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F R E E

## City Council looks at ways to help businesses reopen

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

John Winter of Egan's Pub came before the zoom teleconference regular meeting of the Belleville City Council on Monday to ask for help with curbside pickup once he starts up his business again.

He said the new owner of the Bayou Grill, across Fourth Street Square from the pub, has already started take-out service and he plans to do the same on Friday.

He asked that the place behind the square, that had been reserved for motorcycle parking, be marked as four places for vehicles to park when customers pick up their food. Two places would be for Egan's Pub and two places for the Bayou.

Councilman Ken Voigt said a lot of cities are blocking off streets to allow for outside seating to help restaurants out. He said the square could be used for outside dining, Tuesdays through Sunday. Monday is set aside for the weekly car show on Main Street and the Farmers' Market.

Councilman Voigt said Johnny's restaurant on the lake could block off the city parking spaces if they wanted to have outside dining.

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Former Belleville Mayor Beverly Steinhauer Thom, 85, died May 16. Her husband Belleville Mayor Howard Steinhauer died of a heart attack at a city council meeting in the late 1970s. Beverly ran in the next election and was elected mayor and was a longtime council member. She later married Rae Thom, who preceded her in death. See full obituary on page 7.



Independent photo by Jim Oztman

The Lower Huron Metropark in Van Buren Township is open and full of blooming Redbud trees. The roadway and the walking/biking trail runs between Haggerty Road and New Boston in the park with lots of space for social distancing.

## School Board hears plans for new Early Childhood Center

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

The Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education learned how the plans were developing for the Early Childhood Development Center that was approved by voters in November as part of a bond proposal that would cost them no more than they were already paying.

Voters approved raising \$35,490,000 and paying for it over 30 years. The bonds are being issued in a series. The childhood center is just one of the projects to be paid for with the funds. It also will be used for remodeling of existing schools and other projects.

School Supt. Pete Kudlak and Rob Kakoczki of Plante Moran Cresa gave a lengthy report at the May 11 Zoom virtual meeting of the board.

They discussed the input from user groups

and phases in the plans for the center that included design development from April through June and work on design documents from July through September.

The Early Childhood Development Center will be built on the acreage next to the high school purchased from St. Anthony Catholic Church.

In other business at the two-hour-and-25-minute meeting, the board:

- Heard lengthy presentations on educational programs at Haggerty, Rawsonville, and Owen schools;

- Approved purchase of 500 Chromebooks from Sehi Computing at a total cost of \$121,250. These will be used for incoming freshman, who will carry them for the duration of their four years at Belleville High School. The Chromebooks will be shipped to the Sehi warehouse where they

will be asset tagged, enrolled in the district's Google Domain, and bagged for delivery to BHS, ready to be distributed. Sean Garland said the current senior devices will be collected and used as replacements for those broken or lost. He said these Chrombooks have been carried around for three years and wouldn't last a four-year cycle; and

- Approved a resolution supporting the proposed 2020-21 Wayne RESA General Fund Operating Budget, as presented. The budget is \$504 million with a fund balance of \$12,875,488 expected at the end of the 2020-21 fiscal year. Supt. Kudlak said this budget is just rolling over what they had last year because it is not known what is coming. "Our budget will be guesses, too," he said, "knowing there's going to be a big change in foundation allowance ... everybody's in the same boat."

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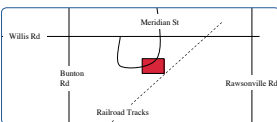
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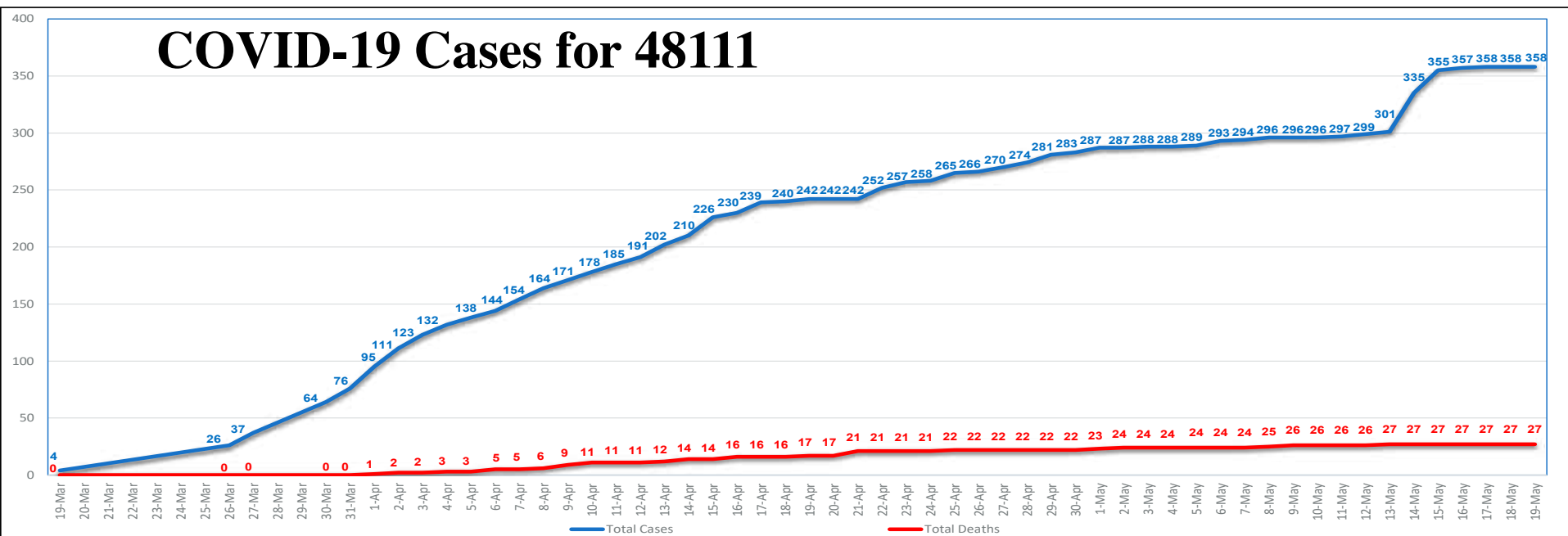
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# SECOND FRONT PAGE



The COVID-19 numbers from the Wayne County Health Department for this area started with just “Belleville” rates and around the first of April started breaking them into Belleville, Van Buren Township, and Sumpter Township. The number designated “Belleville” has consistently been the highest and rising. Many people believe the total for 48111, as shown above, is the most accurate for the situation in the tri-community, since what’s on a driver’s license may or may not be the most accurate designation of residence. Also, the “confirmed” cases listed are only the ones that have been tested.

## City Council

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Winter suggested they put signs that say ten-minute parking for curbside pickup and Mike Kole of the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce said the chamber would pay for the signs.

Interim city manager Tracey Schultz Kobylarz said this could be put on the agenda for action, along with necessary input from the police chief, fire chief, and the DPW.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said a group from the city held a special zoom meeting on Friday to talk about things to do to help businesses and how to open up safely. She said the group will meet again this Friday and she will bring a recommendation back to the city council.

She said they are putting a action plan together for helping to reopen Belleville “as soon as we’re given the green light.” She said they are meeting with other communities that have traditional downtowns.

She said in one community, the annual parade will not be held as usual and the parade will, instead, bring itself into the residential areas where people can come out in their yards and watch.

Police Chief Dave Robinson said the Liquor Control Commission would have to sign off on outside seating for the bars.

During the one-hour-and-19-minute meeting, the council:

- Voted unanimously to approve covering the “motorcycles only” sign behind the Fourth Street Square and putting up signs for the take-out/carry-out service for the two restaurants there. City Manager Kobylarz said she would talk with the police chief and

DPW director about the idea the next day. Fire Chief Brian Loranger said he had no problem with the plan;

- Set a public hearing for June 1 on the 2020-21 city budget. This will be during the regular 7:30 p.m. June 1 meeting of the city council;

- Held the third review session on the 2020-21 general fund budget of about \$2.2 million and noted some changes since the last version. Police staffing is now one chief, seven full-time officers, two part-time officers, and one clerical staff. Police overtime was reduced from \$51,000 to \$45,000 and a 4% increase for potential command officers was added to two of the highest-paid officers’ salaries. Also, the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority’s net asset distribution increased the general fund revenue by \$39,000 and the \$25,000 contribution from general fund stays in the capital purchase fund to acquire a fire truck. The budget will be voted on at the next meeting and will include a list of costs for services. The \$5 registration fee for bicycles will be eliminated since nobody has registered since the 1950s. There will be a change in how dogs are licensed. Kobylarz said the city clerk and accounts receivable clerk were furloughed May 17 until at least June 30 and their hours were changed from 40 hours a week to 20 hours;

- Heard Fire Chief Loranger ask for more precise figures for his department budget and a more understandable explanation of where the \$186,000 coming in from the public safety assessment is actually going;

- Heard Kobylarz thank Restoration 1 for disinfecting and sanitizing the entire city hall building and police vehicles at no charge. “Those of us that are coming



“Get your holiday lights out and decorate your boats!” said Chris Donley of Van Buren Township. “We will be honoring the heroes who have served and fallen as well as our front-line workers with a Memorial Day weekend nighttime boat parade. We will meet in the area east of the Belleville Bridge at 8 p.m., Sunday, May 24, where we will have an hour jam session with DJ Derek Rafferty rockin’ the tunes! Then, at 9:15, we turn on the lights and head west towards the sandbar. We’ll continue circling the lake past Bayshore and Harbor Club then we’ll pass Mission Pointe, go back through downtown, past Sandy’s and then end back in front of Derek’s to continue the floating social distancing party. For those without boats, there are several vantage points on the lake to come watch the parade go by! Horizon Park, Doane’s Landing and both bridges will be great spots to watch from!” Donley asked participants to follow distancing guidelines and have only those who you are living with aboard your vessels or within six feet of you at any watch location.

into the building on a regular basis feel WAY safer as a result of their efforts!” she said. “Restoration 1 is based in Belleville and is veteran owned and operated.” She apologized for sounding like a commercial, but said if anyone needs their services they can call Shannen at (734) 800-6358; and

- Heard Steve Jones announce the VFW/PLAV Memorial Day ceremony at noon at the Veterans Monument in Belleville will

be videotaped. He said the city is working in conjunction with Van Buren Township and Belleville High School on the taping so everyone can enjoy the services. Hopefully, he said, the city can put the tape on its website. Kobylarz said the ceremony will be brief and fewer than ten people are expected. High Street will not be closed, she said.

# OPINIONS

## Editorial

### Four extra parking spaces to be marked for food pickup

After a long discussion Monday on the idea of setting aside four parking spaces for two restaurants in downtown Belleville so customers can temporarily park and pick up take-out orders, the council put the plan on the agenda and approved it.

Planning Commissioner Mike Renaud who is always interested in his city's financial decisions was present virtually to hear details of the proposed budget that was also on the agenda. He is retired from the Ford Motor Co. where he worked in finance and he's good at budgets. He listened to the side discussion on the parking spaces and the council's decision. He said he is not so sure setting up four spots for two restaurants makes sense.

He said when dinner time comes, customers will need more than four spaces. He said when he goes to the Red Rooster in Sumpter Township at dinner time, there are 20 people in line.

"Two designated spots won't mean anything," he said. People will be parking everywhere to get to their food.

Police Chief Dave Robinson said it is not in the city's best interest to do anything to hamper its businesses. He said there is plenty of parking behind Fourth Street Square and along Main Street and, "We are not going to enforce any parking violations to impede the businesses that drive our city."

His message: You can park wherever you want for food pickup and his officers won't ticket you.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

One of our readers from Sumpter brought in a bundle of six *Wall Street Journals* on Tuesday last week. He had received them all at once in a mail delivery. Included was Tuesday's paper, which was being delivered on Tuesday – on time. He said he has lived in Sumpter for more than 30 years and his mail delivery is the worst it ever has been.

When his daily paper didn't arrive, he went to the Belleville Post Office postmaster to ask her about it. He said she told him they didn't get his papers. In the past, he was told the carriers, when they sort their mail, have to go to another area to pick up the newspapers for their routes. They get the mail in one area and have to walk to another area for the papers. He thinks that may be the problem.

It was explained to him in the past that the *Wall Street Journal* has its paper published in various print plants across the country so the papers can get to the local post offices for daily, on-time delivery. And, he has received them without fail on time until lately. He wonders if anyone else is having trouble with their postal delivery.

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We have been having trouble with delivery of *Independents* to our out-of-town subscribers. Ypsilanti subscribers often call us to say they aren't getting their papers – sometimes for weeks. And, Florida is another location that sometimes doesn't get its papers within a reasonable time.

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Keith Johnston, a member of the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education and Van Buren Township resident, is often targeted by email scammers. He recently sent me a copy of letter he got. Sounds really familiar,

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



don't you think? It matches two scams we recently wrote about in this column.

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Thanks  
Tom

Van Buren Township Supervisor Kevin McNamara sent out the following email to a variety of people last week:

"Dear Colleagues: After consulting and advising the Board of Trustees that Management has no new information to present – The board has directed me to cancel the Work Shop (May 18) and the Board Meeting (May 19) scheduled for next week. We have no new news and are continuing with the program presented at the last board meeting. Thank you and remain diligent, we will beat this, Kevin McNamara"

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One of our readers from Romulus told me the people in Romulus refer to the huge, new court building as the "Mall of the Americas." It was supposed to open in April, but then everything shut down.

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A reader from Southport Apartments said the \$14 million reportedly paid for the new library in Belleville seems excessive. He asked me to tell the cost of the library, so I double-checked. The library is a \$10 million project and they sold \$14 million in bonds to cover construction, plus cost of selling the bonds and interest on the bonds. Total interest was about \$5.5 million.

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Retired attorney Barbara Rogalle Miller of Van Buren Township said the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA) is streaming some very interesting lectures and she is enjoying that very much. She wanted me to tell our readers about the DIA lectures so others can join in and learn a lot. She has been staying home and staying safe.

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A reader called Monday to say she got a letter from the Police Officers Defense Alliance seeking a donation and then watched the news on Sunday night and saw the very same letterhead being shown as part of a scam. She said the letterhead had a police badge on it and was sent from Butler, WI. She thought our readers should know about the scam.

She said she gets many telephone calls from police groups asking for donations, but this is the first time she got a letter.

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## Letters

### Memorial Day service will be simple, brief

Good afternoon Mayor Conley, Members of City Council and friends of Belleville:

Moments ago I had the pleasure of speaking with Mr. Anton who spearheads the remembrance ceremony held annually at the Veterans' Memorial here in Belleville.

As a direct result of the pandemic and a need to comply with the Governor's executive orders, the VFW and PLAV will not be able to hold their annual ceremony in the usual fashion. These organizations, the City of Belleville, residents of the tri-community area, and volunteers are also precluded from participating in the large group activity of placing flags on the graves of our veterans at Hillside Cemetery.

The members of the VFW and the PLAV have an opportunity to honor our veterans with a very simple service on May 25, 2020 at noon at Veterans' Memorial. The ceremony is not expected to have more than 10 people in attendance due to its brevity. It will consist of the Pledge of Allegiance, a prayer by Reverend Bob, the playing of Taps and possibly a rifle volley. The road will remain open and there will not be any speakers, tents, chairs, or restroom access. Social distancing will be enforced by the members of the VFW and PLAV and announcements will be made to those people in attendance. Masks are not required but they are strongly recommended in accordance with the Governor's Executive Orders and CDC guidelines.

In lieu of this ceremony, Mr. Anton asks that you participate in the Veterans' Day service scheduled for Nov. 11, 2020.

As you are aware, there are many veterans interred at Hillside Cemetery. For many years now, large groups of volunteers gather at the cemetery during Memorial Day weekend to honor each of the veterans and place a flag at their grave site. In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order as a result of the pandemic, we may not gather for this important activity, either.

In lieu of this important group activity during the holiday weekend, the City of Belleville encourages you to help us place flags when it is safe to do so. Our tentative date for this activity will be the weekend of May 29 through May 31. Should you choose to volunteer for this task with your immediate family in a manner that follows the State of Michigan requirements and CDC guidelines before May 29, please contact me for options that may be available.

*Stay healthy*  
**WASH YOUR HANDS!**  
Tracey Schultz Kobylarz  
Interim City Manager, City of Belleville

### Thank you, Cedar Woods Assisted Living

To the editor:

We would like to publicly thank Cedar Woods Assisted Living for the wonderful job they are doing, following the state-mandated requirements to ensure the health and well-being of their residents during this hateful pandemic.

If we, who are on the "outside" find the changes in our lives difficult and challenging, can you only imagine how residents in Cedar Woods (or any other facility) must feel? Like us, change can be hard for many of them. They miss seeing sons, daughters, grandchildren, and friends. They look forward to those most-important visits. We know because our "mom Viola" is a resident there.

They now have to eat their meals in their rooms. That means not being able to socialize with their friends, or joke and tease with the kitchen staff. They can no longer have entertainment come in to sing or play music for them. A classic song from the past can put a smile on their faces and for brief moments can take them back to a better time. They are doing crafts with the help of the activity staff in their rooms. Not as much fun as doing them in a group and comparing each other's artistic talents and laughing together.

These are just some of the changes that have meant additional work for Mr. Elder, his office staff, Wellness Center people, activity staff, kitchen staff, and cleaning and laundry personnel. Everyone has gone above and beyond to make sure our families are receiving extra care, love, and reassurance. This is a great relief to us on the "outside" with a loved one on the "inside."

To quote Aesop, "No act of kindness no matter how small is ever wasted." Again, with heartfelt appreciation, thank you, Cedar Woods.

Jim and Kathy Farr  
Van Buren Township

### Old Glory at museum is tattered, ragged

An open letter to Kevin McNamara, Van Buren Township Supervisor, and Belleville Area Museum (operations):

While awaiting my turn to approach the "drive-thru" window at our local Chase Bank last week, I was disappointed to watch and count only seven cars driving down Main Street -- "a sign" of our times -- this deadly, voracious virus.

Then too, not only disappointment setting in, but utter disgust watching Old Glory -- tattered and ragged flying on a flag pole outside the Belleville Area Museum! WHY do we Americans tolerate such an ugly display of "Patriotism"? Who cares? GOD BLESS AMERICA.

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# Obituaries



Susan Marie Miller

## SUSAN MARIE MILLER

(August 24, 1949 – May 15, 2020)

Susan Marie Miller, age 70, of Belleville, MI, passed away Saturday, May 15, 2020 at University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born August 24, 1949, daughter of Donald Charles & Marian Charlotte (Berghauer) Strochine. She was an artist who enjoyed crafting, gardening and taking care of her home and family.

Sue is survived by her loving husband Theodore T. Miller; three children: Shawn Wimer of Southgate, MI, David Strochine of Belleville, MI and Jacob Strochine of Flat Rock, MI; two grandchildren: Brooklyn Heaslip and Evan Strochine; brother Al (Lori) Strochine of North Carolina; sister Wendy Strochine of Redford, MI; also numerous nephews, extended family and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents.

Dignified cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. Memorial contributions may be made to the family.

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## Thank you, Banfield Foundation, for \$12,000

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Thank you, Banfield Foundation.

Pete and Marcy LaFramboise, co-founders  
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## Obituaries



Dorothy F. Wright

### **DOROTHY F. WRIGHT**

(March 12, 1938 – May 15, 2020)

Dorothy F. Wright, age 82, long-time Willis resident, passed away Friday, May 15, 2020 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born March 12, 1938 in Anco, Kentucky, daughter of Emanuel & Martha (Francis) Combs.

Mrs. Wright is survived by her husband Ray J. Wright, Jr. of 65 years; children: Ray J. Wright Jr. of Weidman, MI, Pamela (Wright) Prain of Willis, MI and James (Brandie) Wright of Parma, MI; two grandchildren: Stephanie (Jeremy) Prain of Willis, MI and Samuel (Angela) Wright of Van Buren Township, MI; four great-grandchildren whom she adored: Cameron, Jillian, Connor and Blake; two brothers Donald Gibbins of Hardyville, Kentucky and John (Marcia) Gibbins of Gladwin, MI; sister Delberta Combs of Belleville, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Dorothy was preceded in death by her father Emanuel Combs, mother and step-father Martha & Samuel David Gibbins, two siblings in childhood: Gay and Williard, three brothers Garnett, Dewey, and Stanley, also one sister Ella Mae.

She had strong faith and believed in God. She enjoyed bird watching, going up to Northern Michigan, and loved her family. Her grandchildren were the apple of her eye. She also loved hosting all family gatherings at her home and having everyone together. We love you and you will be truly missed for your unwavering love, faith, wisdom, and love for your family.

Visitation was 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday, May 18, 2020 with a 1 p.m. funeral at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734) 697-4500. The funeral was live-streamed on our funeral home Facebook page and is available for viewing for those unable to watch live. We encourage viewers to comment so the family knows who was watching.

Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, there is a limit of ten (10) people in the building at one time and everyone must wear a mask, scarf or bandana when inside the building.

Interment was in Alban Cemetery, Ypsilanti, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to Lakota Sioux Culture at [stjo.org/culture](http://stjo.org/culture) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and would be appreciated.

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Beverly Ruth Thom

### **BEVERLY RUTH THOM**

(February 25, 1935 – May 16, 2020)

Beverly Ruth Thom, age 85, long-time Belleville resident, passed away Saturday, May 16, 2020 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. She was born February 25, 1935 in Detroit, MI.

Beverly is survived by four children: Carol Gautsche of Belleville, MI, Stan (Damita) Johnson of Louisville, Kentucky, Donald Johnson of Belleville, MI and Denise Johnson of Belleville, MI; three step-children: Leonna (William) Jarvis of Belleville, MI, Fred Thom of Belleville, MI and Gilbert (Brenda) Thom of Romulus, MI; 12 grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; two brothers Walter (Anna) Nows of Milford, MI and Paul (Carol) Nows of Levering, MI; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Mrs. Thom was preceded in death by her husband Andrew Rae Thom, parents Fred and Gertrude Nows, and grandson Jesse Johnson.

She was an agent for Farmer's Insurance in Belleville for many years and drove a school bus for Van Buren Public Schools, too. She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Belleville, and was the mayor of Belleville in the late 1980s. She enjoyed knitting and loved flying with Rae as her pilot. Most of all, Beverly cherished time spent with family, especially her grandchildren.

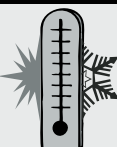
Dignified cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

In light of recent health advisories, we have decided to postpone services until a later date. We will post updated event information when we are able to reschedule. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Trinity Episcopal Church, Belleville, would be appreciated by the family.

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# Obituaries



Debra Kay White

## DEBRA KAY WHITE

(July 29, 1955 – May 12, 2020)

Debra Kay White, age 64, long-time Belleville resident, passed away Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Superior Township, MI. She was born July 29, 1955 in Detroit, MI, daughter of Paul Edgar & Janie Elizabeth (King) Summers. She graduated from Belleville High School Class of 1973. She was a member of the Belleville Moose Lodge #934. She enjoyed cooking, shopping-especially flea markets, yard sales and re-sale shops. She loved tending to her flower gardens and trips to the casinos.

Survived by daughter Tammy White of Sumpter Township, MI; two sons David White of Belleville, MI and James White of Romulus, MI; two grandchildren Caiden and Abigail White; brother Bill Summers of Belleville, MI; sister-in-law and special friend Nancy Summers of Belleville, MI; also numerous extended family and friends.

Deb was preceded in death by her parents, husband David "Bill" White August 25, 1997, brother George Summers, also two sisters Sue Vanover and Lorine Copley.

Visitation was 1-4 PM Friday, May 15, 2020 with a Private Family Only Funeral at 4 PM at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734) 697-4500. Brother Joe Watkins officiated.

Due to the COVID-19 restrictions, there was a limit of ten people in the building at one time. Masks, scarves or bandanas were required inside the building.

Interment was in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to the wishes of the family and would be appreciated.

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Esperanza "Hope" Perez

## ESPERANZA 'HOPE' PEREZ

(December 23, 1936 – May 17, 2020)

Esperanza "Hope" Perez, age 83, long-time Belleville resident, passed away early Sunday, May 17, 2020, at her home. She was born December 23, 1936 in Dolores, Texas.

Mrs. Perez is survived by her cherished husband of 62 years, Jesse C. Perez; three sons: Jesus (Irene) Perez of Belleville, MI, Luis (Tita) Perez of Florida and Drew (Lola) Perez of Brownstown, MI; daughter-in-law Melissa Perez of Belleville, MI; 11 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters Gloria Leza of Detroit, MI and Lynn Cotton of Texas; also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends.

Hope was preceded in death by her parents, son Daniel Perez on October 25, 2016, also six siblings.

She was a member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, MI. She was very proud of being a life-time member of Weight Watchers. She enjoyed knitting and crocheting and loved to cook. For many years, she was the lead chef at their family restaurant -- Dos Pesos, Belleville. Most of all, she loved her family and babysitting all her grand-kids.

Visitation will be 11 a.m. - 12 Noon Thursday, May 21, 2020 at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111 (734) 697-4500. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 1 p.m. at St. Anthony Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, MI. Father John Kiselica will serve as Celebrant. Due to the COVID-19 Pandemic, everyone must wear a mask, scarf or bandana when indoors.

Interment will be in Hillside Cemetery, Belleville, MI. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Anthony Catholic Church and would be appreciated by the family.

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# United Methodist Church to say goodbye to Rev. Jim Walker

The congregation of Belleville First United Methodist Church has announced plans to say farewell to the Rev. James Walker and his wife Susan who will be retiring on the last Sunday in June after 13 years of service.

The Walkers will be moving out of their home on High Street on June 10. There will be a recording of his final sermon for the June 14 service.

The Rev. Mary Loring of Calvary United Methodist Church in Ann Arbor will take over as of July 1.

Barbara Moore, who is in charge of the arrangements for the farewell, said the Walkers are retiring and have purchased a condo near Grand Rapids.

First, those who wish to say goodbye may send cards to them at the church at 417 Charles St., Belleville 48111. The cards could include memories of him and pictures.

On Saturday, June 6, there will be an event at 1 p.m. at the church. People are asked to line up their cars in the church



The Rev. James Walker and Susan Walker, R.N.

parking lot with signs on the vehicles to thank the Walkers for their service. The cars will parade to the front of the church where the Walkers will be.

Moore said the signs can be attached to the cars or put on sticks and placed in front of the church before the event.

The next day, on Sunday, June 7, there will be a 2 p.m. Zoom party. For an invitation to this event, email [bellevillefirstumc@yahoo.com](mailto:bellevillefirstumc@yahoo.com).

Rev. Walker and his wife, Susan, a registered nurse with a bachelor's degree in Christian Education, are the parents of three daughters, Moriah, Hannah, and Tiffany. Moriah was severely and multiply handicapped and died the second year they were in Belleville. Hannah and Tiffany now are in college.

The Walkers came to Belleville from Wyandotte First United Methodist Church, where they had served for nine years. They also have served in Lansing, Brown City, and Utica.

Rev. Walker, 64, was born in Escanaba and graduated from Waverly High School in Lansing. His father was a conservation officer for the State of Michigan and James was heading in that direction with a degree in geography from Michigan State University, when he felt the call of the ministry. He has been ordained in the United Methodist Church since 1985.

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## City of Belleville Public Notice



### City of Belleville NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING 2020-21 PROPOSED CITY BUDGET

Notice is hereby given that the Belleville City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 1, 2020, at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street, Belleville MI, to consider the proposed 2020-21 City Budget.

The proposed General Fund budget is \$2,196,657 based on estimated sources of revenue, including a proposed 2020-21 City property tax levy of 1.10 mills for general operating purposes.

The City Council has authority to establish the proposed total millage rate of 18.10 mills, the current maximum allowable millage rate permitted by State Statute and the City Charter.

**The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.**

The budget includes proposed appropriations for the following funds:

| FUNDS                     | REVENUES    | EXPENSES    |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| General Fund              | \$2,214,886 | \$2,196,657 |
| Major Street Fund         | \$ 295,325  | \$ 292,276  |
| Local Street Fund         | \$ 237,886  | \$ 129,036  |
| Cemetery Fund             | \$ 95,500   | \$ 94,437   |
| Sanitation Fund           | \$ 209,800  | \$ 226,786  |
| Perpetual Care Fund       | \$ 0        | \$ 0        |
| Building Dept. Fund       | \$ 70,000   | \$ 94,213   |
| Budget Stabilization Fund | \$ 0        | \$ 0        |
| Drug Law Enforcement Fund | \$ 0        | \$ 0        |
| Public Improvement Fund   | \$ 0        | \$ 0        |
| Capital Equipment Fund    | \$ 61,885   | \$ 61,885   |
| DDA Operating Fund        | \$ 386,818  | \$ 386,818  |
| DDA Debt Service Fund     | \$ 419,920  | \$ 419,920  |

A complete copy of the proposed 2020-21 City Budget is available for public inspection by appointment at City Hall, 6 Main Street, Belleville, Michigan.

**Email request to [TSKobylarz@Belleville.MI.US](mailto:TSKobylarz@Belleville.MI.US) or call 734-697-9323 ext. 7037 to schedule appointment.**

Public comments on the proposed budget may be submitted in writing prior to the public hearing, and in writing or in person at the public hearing.

Sherri Scharf  
City Clerk/Treasurer

Publish 5/21/20

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## City of Belleville Public Notice

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE  
Special City Council Meeting Minutes  
Monday April 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.  
VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE**

A special called meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order by Mayor Conley at 6:03 p.m. via Zoom teleconference.

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

**2. ROLL CALL**

|                        |          |
|------------------------|----------|
| Mayor Conley           | Present  |
| Council Member Bates   | Present  |
| Council Member Fielder | Present* |
| Mayor Pro Marcotte     | Present* |
| Council Member Voigt   | Present  |

\*joined late

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION BY VOIGT, SECOND BY BATES to approve the agenda as presented.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

**MOTION PASSED**

**4. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Presentation of FY 2020-21 budget**

City Manager Tracey Kobylarz and Kelly Howey, Plante Moran Finance Specialist, presented City Council with an overview of the proposed FY 2020-21 budget and discussed the Capital Improvement Plan.

A budget study session will be held on May 11, 2020 at 6 p.m. to continue refining the budget.

**5. ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION BY BATES, SECOND BY VOIGT to adjourn meeting at 7:35 p.m.

AYES: BATES, FIELDER, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYES: NONE

**MOTION PASSED**

Respectfully submitted,  
 Sherri Scharf  
 City Clerk  
 Approved: May 4, 2020  
 Published: May 21, 2020



## Birthdays

May 26 – Marianne Morris-Wendt  
May 27 – Kelly Boelter, Lisa Martin  
May 28 – Jodi Mills

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## City of Belleville Public Notice

### City of Belleville NOTICE FOR BIDS



The City of Belleville will be accepting sealed bids to supply and install approximately 240 lineal feet of Ameristar aluminum fencing at Doane's Landing on Belleville Lake. All bids must be sealed and marked FENCE BIDS and delivered to the City Clerk by Friday, June 5, 2020. The bids will be opened and read publicly at the regular scheduled council meeting on June 8, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. For specification or questions, please contact DPS Director Rick Rutherford at 734/697-9323 extension 7026 or via email: [dps@belleville.mi.us](mailto:dps@belleville.mi.us).

Sherri Scharf  
City Clerk

Publish: May 14 and May 21, 2020



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## City of Belleville Public Notice

### CITY OF BELLEVILLE Regular City Council Meeting Minutes Monday April 20, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. VIA ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

A regular called meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order by Mayor Conley at 7:30 p.m. via Zoom teleconference.

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

#### 2. ROLL CALL

|                        |         |
|------------------------|---------|
| Mayor Conley           | Present |
| Council Member Bates   | Present |
| Council Member Fielder | Present |
| Mayor Pro Marcotte     | Present |
| Council Member Voigt   | Present |

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| A. Presentations          | None |
| B. Council follow-up list | None |
| C. Citizens comments      | None |

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION BY MARCOTTE, SECOND BY VOIGT to approve the amended agenda.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION BY FIELDER, SECOND BY BATES to approve the meeting minutes from February 17, March 16, and April 13, 2020 as presented.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### 6. PUBLIC HEARING

None

#### 7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

None

#### 8. GENERAL BUSINESS

A. Opt-out of first responders emergency paid sick leave (a/k/a: CARES)

MOTION BY VOIGT, SECOND BY BATES to approve **Resolution No 20-032** opting out of the first responders' emergency paid sick leaves (CARES) as presented.

AYES: BATES, FIELDER, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

B. Approve Belleville Cares provision for POAM, MAFF and GELC MOU's

MOTION BY FIELDER, SECOND BY MARCOTTE to approve **Resolution No 20-033**, Memoranda of Understanding for POAM, MAFF and GELC as presented.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### C. Main Street banners

MOTION BY VOIGT, SECOND BY BATES to approve **Resolution No 20-034** specialty banners for Main Street as presented.

(Sponsors have agreed to cover the cost of making the banners and mounting them on the light poles.)

AYES: BATES, FIELDER, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### D. Revision of FY 2020-21 budget timeline

MOTION BY FIELDER, SECOND BY BATES to approve **Resolution No 20-035** by amending the original budget timeline, moving the budget presentation from April 20 to April 27, 2020.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### 9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

MOTION BY MARCOTTE, SECOND BY VOIGT to approve **Resolution No 20-036**, Accounts Payable and Departmental Expenditures for \$207,360.28 on April 6 and \$72,129.05 on April 20, 2020 as presented.

AYES: BATES, FIELDER, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

#### 10. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

(see attached supplement)

#### 11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

• **Council Member Bates:** thank you to City staff for hard work for citizens; thank you to Police Department for offering masks to residents; National Library Day this week (services available online); thank you to Ken Voigt for securing banners

• **Council Member Marcotte:** genuinely appreciate all the teamwork for the aptly named Belleville Cares Emergency Plan; we all care about our community at large; thanks to those on the front-line fighting Covid-19, sending thoughts and prayers

• **Council Member Voigt:** thank you to all attending the meeting; excited about Main St. banners – "Belleville Tigers Summer;" condolences to those affected by Covid-19

• **Council Member Fielder:** when out walking, sees brown bags and tells residents where to drop leaves off; he feels everyone is cooperative about stay-home order; at DWMHA teleconference today he learned Congress approved \$5B for services, only \$5M will be allocated to Michigan for mental health/substance abuse services

#### 12. MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Good luck to Police Officer Tim Trombly as he moves on May 1<sup>st</sup>. Thank you to Chris Donnelley for providing masks to the senior residential facilities and to the city manager and police chief for working with unions to get MOU's approved. She appreciates all the incredible people coming together to help the community!

#### 13. CITIZENS COMMENTS

• **DPS Director Rutherford:** loose trash escapes from roll-out containers; it should be bagged. DPS Yard on E. Columbia still accepting bagged yard waste.

• **John Winter from Egan's Pub** wants to host Main St. Car show again this year

• **Fire Chief Loranger:** thank you to City Manager for allowing him to take a truck decorated with lights to an area hospital; street parade on Wexford this Saturday.

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

• 2020-21 budget presentation

#### 15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION BY BATES, SECOND BY VOIGT to adjourn meeting at 8:19 p.m.

AYES: FIELDER, BATES, MARCOTTE, VOIGT, CONLEY

NAYS: NONE

MOTION PASSED

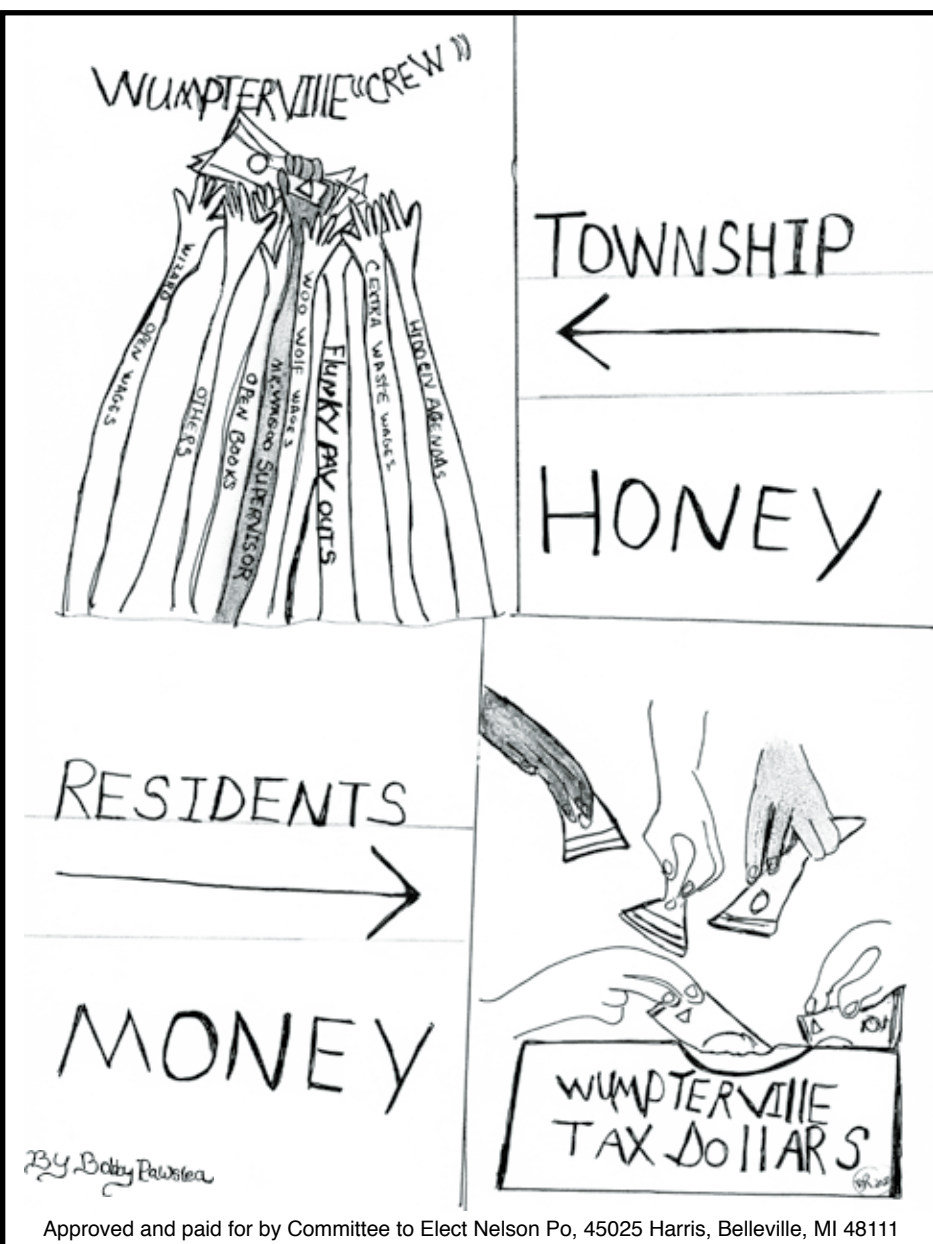
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# Democratic Club to host Supreme Court Chief Justice via Zoom

The Southwestern Wayne Democratic Club will host Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Bridget Mary McCormack at its 7 p.m., Thursday, May 28, meeting via Zoom teleconferencing.



To participate in the virtual meeting, email to [shoesuawbrat@aol.com](mailto:shoesuawbrat@aol.com) with RSVP in the subject line for access information. For further information, call club president Terree O'Neil Darling at (313) 971-5027.

Chief Justice McCormack was elected to the Michigan Supreme Court in November 2012. She was unanimously selected by her colleagues to serve as chief justice

in January 2019 and this year is seeking reelection to a second term on the court. During her tenure, she devoted herself to improving the way Michiganders experience the courts.

She and her husband Steven Croley live in Ann Arbor. They have four daughters, two who are in college and two who have graduated college.

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## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*These are the 142 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police for last week.*

### Sunday, May 10:

0140 – parking complaint, Country Walk Blvd.  
0217 – domestic, Park Estates Dr./Richard Run Dr.  
0313 – malicious destruction of property, Rogers  
0311 – operating while intoxicated, W. I-94 / Belleville Rd.  
0931 – civil matter, Parkwood Dr.  
1103 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.  
1109 – traffic stop, Rawsonville Rd.  
1112 – fraud, Hanover Dr.  
1422 – welfare check, Ecorse Rd.  
1511 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1512 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1620 – suspicious person/vehicle, Andover Dr.  
1641 – mental subject, Parkwood Dr.  
1720 – unattended death, N. Ponderosa Trl.  
1847 – welfare check, Hayes St.  
1955 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
2019 – assist other dept., Lighthouse Dr. / N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2207 – mental subject, Parkwood Dr.  
2246 – runaway, Quirk Rd.  
2309 – domestic, Lake Villa Dr.  
2306 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd./Bemis Rd.

### Monday, May 11:

0537 – found property/child, Belleville Rd.  
0952 – fraud, Briar Dr.  
1222 – animal complaint, Martinsville Rd.  
1247 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1336 – intrusion alarm, Beck Rd.  
1450 – parking complaint, Coolidge St./Haggerty  
1555 – malicious destruction of property, Jackson  
1648 – civil matter, S. Woodbury Dr.  
1654 – property damage accident, Hannan Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.

1722 – property damage accident, Belleville Manor  
1731 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.  
1901 – suicidal person, Madison Dr.  
1935 – threat, Oak Blvd.  
2205 – assist other dept., Bemis Rd.

### Tuesday, May 12:

0213 – traffic stop, Tyler Rd./Walden Blvd.  
0334 – suspicious person/vehicle, Lake Villa Dr.  
0500 – intrusion alarm, Ecorse Rd.  
0551 – disorderly, Denton Rd.  
0906 – issue gun permit, Tyler Rd.  
0921 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
1046 – fraud, E. Archwood Dr.  
1055 – traffic stop, W. Huron River Dr./Hoeft Rd.  
1104 – private property impound, Belleville Rd.  
1123 – lost property/child, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1424 – intrusion alarm, Haverhill Rd.  
1642 – domestic, Oak Ln.  
1653 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.  
1705 – malicious destruction of property, Oak Blvd.  
1729 – suspicious person/vehicle, Holly Ln.  
1758 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1949 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
2019 – welfare check, Lake Villa Dr.  
2124 – overdose, Timberview Ct.  
2257 – noise complaint, S. Ponderosa Trl.

### Wednesday, May 13:

0651 – parking complaint, Harmony Ln.  
0910 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.  
1022 – 911 welfare check, Belleville Rd.  
1104 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.  
1247 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sadie Ln.  
1352 – trespassing, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
1403 – larceny from auto, Bayshore Dr.  
1547 – welfare check, Arcadia Ct.  
1704 – suspicious person/vehicle, Maple Dr.  
1720 – domestic, Maple Dr.  
1726 – domestic, Quirk Rd.  
1912 – personal injury accident, Ecorse/Sadie Ln.  
1924 – breaking & entering, W. Adams  
1951 – traffic offense, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Belleville Rd.  
2053 – harassment call, Willow Way  
2135 – malicious destruction of property, Parkwood Dr.  
2149 – trespassing, Village Center Dr.

### Thursday, May 14:

0721 – larceny, Edison Lake Rd.  
0814 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Rd.

0900 – warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.  
0905 – welfare check, Winchester St.  
0950 – welfare check, Denton Rd.  
1011 – domestic, S. Timberview Dr.  
1135 – retail fraud, Rawsonville Rd.  
1246 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.  
1521 – fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1922 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
1943 – intrusion alarm, Harmony Ln.  
1949 – operating while intoxicated, Lake Crest Dr.  
2012 – misc. complaint, Tyler Rd.  
2109 – neighbor trouble, Estates Dr.  
2114 – shooting, Ryznar Dr.  
2135 – intrusion alarm, N. Woodbury Dr.  
2208 – noise complaint, Sugarbush  
2226 – assist other dept., McKinley St.  
2244 – traffic offense, Ecorse/I-275  
2315 – suspicious person/vehicle, Pinewood Ln.  
2336 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.

### Friday, May 15:

0052 – suspicious person/vehicle, Madison/Ross  
0058 – suspicious person/vehicle, Country Walk Ct.  
0211 – assist other dept., W. Huron River Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.  
0326 – overdose, W. Archwood Dr.  
0402 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
0812 – traffic stop, Tyler Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.  
0824 – traffic stop, Tyler Rd./Morton Taylor Rd.  
0828 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.  
1120 – domestic, Locust Dr.  
1150 – civil matter, Winchester St.  
1212 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.  
1317 – threat, Quirk Rd.  
1328 – malicious destruction of property, Bayshore  
1511 – noise complaint, Denton Rd.  
1513 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.  
1530 – property damage accident, Denton Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.

1612 – welfare check, S. Adams  
1635 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.  
1733 – private property impound, Southport Apts.  
1801 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.  
1840 – noise complaint, Green Meadows  
1949 – traffic offense, Locust Dr.  
2011 – property check, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2037 – traffic offense, Cedar St./Western St.  
2052 – disorderly, Westlake Cir.  
2055 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd./Ecorse Rd.  
2123 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd./Quirk Rd.  
2219 – suspicious person/vehicle, S. I-94 Service

### Saturday, May 16:

0055 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Cumberland  
0121 – harassment call, Willow Way  
0620 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.  
0727 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.  
0817 – domestic, Parkwood Dr.  
0909 – private property impound, J&T Crova  
1014 – intrusion alarm, Parkwood Dr.  
1112 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.  
1145 – private property/property damage accident, W. Walden Dr.  
1148 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse Rd.  
1314 – animal complaint, Edgedale Dr.  
1351 – assist other dept., Parkwood Dr.  
1404 – traffic offense, Maple Dr.  
1733 – domestic, Harbour Pointe Ct.  
1928 – property damage accident, Tyler Rd. / Haggerty Rd.

2029 – family trouble, S. Ponderosa Trl.  
2104 – intrusion alarm, N. I-94 Service Dr.  
2131 – traffic offense, W. Walden Dr.  
2153 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hayes/Hamilton  
2314 – domestic, S. Bellridge Dr.

There were six traffic stops on this week's log, with none on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, May 10:

1927 – traffic stop, Main St./High St.

### Monday, May 11:

0137 – hospice death, Santa Clara St.  
0922 – threat, Tuscan Manor  
1332 – welfare check, N. Aberdeen Ct.

### Tuesday, May 12:

0834 – suspicious person/vehicle, South St.  
1510 – malicious destruction of property, N. Liberty  
2030 – animal complaint, Savage Rd./Victorian Ln.  
2200 – noise complaint, N. Liberty St.

### Wednesday, May 13:

0121 – parking complaint, Santa Clara St.  
0305 – assist citizen, Menlo Park Dr.  
1255 – property damage accident, Santa Clara St.  
1517 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Liberty St.  
2102 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
2153 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia  
2325 – motorist assist, E. Huron River Dr./Main

### Thursday, May 14:

1624 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
1950 – noise complaint, N. Liberty St.

### Friday, May 15:

0852 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.  
0954 – follow up by officer, Henry St.  
1429 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave.  
1501 – civil matter, E. Huron River Dr.  
1739 – property damage accident, W. Columbia  
2230 – suspicious person/vehicle, Sumpter/Hull

### Saturday, May 16:

0141 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.

There were two traffic stops on this week's log.

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

### Sunday, May 10:

1056 – 911 hangup, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1137 – civil matter, 22000 bl. Prince Rd.  
1504 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1517 – follow-up investigations, 43000 bl. Arkona  
1643 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1927 – fire dept. assist, Edgewood Dr.  
2318 – fire dept. assist, Rawsonville/Willis  
2352 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Rawsonville Rd./Judd Rd.

### Monday, May 11:

1024 – fire dept. assist, Knollwood Dr.  
1253 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1358 – suspicious circumstance, Judd Rd./Karr Rd.  
1844 – property damage accident, Brookview Dr.  
2010 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.

### Tuesday, May 12:

0021 – suspicious person, Brookview Dr.  
0211 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane Dr.  
1134 – suspicious person, 11000 bl. Rawsonville  
1318 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1737 – suspicious circumstance, 48000 bl. Wear  
1741 – animal complaint, Birch Dr.  
1756 – follow-up investigations, Carriage Ln.  
1835 – 911 hang up, 39000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2305 – suspicious person, Brookview Dr.  
2351 – suspicious person, E. Rustic Ln./Rustic Ln.

### Wednesday, May 13:

0019 – civil matter, 25000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
0050 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0748 – citizen assist, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0900 – alarm, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1100 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.  
2331 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Willis Rd. / Martinsville Rd.

### Thursday, May 14:

0046 – suspicious vehicle, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0702 – prisoner check, Huron Twp. PD  
1010 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Carleton West Rd.  
1612 – fire dept. assist, Hampshire Dr.  
1646 – follow-up investigations, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

1722 – fire dept. assist, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1739 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1809 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1827 – welfare check, 46000 bl. Reed Ave.  
1832 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1901 – fire dept. assist, 11000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
2025 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Karr Rd.  
2122 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2226 – suspicious circumstance, Timberlane Dr.  
2234 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

### Friday, May 15:

0030 – suspicious vehicle, 27000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
0154 – suspicious person, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.  
0738 – alarm, 47000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0825 – 911 hang up, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.  
0901 – fraud complaint, 23000 bl. Carleton West  
1617 – welfare check, 48000 bl. Wear Rd.  
1643 – suspicious person, 18000 bl. Morton Ave.  
1728 – traffic complaint, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.  
1822 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.  
2033 – fire dept. assist, Oregon St.  
2049 – suspicious circumstance, Sumpter/Willis  
2107 – traffic complaint, Sumpter/Bemis  
2144 – 911 hang up, 300 bl. Rustic Ln.  
2308 – noise complaint, 22000 bl. Fenster Ave.  
2344 – welfare check, Redwood St.

### Saturday, May 16:

0814 – civil matter, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.  
0831 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1034 – follow-up investigations, 44000 bl. Dunn  
1357 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.  
1442 – 911 hang up, 6400 bl. Oakville Waltz  
1752 – follow-up investigations, Carriage Ln.  
1911 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.  
1942 – felonious assault, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2010 – 911 hang up, Rustic Ln.  
2027 – 911 hang up, 22000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2120 – welfare check, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.  
2156 – 911 hang up, 46000 bl. Wear Rd.  
2215 – 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.

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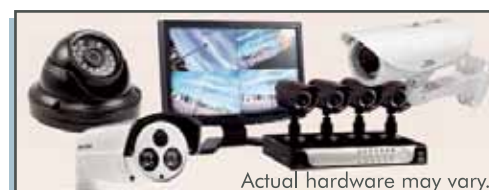
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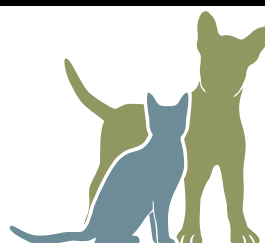
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