new voices. If interested, come to the first rehearsal by 6:30 p.m. so that the director can place your voice.

The BCC repertoire consists of a variety of choral music, intended to provide enrichment, education, and enjoyment for both their members and audiences in the surrounding communities.

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Sybil Buchanan promoted to Water Dept. Clerk in Sumpter Twp.

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

Sybil Buchanan, who has been serving as a "floater" in the Sumpter Township offices, has been promoted to a permanent assignment as Water Department Clerk, effective Sept. 4.

The promotion was approved unanimously at the Aug. 28 regular meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees.

The action followed acceptance of the resignation, with regrets, of Water Department Clerk Dawn Maynard, effective Sept. 4, after a two-month absence.

Buchanan, who has served in many positions throughout the township offices, has done the job of Water Clerk before and will be brought up to date on operating procedures.

Buchanan will take a 25-center-per-hour wage cut in accepting the position, but Deputy Treasurer Karen Armatis said Buchanan said she would be happy to be assigned just one position.

Clerk Clarence Hoffman questioned whether the position needed to be posted for other AFSCME employees to apply, but township attorney Rob Young said management has some powers to reassign employees.

Maria Beaudrie and Roxanne Bardell, (who presently is on leave and expected to return soon) are the only other two AFSCME workers in the offices. There is a temporary worker in the supervisor's office and a contracted assessor.

When asked about calling back a laid-off clerk, Armatis said the call-back rights are long gone for layoffs.

Jim Posegay asked if someone laid off couldn't come back as a floater.

Treasurer John Morgan said the township is just using the personnel available and just shifting people around without adding to the staff.

In other business at the Aug. 28 meeting, the board:

- Approved paying Hennessey Engineers \$9,952.50 for flood plain consulting services;

- Approved the use of the PNA Hall on Feb. 9, 2013, for the Parks and Recreation Commission to have the Mardi Gras party;

- Approved the annual \$1 lease agreement with neighbors Clinton and Amelia Brown for land used for demolition derby staging;

- Heard Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce president Keith Johnston invite two or three township representatives to take part in a Belleville home team to play

against the Harlem Ambassadors during a chamber fund-raising event Oct. 24 in the new Belleville High School gym; and

- Heard Trustee Peggy Morgan report that the recent sampling of water at Sherwood Lake showed it was just fine for swimming. She also reminded everyone of the 18th-annual Don Rochon Memorial Car Show and Swap Meet that is set for Sept. 16. Also that afternoon is the USA Demolition Derby Enduro. For the first time, they will be serving breakfast at the car show. Don Swinson, Parks & Rec chairman, made the arrangements.

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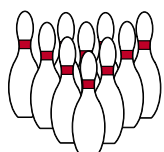
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 Sept. 23 – Jennifer Scott
 Sept. 25 – Hugh McArthur
 Sept. 28 – Brittany Scott



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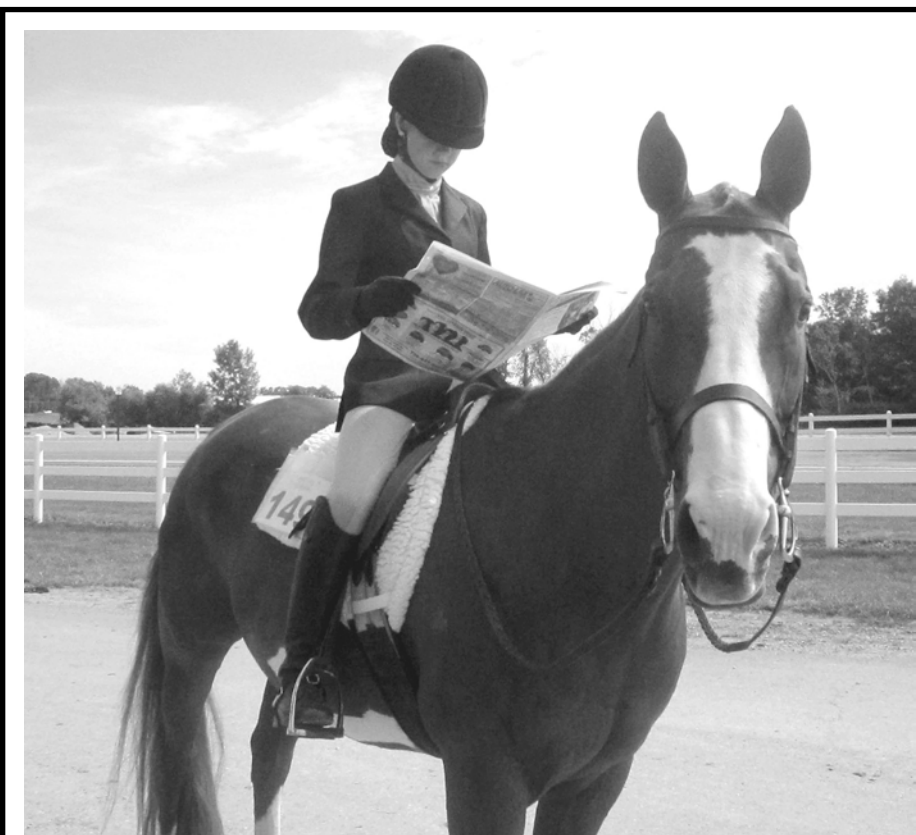
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**Sumpter Township
Public Notice**




**Sumpter Township
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
August 14, 2012**

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Supervisor Vawters showing present: Supervisor Vawters, Clerk Hoffman, Treasurer J. Morgan, Trustees: Bates, & P. Morgan. Excused absence Trustees: Kennedy & Hamm. Also present Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Hurst and approximately 10 residents.

3. Agenda: Motion by Hoffman, supported by J. Morgan to approve the agenda with item C & D added. Motion carried unanimously.

4. Public Comments only on Agenda items

5. Minutes

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Bates to approve the regular board meeting minutes of July 24, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

6. Warrants: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by J. Morgan to approve the warrants totaling \$336,580.59. Roll call vote: Yes: Vawters, Hoffman, J. Morgan, Bates, & P. Morgan. Nay: None. Motion carried unanimously.

7. Water & Sewer: Motion by Hoffman, supported by J. Morgan to approve the water & sewer report as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Police: Motion by J. Morgan, supported by P. Morgan to approve the police report as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Building/Ordinance: Motion by Hoffman, supported by P. Morgan to approve the building/ordinance report as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

10. Fire: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by J. Morgan to approve the fire report as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

11. Treasurer: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hoffman to approve the treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. Supervisor: Motion by J. Morgan, supported by Hoffman to approve the supervisor's report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Attorney: No report.

14. Board Response

15. New Business:

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by J. Morgan to approve the fire department to dispose of 2 old fire trucks sold at auction. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Motion by Bates, supported by J. Morgan to approve the purchase of 3 grinder pumps for inventory price \$10,941.00. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Motion by Hoffman, supported by P. Morgan to approve the proposal from Comcast to update internet & phone service for township hall grounds, fire department, community center & old township hall. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by J. Morgan to approve for fire department to have their 3rd annual chicken broil on September 9, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Announcements

17. Open Floor

18. Adjournment: Motion by Hoffman, supported by J. Morgan to adjourn at 6:56 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of minutes taken at a Regular Board Meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on August 14, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be available as required by said act.
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk
Published: September 6, 2012

The chaplains of the Belleville community will be hosting a free **Public Safety Appreciation Day** this Saturday, Sept. 8, from noon to 2 p.m. at the **Belleville Presbyterian Church** on Belleville Road. Everyone is invited. A free-will offering

will be taken.

The **Sumpter Township Fire Department** is holding its **3rd Annual Chicken Broil** this Sunday, **Sept. 9**, from noon to 5 p.m. at the **Sumpter Fire Hall** on Sumpter Road

Sumpter Township Public Notice

**Sumpter Township
Public Hearing - August 8, 2012**

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Vawters at 6:30 pm showing present: Supervisor Vawters, Treasurer J. Morgan, Trustees: Bates, Hamm & P. Morgan. Excused absence Clerk Hoffman & Trustee Kennedy. Also present Attorney Young, Deputy Clerk Hurst and approximately 57 residents.

3. Public Hearing

A. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by J. Morgan to open the public hearing. Motion carried unanimously.

John Hennessey of Hennessey Engineers presented a power point presentation on the Potential Special Assessment District (SAD) for Judd Road from Sumpter Road west to Rawsonville Road. There was a plat map shown with the properties which would be in the assessment district. Currently Judd is a gravel road under the jurisdiction of Wayne County. The width of roadway ranges from 24 to 34 feet. There is a lack of proper drainage in early spring there are impassable areas due to freeze/thaw conditions. Due to poor soil conditions, and maintenance aggregate to maintain proper road bed. Several complaints regarding lack of dust control and proper maintenance of roadway. The road must be designed for a minimum 20 year design life. Minimum paved roadway width of 30 feet (2-12 foot lanes with 3 foot wide paved shoulders) with a minimum width of 5 foot gravel shoulders on both sides of the road. All existing driveway and cross culverts would be removed and replaced. After geotechnical analysis and field reconnaissance of site the Township has prepared a preliminary estimate for the total project cost to be \$3,750,000. Assessment is based upon linear footage of benefitting properties the estimate would be \$118.37 per foot. Therefore with a 20 year assessment, approximately \$8.00 per foot per year. Greater than 50% of residents must approve to continue with the SAD process. If approved then design plans and details would follow.

James Pedersen 50777 Judd spoke and stated he started the petition because of the condition of the road. He knocked on doors and got signatures. Majority rules so this process can continue or stop. I have to replace brakes and tie rods on my vehicles so I am paying for this just in parts. The taxes have gone down in the last 3 years.

Charlotte Churchman 45455 Judd she is sick of the dust. How much for my property I have 137 foot frontage. It is worth not having the dust.
Jack Cromwell 50135 Judd he has lived there all his life and his cars are not tore up. It would cost me \$2,100.00 each year and he has never put that much in his cars. He does not want the extra traffic it would generate. If the county considers the road a major road then the federal grant should pay for this and not the residents.

Brian Buntine 50823 Judd wanted to know how much on a 100 foot lot. \$118.00 per foot per year.
Mike Willis 48200 Judd he is not in favor of this project it would cost him \$4,000 per year which he cannot afford. He would lose his trees and take away the country atmosphere.

Darlene Covell 21376 Wilmot they own the corner by Judd with 800 foot of frontage they will be charged \$6,400 per year for a road they do not use. No one came to their house to sign a petition.
Catherine Perry 49007 Judd she moved here for the country living. 2003 was the worse time the roads were but Wayne County has improved them over the years. Do we pay for the maintenance of the roads on our taxes? Answer from Hennessey Engineers the gasoline taxes we pay at the pump is what goes to our roads. She has 230 foot frontage and it would cost over \$1,800 per year. I like the dirt roads.

Two letters were received first from Eric Stimach

owner of 81-028-99-0001-709 who does not wish to participate taxes are hard enough to pay. Second letter from Bobby Justice 51220 Judd opposes the paving of Judd Road.

Jack Cromwell 51035 Judd spoke again stating that he enjoys seeing horse and buggy come down the road and watch kids ride horses. He loves it out here. If you want city roads go back to the city. For the dust you can get a maid to come and clean cheaper than paying for the road.

Ann Daugherty 49010 Judd we moved out here to raise our three boys and now enjoying our grandchildren. I do not want the road paved. When sewers come then I will lose my trees. Keep it the same. I like the dust.

Charlotte Churchman 45455 Judd if this does not go thru, are there other alternatives? It is up to the residents and majority rules. She said that Wayne County does not grade the road correctly. Can we force Wayne County to pave the road? Answer No we can't.

John Wilson 50389 Judd What happens if someone loses their house to foreclosure. Answer it would go to the next person who owns the property.

Linda Fletcher 48450 Judd, Can't we get grant funding from Wayne County the price for this is bad. If the county says this is a major road why do they not take care of it?

Steve Repoza 49660 Judd people drive fast down the road now paving will make it worse. Some parts of the road are 35 mph can we get the entire road that speed.

Trustee Hamm lives on Karr Road and he talks to County Commissioner McNamara and there have been so many cuts in fact the grass cutting on the sides of the roads they only have one machine for the entire county. The residents need to call the county and complain hearing from more than just the township board member hopefully will make them listen.

Brendon Carver 21650 Elwell he owns 400 feet on Judd and this will make his taxes 1/3 higher. He moved out here for country living. How can I have my name removed from this?

Darlene Covell 21376 Wilmot she stated she never signed a petition. Can she start a petition to stop this? She would like a copy of the petition.

Margaret Ballou 48800 Judd stated how can I take my name off?

B. Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Bates to close the hearing at 7:40 pm. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Adjournment: Motion by P. Morgan, supported by Hamm to adjourn at 7:42 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk of Sumpter Township, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of minutes taken at a Public Hearing Meeting of the Sumpter Township Board of Trustees on August 8, 2012 at 6:30 pm at the Sumpter Township Community Center, 23501 Sumpter Road, Belleville, MI 48111, County of Wayne, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be available as required by said act.
Clarence J. Hoffman Jr., Clerk
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at Kozma. The cost is \$9 per person. The menu will feature a half-chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, dinner roll and beverage. For info call (734) 417-4458.

Main Street Flowers in Downtown Belleville will be hosting **Flowers for Funding**, benefitting the **Belleville Community Chorus** on Sept. 14-15. Ten percent of all sales over the two-day period will be donated to the chorus. Call (734) 697-7400 for information.

Congratulations to **Steve Jones** who was elected president of the **Belleville Area Council for the Arts** at its Aug. 23 meeting at Victory Station. Other new members elected to the executive board include **Ken Voigt**, vice president; **Peggy Voigt**, secretary; **Betty Kurczewski**, treasurer; and **Elisa Limon**, corresponding secretary. To learn more about the arts council, visit its website at **www.bellevilleartscouncil.org**.

September Days Red Tag Sales are going on now at **Marti's Gift Gallery** at **668 E. Huron River Drive** just east of downtown Belleville. Marti's has a wonderful selection of one-of-a-kind gifts for fall, including candles, throws, home décor, Heritage Lace, music boxes, dolls, military and armed forces décor and greeting cards. They're open Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., noon to 6 p.m. on Wednesday, and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Saturdays. Call (734) 699-GIFT.

A backhoe, tractor, trucks, long guns, farm equipment, tools and antiques are just a few of the items up for bid on Sept. 15, beginning at 10 a.m. at **42891 Bemis Road** in Belleville. **Rollo Juckette** and **Brad Neuhart** are the auctioneers. See their ad in today's paper or visit their website for photos and other details at **www.rolloandbrad.com**.

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BHS football kicks to victory vs. Dearborn Hts. Crestwood

By Bob Mytych
Independent Sports Editor

The Belleville Tigers football team came from behind twice before converting a field goal on their final possession with under a minute remaining to earn a 12-10 victory over Dearborn Heights Crestwood on Crestwood's field on Aug. 31.

The victory levels Belleville's record to 1-1 for the season.

Behind 7-0 in the first quarter, Belleville quarterback Drew Letwinski threw a 58-yard touchdown pass to Omar Russel to get

on the board. Crestwood answered back with a field goal before the Tigers forced a touchback following a blocked punt in the Dearborn end zone for a safety and two points. Trailing 10-9, the Tigers penetrated Crestwood territory and managed to get inside the 20, but faced a fourth-down situation to either go for the first down or kick a field goal.

Belleville Head Coach Matt Davenport elected to send in kicker Zach Bongiorno, who converted the 26-yard attempt that put the Tigers up by two in the closing minute.

Up next for the Tigers is a home game Friday against Dearborn Edsel Ford at 7 p.m.

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• **Sunday, September 9** – Third-annual Sumpter Township Fire Department Chicken Broil at the fire hall, 20550 Sumpter Rd. Runs from noon to 5 p.m. Cost: \$9 per person for half chicken, corn on the cob, cole slaw, dinner roll, beverage

• **Sunday, September 9** – Join the fight to end Duchene Muscular Dystrophy from 2 to 4 p.m. at Holiday West Clubhouse, 50333 Willis Road, Sumpter Township. Refreshments.

• **Monday, September 10** – Cruisin' on the Bayou car show on Main Street in Belleville, 6-9 p.m.

• **Wednesday, September 12** – Support Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue by attending their Beer Tasting Fundraiser, 5-10 p.m., at the Original Gravity Brewing Company, 440 County St., Milan. There's a farmers market, 5-7 p.m., raffles, tours. Information: Sandy, 734-417-5117

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The following are selected runs for VBT Police. For more detailed police logs, see www.bellevilleareaindependent.com

Sunday, Aug. 26:
0012 – noise complaint, 41720 Bemis
0017 – property damage accident, 50521 W. Huron River Dr., Pine Creek

0120 – operating while intoxicated, 2193 Rawsonville
0138 – loud party complaint, 37 Maple Dr.
0224 – operating while intoxicated, EB I-94 / Belleville
0727 – malicious destruction of property, 46015 Chatsworth Dr.

1143 – narcotics crime, 44089 Timberview Ct.
1153 – suicide or attempt, 12692 Hannan Rd.
1207 – larceny from auto, 5210 Westlake Cir.
1242 – property damage accident, Savage/RR tracks
1251 – agency assist, Savage/RR tracks
1356 – property damage accident, Sumpter/tracks
1401 – assault & battery, 284 Holly Lane
1623 – noise complaint, 6235 Rawsonville Rd.
1815 – malicious destruction of property, 46000 Lake Villa Dr.

1848 – fraud, Meijer
1858 – noise complaint, 6192 W. Adams
1903 – fight, 765 E. Huron River Dr.
1925 – noise complaint, 6235 Rawsonville
2010 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 5 Brandi
2240 – felony assault, 7224 Belle Pointe Dr.

Monday, Aug. 27:
0015 – disturbance, 7927 Kirkridge Park Dr.
0824 – motorecycle patrol, Ecorse/Haggerty
0918 – assault & battery, 43572 Robson Rd.
1124 – malicious destruction of property, 6720 Rogers Ave.
1208 – larceny, 44401 S. I-94 Service Dr.
1239 – malicious destruction of property, 219 S. Ponderosa Trl.

1257 – malicious destruction of property, 41462 W. Archwood Dr.
1319 – malicious destruction of property, 42722 Maude Ct.
1429 – private property accident, 42350 Van Born
1512 – private property accident, 41472 E. Archwood Dr.
1540 – larceny from auto, 41462 W. Archwood Dr.
1547 – assault & battery, 46425 Tyler Rd.
1728 – private property accident, 11575 Belleville
1734 – fraud, 16300 Bak Rd.
1743 – property damage accident, Geddes/Ridge
1816 – malicious destruction of property, 9721 Hamilton St.
1844 – property damage accident, Martz/Lohr
1954 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville / Harmony Lane
2054 – noise complaint, 56 Maple Dr.
2110 – shots fired, 6457 Western St.
2113 – fire investigation, 6360 Denton Rd.
2212 – property damage accident, WB I-94 / Belleville
2215 – assault & battery, 43706 Arborview Ln.
2332 – shots fired, 48160 Hull Rd.

Tuesday, Aug. 28:
0235 – assault & battery, 41460 W. Archwood Dr.
0300 – private property accident, J&T
0651 – unattended death, 65 Rose Blvd.
1408 – property damage accident, Belleville / Ecorse
1411 – fireworks, 16800 Lohr Rd.
1540 – retail fraud, Walmart
1644 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Ecorse
1716 – property damage accident, Belleville/I-94 S. Service Dr.

1729 – noise complaint, 500 Sumpter
1755 – disturbance, 17100 Elwell
1833 – ATV/ORV complaint, Hull/Elwell
1933 – harassment call, 9817 Hamilton St.
2021 – assault & battery, 10166 Rolan Meadows
2023 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
2026 – assault & battery, 9058 Parkwood Dr.
2111 – property damage accident, 46255 S. I-94 Service Dr.

2158 – private property accident, Southport
2204 – fraud, Walmart
2249 – private property accident, Southport
2358 – larceny, 9084 Parkwood Dr.

Wednesday, Aug. 29:
0049 – harassment call, 11250 Haggerty Rd.
0359 – malicious destruction of property, 47217 Ruthan Dr.
1048 – private property accident, Walmart
1209 – larceny, 11535 Ryznar Dr.
1305 – fraud, 28 Ash Dr.
1524 – fraud, 11531 Belleville
1655 – intimidation threat, 51207 Sylvia Dr.
1802 – trespassing, 42901 Tyler Rd.
1854 – intimidation threat, 51226 Sylvia Dr.
2138 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / W. Huron River Dr.
2217 – assault & battery, 27 Oak Blvd.
2219 – noise complaint, 22 Ash Dr.
2221 – juvenile complaint, 9306 Parkwood
2356 – suicide or attempt, 41649 Van Born

Thursday, Aug. 30:
0332 – disturbance, 121 S. Ponderosa Trl.
0607 – personal injury accident, Belleville/Van Born
0805 – personal injury accident, Haggerty/Tyler
0941 – property damage accident, 43693 N. Timberview Dr.
1059 – larceny, 48711 S. I-94 Service Dr.
1117 – fraud, 6397 Thornwood Dr.
1202 – trespassing, 16800 Lohr
1428 – larceny from auto, 41441 S. Bellridge Dr.
1518 – warrant arrest, 25 Owen
1624 – larceny, 11 Brandi
1651 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
1905 – property damage accident, Michigan / Denton
1939 – malicious destruction of property, 49000 Denton
2005 – fraud, 46425 Tyler
2017 – trespassing, 64 Rose Blvd.
2137 – missing person, 158 Aspen
2351 – noise complaint, 8851 Parkwood Dr.

Friday, Aug. 31:
1203 – suicide or attempt, 52 Loza Lane
1402 – malicious destruction of property, 855 E. Huron River Dr.

1416 – property damage accident, Belleville Bridge
1526 – fraud, Walmart
1703 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Walmart
1743 – assault & battery, 8815 Parkwood Dr.
1748 – personal injury accident, Belleville/Tyler
1904 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
1946 – larceny, 14006 Kahla Dr.
2001 – dumping complaint, Beck, n of Ecorse
2036 – suicide or attempt, 8701 Belleville Rd.
2050 – property damage accident, Belleville /N. I-94 Service Dr.
2205 – larceny, Ecorse/Belleville
2206 – noise complaint, 10860 Lighthouse Dr.
2208 – fight, 10860 Lighthouse Dr.
2333 – operating while intoxicated, 15560 Bak Rd.

Saturday, Sept. 1:
0005 – property damage accident, Belleville/Tyler
0008 – juvenile complaint, 6418 E. Sadie Ln.
0010 – noise complaint, 215 Sugarbush Ln.
0231 – personal injury accident, Belleville / Venetian
1053 – assist fire dept., EB I-94/Rawsonville
1116 – mental, 1 Locust Dr.
1137 – assault & battery, 13382 Haggerty Rd.
1144 – fraud, 14511 Elwell Rd.
1148 – assault & battery, 46070 Lake Villa Dr.
1239 – juvenile complaint, 43800 Arborview Ln.
1401 – malicious destruction of property, 43646 N. I-94 Service Dr.

1409 – property damage accident, 43646 N. I-94 Service Dr.
1435 – trespassing, 23 Locust Dr.
1607 – malicious destruction of property, Ecorse / Belle Pointe
1659 – assault & battery, 50724 Martz Rd.
1721 – malicious destruction of property, Michigan/ Denton

1723 – noise complaint, McBride/Quirk
1739 – ATV/ORV complaint, 14361 Woodgrove
1752 – shots fired, Lauren Ct./Elwell Rd.
1756 – assault & battery, 6396 Briarwood Dr.
1817 – harassment call, 170 Spruce Ln.
1827 – juvenile complaint, 23 Locust Dr.
1831 – assault & battery, 9823 Barkley St.
1848 – shots fired, Elwell/Lauren Ct.
1851 – noise complaint, 9985 Jackson Ln.
1858 – intimidation threat, 267 S. Ponderosa Trl.
1907 – suicide or attempt, 17100 Elwell Rd.
1915 – disturbance, 8701 Belleville Rd.
1952 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.

1955 – larceny, Village Green
2108 – assault & battery, 263 S. Ponderosa Trl.
2115 – ATV/ORV complaint, Bog & Hoeff
2135 – operating while intoxicated, 41382 Edison Lake
2144 – operating while intoxicated, Belleville / I-94
2144 – fraud, 45525 N. I-94 Service Dr.
2235 – noise complaint, 10705 Van Buren St.
2258 – operating while intoxicated, Wayne County Fair
2326 – harassment call, 10684 Jackson St.
2333 – hospice, 1200 Savage Rd.

Also on this week's log are 116 traffic stops, 10 of which were on the I-94 freeway.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 26:
0101 – traffic complaint, Belleville/Denton
0151 – private property accident, 201 Henry
0250 – suspicious situation, 443 E. Waterbury Ct.
0409 – intrusion alarm, 573 Main St.
0850 – water leak found, 344 Oxford Ct.
0859 – mental, E. Huron River Dr./N. Biggs
1110 – E-911 hang up/investigation, 54 S. Biggs
1313 – property damage accident, Savage/tracks
1809 – suspicious situation, 206 South St.
1831 – neighbor trouble, 275 W. Columbia Ave., Columbia Court
1836 – harassment call, 341 Victorian Ln.
1937 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 404 Main,

Bayou
2037 – sexual assault, 6 Main
2131 – disorderly conduct, 405 Estrada Dr.
2210 – malicious destruction of property, 35 Carmell St.

Monday, Aug. 27:
0029 – assist fire dept., 87 Carmell St.
0402 – parking complaint, Victorian Ct. / Victorian Ln.
0403 – parking complaint, Robbe/Clarence
0417 – assist fire dept., 14 Santa Clara St.
0748 – missing person, 291 W. Columbia Ave.
1044 – assist citizen, N. Liberty/Third
1457 – background investigation, 6 Main St.
1509 – private property accident, 634 Light Tower
1516 – mental, 6 Main St.
1743 – property damage accident, 11575 Belleville
1832 – missing person, 54 Biggs Ave.
2002 – welfare check, E. Huron River Dr./N. Biggs
2036 – intrusion alarm, BHS
2051 – malicious destruction of property, 35 Loza
2128 – intrusion alarm, Family Dollar
2141 – suspicious vehicle, Victory Park
2329 – suspicious situation, Secretary of State

Tuesday, Aug. 28:
0338 – intrusion alarm, BHS
0709 – welfare check, 54 Biggs Ave.
1251 – private property accident, Hillside Cemetery
1256 – misc. complaint, 6 Main
1628 – welfare check, 54 Biggs Ave.
1637 – assist fire dept., 125 W. Columbia Ave.
1834 – suicide or attempt, 203 Belle Villa Blvd.
1841 – civil matter, 191 Clarence St.
2000 – misc. complaint, 191 Clarence St.

Wednesday, Aug. 29:
0642 – E-911 hangup/investigation, 125 W. Columbia Ave.
0710 – disorderly conduct, 54 Biggs Ave.
1108 – E-911 hangup/investigation, 64 Menlo Park
1700 – assist fire dept., 575 Sumpter, Co-op apts.
1749 – assist fire dept., 48 Potter Dr.
1848 – harassment call, 65 Menlo Park Dr.
2006 – intrusion alarm, 45201 Owen, SMS
2029 – assist fire dept., 46 Loza Lane
2358 – family trouble, 4 Belle Villa Blvd.

Thursday, Aug. 30:
0203 – parking complaint, 151 Carmell St.
0442 – property check, 506 Harbour Pointe Dr.
0634 – property damage accident, Main/Fifth
0734 – E-911 cellular, 161 Church St.
0738 – welfare check, 342 Victorian Ln.
1144 – assist fire dept., 265 Main St.
1225 – suspicious vehicle, 56 Henry St.
1328 – assist fire dept., 575 Sumpter, Co-op apts.
1459 – private property accident, 25 Owen
1716 – E-911 hangup/investigation, 504 Main St.
1723 – missing person, 54 Biggs Ave.
1852 – suspicious vehicle, 495 Victorian Ln.
1958 – misc. complaint, 6 Main St.
2010 – welfare check, 327 E. Huron River Dr.

Friday, Aug. 31:
0016 – property check, 430 Robbe St.
0443 – parking complaint, Belle Villa Blvd. / Anaheim
0847 – welfare check, 54 Biggs Ave.
1019 – harassment call, 6 Main St.
1126 – fraud, 6 Main St.
1310 – larceny, 279 Church St.
1316 – traffic complaint, 41 Wexford Ave.
1318 – intrusion alarm, 887a Sumpter Rd.
1320 – suicide or attempt, 52 Loza Lane
1442 – civil matter, 118 Clarence St.
1615 – fraud, 6 Main St.
2100 – assist fire dept., 99 Potter Dr.
2251 – suspicious person, N. Liberty/Fifth St.

Saturday, Sept. 1:
0108 – assist fire dept., 548 Sumpter
0151 – suspicious situation, 1 Loza Lane
0250 – suspicious situation, 394 W. Columbia Ave
0703 – malicious destruction of property, 176 W. Columbia Ave.

1114 – agency assist, 42439 Pond Ridge
1354 – animal complaint, 255 Victorian Ln.
1558 – found property, 6 Main St.
1621 – found property, 49 W. Wabash Ave.
1754 – civil matter, 206 South St.
1817 – assist citizen, 54 Biggs Ave.
1842 – follow up, 49 Wabash Ave.
1902 – domestic assault, 48 Potter Dr.
1910 – suspicious person, 35 Carmell St.
2218 – misc. complaint, 254 E. Huron River Dr.
2342 – agency assist, 16650 Sumpter
Also on this week's log are 23 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Aug. 26:
0020 – suspicious incident, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
0024 – breaking & entering, 51000 bl. Willis
0047 – animal complaint, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.
0210 – suspicious incident, 21000 bl. Martinsville
0342 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Paris Dr.
1101 – animal complaint, 48000 bl. Judd Rd.
1106 – child abuse/neglect, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.
1110 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Lane
1251 – family trouble, 45000 bl. Paris Dr.

1505 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Sully Dr.
1656 – reckless driver complaint, Sumpter/Arkona
1919 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.
2009 – suspicious incident, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.
2044 – assist other agency, Nevada

Monday, Aug. 27:
0434 – suspicious incident, 48000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1233 – civil dispute, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
1329 – well-being check, 21000 bl. Wilmot Rd.
1710 – abandoned vehicle, Hampshire
1801 – fire dept. assist, 17000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1842 – assist other agency, Willis/Martinsville
1854 – suspicious incident, Edgewood
2246 – suspicious person, 47000 bl. Bemis

Tuesday, Aug. 28:
0058 – fire dept. assist, Pecan
0329 – fight, 17000 bl. Elwell Rd.
0406 – animal complaint, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.
1309 – alarm, 47000 bl. Executive Dr.
1407 – family trouble, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
1427 – suspicious incident, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.
1622 – property damage accident, 24000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1637 – family trouble, Dakota
2120 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
Wednesday, Aug. 29:
1244 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Haggerty
1355 – suspicious person, 39000 bl. Judd Rd.
1544 – family trouble, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1559 – fraud report, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1612 – 911 hangup investigation, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1704 – family trouble, Oregon
2012 – larceny, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.

Thursday, Aug. 30:
1116 – down wires, Bemis/Sumpter
1324 – suspicious person, Dakota
1351 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1611 – civil dispute, California
2010 – ordinance violation, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
2043 – warrant arrest, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.
2159 – suspicious person, Elwell/Wear

Friday, Aug. 31:
0857 – suspicious vehicle, 46000 bl. Arkona Rd.
0902 – larceny, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
0952 – alarm, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.
1001 – larceny, 43000 bl. Clay Rd.
1108 – larceny, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.
1148 – harassment complaint, 26000 bl. Karr Rd.
1257 – alarm, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1303 – malicious destruction of property, 22000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

1627 – suspicious incident, Willow/Karr
1846 – civil dispute, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
2104 – citizen assist, 8300 bl. Rawsonville

Saturday, Sept. 1:
0007 – civil dispute, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
0029 – suspicious person, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1035 – breaking & entering, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.
1405 – 911 hangup investigation, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1409 – ordinance violation, 46000 bl. Reed
1429 – property damage accident, Wear/Sherwood
1457 – civil dispute, 19000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1628 – alarm, 19000 bl. Crandell Ct.
1647 – suspicious incident, Creekside
1708 – civil dispute, 39000 bl. Willow Rd.
1741 – suspicious incident, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1749 – fire dept. assist, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2142 – ordinance violation, 45000 bl. Bontekoe

Also on this week's log are 11 follow-up investigations, 30 miscellaneous details, 158 patrol checks, and 52 traffic stops.

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plan approval.
The family owned, home-improvement store, which would bring 75 full-time jobs and 75 part-time jobs, is expected to take nine months to construct following the initial ground-breaking, which Menard's hoped would be next spring.

At the Aug. 22 meeting, the commission also held a brief public hearing, with no public input, on proposed changes to the Wireless Communications ordinance to comply with state law. The wireless towers must now be approved administratively and there is a new timeline and cap on fees. This will be considered at the Sept. 12 meeting and recommended to the township board for approval.

The commission also approved sending a letter to Canton Township showing no problems with its updated master plan.

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Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, Sept. 10 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building
- Tuesday, Sept. 11 – Van Buren Township September Days Senior Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, VBT LDFA, 2

p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., followed by regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m. and Belleville Area District Library, 7 p.m.

- Wednesday, Sept. 12 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.



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School Board

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BHS, 9 years, relocation; Heather Thomson, McBride, 0 years, other employment; and Mary Beth DeVries, itinerant, 6 years, personal reasons;

- Approved recalling from layoff the following teachers: Brooklyn Dobis and Doris Birchmeier, special services for BHS, and Kim Henry for Owen Elementary. New teacher hires are Cara Boden, Owen Intermediate, music; Nicole McCraight, Savage; and Jason Cooper, elementary music;

- Approved the requested terminations of Jennifer Deming, bus driver for 9 years for personal reasons; Michael Smith, bus driver for 5 years for person reasons; Carol Ward, bus aide for 14 years for retirement; and Michelle Cosby, food service worker, retirement; and

- Was reminded the next meeting will be at 7 p.m., Monday, Sept. 10, in the administration building.

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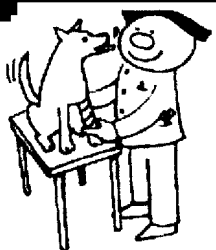
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