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VBT board signs resolution for left-turn signal

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Both Van Buren Township Trustee Kevin Martin and Clerk Leon Wright said they got in accidents at the corner of Tyler and Belleville roads and that corner needs a left-turn phasing signal.

At the last township board meeting, Trustee Martin asked the board to sign a letter asking Wayne County to put in the signal – and then to keep sending the letters until the county acts.

Municipal Services Director Ron Akers prepared a resolution and at the July 18 meeting the resolution was passed unanimously as presented.

In the agenda item, Director Akers included the information that the board could add language stating that it is willing to share the cost. He said an estimated cost for the turn signal is between \$200,000 and \$300,000. This language was not included.

Clerk Wright said there are left-turn signals on Belleville Road at Aldi's, Tim Horton's, and the I-94 Service Drives and so he doesn't know why there couldn't be one at Tyler Road.

"We don't want to get into a fight with them," Wright said of the county.

"This has been a bee in my bonnet for some time," Trustee Martin said, adding that he had an accident at that intersection. He said south-bound left turns are dangerous, especially from 4 to 6 p.m.

"I asked for a letter and I hope it will not fall on deaf ears," Martin said.

In other business at the 47-minute meeting on July 18, the board:

- Approved the personal services agreement of Kathryn Hood as Building and Grounds Superintendent. She recently retired from the City of Romulus where she spent more than 30 years in public services. She holds a S-4 license, was chief

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Dr. John and Linda Vaprezsan celebrated the 50th anniversary of Metro Baptist Church on July 15. They started the church on July 15, 1973 at 894 E. Huron River Drive, Van Buren Township, and moved it to 47100 N. I-94 Service Dr. in 1996. The independent, fundamental Baptist church on 27 acres uses the King James Version Bible as its only Scripture. Since the beginning the church has supported and maintained a full-service bus ministry which provides cost-free transportation for those interested in learning about Christ. The Vaprezsans have been married for 58 years and have three children: John, Pamela, and Todd; 11 grandchildren; and seven great-great grandchildren. Dr. Vaprezsan started the church right after graduating from Hyles-Anderson College in 1973.

City of Belleville candidates file for five seats open in November election

All five seats on the Belleville City Council are up for election on the Nov. 7 General Election. The deadline to file was 4 p.m. July 25 and the *Independent* goes to press before that.

These are the candidates who filed as of 3 p.m. on July 25:

- Ken Voigt – mayor;
- Julie Kissel – council member (partial

term);

- Jeremiah Beebe – council member (partial term);
- Kelly Bates – council member (full term);

and

- Randy Priest – council member (full term).

If others file in the minutes before the final deadline, we will report it in next week's paper.

Four-year terms are expiring in December for Mayor Kerreen Conley and Councilmembers Bates and Voigt.

Also, Councilmen Beebe and Tom Fielder were appointed in 2023 to terms that expire in December 2025, but they must both run in the November election to finish the terms.

City Council moves toward EV stations all over town

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

On Monday, the Belleville City County advised the city's administration to move forward on getting final contract wording for an agreement that would put electric vehicle charging stations in all the city's parks and parking lots.

Acting City Manager Steve Jones said Charge EV, LLC would install the electric vehicle charging stations without charge to the city and would charge customers for service, giving a small percentage of that back to the city.

He was directed to come back to the council with more specific language in the contract and to present a list of precise locations for the EV stations within the city.

A copy of the sign to be posted at each EV station said "EV Parking While Charging ONLY. Violators Will Be Ticketed," implying city police will monitor and enforce violations.

Jones said he talked with a person in Clarkston who told him this company was fabulous to work with. They get three cents per kilowatt hour and have a five-year lease. Two vehicles can use each station.

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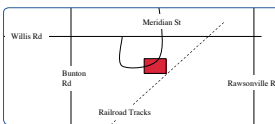
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City Council

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Clarkston, Oxford, and Holly have signed up with this company, which is targeting smaller communities, he said.

John Juriga, a member of the board of the Belleville Area District Library, said he has been working to get EV charging stations in the 90-vehicle parking lot at the library since 2020 and he hopes the city can get three to five stations for that parking lot. He said when he looked into it it would cost \$40,000 to put an EV station into the library/city parking lot.

Jones said the company will put in as many stations as they want. If there are more than four at one location, DTE will have to put in a cabinet.

Resident Mike Renaud said Belleville's contract is for 10 years and the penalties are pretty severe if you pull out before then. There is nothing in the agreement about them being responsible for technical updates, he said, asking, "Do we have to tell them when it's down?"

Deputy Fire Chief Chris Zweng said they know when it's down and the company wants to make money so they will make sure it is operating. Zweng said Ann Arbor paid quite a bit to install EV stations.

Renaud said there's no such thing as a free lunch and there is a risk to this.

In other business at Monday's two-hour-and-20-minute meeting, the council:

- Heard a presentation via Zoom from Leslie Abdoo of FosterSwift law firm on the details of how to either revise or amend the city charter. She recommended proposing the nine-member board and the question of whether to revise the charter on the same election. It's too late for this November's election, so it could be the first one in the spring, once the state decides on the 2024 election schedule;

- Deferred approval of retiree incentives until more precise language could be formulated. A stipend of \$2,000 is proposed if the employee announces retirement six months in advance so the city has time to fill the slot and train the employee. Council members want the agreement to state that the person is really retiring under MERS definition;

- Discussed, at length and hotly, an ordinance proposed by Councilwoman Kelly Bates that would ban traditional cigarettes, eCigarettes, chewing tobacco, pipes, cigars, etc. in all the city buildings, including Victory Station, outdoor restrooms, all parks and parking lots and special events approved by the city, including BORA-DORA district sidewalks. Police would enforce with \$50 tickets. No action was taken;

- Approved paying \$250 per paycheck as token compensation for the extra work being done by Acting City Manager Steve

Jones and Acting Police Chief Kris Faull until the positions are filled with permanent employees. The paychecks are every other week and the pay is retroactive to when they were appointed to the acting positions;

- Approved a network evaluation by a computer consultant for \$1,800 that would provide a full evaluation of the city's system. This is in the wake of the recent crash of the city's server;

- Set a special meeting for 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 26, for a presentation by PFM on city finances for road work and possible interview of a new city manager candidate. Also, the council set a special meeting for 5:30 p.m., Monday, July 31, to interview candidates, including internal candidate Acting City Manager Steve Jones who in the middle of the city's interview process decided to apply for the job. Although he does not have the credentials the city requires for the position, the council is interviewing him as a courtesy;

- Approved accounts payable of \$264,282.85 and the following departmental purchases in excess of \$500: to Ann Arbor Township Fire Department, \$1,000 for fire academy training of Tristan Hugo; to Atchinson Ford Sales, \$557.37 for coolant work on vehicle 218; to Hennessey Engineers, \$1,228.50 for Hillside Cemetery Paving Project and \$1,008 for Victory Station Renovation Project; to Randy Brown Landscape, \$2,597.50, bank clearing by goats – city portion; to Snider Electric, \$885 for replacement of broken light pole head in front of Professional Building; and to Western Wayne County Fire Department Mutual Aid Association, \$3,638.56, annual dues and HIRT Assessment;

- Heard Tracy Hill of South Liberty Street tell of the drivers who are speeding down her street next to Victory Park when the speed limit is 15 mph. She also said the storm drain on that street is not working and what's there blows up into her yard. She also applied for a fence and was turned down and now is looking for a variance, but the three people on the panel don't meet very often;

- Learned city administration is still working with SMART to get a small van to transport seniors and handicapped in the city;

- Heard Jones report that Scoops Ice Cream on E. Huron River Drive will be having outdoor movies from 9 to 11 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays throughout the summer; and

- Learned Mayor Pro-Tem Ken Voigt donated the new clock in the meeting room that has replaced the old clock that was always wrong. Also, the city has replaced the deteriorated window blinds in the meeting room that now can be adjusted to block out the afternoon sun.

VBT Board

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union steward, and retired as assistant of public works. She said she was to begin work on July 24;

- Approved entering into a five-year contract with Motorola Solutions for Body Work Cameras to purchase 34 body cameras and three in-car cameras using a five-year subscription plan to be expensed from State Forfeiture and Technology Purchases accounts. Deputy Police Chief Joshua Monte said the existing body cameras are six years old and at the end of their lives. He said officers now are sharing cameras. Deputy Monte said the cost is \$54,987 in 2023 and then \$47,002 per year, which includes training. Total cost is \$242,995;

- Approved a \$40,000 addendum to the agreement with Fishbeck Associates for the design engineering for the Denton Road Bridge. This expenditure is expected to be reimbursed by the county. Director Akers said the bids on the bridge project are expected to be opened in May of 2024 and construction to begin in July 2024. Survey work has been done, he said;

- Approved special land use by Donyeal Sizemore to change her existing Day Care-Family Home use to a Day Care-Group Home use, as recommended by the planning commission. The home is in Country Walk subdivision and approved by its homeowners' association;

- Approved the first reading of an ordinance to rezone Van Born Road property, east of Sheldon on the north side of the road, from M-1 Light Industrial to M-2 General Industrial as requested by Robert Sloan and recommended by the planning commission. Sloan said there are no plans for a specific use of the property and Supervisor Kevin McNamara said he would like to talk to Sloan about the use;

- Approved the first reading of an ordinance to rezone 16355 Haggerty Rd. from R-1B Single Family Residential to AG-Agricultural and Estates, as recommended by the planning commission. Dan Power, director of planning and economic development, said the Master Plan supports "Rural Settlement" use in the area and there is a lack of sanitary sewer facilities in that section of the township. Property owner Cameron Smyth wants to expand his agricultural use of the 10-acre property and someday have a pick-your-own apple orchard;

- Approved the first reading of an ordinance to increase the maximum allowable height for detached single family dwellings to 2.5 stories or 35 feet in height from the current 2.0 stories and 30 feet. Director Power said this change will bring the township more in line with other municipalities and there are eight parcels, almost nine, in the township

that already have 2.5 stories;

- Approved purchasing two vacant parcels from the Wayne County property foreclosure list. The parcels are located along Denton Road and are needed for the path of the Iron Belle Trail. Costs are \$1,225.93 and \$2,478.12;

- Approved Amendment No. 3 to the FY 2019-22 intergovernmental agreement with Wayne County Parks for improvements to French Landing Park, adding a millage allocation of \$35,997 to the previous allocation of \$99,261 for a total of \$135,258;

- Approved the Senior Alliance Annual Implementation Plan;

- Approved the upgrade and migration of the township's email application to Microsoft 365 Exchange On-line which would reside on Microsoft's Government Cloud Servers. In a memo, IT Director Steve Rankin said, "This is another step in ensuring that the township has the best cyber security protection available to service residents in our Premier Community without interruption";

- Approved the supervisor's reappointments of Leonard Armstrong, Alex Dine, Dave Schreiber (representing Wayne County) and Scott Medlen to the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) with terms to expire Aug. 12, 2027;

- Approved the supervisor's appointment of Peter Creal to the Planning Commission with a term to expire Oct. 1, 2025. Creal is leaving his seat on the Environmental Commission, where he served for five years;

- Heard Supervisor McNamara announce that as of July 19 and to October, parts of Ecorse Road will be closed near Stack's as DTE brings a second gas line into the township; and

- Heard Supervisor McNamara announce the community center is 51% complete and is on time and on budget. Clerk Wright congratulated Director of Community Services Elizabeth Renaud and Deputy Director Tammy Dohring and thanked them for their hard work on this project.

Gov. Whitmer names Sen. Camilleri to her new Growing Michigan council

On July 13, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced that Sen. Darrin Camilleri, D-Trenton, has been selected to serve on her Growing Michigan Together Council.

The council, which the governor said will look at ways to grow Michigan's population and establish a population goal for 2050, will also focus on improving Pre-K-12 educational outcomes and long-term funding solutions for higher education including financial aid.

Sen. Camilleri represents the tri-community in the Michigan Senate.

OPINIONS

Editorial

Should city OK proposed smoke-free ordinance?

Belleville Councilwoman Kelly Bates, who works in Ann Arbor, proposed a smoke-free ordinance for the city at Monday's meeting, based on what Ann Arbor has approved. It applied to all the city buildings, bathrooms, city vehicles, all parks, the Fourth Street Square, and the kayak launch. The first violation would be a fine or community service.

It didn't go over so well.

"This is Belleville, not Ann Arbor," said Police Officer Bart Devos, who said he has smoked for 40 years and enjoys it. He said when he first became an officer, 80% of the officers smoked after upsetting incidents to unwind. He accused her of trying to impose her values on others.

Others in the audience who no longer smoked opposed her plan to ban smoking while the council had approved the BORA DORA procedure that allowed people to walk around drinking alcohol up and down Main Street and in Horizon Park. They called it a sin tax and pointed out smoking cigarettes was not against the law.

One called such an ordinance a sledgehammer approach, when a tack hammer was all that was needed. The city already had problems enforcing the ordinances it has, others said.

It was noted that fewer people are now smoking and the real killer was alcohol. No action was taken on the proposed ordinance. Councilman Bates wiped away her tears.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Larry Bodenmiller, the oldest of three brothers, was a religious man who always carried a rosary and had considered being a priest. He had never smoked.

His niece Shannel Barnett called to tell me that the story on our front page last week about his death in the fire was wrong, especially about the idea that he and his brother smoking together may have been the cause of the fire.

She said Larry's brother, George, did smoke. George was released from the U of M Burn Unit on July 20.

The cause of the fire has yet to be determined, but it started on the screened-in porch, according to the fire department.

The two brothers had taken a long walk on the trails at the Lower Huron Metropark on July 12 and they were going to take a nap. She said Larry was found in his bed and the medical examiner told the family that he died of fumes from the fire.

She said Larry took care of George and they lived together. Now the family will be determining how to take care of George, who needs 24-hour care. She said the third brother is disabled and has a metal plate in his head after being struck by a drunk driver when he was 17.

Shannel said she, too, is disabled and is in a wheelchair. She said the obituary we printed was very nice.

The story we printed had information from the fire department and we are sorry some things weren't quite right.

On Saturday, the Belleville City Council met for almost four hours to interview candidates for the vacant city manager position. One of the candidates held up an *Independent* and asked why the museum had been closed for

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

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Mayor Kerreen Conley chose her words carefully and tactfully explained that the museum was owned by Van Buren Township and is in the heart of the city and the township is trying to determine the best way for the museum to operate. She did a very good job of explaining a very strange situation.

While the city council was interviewing the a candidate for city manager on Saturday, there was a noise in the hallway and a man was pacing outside the city council meeting room windows. He disappeared and then appeared again with his pacing.

At the end of the meeting, when asked, Acting Police Chief Kris Faull explained that the man was very upset because he had just been scammed.

Councilwoman Kelly Bates said that it probably was by someone from a foreign country and Chief Faull said he actually was scammed by someone from Ann Arbor.

The former Mobil gas station at the northwest corner of Haggerty and the North I-94 Service Drive is now demolished. Finally. The tall pylon sign that announces the station to the travelers on I-94 is still in place. Van Buren Township is requiring that to be removed before any construction can begin.

On Tuesday, we got a tip that someone crashed through the gate at the Metropark entrance at Bemis Road and Haggerty/

Savage. Have yet to check that out.

At Monday's regular meeting of the Belleville City Council, fire fighter Garrett Kissel said the blood drive being put on by the fire fighters and the auxiliary is a community event and fire fighters from Sumpter and Van Buren township will be taking part. He suggested people come to the event and dunk VBT Fire Chief Dave McNally in the dunk tank.

The blood drive is from noon to 6 p.m. on Friday, July 28, at LifePointe Church, 45170 Hull Rd. and will feature a bounce house for the kids, food, and fun besides the chance to give blood. To make an appointment online see redcrossblood.org. Or, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

A man came into our office on Monday with a printout he made of a notice he got, supposedly from USPS.COM, saying his shipment was on hold. It said his delivery failed because of an incomplete delivery address and all he had to do to get the delivery as soon as possible was to click the link below and pay the new shipping cost.

He knew it was a scam, but he called the post office anyway and they told him it was a scam. He thought others could be saved from this scam if they knew about it. We're passing it on. Be careful.



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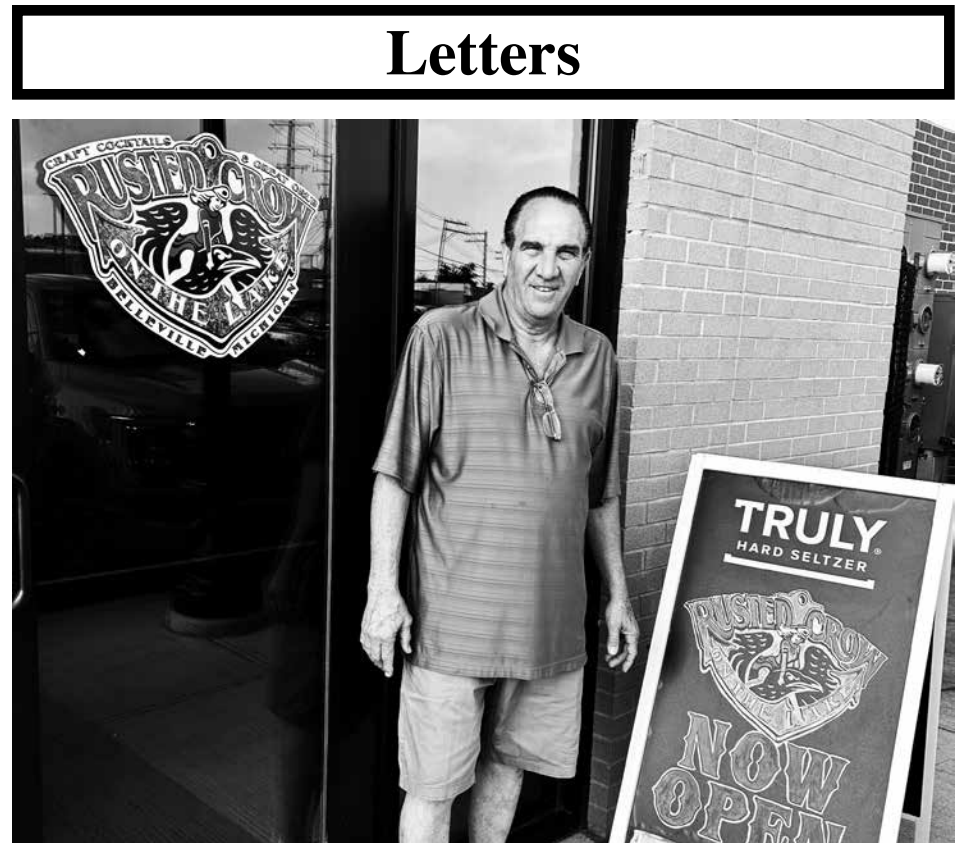


Photo courtesy of Don Sherman
Fred Giordano of Van Buren Township is the owner of the Rustic Crow on the Lake, one of the new restaurants in Belleville.

Rustic Crow on the Lake opens in Belleville

To the editor:

Belleville's dining, drinking, and entertainment prospects have just gained altitude. This June, Fred Giordano opened the Rustic Crow bistro with seating for 125, scrumptious cuisine, reasonable prices, and charming décor. His new restaurant is located at 569 Main Street across from Doane's Landing.

Giordano brings three decades of bar and restaurant experience to our party. Partnering with his brother-in-law Joey Schebel on design and construction, Fred configured the Crow's dining room as a tribute to Belleville Lake with spectacular waterscapes, 26 vintage outboard motors, and dramatic renderings of Henry Ford and Thomas Edison who dammed the Huron River a century ago to create our lake. An upside-down Ercoupe salutes the Rosie the Riveters who manufactured bombers at Willow Run during World War II.

The Rustic Crow opens at 11 a.m., hosting patrons to 9 p.m. Sunday, 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The bar features live entertainment from 8 to 11 p.m. Thursday through Saturday. Take-out is also available.

While its menu is evolving, the Crow now serves special dishes such as its distinctive French fries. Instead of sticks, thin potato slices are cooked in gluten-free oil that curls the fries, adding unforgettable flavor to every bite.

To savor the menu, Google <https://order.toasttab.com/online/rustedcrowonthelake>.

Submitted by Fred Giordano's neighbor and friend,
Don Sherman, Van Buren Township

BACA to dedicate FISH Project to Neil Griffin

To the editor:

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is dedicating the Neil Griffin Community Art Project tonight, July 27, during the intermission of the Music Lakeside performance of Greg Jaqua, Detroit Elvis, in Horizon Park.

In memory of Neil Griffin, a plaque etched with his image, will be presented to his wife Thelma, his family, and his friends. A similar plaque, designed by local artist Steve Paulsen, will be mounted on a post and added to the Community Fish Project.

The Fish Project has been renamed in honor of Neil for his dedication to BACA and for initiating the community art concept. In 2018 Neil and Thelma started the Fish Project by cutting out over 100 wooden fish, distributing them and installing the finished artwork in Horizon Park for the public to enjoy. It was such a success that it has been continued, adding more decorated pieces of art each year.

Neil was a talented artist, a member of the BACA Board of Directors, a graduate of Belleville High School, and a veteran of two world wars. BACA is proud to share his tribute with the community that he served.

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More Letters

We want meeting about impassable dirt roads

To the editor:

This is a letter to Sumpter residents, the Sumpter Township Office, Wayne County Road Commission, and readers of the Belleville *Independent* newspaper.

We, the taxpaying residents in Sumpter Township, want a meeting with the Wayne County Road Commission concerning the impassable dirt roads in Sumpter Township. They are horrible in July. I can't imagine what they will be like in fall or winter. I have lived here for over 30 years and this is worse than any winter.

We want to know why after two months of calling and emailing all we get is lip service.

These roads need to be on a monthly, scheduled, maintenance program.

Many residents are fed up with this situation. We want ACTION, NOT LIP SERVICE!

Please work with us to resolve this issue before it gets any worse.

A notice has been posted in Nexdoor to all residents to email me who want to attend and I have sent a letter to the Wayne County Road Commission and the Belleville *Independent* and Sumpter Township.

Anyone interested in attending please email me at kdemmy56@yahoo.com.

Thank you in advance for your help with this situation.

Karen Demmy
And Your Tax-Paying Residents
Sumpter Township

Thank you for donating for Junior Olympics

To the editor:

We would like to say Thank You to everyone that came out on July 22 and donated or purchased from the girls' candy sale to help get them to Iowa for the Junior Olympics! With your help they have collected \$500.

We really appreciate it and it really means a lot to them to see you all there!

Remember, you can still donate if you would like to help via their Go Fund Me account! We are still in need of your help.

<https://gofund.me/bd310d35>

Thank you again,

Nicole McGuire mother of Rickiya, Ry'Ann and Ry'Leigh Stephenson. And, sister of Je'yda Brown
Belleville

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Van Buren Lake Dawgs looking for players

To the editor:

Hello, baseball fans!

The Van Buren Lake Dawgs travel baseball program is looking for players! If you have a player who loves baseball, wants to get better and improve their skills, and compete in fun and exciting baseball tournaments, the Lake Dawgs have an opportunity for you!

The Lake Dawgs are holding player tryouts on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at LifePointe Church on Hull Road, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. for our 2024 12u team.

The Lake Dawgs are a community-based team, focused on player development, character improvement, having fun, and making great ball players.

If this is something you and your player are interested in, we'd love to meet you on the 9th! For more information, you can reach

the Lake Dawgs at vanburenlakedawgs@gmail.com or on Facebook @LakeDawgs BaseballClub.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Charles Larocque
Van Buren Township

I'm living with my son in Pinckney now

To the editor:

I am living with my son in Pinckney, MI. He lost his wife of 35 years a year ago. It's by the lake. Real peaceful.

I miss Belleville. I know it's been a while since I wrote my last article. Is there a way you could send a copy? My friend told me he saw it.

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Obituaries



Victor Lee Jaszc

VICTOR LEE JASZCZ

JASZCZ, Victor L., age 73, of Ypsilanti, July 22, 2023. Beloved husband of the late Barbara Jaszc. Loving brother of James (the late Marcia) Jaszc, Kathleen (the late John) Faulhaber, Phyllis Vandervoort and Patrick (Sharisse) Jaszc. Dearest uncle of James, Michael, Lisa, John, Diane, Shelley, Steven and Jennifer. He was preceded in death by his parents Stanley and Helen Jaszc and his brother Donald Jaszc. His cremation will take place at "The Witness Crematory" located inside of Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Mayo Clinic or the Liver Foundation.

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Marion D. Landoski

MARION DELORES LANDOSKI

LANDOSKI, Marion D., passed on July 23, 2023. She was born in Carleton on September 23, 1935 and was the daughter of James A. Kelley and Viola Thieson Kelley. She attended St. Patrick Grade School and graduated from St. Mary's Academy in Monroe, MI. She married John A. Landoski on February 11, 1956. During her life she worked as a clerk, school baker, receptionist and did child care. She enjoyed reading, cooking and baking and being with her family. She is survived by her sons Terry (Ellen) from Belleville, son John (Cathy) from Adin, CA and daughter Debra Clor from Waterford, MI. Her grandsons are Nathan, Brandon (Tori) and Scott Landoski and Anthony Clor. One granddaughter Elizabeth Lynn Landoski and great-grandchildren Liam, Delaney, Camden, Chase, Charlotte and Caroline. Preceding her in death is her husband John (2019), her parents, brothers J. Kenneth Kelley, Bryce Kelley and James A. Kelley Jr., sisters Joyce Close and Kathryn Teague McIntyre. Funeral service was Wednesday, July 26, 3:00 PM at Michigan Memorial Funeral Home, (next to Michigan Memorial Park) 30895 Huron River Dr., Huron Twp., (734) 783-2646. Visitation was Wednesday, 12:00 ~ 3:00 PM. Entombment in Michigan Memorial Park.

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Katherine A. Niemann

KATHERINE A. NIEMANN

(August 3, 1943 – July 10, 2023)

Katherine A. Niemann, age 79, of Belleville, MI, passed away Monday, July 10, 2023, at her home. She was born August 3, 1943, in Wayne, MI, the only child of Martin Oscar & Adelaide Cecile (LeGault) Killian. She graduated from high school in 1961 and continued her education at Eastern Michigan University, earning her Master's of Education.

She enjoyed teaching for many years, 16 years for Inkster Schools. She loved anything cat related, garage sales, antique shopping, working in her yard, and a good conversation on the phone with one of her many friends. She was also an avid reader.

Mrs. Niemann is survived by her husband Howard Raymond Niemann; two daughters Jennifer (Yianni) Genimatas of Grass Lake, MI, and Jessica (Ryan) Thompson, two grandsons Marek and Killian Thompson, all of Commerce Township, MI. She is also survived by extended family and friends. Kathy was preceded in death by her parents Marty and Adelaide Killian.

To honor her wishes, dignified cremation rites have been accorded. Arrangements by David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville, MI. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to the ASPCA or an animal rescue of the donor's choice would be appreciated.

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Nancy Tucholski

NANCY TUCHOLSKI

(August 1, 1941 – June 4, 2023)

Nancy Tucholski, 81, of Chandler, AZ, passed away at home Sunday, June 4, 2023, surrounded by family. She is preceded in death by her husband, Art Tucholski, parents & sister Eunice vasBinder.

Born August 1, 1941, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, to Harold & Ruby Clayton, Nancy grew up in nearby Belleville. She met Art Tucholski in 1962 while working at GM & was married on April 20, 1963. Their daughter Janet was born on April 16, 1964.

Nancy earned a Bachelor's from EMU in 1971 & moved to Chandler, AZ in 1972 with her family where she taught English at Chandler High School. She earned a Master's from ASU in 1976, transferring to Galveston School as a counselor; she retired in 1998.

Nancy loved being "Nana" to Katie (25) & Abbey (20) & volunteered for over 25 years rescuing animals. She was an icon to both her family and the cat rescue community.

Nancy & Art were inseparable for over 60 years. They are together once again.

There will be a Celebration of Life Saturday, July 29 @ Noon, at Bueler Mortuary in Chandler, AZ.

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Obituaries



MaryEllen Theresa
(Russell) Mullin

MARYELLEN THERESA MULLIN

(November 24, 1948 – July 17, 2023)

MaryEllen Theresa (Russell) Mullin, age 74, resident of Belleville, passed away on July 17, 2023, at home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on November 24, 1948, to Aloysius Russell and Theresa (Couture) Russell. She graduated from St. Fredericks High School and worked as an accountant for many years while raising a family. MaryEllen was a faithful Catholic and enjoyed church.

She gave easily and willingly to families in need being a servant of Christ; she loved to provide a Christmas to a family that could not afford one. She also helped the homeless any time she could. MaryEllen was an avid reader and loved history and had quite a collection of books; some were antique. Other joys in life for MaryEllen were swimming, traveling to Niagara Falls, and crocheting. And let's not forget she loved to listen to oldies and Motown music. Most of all, she loved her family.

MaryEllen is survived by her husband of 55 years Lester Mullin of Belleville, MI; her children Michael (Karen) Mullin, of Jerome MI, Christine (John) Taylor of Ypsilanti, MI, Shawn (Sunday) Mullin of Inkster, MI, Craig (Rachel) Mullin of Northville, MI, Theresa (David) Mitchell of Belleville, MI, Angela Altobello of Clare, MI; her sister Margaret Russell of Tacoma, WA; her grandchildren Brad (Ashley), Kristen (Carlos), Emily (Tim), Jesse, Charles, Payton, Lakara, Keelan, Hannah, Amanda (David) Sonny (Eric), Joshua (Rebecca), Crista (Darren) Elizabeth (Nicholas), Alissa, David, Nicholas, Ariana, Michael, Zachery, Carea (Otto) Trinity, Cameron, Jasmine, Richard and Anthony; her 23 great-grandchildren; as well as many nieces and nephews, cousins and a host of friends and neighbors.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother, and her uncle.

A visitation for MaryEllen was held Sunday, July 23, 2023, from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI. A funeral service was held Monday, July 24, 2023, at St. Anthony's Catholic Church at 11 a.m. with an hour visitation before Mass, with Father Bryan Shackett as celebrant. Interment was at White Chapel Cemetery, 621 W. Long Lake Road, Troy, MI 48098. Memorial donations can be made to the wishes of the family.

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GARY BRIAN CLEGHORN

(March 9, 1963 – July 17, 2023)

Age 60, of Ypsilanti, formerly of Belleville. BHS class of 1981. Served in U.S. Navy; 35 years at Delta Airlines as equipment service operator. Survived by wife Deborah, daughter Melissa, siblings Glenn and Terrinda.

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Theodore Norman "Joe"
Wisniewski

THEODORE NORMAN WISNIEWSKI

(July 11, 1930 – July 21, 2023)

Theodore Norman "Joe" Wisniewski, age 93, a lifelong resident of Belleville, MI, passed away late Friday, July 21, 2023, at the home he built in 1954, surrounded by his loving family. He was born July 11, 1930, in Detroit, MI, son of Theodore Zygmund & Rose Helen (Giba) Wisniewski.

He worked as a lifeguard at his parents' family-owned business Edison Lake Beach until he was drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He earned the Korean Ribbon and Sharpshooter, too! He was a member of VFW Post 58. He worked in air freight for Northwest Airlines for over 40 years before he retired. He was an active member of St. Anthony Catholic Church, Belleville, MI, where he was a Eucharistic Minister and on the Parish Council and ministered to the sick. Joe was a spiritual, loving, caring, and sharing man. It has been said that he was the #1 husband, dad, and grandpa. He will be missed.

Mr. Wisniewski is survived by 8 children: Beverly (Frank) Whitby of Milford, MI, Norman (Nancy) Wisniewski of Belleville, MI, Paul (Becky) Wisniewski of Ypsilanti, MI, Kathy (Dean) Ackron and Ted (Debbie) Wisniewski, both of Belleville, Christi (Bill) Birchmeier of Ann Arbor, MI, Adam (Dena) Wisniewski of Brighton, MI, and Karen (Jeff) Martoia of Livonia, MI; 23 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren, one great-great-grandson, also numerous nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Neva Jeanne (Curtis) Wisniewski, and also a sister Genevieve Gravelindinger.

Visitation was Tuesday with a time for sharing and Rosary, and Wednesday, with a Rosary, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734)697-4500. A Funeral Mass will be 11:00 AM, Thursday, July 27, at St. Stephen's Catholic Church, 18858 Huron River Dr., New Boston, MI 48164 with Father John Hedges as Celebrant. Entombment will follow in Michigan Memorial Park, Flat Rock, MI.

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DONALD PAUL VARNEY

Age 62, of Ypsilanti, died July 20, 2023, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor. Visitation 4-8 p.m. Monday, July 31; Funeral 11 a.m. Tuesday, August 1, at David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville. Rev. Robert J. White will officiate. Interment at Washtenong Memorial Park, Ann Arbor. www.davidcbrownfh.com



Michael Thomas Ives

MICHAEL THOMAS IVES

(September 27, 1950 – July 21, 2023)

Michael Thomas Ives, age 72, of Romulus, MI, passed away Friday, July 21, 2023, at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, MI. He was born September 27, 1950, in Ypsilanti, MI, son of Gordon Philip & Elizabeth A. (Power) Ives. He graduated from Belleville High School, class of 1968.

He went on to earn both a Bachelor's and Master's of Science in Chemistry from Eastern Michigan University. He was the Chief Chemist for Heatbath-Park for 42 years before his retirement.

Michael was a lifelong member of St. Anthony's Catholic Church, in Belleville, MI. Michael was the Music Director at the church for 20 years. He studied at Sacred Heart Seminary for several years, as well. He enjoyed sailing and racing his sailboat, especially from Bayview to Mackinaw. Michael loved to travel and camp. He enjoyed taking numerous cooking classes and was an amazing cook. But most of all he loved his family and enjoyed spending time together hosting and celebrating many years of family holidays. He especially enjoyed Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas holidays with family.

Mr. Ives is survived by his brother Albert Ives, sister Elizabeth (Harold) Kelsey, both of Belleville, MI, as well as his nieces Betsy (Mark) and Cindy (John) and nephews Rich (Lisa) and Scott (Shawn) as well as numerous great nieces and nephews, colleagues, and many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents and also a brother Philip Gordon Ives.

A visitation took place with a prayer service on Tuesday, July 25, at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Drive, Belleville, MI 48111. A Funeral Mass was held on Wednesday, July 26, 2023, with an hour visitation before the Mass at St. Anthony's Catholic Church, 409 W. Columbia Ave., Belleville, MI. Father Bryan Shackett served as Celebrant. Burial followed at Michigan Memorial Park in Flat Rock, MI.

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Edward Samuel Varton

EDWARD S. VARTON

(January 19, 1934 - July 21, 2023)

Edward Samuel Varton, age 89, of Belleville, MI, passed away Friday, July 21, 2023, at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit, MI. He was born January 19, 1934, in Dearborn, MI, son of Samuel & Sophia (Rybicki) Varton. He attended Lowrey High School in Dearborn, MI.

He owned and operated American Generator with his brother Daniel, first in Melvindale, MI, then in Westland, MI, for many years. He continued to enjoy working with his hands into his retirement. Many friends and neighbors would ask for help fixing various mechanical things. Eddie enjoyed fishing, antique cars, auctions, and attending car shows. He was a social guy who loved getting coffee at Belleville Road McDonald's and visiting friends. He loved walking through and sitting in the Huron River Metro Park. He was a great friend and fantastic brother and will be missed dearly.

Eddie is survived by his brother Daniel (Rosy) Varton of Canton, MI; sister Carol Romba Milhizer of Livonia, MI; nieces & nephews: Jennifer (Eddy) Gurney, Eric (Amy) Varton, Dean (Missy) Varton, Alissa Varton, Stephen, Frank, Raymond, Noreen, and Karen; great-nieces & nephews: Elizabeth, Noah, and Madeline; a stepson Donald R. Chance; three grandchildren: Craig (Jennifer) Chance of Ypsilanti, MI, Shiela Chance and Garrett Chance; both of Belleville, MI; four great-grandchildren: Nicole, Kate, Nick, and Zack; also numerous friends and neighbors. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife Mildred Louise (Mullins) Varton, also a brother Albert Wikowski.

Visitation will be Friday 4-8 PM and 10-11 AM Saturday, July 29, 2023 with an 11:00 AM Funeral at David C. Brown Funeral Home, 460 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111-2764 (734)697-4500. Pastor Gordon Moore will officiate. Interment will follow in Union-Udell Cemetery, Ypsilanti Township, MI.

Memorial contributions may be made to the family and would be appreciated.

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Michael Joseph Dooley

MICHAEL JOSEPH DOOLEY

(May 9, 1956 - July 14, 2023)

Preceded in death by parents Robert and Elizabeth Dooley and sister Michele DePlanche; survived by son Derek Dooley (Hilary); grandkids Lucas, Jackson and Raivyn; sister Catherine (John) Monteith, sister Maureen (Frederick) Santilli. He is also survived by one niece Jennifer (Paul) Boucher and one nephew Anthony (Rachel) Santilli; 4 great nephews/nieces Maddie, Grace, Aiden and Mason and many cousins.

His close friends were a blessing; they were always there for him and were always willing to help. He was dearly loved by his family and his family meant everything to him. He will be missed more than words can express.

Mike grew up in Detroit and attended Bishop Borgess High School. He has lived in Van Buren Township for many years. He was a hard worker who retired from Ford Motor Company and also previously worked for Gorman's Furniture for many years.

Court Watching

All three defendants end up pleading guilty to Egypt's 2017 murder

Two of the men charged in connection with Egypt Covington's 2017 murder pleaded guilty as their jury trial date neared.

The trial for Shandon R Groom, 30, and Timothy Eugene Moore, 37, both of Toledo was set to begin on July 24.

Instead, last week, both men pleaded guilty to second-degree murder. Moore also pleaded guilty to one count of felony firearm. Because of the pleas, charges of first-degree murder, felony murder, first-degree home invasion, and felony firearm were dismissed against the pair.

A third suspect, Shane Lamar Evans, 34, of Sumpter Township is currently in prison after pleading guilty to the same charge. He was sentenced to 15-25 years in May.

As part of his plea, Evans was going to testify against Groom and Moore at trial.

All three would have faced life in prison if convicted of the original charges. They have all been in the Wayne County Jail since their arrests in late 2020.

After the murder, Van Buren police began investigating, but Michigan State Police took over the investigation in August 2020. Evans and Moore were arrested in November 2020 and Groom was taken into custody in December 2020.

Cell phone records and GPS locations were used to place Evans, Moore, and

Groom at the scene of the crime.

Prosecutors said the men also stole Covington's cell phone, which pinged to the same location as their phones before they threw it away.

All three men were bound over for trial in 2021 after a preliminary exam before 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green.

MSP said there was a fourth suspect, but

the person was shot and killed after the crime.

Egypt was a 2007 graduate of Belleville High School and a popular local singer. She was employed as an account manager for beer and wine distributor Rave and had worked at Johnny's on the Lake and Bayou Grill in Belleville.

Court Watching

Armeka Thomas arraigned on 16 charges in Van Buren Township incident

By Rosemary K. Otzman

Independent Editor

Armeka Devonta-Marquis Thomas, 30, of Ypsilanti was video-arraigned Friday on 16 charges by 34th District Court Magistrate Al Hindman while in custody at the Van Buren Township Police Department.

His bond was set at \$50,000 cash and a probable cause conference scheduled for Aug. 2.

Thomas is accused of committing the offenses on July 19 in Van Buren Township.

He is charged with:

- Possession of 50-449 grams of narcotic or cocaine;
- Three counts of possession of firearms by a felon;
- Three counts of possession of ammunition by a felon;
- One count of carrying a concealed weapon;
- Seven counts of felony firearm; and
- One count of assaulting / resisting / obstructing a police officer.

If he bonds out, he must have no firearms and be fitted with a GPS tether.

Michigan Department of Corrections lists him as a probation absconder from Ann Arbor/Washtenaw offenses of assaulting

and fleeing a police officer.

In describing the arrest, Van Buren Township Deputy Chief Joshua Monte said officers arrested Thomas, at approximately 8 p.m. on July 19.

A Van Buren officer initially observed the vehicle Thomas was driving, traveling on Rawsonville near Grove and determined the vehicle was wanted out of Washtenaw County. An investigation was conducted in the parking lot of the Speedway gas station on Rawsonville Rd.

Deputy Chief Monte said Thomas, who was the driver and lone occupant of the vehicle, refused to show a driver's license or comply with the officer's orders. Thomas eventually exited the vehicle and attempted to flee on foot. The officer pursued Thomas on foot catching and tackling him in the parking lot of the gas station.

Back-up officers, including deputies from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, arrived to assist as Thomas continued to resist arrest. He was eventually handcuffed after a brief struggle with officers. The Van Buren officer suffered minor injuries during the struggle to take Thomas into custody, Deputy Chief Monte said.

Monte said Thomas was found to be in possession of multiple loaded handguns, including a drum-fed, AR-style pistol. He also was in possession of a large quantity of cocaine, marijuana, amphetamine pills, oxycodone pills and hydrocodone pills, Monte said.

Thomas was charged as a habitual offender for his previous felony convictions.

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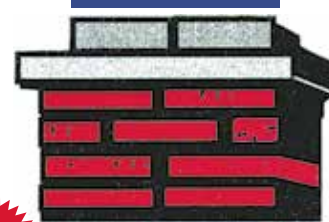
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Sheep Show 9am	Horse Show 9am	Horse Show 9am	Horse Show 9am	Horse show 9am	Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm
NO CARNIVAL	Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm	Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm	Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm	Goat Pet class 10am	Food Trucks 11am-10pm
	Food Trucks 11am-10pm	Food Trucks 11am-10pm	Food Trucks 11am-10pm	Goat Pack class 11am	Carnival 1pm
	Carnival 6pm	Carnival 4pm	Carnival 6pm	Food Trucks 11am-10pm	Mid Michigan Mini Tractor Pull 7:30pm
	Goat show 6pm	Dairy show 5pm	Goat show 6pm	Carnival 1pm	
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Crazy Craig Juggling Show 1pm & 4pm
Carnival 2pm
Livestock auction dinner 5pm

Friday, August 4th

Pig Trail 8am
Horse show 9am
Goat Pet class 10am
Goat Pack class 11am
Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm
Food Trucks 11am-10pm
Carnival 1pm
Night of Destruction with Unique Motor Sports 7:30pm \$10 at the Grandstand

Saturday, August 5th

Master Stockman contest 10am
Crafters/Vendors 11am-10pm
Food Trucks 11am-10pm
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Mid Michigan Mini Tractor Pull 7:30pm

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All About the Arts at the Ted Scott Campus at the Wayne County Community College on Haggerty Road will consist of two upcoming free concerts starting with Whiskey for Ransom on Wednesday, Aug. 2, from 7 to 8 p.m. and Aisha Ellis Trio and Deblon Jackson on Wednesday, Aug. 16, also from 7 to 8 p.m. The shows will be held at The Ted Scott Environmental Terrace on campus. Bring a chair and refreshments, but no alcohol. See their ad in today's paper and call (734) 374-3200.

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The traffic around Five Points was a little busier than usual last Saturday afternoon, especially if you were trying to make your way to A & W on East Columbia, like I was. The reason? The Belleville High School Football Team was holding a car wash across the street at the Loranger Family Chiropractic Center and vehicles were rolling up from all

directions. After parking down the street, I finally made it up to A&W's walk-up window. It felt like halftime at the concessions at a BHS home game. A beautiful day it was and hopefully a successful fundraiser for our hometown back-to-back state champions. Go, Tigers!

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts' Music Lakeside concert series at Horizon Park continues this Thursday, July 27, at 7 p.m. with Greg Jaqua as Detroit Elvis. The free concerts are held rain or shine and will move into the Belleville First United Methodist Church across the street in case of bad weather. At 8 p.m., the Belleville Area Council for the Arts will hold a dedication ceremony of the Neil Griffin Community Fish Project in honor of Neil Griffin, a former BACA board member and founder with his wife of the wooden fish project that the public helps to design and display every summer in Horizon Park. Next week, The Smoke Jones Detroit Band will perform. Food trucks will also be there.

Thunder Over Michigan Air Show weekend is coming up at Willow Run Airport Aug. 12-13 with two drive-up-and-park shows on Saturday and two shows Sunday. While there will be no military jet teams this year, the airshow will feature a jet that hasn't flown in our neighborhoods in a long, long time. Both morning shows will feature an exhibition performance of F-15 Strike Eagles from the 366th Fighter Wing, based at Mountain Home Air Force Base in Idaho. Also performing at both morning shows is the F-22 Raptor Demo, KC 135 Stratotanker Demo, and P-51 Mustangs. Both afternoon shows will feature demos with the B-29 Stratofortress, B-24 Liberator, Trainer Heritage Flight, P-47D, Fg-1D Corsair, Lim-5 and P-51 Mustangs. On the ground in static display will be the F-35 B Lightning II, F-18's, F-16s, and many other vintage and civil aircraft. For tickets, gate, and showtimes go to www.yankeeairmuseum.org. This year marks the airshow's 25th Anniversary.

With August around the corner, Milton's Pharmacy on Main Street will once again be holding a backpack giveaway on Saturday, Aug. 12, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., while supplies last. Parents must bring their children, with a limit of two backpacks per family. See their ad in today's paper.



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- **Friday, July 28** – Red Cross Blood Drive from noon to 6 p.m. at LifePointe Church, 45170 Hull Rd., sponsored by the Belleville Fire Department and Auxiliary. To make an appointment go to www.redcross.org/give-blood (sponsor code: BellevilleFire) or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).
- **Friday, July 28** – Tacos & Margaritas from 5 to 7 p.m. (or until they run out) at Pvt. James D. Donovan/Romulus VFW Post, 39270 W. Huron River Dr., Romulus. (734) 941-3030
- **Monday, July 31** – Belleville Farmers Market at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.
- **Monday, July 31** – Egan’s Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets
- **Thursday, Aug. 3** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by “The Smoke Jones Detroit Band.” In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.
- **Saturday, Aug. 5** – “Collie Day in the Park,” 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Lower Huron Metro Park in Belleville. Hosted by Greater Brighton Collie Club and Tri-County Collie Rescue. All welcome. Information: (248) 408-0238
- **Saturday, Aug. 5** – Comic Fest outside the Belleville Area District Library from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. for all ages. Hosting artists at Artists’ Alley, games, prizes, and fun workshops. Looking for artists to join in.

- **Sunday, Aug. 6** – Bugles Across America starts at 7:15 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial on High Street on the lake in the city of Belleville. The brief ceremony honors all veterans, living and dead, with a pledge to the flag, National Anthem, and Taps. Everyone welcome.
- **Monday, Aug. 7** – Belleville Farmers Market at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.
- **Monday, Aug. 7** – Egan’s Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets
- **Thursday, Aug. 10** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by “Temperance Tonic.” In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.
- **Saturday, Aug. 12** – Sumpter Police Department presents “Stuff a Truck” behind

- the police station on the festival grounds from noon to 4 p.m. Kids can come touch the trucks that will be parked there and the public is asked to bring school supplies to stuff into a township vehicle.
- **Saturday, Aug. 12** – Shawnee Lawson of Van Buren Township is holding “Ellie’s School Send-Off” from 3 to 6 p.m. at Heritage Park Amphitheater in Canton. This is in memory of her daughter Elliana Oygarden and to benefit The SUDC (Sudden Unexplained Death in Childhood) Foundation. Guests can make a \$15 donation at bit.ly/ElliesSchoolSendoff or donate \$18 at the door. Face painting, Kona Ice, Animal Magic Show, bounce house, raffles
- **Monday, Aug. 14** – Belleville Farmers Market at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.
- **Monday, Aug. 14** – Egan’s Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather

- permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets
- **Wednesday, Aug. 16** – Wayne County Community College, Ted Scott Environmental Terrace, 9555 Haggerty Rd., 7 p.m., free concert. Performing are Aisha Ellis Trio and Deblon Jackson, who are from Detroit. The trio will play jazz and will be joined by flautist Jackson.
- **Thursday, Aug. 17** – Music Lakeside, 7-9 p.m., Horizon Park, Belleville. Entertainment by “Laura Rain & the Caesars.” In case of rain concerts are held at Belleville First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St.
- **Monday, Aug. 21** – Belleville Farmers Market at the Fourth Street Place and Square. Fresh produce, vendors, and crafters, 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Belleville Central Business Community.
- **Monday, Aug. 21** – Egan’s Pub Main Street Car Show, Mondays (weather permitting), June - September. 5-8 p.m. Main Street between Third and Fifth streets

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The concert at Quirk Park in Van Buren Township on July 19 featured The Rhythm Kings Detroit. There was a large turnout. The concert was sponsored by VBT Parks and Recreation.

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Belleville DDA votes to grant/loan Health Markets \$7,915 for sign

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

The Belleville Downtown Development Authority voted to give Michael Gatter, owner of Health Markets at 186 Main St., \$7,915 as a 50% grant and a 50% loan over three years.

This was at the DDA's July 19 meeting where Gatter's application was considered for a \$10,000 grant/loan for work on his building facade. Gatter, of Van Buren Township, did not attend the meeting.

It was noted that Gatter had already done the improvements that he wanted the DDA money for and that was not the proper step.

Mayor Kerreen Conley said Gatter had painted the brick white which was against the overlay district the DDA put in place a few years ago. There was to be no painting of brick. She said there had been some brick repair and he closed off the Second Street entrance and the former ATM with brick. There were glass doors and windows added.

The building was already ADA accessible, she said.

Signage was the only thing left on the list of things that could get grants, Mayor Conley said. She said he is working through the city for approval of the signage so that is not yet in place.

She made a motion to grant him the \$7,915 grant/loan for the signage and it was passed

unanimously by the DDA. DDA members Ivan Ankwatsa and Valerie Kelley-Bonner were absent from the meeting.

DDA member Jennifer Winter said when Egan's Pub got its facade grant/loan from the DDA they wanted to paint the brick at the top and were told they couldn't because of the overlay district rules that banned painting the brick.

"Can I get out my paintbrush now?" she asked, since Gatter was able to paint his brick. She got no reply.

The former Douglas Carpet building also had its brick recently painted white by new owner 240 Main LLC.

Acting City Manager Steve Jones said that Gatter first applied before the April 19 meeting, but something was incorrect on the application and had to be corrected. It was ready for the May meeting, but there were no DDA meetings in May or June.

In other business at the July 19 meeting, the DDA:

- Learned DDA member Ivan Ankwatsa told DDA chairperson Alicia McGovern verbally before this meeting that he will no longer be coming to DDA meetings because he is busy opening up another business location. She said she is waiting for a written resignation, but this means there now are two open seats on the DDA. She asked for those willing to serve to

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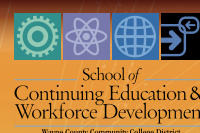


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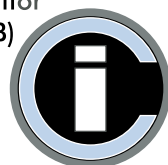
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apply for the positions. Mayor Conley, who makes the appointments, said one would be an at-large seat and one for someone who lives in the DDA district;

- Discussed possible repair and paving of the South Street alley;

- Discussed a new proposed event sponsorship form;

- Discussed a possible increase in the fascade grants offered;

- Discussed working to coordinate the Booville events in October. It was noted last year Booville was not led by anybody, but the Central Business Community came in with its events. The members were positive about leading the way like they did the year before. Mayor Conley ;

- Heard brief committee reports. City Manager Jones said the DDA can buy tickets to practically any event with the balance of its money on the advertising incentives it had. He said the last round of ticket giveaways had a very slow response and maybe they should at multiple ways to sign up. Chairperson McGovern suggested putting it in *VB Today* magazine. DDA

Treasurer Sabrina Richardson-Williams of the art committee said maybe the DDA could work with the library on its upcoming Comic Book Festival;

- Approved accounts payable for May, June, and July, since there were no meetings in May or June;

- Heard Jones report that the light pole at Hayward's got hit again. It now has an acrylic globe so it costs less to repair. He said a Faygo truck nudged the pole. He said so far this year poles have been hit at the South Street arcade, The Hair Station (former Barber Bob's), at 152 Main St., and Hayward's;

- Heard Richardson-Williams ask why there is a late fee of \$15 for the AT&T bill. Jones said they will look into it; and

- Moved the next DDA meeting to 6 p.m., Tuesday, Aug. 15, in order to get a quorum. Richardson-Williams said she is on a committee of the Detroit Yacht Club board to interview those running for director and she doesn't know if she can make the meeting.

Court Watching

Kenyatta Khuru Davis, 27, of Romulus is charged with fleeing a police officer, retail fraud-second degree, and driving while license suspended on June 9 in Van Buren Township. His live probable cause conference was scheduled for July 5 before 34th District Court Chief Judge Brian Oakley, but he said he had no transportation. He was advised he could request a zoom hearing from Judge Oakley. A bench warrant for failure to appear was issued on July 14. The defendant called the court on July 17 and was advised to talk to his attorney.

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Angelique Lana White

On May 11, 2022 Angelique Lana White, 23, of Westland pled no contest to a new charge of operating while intoxicated-first offense on Jan. 1, 2022 in Van Buren Township. Her original charge was operating while intoxicated-second offense, which was dismissed. She was sent to probation for a sentencing report. Sentencing was set for July 10 and then adjourned until Aug. 10.

On Aug. 10, Judge Oakley sentenced her to fines of \$1,300, serving house arrest on an alcohol monitor for not more than 60 days, 48 hours of community service, substance abuse treatment, and others.

Damion Eugene Devine

Damion Eugene Devine of Maplewood, MN, was present via video from the Wayne County Jail for his probable cause conference on May 18, 2022 on a charge of fleeing police in a vehicle on April 9, 2022 in Van Buren Township. His preliminary exam was set for May 25. He posted bond of \$10,000/10%. His attorney had a house fire so the exam was reset to June 29. His charge was reduced to fleeing and he was deposed on a guilty plea. Judge Green sentenced him to 60 days in jail and then gave him credit for serving 60 days.

Marshaw Anthony Black

Marshaw Anthony Black, 27, of Inkster was charged with two counts of domestic violence on April 19, 2022 in Van Buren Township. Bond was set at \$15,000/10% and he must not return to an address in Parkwood apartments. On May 4, 2022 the bond was reduced to \$2,500 personal recognizance.

On May 18, 2022 a pretrial was held and Judge Green dismissed the charges on a motion of the defendant.

Shamir Shaquille Peggs

Shamir Shaquille Peggs, 28, of Romulus was arraigned May 27, 2022 by Judge Martin on charges of home invasion-3rd degree and malicious destruction of property of a building more than \$200 in Van Buren Township on May 26. His probable cause conference was set for June 15, 2022 and he was to have no contact with the victim. He was free on \$10,000 personal bond.

On June 15 he failed to appear and his attorney Lauren Anderson said she didn't have a good phone number to contact him and she would mail him information or send someone to his home address. Judge Martin adjourned the conference to July 6 and on that date his preliminary exam was

set for Oct. 11. On Oct. 11 it was reset for Nov. 22, 2022 and dismissed on a motion of the defense. Case closed.

He was then charged with domestic violence on Oct. 11, 2022 in Romulus. A final pretrial was set for April 5, 2023 and then set for May 10. On May 10, the final pretrial was adjourned until June 14 because attorney Josh Hadley said they are looking for a global resolution with this case and a related case at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice with the same victim. The complainant was present on May 10 and will not have to return on June 14.

On June 14, the attorney was still looking for a global resolution and the case was adjourned to July 5. This was then adjourned to Aug. 9. Judge Martin discovered a warrant in the file for a home invasion-1st degree in Romulus on Feb. 9. She recalled the warrant and set that case for a June 21 court date. Then an Aug. 9 probable cause conference was set.

Michael Anthony Conroy

Michael Anthony Conroy, 50, of Taylor is charged with unlawful imprisonment, domestic violence-second offense, and interfering with a crime report on May 17, 2022 in Van Buren Township. He was present via video for his probable cause conference from the Wayne County Jail on June 1. His defense attorney said although his bond was set at \$1,500 (\$15,000/10%), he is on a parole hold and needs his preliminary exam as soon as possible. Judge Martin set his live preliminary exam for June 15, 2022. On June 15, Judge Martin dismissed the charges on a motion of the defense attorney.

Blake Alexander Metzger

Blake Alexander Metzger, 19, of Ypsilanti, was charged with felonious assault, malicious destruction of property (\$200 to \$1,000) and domestic violence on May 23, 2022 in Van Buren Township. He was free on \$5,000 personal bond and could not return to an address on Sylvia Drive or have any contact with the victim.

On June 1 he was before Judge Martin for his probable cause conference and she adjourned it until June 15 because defense attorney Sofia Nelson needed discovery. Then, the live preliminary exam was set for July 26 and the felony charge dismissed because the prosecutor could not continue. A remote final pretrial was set for Aug. 23 on the other charges. A final pretrial was then set for Sept. 19 and the victim must appear. Charges are no longer on the district court record.

Robert Tyrone Riley-Harrison

The live preliminary examination for

Robert Tyrone Riley-Harrison, 29, of Garden City was set for 2:30 p.m., July 20, 2022 before Judge Martin. He is charged with assault with a dangerous weapon, malicious destruction of personal property more than \$200 and domestic violence on May 31, 2022 in Van Buren Township.

His personal bond remained at \$5,000 and he cannot return to an address on Haggerty Road or contact the victim.

On July 20, 2022, the court was advised by the prosecutor, Sona Movsisyan, that the complaining witness was unwilling to cooperate and so she could not continue the case. Defense attorney Brendon Debolski made a motion to dismiss the charges without prejudice and Judge Martin granted the motion.

Selina Renee Trice-Cornelius

Selina Renee Trice-Cornelius of Mount Morris was arraigned by video from the Van Buren lock up on May 31, 2022 on a charge of domestic violence on May 29, 2022 in Van Buren Township. Judge Green set personal bond of \$10,000 and she is to have no contact with the victim. A remote pretrial was set for June 8. That was adjourned until June 22 and the complaining witness was required to appear by zoom.

On June 21, 2022 the case was dismissed on a motion of the defense because the phlebotomist was not available to testify. Case closed.

Then it was learned the wrong case was dismissed and a pretrial was held Aug. 24 on a domestic violence charge. She pled guilty to a reduced charge of disorderly person-jostling and the domestic violence charge was dismissed. Judge Martin fined her \$345.

Defense attorney Catrina Farrugia said her client is a nursing assistant and her son is a troubled youth. Trice-Cornelius told Judge Martin that she had an altercation with her son, it got quite loud, and the police were contacted.

Frank Leonard Anderson

Frank Leonard Anderson, 28, of Sumpter Township was arraigned on a bench warrant by Magistrate Al Hindman on June 9, 2022. He is charged with assault & battery, disorderly person, two counts of malicious destruction of property, and breaking & entering (illegal entry) on Nov. 18, 2021 in Van Buren Township. His remote pretrial was set for June 16 and he was released on

\$3,000 personal bond.

He had failed to appear for his jury trial on April 12 and so a warrant was put out for his arrest. The warrant was cancelled once he was in custody. He said his attorney gave him the wrong court date. A live bench trial was scheduled for July 7, 2022.

July 7, his bench trial was held before Judge Martin. He pled guilty to one count of malicious destruction of property and the other charge of malicious destruction of property, counts of assault and battery, and disorderly person were dismissed. He also pled guilty to a charge of trespassing, which was the reduced charge of breaking & entering (illegal entry). Sentencing was set for Aug. 8. Police report no victim contact information in the file, so a letter was to be sent to have the victim who had lived on Parkwood be present for the sentencing. A review of the situation was scheduled for July 28.

At that time the court reported it had received a call from the victim, who is legally blind, and the victim is still waiting on the apartment manager to give documentation to the court for damages. She was directed to ask someone to help her get into a zoom hearing. The case was

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scheduled for review on Aug. 4.

On Aug. 4, an estimate from Parkwood management was presented, plus a memo to the judge saying the tenant is responsible for repairs.

The fine of \$2,250 was added to the current payment plan for a total of \$3,000. This is to be paid in \$50 payments beginning Aug. 19, with the last payment due July 19, 2027.

Ashton Linn Brooks

Kerry Williams

The live preliminary exams for Ashton Linn Brooks, 30, of Detroit and Kerry Williams, 31, of Detroit, who had the same charges on the same date in Van Buren Township, were waived on June 8, 2022 and the cases were bound over to circuit court for June 22 arraignments on the information. The calendar conference was set for July 14 and the pretrial for Williams set for Aug. 10 and for Brooks on Aug. 11.

They are charged with possession of burglar's tools and larceny from a motor vehicle on April 5, 2022 in Van Buren Township.

On Aug. 10, Williams' calendar conference was set for Sept. 20. On Aug. 11, Brooks' pretrial was set for Sept. 20, and then reset for Oct. 27. On Oct. 27 there was an attorney stand-in and the pretrial was rescheduled for Dec. 1 and then reset to Dec. 6. This was adjourned until Jan. 9. On that date the burglar tools count was dismissed and she pled no contest to the larceny from a motor vehicle charge. Judge Bridget Hathaway sentenced her to probation.

Williams' pretrial was set for Sept. 30. He failed to appear so a bench warrant was signed for his arrest.

Dawson Lorin Wills

Dawson Lorin Wills, 21, of Van Buren Township was charged with assault with a dangerous weapon (felonious assault) and weapons-felony firearm on May 25, 2022 in Van Buren Township. On June 8, he waived his preliminary exam and was bound over to circuit court for a June 22 arraignment on the information. His final conference was set for Aug. 17 and then set for Sept. 8. On Sept. 8 he pled guilty to both charges and sentencing was set for Oct. 7. He was free

on \$5,000 personal bond and must have no contact with the victim. His case has been removed from the court records website.

Martin Edward Fick

Martin Edward Fick, 28, of Romulus was charged with domestic violence on June 3, 2022 in Van Buren Township. Personal bond of \$25,000 was set and he is to stay away from an address on Holly Lane and the complaining victim. A remote pretrial with appearance by zoom was set for June 28. A final pretrial was held July 12 and the charge was dismissed on a motion of the defense.

Shane Lorin Wills

On June 15, Shane Lorin Wills, 45, of Van Buren Township, was arraigned and charged with an assault or assault and battery on May 25, 2022 in Van Buren Township. He was free on \$5,000 personal bond and must have no contact with the complaining witness. He was scheduled for remote pre-trial on Aug. 31.

On Aug. 31, his attorney Daniel Mercier said discovery was sent to him five minutes ago and so the pretrial was adjourned until Oct. 12, 2022.

At that time, he pled guilty to a reduced charge of disorderly person and was given a fine of \$345.

Steven Lowell Cinnamon

Steven Lowell Cinnamon, 31, of Van Buren Township was charged with assault or assault and battery on Aug. 12, 2021 in Van Buren Township. He was present by zoom June 22, 2022 for his arraignment/pretrial before Judge Green. A final pretrial was set for July 6 when the complainant must appear.

Judge Green pointed out there were two Huron Township cases pending, so they would also set a date for those. He said he knew he was behind in his time payments to the court on other cases.

On July 6, the complainant appeared and said he wanted the case dismissed. Judge Green dismissed the case.

Tedarall Antoine White

Tedarall Antoine White, 45, of Van Buren Township is charged with operating while intoxicated, third, on June 15, 2022 in Van Buren Township. He was due for his probable cause conference on June 29. Prosecutor Bryn Bailey said he is eligible for a diversion program with the potential to reduce his charge to a misdemeanor.

Judge Green set another probable cause conference for July 6 so this possibility could be addressed.

On July 6, a preliminary exam date was set for 11:30 a.m., Aug. 10. On Aug. 10, his attorney Danien Woodson had a family emergency and the exam was reset. The case was scheduled for review on Aug. 24. A live preliminary exam was set for Sept. 28, but a probable cause conference was held. The live preliminary exam was reset for Oct. 1.

On that date the exam was held and Judge Green bound him over to circuit court for an Oct. 26 arraignment on the information. A calendar conference was set for Nov. 11. A final conference was set for Dec. 20 and then for Jan. 9. An evidentiary hearing was set for Feb. 24 and a pretrial for March 16. A jury trial was scheduled for May 22.

On April 21, he pled guilty to both counts and sentencing was set for May 26. His case no longer is on the court record.

Daryl Anthony Daniels

Daryl Anthony Daniels, 55, of Ypsilanti was charged with retail fraud – first degree on Jan. 22, 2021 in Van Buren Township. His arraignment/probable cause conference was set for June 29, 2022 and his warrant was canceled from LEIN. His attorney said discovery was needed, so the probable cause conference was adjourned until July 6, 2022. On July 6 he waived his preliminary exam and was bound over to circuit court for a July 20 arraignment on the information, which was held. He is free on \$10,000/10% bond. A final conference was set for Aug. 26, but he failed to appear so a warrant was signed for his arrest. Circuit court records note he was also in violation of probation. He is in custody and a violation hearing was set for May 9, 2023. Then a jury trial was set for July 24.

Amina Karima Ishmael

Amina Karima Ishmael, 33, of Dearborn was charged with driving 42 in a 30-mph zone, driving while license suspended, and having no insurance at 8:39 p.m. on June 2, 2022 in the city of Belleville. Ishmael was set for a remote arraignment and pretrial on June 29. The defendant failed to appear so a default judgment was generated and a penalty of \$50 added to her fines.

On Aug. 10 she was present for a show cause hearing and arraignment/pretrial. The pretrial was adjourned until Aug. 31. Judge

Green said there were two bench warrants for her from Metro Airport. She lifted them and a date was to be set.

Ishmael did not appear on Aug. 31, so a default judgment was ordered adding new fees to those already on a payment plan and totaling \$1,578 for a new payment plan. First payment of \$130 was due on Sept. 15. On Sept. 21 a bench warrant was issued on the DWLS charge.

Tristan Harvey Waters

Tristan Harvey Waters, 26, of Romulus was arraigned by Magistrate Al Hindman on July 7, 2022. He is charged with destruction of property, \$200-\$1,000, and domestic violence on July 5 in Van Buren Township. A remote pretrial was set for July 26 and bond set at \$5,000/personal. A final pretrial is set for Aug. 9. He was ordered not to return to an address on Maple and have no contact with the victim.

At his pretrial on Aug. 9 the case was dismissed.

Stephanie Marie Hawkins

Stephanie Marie Hawkins, 50, of Ypsilanti was due for her probable cause conference on July 6, 2022 on charges of stealing / retaining a financial transaction device without consent and stealing two FTDs on April 11, 2021 in Van Buren Township. The complaint was authorized on May 31, 2022. A bench warrant was put out for her arrest and she was in custody and arraigned on June 23, 2022. On July 6 a probable cause conference was set for July 13. On July 13, her defense attorney Sofia Nelson asked for an adjournment because this case involves a parallel case in Washtenaw County. Judge Martin adjourned the case until Aug. 3. Hawkins was free on \$10,000 personal bond and must not contact the protected party in the case.

A live exam was set for Sept. 7, 2022 and on that date it was learned the prosecutor did not send out the subpoenas for officer or the complaining witness.

Attorney Nelson said there is a companion case in Washtenaw County that already had been bound over and he asked for a dismissal. Judge Oakley said the people can file the charges again, if desired, and the defendant still owes \$720 to the court for misdemeanor charges.

Judge Oakley dismissed the charges.

Ian Anthony Gearhart

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Jessica Marie Gearhart

Ian Anthony Gearhart, 32, of Dundee and Jessica Marie Gearhart, 28, of Gibraltar, failed to appear for their probable cause hearings on July 6. Warrants for their arrests were issued.

They are both charged with receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle and forging license documents/plates on June 23 in Van Buren Township. They were arraigned on June 25 and each had personal bond set at \$25,000.

Jessica was scheduled for a July 21 show cause/arraignment/pretrial on charges of defrauding an innkeeper on June 2, 2021 and retail fraud on July 30, 2021, both in Van Buren Township. She failed to appear. On July 26, 2022 a bench warrant was issued for her arrest.

On Oct. 18, 2022 Jessica was arraigned by Judge Martin via video while in custody in the Van Buren Township lockup on four bench warrants. A pretrial was set for Nov. 3 on two misdemeanor charges. \$5,000/10% bond was set. The probable cause conference on the felonies was set for Oct. 26, but on that date she failed to appear so, on Nov. 1, a bench warrant was issued.

She was in the Washtenaw County Jail and a notice to appear on March 8, 2023 was mailed to her there for a probable cause conference before Judge Green. On March 8 a probable cause conference was set for April 5 because she was in jail or in rehab.

At that time her first charge was reduced from receiving and concealing a stolen vehicle to possessing stolen property and she was sentenced to 30 days and given credit for time served in jail. The license forgery charge was dismissed. She pled guilty to the charge of defrauding an innkeeper and retail fraud in 2021 and was fined \$122 restitution and sentenced to 30 days in jail and given credit for time served.

Christina Marie Walker

Christina Marie Walker of Boise, ID, is charged with domestic violence on July 8, 2018 in Sumpter Township. On July 13, 2022 a final pretrial, where the complainant must appear, was set for July 27. The complaining victim did not appear and the charge was dismissed.

Cailyn Brianne Connors

Cailyn Brianne Connors of Belleville was charged with domestic violence for a July 2, 2022 incident in Belleville. She was released on \$25,000 personal bond and was due for a remote pretrial on July 13. On July 13, defense attorney Dan Bitar said he needed discovery so the remote pretrial was reset for July 26. Charges were dismissed because the prosecutor was unable to proceed.

Jacklyn Annette Murray

Jacklyn Annette Murray, 35, of Quincy, MI, and formerly of Ann Arbor, was charged with retail fraud second degree on May 31, 2019 in Van Buren Township. A warrant was out for her arrest, then cancelled. She was due for a show cause/arraignment/pretrial on July 13, 2022 and she failed to appear again. A bench warrant was signed for her arrest on Aug. 17.

Andrew Joseph Polgar

Andrew Joseph Polgar, 23, of the City of Belleville appeared for his July 13, 2022 show cause / arraignment / pretrial on a charge of no insurance under the Insurance Code in Belleville on May 5. He talked to defense attorney Dan Bitar and then pled guilty to no proof of insurance, a civil infraction, and was fined \$250. Case closed.

John Joseph Henry V

John Joseph Henry V, 18, of Sumpter Township missed his June 8, 2022 court session, but was present for his July 13 show cause / arraignment / pretrial on a Department of Natural Resources charge of operating an off-road vehicle on the highway or right of way in Sumpter Township on May 7 at 6:39 p.m. His personal bond was set at \$1,000 and his remote pre-trial set for July 20. Henry waived his right to speak with a MDIC attorney.

On July 20 he spoke with a court attorney and then pled guilty to allowing an unlicensed person to drive and the original charge was dropped. He was fined \$395.

Denise Lynn Brown

Denise Lynn Brown, 60, of Canton was present by phone on July 20, 2022 for her arraignment/pretrial on a charge of retail fraud-second degree on April 9, 2022 in Van Buren Township. Judge Martin set personal bond at \$2,000 and adjourned the pretrial until Aug. 3.

On Aug. 3, she pled guilty to a reduced charge of retail fraud-third degree before Judge Oakley and was given 12 months delayed sentence. If she pays the \$300 owed and has no violations the charges will be dismissed.

Steven William Marx

Steven William Marx, 24, of Ypsilanti, was due for his probable cause conference on July 20, 2022 on charges of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder, child abuse-fourth degree, and domestic violence on July 11 in Van Buren Township. His defense attorney Nancy Richards said she needed discovery, so the probable cause conference was adjourned until Aug. 10. Then a live exam was set for Sept. 13.

He then waived his preliminary exam and was bound over to circuit court for an arraignment on the information on Sept. 27. He was free on \$10,000 personal bond and was not to return to his previous address at 48501 S. I-94 Service Dr.

A calendar conference was set for Oct. 13 and then a final conference on Dec. 1. On Dec. 1, he pled guilty to domestic violence and Judge Kevin Cox dismissed the other two charges. On Jan. 18 he was sentenced to one year of probation and \$928 in fines.

Gianni Anthony Hopkins

Gianni Anthony Hopkins, 25, previously of Van Buren Township and now of Romulus was arraigned on a bench warrant by Judge Tina Brooks Green on Aug. 2, 2022 while he was in custody at Van Buren Township police lockup. She set bond at \$3,000/10%

and a probable cause conference for Aug. 10. The defendant's mother called the court on Aug. 4 saying she wants to dismiss the cases.

On Aug. 10 a probable cause conference was set for Aug. 17 and then adjourned to Aug. 24 when the defendant tested positive for COVID. Then the live preliminary exam was set for Aug. 31.

He had been charged with breaking and entering a vehicle with damage and unauthorized driving away of a motor vehicle in Van Buren Township on June 28, 2019.

On Aug. 31, he failed to appear and his appointed attorney suggested he didn't know when he was supposed to appear. But, Judge Martin said the previous week she made it crystal clear on the time and date. She said he had 48 hours to turn himself in or a bench warrant would be issued. The defendant's brother called the court and the probable cause conference was reset for Sept. 7 and then to Sept. 14.

On Sept. 14 he failed to appear. A bench warrant was issued Sept. 21. According to court records, his brother called and was advised of the warrant. A show-cause hearing was set for Oct. 12 and he failed to appear.

On Oct. 27 he was arraigned on a bench warrant while in custody at Van Buren Township police department. Bond was reinstated at \$3,000/10% and was posted. A probable cause conference was set for Nov. 9, but he failed to appear. A bench warrant was issued on Nov. 23. A show-cause hearing for bond was set for Dec. 21, but he failed to appear. The notice sent to him by the court was undeliverable by the post office. On Dec. 28 his bail bond was forfeited.

Antoine Francis Motley

Antoine Francis Motley of Romulus was found not guilty of assault and battery of a police officer by Judge Tina Brooks Green after a trial on Aug. 4.

He had been charged with an incident that occurred in Van Buren Township on March 18. His defense attorney was Samer Jadallah.

Kaytlyn Marie Disney-Gilbert

On Aug. 12, Magistrate Al Hindman arraigned Kaytlyn Marie Disney-Gilbert, 20, previously of Van Buren Township and now of Romulus, on a bench warrant. She is charged with domestic violence on May 15, 2022 in Van Buren Township and failed to appear twice so a bench warrant was signed. She was video-arraigned from the Van Buren Township lock up.

She was scheduled for a remote pre-trial at 9:30 a.m., Aug. 24, before Judge Martin and must have no contact with the victim or an address on Rose Blvd. She failed to appear and so another bench warrant was signed for her arrest. A show cause hearing was scheduled Oct. 12 and she failed to appear. The \$150 in bail bond paid was forfeited on Oct. 20.

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Upcoming Meetings

- Monday, July 31 – Belleville City Council special meeting at 5:30 p.m. to hear two more candidates for city manager position
- Tuesday, Aug. 1 – Van Buren Township work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 7 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Aug. 8 – Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 10 – Keystone Academy school board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission quarterly meeting, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.

- Monday, Aug. 14, – Van Buren Township budget review meeting starts at 8 a.m. Also, Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building.
- Tuesday, Aug. 15 – Van Buren Township work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 21 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, August 22 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Aug. 23 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 28 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., Administration Building.
- Tuesday, Sept. 5 – Van Buren Township

- work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons
- Tuesday, Sept. 12 – Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 13 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Sept. 14 – Keystone Academy school board, 5 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 18 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Sept. 19 – Van Buren Township

- work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 20 – Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m.
- Monday, Sept. 25 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons
- Tuesday, Sept. 26 – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Board of Trustees, 6 p.m.
- Wednesday, Sept. 27 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, Oct. 2 – Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, Oct. 3 – Van Buren Township work/study at 5 p.m. and board meeting at 6 p.m.

City of Belleville Public Notice

CITY OF BELLEVILLE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, July 10, 2023 - 7:30 pm

The regular meeting of the City Council was held via a hybrid of in-person and virtual access through ZOOM.

The regular meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Conley at 7:30 p.m.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Beebe	Present
Council Member Fielder	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

3. PRESENTATIONS & CITIZENS COMMENTS

A. Presentations

- None

B. Council Follow Up List

- Council Member Voigt asked if there was any progress on new blinds for the City Council Chambers, as well as where the City stood on securing funding for road repairs.
- Council Member Fielder inquired about the status of Item # 7 on the road repair list, and noted that repairs of the railroad tracks throughout the City went well.
- Council Member Beebe asked if there had been any updated regarding installation of a possible left turn light at Main St. and Denton Rd.
- Mike Renaud asked where the road repair project in Hillside Cemetery stood.
- Rosemary Otzman inquired if the City had any idea what the plan was for the former CVS Pharmacy located at Third and Main St.

C. Citizen Comments on Non-Agenda Items

- Schrina Murrell stated that there would be a car wash fundraiser held to support the Belleville High School Football Team on July 22nd from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the Loranger Chiropractic parking lot.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Motion by Voigt, supported by Fielder to approve the agenda as presented, with the addition of Item F: Special Event Application – Taste of Belleville, Item G: Electric Vehicle Charging Stations, and Item H: Discussion of City Manager Interviews.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. June 20, 2023, Regular Meeting of the City Council

B. June 20, 2023, Special Meeting of the City Council

MOTION: Motion by Fielder, supported by Voigt to approve the minutes of both the Regular City Council Meeting and Special City Council Meeting, held on Tuesday, June 20, 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates Aye

Council Member Beebe Aye

Council Member Fielder Aye

Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt Aye

Mayor Conley Aye

Motion Carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. None.

7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

A. None.

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A. Special Event Application – Redemption Bible Church Park Night and

B. Special Event Application – Redemption Bible Church Worship Night

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Fielder to approve both the Redemption Bible Church Park Night event, and the Redemption Bible Church Worship Night event, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

C. Discussion – Compensation for Acting City Manager and Acting Police Chief

- Council discussed compensation amounts for both Acting City Manager Jones and Acting Police Chief Faull, and determined that it would be better to complete research on market data before discussing further at the next Regular Meeting of the City Council.

D. Update – Charter Revision Ballot Proposal

- Council asked City Administration to schedule a presentation by attorney at Foster & Swift law office to provide direction in moving forward in the Charter revision process.

E. Investment Summary from Multi Bank Securities

- Summary of current Certificate of Deposit on file for the City of Belleville provided for informational purposes by the City’s Accountant, Kelly Howey.

F. Special Event – Taste of Belleville

MOTION: Motion by Voigt, supported by Beebe to approve the Taste of Belleville event, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried

G. Electric Vehicle Charging Stations

- Acting City Manager Jones provided Council with information regarding a program through General Motors that would provide municipalities with charging stations for electric vehicles, at no cost.
- Council stated that they would like to review additional information before making any decisions pertaining to the program.

H. Discussion of City Manager Interviews

MOTION: Motion by Fielder, supported by Beebe

to provide candidate Ken Marten with questionnaire for completion, and to schedule second interviews for Victor Marsh, Jason Smith, and Ryan Madis on July 22nd, beginning at 8 a.m., in 1 hour increments.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES

MOTION: Motion by Fielder, supported by Voigt to approve Departmental Expenditures in excess of \$500, as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

10. ACTING CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

- Acting City Manager Jones stated that it has been a difficult two week at City Hall due to failure of the City’s server.
- Noted that staff at the City have a meeting on Wednesday with the City’s software provider, BS&A, to discuss next steps in the server failure recovery process.
- Thanked City and Police Department staff members for a team effort in navigating through the setbacks due to failure of the server.

11. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

- Council Member Bates
- Thanked those in attendance for coming to the meeting.
- Council Member Beebe
- Noted that Lakefest went well, with solid feedback being provided.
- Complimented City staff on a good job combating the issues with the server.
- Council Member Fielder
- No comments.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt
- Complimented the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce on a successful Lakefest, noting that the event had zero issues or arrests, and only one medical emergency.
- Noted that enjoyed watching the hydroplane races and eating lobster rolls, adding that the hydroplane pilots complimented the City on the event overall.

12. MAYOR’S COMMENTS

- Mayor Conley stated that Lakefest was great, noting that the vendors were amazing and well organized. She added that she appreciated the volunteers and attendees.
- Wished City Clerk/Treasurer Hootman a belated birthday, which was the day prior on July 9th.
- Informed Council and attendees that she had received a letter from resident Deborah Woodruff regarding a dispute with her neighbor, and stated that

it is being handled by the City.

13. CITIZENS COMMENTS

- Mike Renaud stated that he was thrilled to see the crowds of people in attendance at Lakefest. He also noted that without the extra brush present along High St., the drop-off to the lake is more visible and intimidating.

14. RESOLUTION # 23-020 - CLOSED SESSION – UNION CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS PER MCL 15.268(c)

MOTION: Motion by Fielder, supported by Bates to approve **Resolution # 23-020** to recess the Regular Meeting and enter Closed Session at 9:39 p.m. to discuss the status and strategy of pending union contract negotiations, as permitted under MCL 15.268.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Motion by Beebe, supported by Fielder to adjourn the Closed Session and return to Open Session of the Regular Meeting of the City Council at 9:44 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

MOTION: Motion by Voigt, supported by Bates approving **Resolution # 23-018** authorizing a new three-year Bargaining Agreement between the City of Belleville and the Michigan Association of Fire Fighters representing the Belleville Paid-On-Call Firefighters Association, effective January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Council Member Bates	Aye
Council Member Beebe	Aye
Council Member Fielder	Aye
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Aye
Mayor Conley	Aye

Motion Carried.

15. ACTION ITEMS FOR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Fielder to adjourn at 9:45 PM.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman,
City Clerk/Treasurer
Approved: 7/24/23
Posted: 7/25/23
Published: 7/27/23

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

POLICE VEHICLE AUCTION

On August 2nd, 2023, the Van Buren Township Police Department will conduct a public auction of impounded and abandoned vehicles. The auction will begin at 10:30am, at **J&T Towing** and Storage, 287 Industrial Dr. Belleville MI, County of Wayne, where the following will be offered for sale to the highest bidder.

2008	HARLEY DAV	CY	1HD1FC4138Y611479	23-6560
2011	CHEVROLET	4D	1GNKRGED4BJ31769	23-7073
2006	MERCURY	SW	4M2EU48826UJ03234	23-7154
2005	GMC	SW	1GKDS13S552145985	23-7393
1997	FORD	2D	1FALP42X5VF129971	23-6716
2003	MERCURY	4D	2MEFM74W73X614537	23-6620
2007	FORD	4D	2FMDK36C87BB61800	23-7026
2011	FORD	4D	3FADP4BJ8BM141382	23-6776

All vehicles are sold in "as is condition." Bidding on all impounded vehicles will start at the amount due for towing and storage. Vehicles may be deleted from this list at any time prior to the start of the auction.

Leon Wright MMC, CMMC., Van Buren Township Clerk,
Published: July 27th, 2023

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Kristin Faull
Acting Police Chief

Posted: July 20, 2023

Published: July 20, 2023, July 27, 2023, August 3, 2023, August 10, 2023, August 17, 2023, August 24, 2023

BACA to offer sales sites at Victory Park for Citywide Yard Sale

The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is taking reservations for sales sites at Victory Park in Belleville for the Citywide Yard Sales, which will be available from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 9 and 10.

BACA chairman for the project is Reg Ion who invites those interested in having a yard sale site at the park to call him on his

cell phone at (734) 732-2472 or email him at rian2004@comcast.net.

Presale payment of \$15 per site is being accepted through Sept. 6. After that, and on the day of the sales, cost is \$20. The payments are due rain or shine and there are no refunds. All proceeds go to BACA.

The Belleville City Council unanimously approved BACA being in charge of the Victory Park sales sites and cleaning up after the event.

Ion said people have already begun to call him about the Citywide Yard Sale and sites at Victory Park.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES -- JULY 18, 2023

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Zoom Meeting ID for public participation: 894 2765 4392. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Treasurer Budd, Clerk Wright, Trustee Martin, Trustee Frazier and Trustee Kelley. Late Arrival: Trustee Boynton at 6:06 p.m. Others in attendance: Deputy Supervisor Selman, Recording Assistant Beaudry, Director of Community Services Renaud, Deputy Director of Community Services Dohring, Police Chief Wright, Deputy Police Chief Monte, Director of Human Resources Sumpter, Director of Recreation Zaenglein, Director of Public Services Luckett, Director of Planning and Economic Development Power, Director of Municipal Services Akers, DDA Director Coburn and an audience of eleven (11).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda.

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA: Frazier moved, Wright seconded to approve the agenda. Motion Carried.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA: Frazier moved, Budd seconded to approve the Consent Agenda: Board Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2023, Prepaid List of June 22, 2023, Prepaid List of June 29, 2023, Prepaid List of July 6, 2023, Prepaid List of July 13, 2023, Voucher List of July 4, 2023, Voucher List of July 18, 2023, Approval of Resolution 2023-16: To approve the purchase of two vacant parcels located in Van Buren Township from the Wayne County property foreclosure list, Approval of Resolution 2023-17: Amendment No. 3 to the FY 2019-2022 IGA with Wayne County Park, Approval of Resolution 2023-19: The Senior Alliance Annual Implementation Plan, Approval of the upgrade and migration of Van Buren Township's e-mail application to Microsoft 365 Exchange On-line which would reside on Microsoft's highly secure Government Cloud Servers, Approval of the reappointments of Leonard Armstrong, Alex Dine, Dave Schreiber (Wayne Rep.) and Scott Medlen to the LDFA with terms to expire August 12, 2027 and Approval of Peter Creal to the Planning Commission with a term to expire October 1, 2025. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None
C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS: Ecorse Road, west of Belleville Road, will experience partial road closures from July 19 until October and the Van Buren Community Center is 51% complete with the project being both on time and on budget.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Martin moved, Wright seconded to approve entering into a five-year contract with Motorola Solutions for Body Work Cameras (BWCs) to purchase 34 BWCs and three In-Car Cameras using a five-year subscription plan to be expensed from State Forfeiture (272-000-971) and Technology Purchases (101-301-817) accounts. Motion Carried.

Kelley moved, Frazier seconded to approve the personal service agreement for Kathryn Hood. Motion Carried.

Frazier moved, Budd seconded to approve addendum #1 to the agreement between Fishbeck Associates and Van Buren Township for the design engineering for the Denton Road Bridge. Motion Carried.

Budd moved, Frazier seconded to approve a special land use by Donyeal Sizemore to change an existing Day Care, Family Home to a Day Care, Group Home use as defined per Section 2.102(A)(60)(b) of the Van Buren Township Zoning Ordinance. Motion Carried.

Wright moved, Martin seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 07-18-23 (1): Rezoning of Van Born Road property (parcel ID number 83-009-99-0002-000) from M-1 Light Industrial to M-2- General Industrial. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Boynton seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 07-18-23 (2): Rezoning of 16355 Haggerty Road (parcel ID number 83-142-99-0001-000) from R-1B Single Family Residential to AG- Agricultural and Estates. Motion Carried.

Frazier moved, Boynton seconded to approve the first reading of Ordinance 07-18-23 (3): to increase the maximum allowable height for detached single family dwellings to 2.5 stories or 35 feet in height. Motion Carried.

Martin moved, Frazier seconded to approve Resolution 2023-18: To request the Charter County of Wayne to install a left turn phasing signal at the Belleville Road/Tyler Road intersection. Motion Carried.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: None.

BOARD COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Clerk Wright congratulated Director Renaud and Deputy Director Dohring on the Community Center reaching 51% completion and thanked them for their hard work.

ADJOURNMENT: Boynton moved; Frazier seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:47 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
Published: July 27, 2023

Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

There were 339 dispatch calls reported by Van Buren Township police last week including the following.

Sunday, July 16:
0029 – noise complaint, S. Bellridge Dr.
0140 – breaking & entering, Chatsworth Dr.
0428 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Michigan Ave.
0833 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
0951 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.
1037 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1042 – breaking & entering, Alden Ave.
1057 – larceny from auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1139 – trespassing, Belleville Rd.
1202 – domestic, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1238 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
1314 – found property/child, Evelyn Ct.
1317 – larceny from auto, Lake Villa Dr.
1320 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Denton Rd.
1335 – misc. complaint, Northshore
1336 – intrusion alarm, Tyler Rd.
1355 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Jackson St.
1442 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
1456 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
/ Grove Rd.
1458 – traffic offense, Borgman Ave.
1554 – traffic offense, Chaney Ave./Sumpter Rd.
1554 – ordinance violation – all 7300 MICR Codes, Montague Ave.
1815 – welfare check, S. Ponderosa Trl./Holly Ln.
1858 – fight, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1900 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
1905 – assist other dept., Belleville Rd.
1917 – threat, Purple Sage Ct.
1943 – mental subject, Van Buren Ct.
1946 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.
2000 – vehicle lockout, Price Rd.
2049 – malicious destruction of property, Belleville Rd.
2050 – harassment call, America
2146 – disorderly, Rawsonville Rd.
2148 – noise complaint, Bog Rd.
2222 – warrant arrest, S. Canton Center Rd.
2224 – intrusion alarm, Haggerty Rd.
Monday, July 17:
0410 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, N. Bellridge Dr.
0709 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Tyler
0728 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
0846 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
1008 – property damage accident, N. I-275/Hannan
1038 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Timberland Dr.
1048 – intrusion alarm, Brookside Dr.
1125 – suicidal person, Florence Ln.
1130 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1132 – unauthorized driving away of auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1148 – intrusion alarm, laguna Dr.
1200 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Park Estates
1219 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1258 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
1300 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse Rd.
1333 – assist other dept., Denton Rd.
1342 – private property/property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1530 – assist fire dept., Lacy Dr.
1614 – threat, Tyler Rd.
1618 – private property/property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1645 – follow-up by officer, Harbour Club
1738 – animal complaint, Tyler Rd.
1754 – civil matter, Belleville Rd.
1810 – harassment call, Colony Ln.
1820 – harassment call, Westlake Cir.
1839 – harassment call, Landmark
1853 – domestic, Lighthouse Dr.
1908 – fight, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1922 – suicidal person, Elwell Rd.
1949 – civil matter, Coolidge St.
2000 – assist fire dept., Bentley Dr.
2106 – neighbor trouble, Mida Dr.

2233 – repossession, Riggs Rd.
2235 – fireworks, Savage Rd./Martinsville Rd.
2240 – civil matter, Lacy Dr.
2246 – welfare check, Arthur St.
Tuesday, July 18:
0306 – threat, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0838 – welfare check, America
0913 – warrant arrest, Tyler Rd.
0942 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Haggerty
0958 – unauthorized driving away of auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1037 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Haggerty Rd./N. I-94 Service Dr.
1045 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, E. Huron River Dr.
1220 – welfare check, Belleville Rd.
1303 – sexual assault, Denton Rd.
1449 – fraud, Brookside Dr.
1508 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Cherry Ln.
1521 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Van Buren St.
1654 – larceny, Oak Ln.
1658 – animal complaint, Belleville Rd.
1732 – fraud, Fairbanks St.
1736 – private property/property damage accident, Ecorse Rd.
1744 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Westlake Cir.
1828 – domestic, Belleville Rd.
1857 – welfare check, Parkwood Dr.
1859 – property check, Belleville Rd.
1928 – traffic offense, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1931 – traffic offense, Hannan Rd./N. I-94 Service
1939 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1950 – domestic, lacy Dr.
2319 – civil matter, Rose Blvd.
Wednesday, July 19:
0006 – juvenile complaint, Andover Dr.
0025 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Oak Ln.
0116 – intrusion alarm, Van Born Rd.
0604 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
0623 – assist other dept., Holmes/Michigan Ave.
0902 – assault & battery, Haggerty Rd.
0907 – welfare check, Denton Rd.
1022 – vehicle lockout, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1051 – private property impound, Beckley Rd.
1100 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Michigan Ave./Dellor St.
1122 – domestic, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1146 – traffic offense, Van Born/Haggerty Rd.
1240 – civil matter, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1244 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Lake Villa Dr.
1250 – traffic offense, S. I-94 Service Dr./Belleville Rd.
1253 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1253 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1311 – private property impound, Old Rawsonville
1321 – juvenile complaint, Park Estates Dr.
1355 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Parkwood Dr.
1421 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1429 – parking complaint, Celestine Dr.
1431 – abandoned auto, Denton Rd.
1436 – breaking & entering, Denton Rd.
1458 – welfare check, Rose Blvd.
1502 – welfare check, Daniel Dr.
1540 – property damage accident, Sumpter Rd.
1550 – abandoned auto, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1824 – family trouble, Rolan Meadows Dr.
1831 – disorderly, Belleville Rd.
1840 – assist other dept., S. I-94 Service Dr.
1942 – fraud, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2154 – overdose, Haggerty Rd.
2203 – parking complaint, Mission Pointe
2222 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / E. I-94
Thursday, July 20:
0653 – traffic offense, Van Born Rd.
0659 – larceny, Bayshore Dr.
0731 – larceny from auto, Robson Rd.
0824 – repossession, Van Born Rd.
0824 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0831 – threat, Belleville Rd.
1000 – welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr./Beck
1017 – suicidal person, N. Ponderosa Trl.
1125 – domestic, Tyler Rd.
1130 – animal complaint, Denton Rd.
1146 – welfare check, Sylvia Dr.

1214 – trespassing, Spruce Ln.
1236 – animal complaint, Jackson St.
1255 – animal complaint, Alden Ave./Haggerty
1336 – disorderly, Village Center Dr.
1415 – parking complaint, Belleville Rd.
1418 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1418 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1418 – found property/child, Tyler Rd.
1442 – intrusion alarm, Andover Dr.
1452 – property damage accident, Hannan/Tyler
1505 – larceny, Ecorse Rd.
1516 – vehicle lockout, Haggerty Rd.
1557 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1618 – intrusion alarm, Alba Ct.
1707 – assist other dept., Dartmoor Cir.
1719 – property damage accident, Michigan Ave. / Denton Rd.
1758 – threat, N. Belleridge Dr.
1804 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1904 – assist fire dept., Richard Run Dr.
2000 – welfare check, Lake Point Blvd.
2021 – traffic offense, Hull Rd.
2021 – neighbor trouble, Van Buren St.
2026 – welfare check, Rawsonville Rd./Grove Rd.
2130 – noise complaint, Hull Rd.
2135 – noise complaint, Huron River Dr.
2141 – traffic offense, Martinsville Rd.
2211 – parking complaint, Richard Run Dr.
2229 – domestic, Hull Rd.
2325 – assault & battery, Bog Rd.
2353 – family trouble, McKinley St.
Friday, July 21:
0050 – abandoned auto, Brookview Dr.
0145 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr.
0747 – fraud, E. Archwood Dr.
0805 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd./E. Huron River Dr.
0808 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Rawsonville Rd.
0817 – intrusion alarm, Belleville Rd.
1026 – assist other dept., E. I-94/Haggerty Rd.
1215 – road hazard, E. Huron River Dr.
1249 – trespassing, N. I-94 Service Dr.
1441 – welfare check, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1456 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1529 – family trouble, E. Archwood Dr.
1607 – missing person, Denton Rd.
1636 – larceny from auto, Oak In.
1655 – civil matter, Daisy Blvd.
1817 – road hazard, Belleville Rd. / N. I-94 Service Dr.
1850 – civil matter, Rose Blvd.
1918 – welfare check, Oak Ln.
1923 – civil matter, McBride Ave.
2019 – vehicle lockout, Belleville Rd.
2125 – neighbor trouble, Oak Ln.
2130 – 911 welfare check, Ventura Dr.
2200 – 911 welfare check, Park Estates
2223 – PPO violation, Republic Dr.
2301 – hospice death, Alden Ave.
Saturday, July 22:
0043 – noise complaint, Bayshore Dr.
0218 – noise complaint, S. Woodbury Dr.
0436 – 911 welfare check, N. I-94 Service Dr.
0802 – vehicle lockout, Amanda Dr.
0809 – intrusion alarm, Pond Bluff Dr.
0813 – animal complaint, S. Timberview Dr.
0813 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Ecorse Rd.
0821 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Jeremy Rd.
0857 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Kirkridge Park Dr.
1000 – civil matter, Peachtree Ln.
1043 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, S. I-94 Service Dr./Quirk Rd.
1103 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Old Denton Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1104 – 911 welfare check, Ecorse/I-275
1200 – intrusion alarm, Hull Rd.
1336 – malicious destruction of property, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1346 – assist fire dept., Westlake Cir.
1353 – property damage accident, Beck/Ecorse
1509 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.
1620 – abandoned auto, Ecorse Rd.
1703 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Belleville Rd.
1707 – traffic offense, Haggerty Rd./Ecorse Rd.
1733 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Martz Rd.

1736 – intrusion alarm, Harmony Ln.
1803 – intrusion alarm, Stonebridge Dr.
1819 – intrusion alarm, Rawsonville Rd.
1829 – intrusion alarm, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1851 – private property impound, Kirkridge Park Dr. / Ecorse Rd.
1906 – road hazard, E. I-94/Belleville Rd.
1934 – suicidal person, Michigan Ave./Denton Rd.
1942 – property check, Belleville Rd.
2020 – assist fire dept., Greenwood Dr.
2127 – juvenile complaint, Holly Ln.
2207 – welfare check, Vista Dr.
Also on this week's log are 106 traffic stops, 21 of which were on the I-94 freeway.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, July 16:
0102 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Thornhill Ct.
0122 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, W. Columbia Ave.
0131 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Oxford Ct.
0232 – traffic stop, Edison Ave./W. Columbia
0908 – mental subject, Bay Pointe Dr.
1036 – intrusion alarm, W. Columbia Ave.
1110 – motorist assist, Second St.
1542 – assist other dept., Loza Ln.
1939 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Quirk Rd.
2033 – traffic stop, Savage Rd./Victorian Ln.
2117 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Harmony Ln.
Monday, July 17:
0202 – assist citizen, Menlo Park Dr.
1048 – larceny, Bedell St.
1522 – suspicious person/vehicle/circumstance, Main St./Third St.
1553 – misc. complaint, Main St.
2042 – juvenile complaint, Carmell St.
Tuesday, July 18:
0109 – traffic stop, South St./E. Columbia Ave.
1000 – traffic stop, W. Columbia Ave./Church St.
1536 – property damage accident, South St.
1953 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Angola
2010 – traffic stop, E. Huron River Dr./Loza Ln.
2156 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.
2246 – traffic stop, Huron River Dr./W. Columbia
2246 – assist fire dept., Carmell St.
Wednesday, July 19:
1043 – traffic stop, Main St./Third St.
1050 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./Quirk Rd.
1247 – motorist assist, Belleville Rd./S. I-94 Service Dr.
1532 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Owen
1726 – property damage accident, Sumpter/South
2014 – traffic stop, Main St./Fifth St.
2021 – assist other dept., Rawsonville Rd.
Thursday, July 20:
0412 – animal complaint, Carmell St.
0913 – welfare check, W. Columbia Ave.
1249 – welfare check, Menlo Park Dr.
1530 – private property impound, Sumpter Rd.
1709 – welfare check, Owen St.
1821 – property damage accident, Main St.
1913 – animal complaint, Potter Dr.
Friday, July 21:
0859 – noise complaint, Carmell St.
0958 – trespassing, Henry St.
1003 – private property impound, South St.
1235 – welfare check, E. Huron River Dr.
1336 – threat, Main St.
1604 – intrusion alarm, E. Huron River Dr.
1737 – animal complaint, Bedell St.
2004 – neighbor trouble, Bedell St.
2027 – traffic stop, Belleville Rd./N. Liberty
2047 – noise complaint, Bedell St.
2154 – traffic stop, N. Liberty St./Fifth St.
Saturday, July 22:
0147 – disorderly, Main St.
0238 – traffic stop, South/Henry
1115 – fraud, S. Liberty St.
1445 – welfare check, Charles Ct.
1715 – civil matter, Charles Ct.
1855 – animal complaint, Dos Rios St.
1934 – noise complaint, Harbour Pointe Dr.
2245 – threat, Carmell St.
2306 – noise complaint, Victorian Ln./N. Aberdeen Ct.
There were 16 traffic stops on this week's log.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, July 16:

0005 – fire dept. assist, Alaska St.
0018 – fire dept. assist, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0226 – family trouble, Washington, St.
0459 – 911 hang up, Georgia St./Virginia St.
0559 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
0920 – recovered stolen car, 6200 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.

1157 – property damage accident, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1256 – found property, 21000 bl. Wilmot Rd.
1427 – citizen assist, 42000 bl. Judd Rd.
1512 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Crandell Ave.
1546 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1626 – traffic complaint/hazard, Martinsville Rd.

Willis Ct.
1742 – 911 hang up, Delaware St.
1914 – 911 hang up, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.
1940 – fire dept. assist, Montana St.
2005 – shots fired, Colorado St.
2120 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Harris Rd.
2150 – animal complaint, 19000 bl. Sherwood Rd.

Monday, July 17:

0202 – welfare check, 45000 bl. Willis Rd.
1008 – larceny, 43000 bl. Willow Rd.
1118 – traffic complaint/abandoned, 50000 bl. Judd Rd.

1236 – family trouble, Magnolia Dr.
1258 – fire dept. assist, 12300 Rawsonville Rd.
1345 – suspicious person, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1435 – civil matter, Sherwood Rd./Wear Rd.
1446 – suspicious circumstance, Oregon St.
1716 – fire dept. assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1756 – fire dept. assist, 18000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1816 – assist other agency, Texas St.
1837 – 911 hang up, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1942 – animal complaint, Carriage Ln.
1952 – suspicious circumstance, Edgewood Dr.
2110 – suspicious person, Rawsonville/Willis
2237 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Carleton West
2247 – civil matter, California St.

Tuesday, July 18:

0207 – suspicious person, Edgewood Dr.
0316 – welfare check, 8200 bl. Oakville Waltz
0614 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0629 – alarm, Creekside Dr.
0640 – property damage accident, Oakville Waltz / Carleton West
0832 – civil matter, 23000 bl. Carleton West Rd.
1050 – suspicious circumstance, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

1103 – family trouble, 23000 bl. Carleton West
1354 – 911 hang up, 17000 bl. Sully Dr.
1428 – warrant arrest, Oregon St.
1702 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
2010 – citizen assist, Magnolia Dr.
2224 – citizen assist, Willis Rd./Martinsville Rd.
2226 – animal complaint, Willow Rd./Sumpter Rd.
2346 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2353 – noise complaint, Wayside Dr.

Wednesday, July 19:

0529 – family trouble, Edgewood Dr.
0635 – fire dept. assist, 19000 bl. Clark Rd.
0950 – civil matter, Virginia St.
1043 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1146 – neighbor dispute, Utah Ct.
1158 – civil matter, Colorado St.
1420 – citizen assist, 21000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1616 – 911 hang up, 49000 bl. Willis Rd.
1628 – fire dept. assist, Magnolia Dr.
1646 – shots fired, Willis Rd./Sharon Ct.
1656 – shots fired, 46000 b. Willis Rd.
1730 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1742 – found property, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1812 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1817 – civil matter, Magnolia Dr.
2023 – fire dept. assist, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
2027 – mental health call, 46000 bl. Willow Rd.
2106 – family trouble, Delaware St.
2339 – family trouble, California St.

Thursday, July 20:

0324 – assist other agency, Hampshire Dr.
0901 – suspicious vehicle, 23000 bl. Karr Rd.
1202 – follow-up investigation, out of township
1356 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1428 – alarm, 24000 bl. Bohn Rd.
1730 – larceny, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.

1746 – suspicious circumstance, 41000 bl. Bemis Rd.

1831 – civil matter, Brookview Dr.
1841 – welfare check, 18000 bl. Sav age Rd.
2017 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
2047 – welfare check, 23000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
2242 – suspicious circumstance, Colorado St.

Friday, July 21:

0701 – family trouble, Idaho St.
0926 – fire dept. assist, 46000 bl. Harris Rd.
0935 – suspicious circumstance, Rustic Ln.
1056 – civil matter, 46000 bl. Traskos Ave.
1101 – suspicious circumstance, 51000 bl. Willis
1127 – alarm, 50000 bl. Willow Rd.
1553 – felony warrant arrest, Martinsville/Willis
1633 – civil matter, Magnolia Dr.
1638 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1733 – suspicious circumstance, 40000 bl. Harris
1925 – animal complaint, 20000 bl. Martinsville
1955 – fraud complaint, 13000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2014 – civil matter, 18000 bl. Sav age Rd.
2015 – suspicious circumstance, 6500 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.

2039 – harassment complaint, 19000 bl. Haggerty
2150 – welfare check, Willis Rd./Lohr Rd.
2317 – suspicious circumstance, Creekside Dr.
2317 – mental health call, Washington St.

Saturday, July 22:

1033 – animal complaint, 25000 bl. Martinsville
1033 – citizen assist, Montana St.
1114 – traffic complaint/hazard, 21000 bl. Elwell
1156 – follow-up investigation, Willis/Martinsville
1252 – family trouble, Edgewood Dr.
1254 – shots fired, 47000 bl. Arkona Rd.
1316 – traffic complaint/hazard, 44000 bl. Judd
1713 – civil matter, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1715 – shots fired, 20000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1822 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter
1824 – mental health call, Virginia St.
1850 – welfare check, Utah Ct.
2101 – fire dept. assist, Hawaii St.
2112 – assist other agency, Savage Rd./Bemis Rd.
2236 – civil matter, Magnolia Dr.

Also on this week's log are 126 patrol checks, 61 traffic stops, and 12 misc. details.



City of Belleville Public Notice



CITY OF BELLEVILLE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, July 10, 2023 – 6:45 pm

A Special Meeting of the Belleville City Council was called to order by Mayor Conley at 6:45 p.m. at City Hall, 6 Main Street, Belleville.

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE

2. ROLL CALL

Council Member Bates	Present
Council Member Beebe	Present
Council Member Fielder	Present
Mayor Pro-Tem Voigt	Present
Mayor Conley	Present

8. GENERAL BUSINESS DISCUSSION

A. City Manager Candidate Interview

• The following City Manager candidate was interviewed:

i. Ken Marten

15. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Motion by Bates, supported by Fielder to adjourn at 7:12 p.m.

No objections were noted.

Motion Carried.

Submitted by Briana Hootman,

City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved: 7/24/23

Posted: 7/25/23

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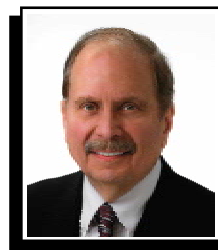
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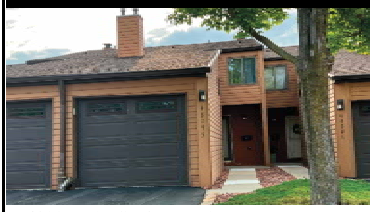
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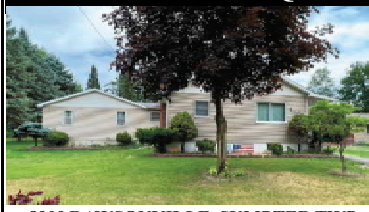


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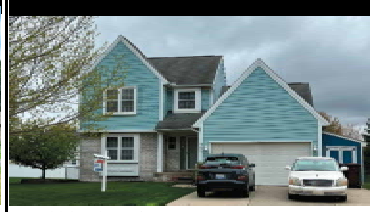


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