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Tenured teacher agrees to separation agreement with VBPS

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

After a closed-door session with its attorney on Monday, the Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education voted unanimously to enter into a separation agreement with tenured teacher Linda Janack, the teacher who performs on a pornographic web site.

The motion was: "Tenured teacher Linda Janack has agreed to resign her position subject to a separation agreement. The Board has reviewed the agreement and believes that its terms are in the District's best interests. The Board authorizes the Superintendent to execute the agreement as presented."

School Board President Keith Johnston said the board believes her actions broke areas of her contract and the State's Code of Conduct and that the reason for the agreement – as opposed to a tenure hearing – was solely a financial decision.

At the end of the hour-long regular meeting, the full board went into the closed-door meeting to consider attorney-client privilege. Then the board was scheduled to come back into regular session and go into a second closed-door session on a Periodic Personnel Evaluation of Janack's work. The second executive session was not necessary.

On Aug. 27, the school board put Janack on a paid, non-disciplinary leave of absence until further notice from the superintendent or the board.

During her leave of absence she could not be present on school property or have contact with students without authorization from the administration.

An agenda item for that night, Potential Action on Teacher Tenure, was deferred until the Sept. 10 meeting.

In late August, Detroit and Ann Arbor media released stories on Janack, a highly respected and liked tenured reading teacher

at Edgemont Elementary School, who with her husband, a teacher in Dearborn Heights, owned and had sex on a porn site, "Hot for Teachers," on their own time since January.

Reportedly, Janack is eligible for retirement in January.

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Court Watching:

Candice Diaz bound over for trial in death of her 4-year-old daughter

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Candice Renea Diaz, 25, has been bound over to Wayne County Circuit Court on charges surrounding the torture and murder of her four-year-old daughter Gabrielle "Gabby" Barrett on New Year's Day in Sumpter Township.

Chief 34th District Court Judge Tina Brooks Green held a three-hour preliminary exam on the charges against Diaz on Sept. 4 and then ruled the evidence showed probable cause that the crimes were committed and Diaz likely committed them.

Diaz was bound over to circuit court for a 9 a.m., Sept. 11, arraignment on the information on six felony charges.

Charges are:

- Homicide – felony murder, first degree
- Homicide – murder, second degree
- Child abuse – first degree
- Torture
- Child abuse – first degree (conspiracy)
- Child abuse – second degree (conspiracy)

If she is found guilty of the charges she could spend the rest of her life in prison.

Judge Green said that there had been a request for pretrial services to review the bond for Diaz. She has been held without

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Independent photo by Rosemary K. Otzman

At 10 a.m. on Tuesday, the Van Buren Public Safety Department and township officials gathered at Grace Lake Corporate Center's new sign to honor those killed in the 9/11 attacks. From left are John Delaney, secretary of the Local Development Finance Authority; Trustee Kevin Martin; Supervisor Kevin McNamara; Scott Medlin of Sovereign Partners; Public Safety Director Greg Laurain; Police Chief Jason Wright; and Public Safety Administrative Assistant Casey Schmidtke. The sign, visible from I-275, carried the message: "Honoring the Fallen on 9/11."



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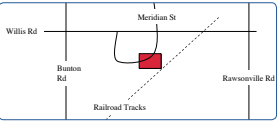
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SECOND FRONT PAGE

Bishop Battersby confirms Father John as permanent pastor

By Carol Ann Pesta, Parishoner
St. Anthony Catholic Church

Father John Kiselica was assigned to St. Anthony Parish in Belleville one year ago as a pastoral administrator.

On Sunday, Bishop Battersby officially confirmed Father John as a pastor. The bishop blessed St. Anthony's new altar and then at a ceremony at 10:30 a.m. gave us a permanent pastor.

Throughout this past year, because of Father John's presence, our church has grown. He has participated in many of Belleville's activities and enjoys greeting the Belleville High School students as they walk by on their way to school.

Because of the aforementioned, our motto reiterates, "All are welcome."



Bishop Battersby, center, came to St. Anthony Catholic Church in Belleville on Sunday to install Father John Kiselica as a permanent pastor. At left is Deacon John Burke.

Independent photo by Reg Ion

Application forms for scarecrow contest ready at City Hall

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

At the Sept. 4 meeting of the Belleville City Council, City Manager Diana Kollmeyer reported that applications for the annual scarecrow contest are ready to be picked up at city hall.

Scarecrows are generally displayed downtown for the month of October during Booville activities.

She also noted that Harvest Fest will be held Oct. 13.

In other business at the 10-minute city meeting on Sept. 4, the council:

- Heard a resident voice frustration over piles of wood in her neighbor's yard piled

against her fence that she feels will bring rats. She said she talked to the man about it last year, but nothing was done. Building Official Rick Rutherford explained that the city sent a police officer over to deliver a notice of violation and the man has 21 days to respond to the complaint. It's a violation of the ordinance and if he doesn't reply, he will get a ticket, Rutherford said, adding, "They are given time under the process and hopefully I'll be made aware of the court date." He said he will make the judge aware they the city is not interested in a fine, but in compliance. Fire Chief Brian Loranger said he could have some fire fighters go over to clean it up, but he doesn't want to

get in trouble for encroachment on private property. Rutherford said they don't want to do anything to interfere with the process that might result in charges against the alleged offender being dismissed;

- Heard Rutherford report that he has reached out to the city attorney with the contract for the seawall repairs to make sure the contract is intact. He said he wants to set up a meeting with the condo owners and C&R Lakeside, the contractor, but one of the condo owners is out of the country for 18 days. She is one of the four and is interested in cooperating with the city on the repairs. He said the city is pretty much getting ready to sign the contract and start

waiting for the beginning of work in the spring; and

- Approved \$390,897.61 in accounts payable and the following purchases in excess of \$500: to Hennessey Engineers, \$4,800.50 for library site plan review paid from the library escrow fund; to Wise Technologies, \$798.75 for computers / network; to Election Source, \$730.50 for ballot/accuracy testing; to Osborne Concrete, \$715 for road/water main break; and to ICMA Retirement Corporation, \$625.60 for annual dues.

Councilman Thomas Fielder was absent from the meeting.

Job fair coming to Romulus with more than 20 firms, agencies

ROMULUS – More than 20 companies and agencies will be on hand during a job fair scheduled for 9 a.m. to noon Thursday, Sept. 13, at the Romulus Athletic Center, 335765 Northline Road.

The job fair has been organized by the City of Romulus to assist local companies that are seeking employees to fill their needs.

"We're meeting a request by business owners to assist as they try to find people to help fill jobs," said Tim Keyes, the city's economic development director. "They tell us they are short staffed and can't find staff to fill jobs. There are manufacturing jobs, jobs in hotels and at the airport, firefighters, police officers. The range of work is huge."

The job fair also will feature staffing companies and resource agencies that assist individuals in their job hunt, such as Michigan Works, the Michigan Talent

Investment Agency - Veterans Employment Services, Romulus Adult Education, The Information Center and SEMCA, the Southeast Michigan Community Alliance.

Others already signed up for the job fair include Actia Corp., Aerostar Manufacturing, Aztec Manufacturing, Birclar Electric, Daehan Solutions MI, Detroit Thermal Systems, Environmental Testing & Consulting, Hilton Hotels at Detroit Metro Airport, Michigan Pneumatic Tool, Morse Moving, Paradies, Public Service Credit Union, the Romulus Fire Department, the Romulus Police Department, SVS Group, Waste Management and more.

"Companies are looking for employees," Keyes said. "Interest in participating in this job fair is unbelievably strong. We are getting phone calls every day from companies that are hearing about the job

fair and want to be part of it."

For more information on the job fair, call

Keyes at (734) 955-4537.

Homegrown Knowledge: Programs start with 'Canning, Preserving'

The Friends of the Belleville Area District Library will present the first program in this season's free Homegrown Knowledge series at 7 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 13.

"Canning and Preserving" will be presented by Farmers' Market regular Melanie O'Neil and librarians Amy Greschaw and Hilary Savage. They will

share tips and tricks for preserving food, from dehydrating, to making jams and pickles. Come prepared to taste!

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OPINIONS

Editorial

Change of deputy treasurers bring drama in Sumpter

When Janet Hoffman resigned as deputy treasurer in Sumpter Township, it set off a series of events that has left the township reeling.

She went off to join her new husband at his job in the South and Treasurer Peggy Morgan appointed a new deputy treasurer. This person seemed over-qualified to us, with a PhD, but she didn't respond to permission for a background check and there were other problems, so Morgan fired her five days into her employment.

Morgan has now appointed former Van Buren Township employee Vernon Morse to the post and he is hard at work.

It was learned that a mortgage company had sent \$732,000 in checks from a bank for the taxes of 942 residents and this had not been credited to the homeowners. If the tax bills are not marked paid by 4 p.m. Friday, interest and penalty will have to be charged, by law.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Sumpter Township board, Financial Director Scott Holzer and auditor Cari Ford assured the board the problem could be corrected by Friday.

Trustee Matt Oddy, no friend to Morgan suggested Morgan use the services of Deputy Supervisor Karen Armatis, who had served as deputy treasurer, even though they don't get along. Morgan said no thank you, we've got it covered. She apologized to the residents for the problems and assured them all will be fine. Hopefully, all will be well by Friday.

EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

...By Rosemary K. Otzman

The road resurfacing of Savage Road between Gentz and Harris roads in Sumpter and Huron townships is being delayed by a contract dispute between a contractors' association and a labor union.

In a story in The Detroit News on Sept. 5, it was reported the dispute between the Michigan Infrastructure and Transportation Association and Operating Engineers Local 234 started Sept. 4 and is delaying work in several named projects in Southeastern Michigan. The bridge in New Boston wasn't mentioned. Hopefully, that still is planned to be done this fall.

A reader came into our office on Thursday to ask about the Do Not Eat Fish advisory put out by the state for the entire Huron River, including Belleville Lake. He said he loves to fish and eat the fish and he was very disappointed. He said he called the phone number given in the paper and the person who answered said he didn't know anything about it.

Our reader said he had a fish from Belleville Lake in his freezer and wondered if it was OK to eat it. Since it was caught before the advisory was announced, we decided it must be OK.

At the Sept. 4 meeting of the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees, Matthew Best said he didn't know how long the advisory would be in effect and maybe it would never come off, since the chemical involved is so persistent. Supervisor Kevin McNamara said, "We live in a different world" because of the Flint law suits and the state is being very cautious.

Another reader called to say she is so disappointed in the new paint job on the stores



in the shopping center on Belleville Road in Van Buren Township where Dos Pesos is located. "It's dark and horrible," she said, noting she talked to some of the store owners and they said they had no choice in the matter because it was painted by the building owner.

She said she thought it should be a "bright, happy, Belleville color." She said it looks like a prison now. The four-acre shopping center at 11724 Belleville Road is owned by Van Buren Plaza LLC with an office in Southfield, according to the township's web site. It was built in 1988 and has a value of \$1.7 million.

On Friday afternoon there was a fire call from Keystone Academy and Sumpter Fire trucks responded. It was reported as a fire in the boys' bathroom and there is an investigation as to who is responsible. The sprinkler system went off so there was lots of water damage at that end of the building.

The fire was taken care of, but the charter school cancelled classes early and alerted the parents and grandparents to come get their students.

One grandparent reported it was "really a mess" since the fire trucks were in the fire lane where the students usually are picked up and they changed the way the kids could be picked up.

This grandparent said he loves Keystone, but they've got to change the way they pick up kids. He said cars were lined up on Sumpter Road with grumpy drivers waiting to get in to get their kids. He said the parking lot never was big enough and Sumpter

planners shouldn't have let them build with the small lot.

The VBT regular meeting on Sept. 4 got a bit rambunctious when board members were discussing credit card use and other related spending items. Supervisor McNamara adjourned the meeting for five minutes to get his board back under control.

When the meeting got wild, with board members talking over each other, Trustee Reggie Miller criticized McNamara: "You need to recognize speakers. I wish you'd gain control of these meetings."

McNamara had yelled out, "STOP, STOP, STOP," but they didn't. I guess changing the meeting rules, the way they did a few months ago, didn't help the situation as much as he thought it would.

One of the disputes was over the \$4 charge to get Trustee Paul White over the Mackinac Bridge after a meeting in the Upper Peninsula. It came about during the credit card discussion, but it actually was a cash receipt that was lost for a bit. Somebody denied having the township pay to get White back over the bridge and he felt he was being punished for speaking out. "We don't care about you that much to punish you for \$4," McNamara said.



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Letters

We all have to do our part for education

To the editor:

Thank you for your opinion in the Sept. 6, 2018 edition on the recently released M-STEP results for our school district. Your comments bring to attention some very interesting and important thoughts and ideas.

As a former VBPS student, and now parent, I vehemently defend our community and school district any chance I get. My family did the charter school thing when our oldest was small before bringing her home to VBPS. We immediately knew we made the right decision. The sense of community and home town pride was all we needed to experience to know we made the right choice. Five years later, we begin a new school year with hearts and minds full with the knowledge that both of our children are experiencing all the important things life has to offer; a large part of which comes from school.

As a passionate supporter for VBPS, I, too, am a bit discouraged by the M-STEP results. Not because I want blame placed anywhere, but because I know we are capable of more. I know we are capable of more because I have seen the foundation that has been laid down, starting with the approval and construction of the new high school, to the population audit and revamping of the building use for the K-8 groups, to the hiring of a new Superintendent. I believe all of this is an excellent start to a new beginning for VBPS and our community.

But we must not stop there. First and foremost, we need to understand and accept that student success should begin at home. Students need support at home in order to succeed in the classroom. That starts with reading to the little ones as much as we can, and limiting those minutes in front of a screen. And continues on with helping pre-teens and teens navigate the tough journey to adulthood. In life we get out what we put into it, and that goes for school, as well. Parents will get great students if they put in the effort to help create them.

Secondly, we must do what we can to support our school district. "Yes" on school millage is a given. We can't expect a district to perform well without the funds to do so. I understand some people refuse to approve an increase in their taxes. But please, do your homework first. Every tax dollar you spend is not "wasted" or "sent out of state." That attitude is frankly just lazy. Budgets are public record (as this paper has proven). Go look at the whole thing for yourself and see if any of that

money is spent outside the school district. Every week I read this paper, and there is typically some reference to property value made by someone. I challenge anyone to find a community with high property values and underfunded or under-performing schools. Beyond supporting the district financially, see what else you can do. PTO, coaching, volunteering, and working are some great options to help the district.

We all know it takes a village to raise a child, and their school is a large part of that. We can't send them off every day and expect teachers alone to raise test scores and send home functioning adults. We all have to do our part. We have established a great foundation, let's see what we can build on it.

Charles Larocque
Van Buren Township

My closest friend needs some help

To the editor:

My closest friend has had one rough year and is in need of serious help. In May her home burned down, lost everything. The insurance paid off the mortgage, but they still needed a place. Luckily, they got another place across the street with what was left from insurance to buy everything.

After two months at a hotel she finally moved, but the first night she wasn't feeling good. Went to St. Joe ER only to get devastating news. She has stage 4 stomach cancer and her doctor gave her an option for chemo, but can't remove it. All she thought was "I want to see my grandchildren grow up," which she won't.

In July, she spent ten days in the hospital and now in September she is in ER again with blood clots.

She doesn't have insurance coverage and bills are getting larger. If you can see fit to help with anything, gifts cards, money, or just a letter of prayer, it would be appreciated. She always helped others and now she could use some help: 452 Montana, Belleville, MI 48111.

Her name is Lois Golden (Michaels), Class of '79.

Susan Round

Sumpter Seniors hold Rummage & Treasures sale Sept. 14, 15, 16

A Rummage & Treasures Sale will be held by the Sumpter Township Senior Citizens from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. this Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Sept. 14, 15, 16, at the Sumpter Community Center, 23501 Sumpter Road.

The event is a fund-raiser for the Seniors' upcoming Christmas party, said Sumpter Senior Specialist Maryann Watson. Table rental is \$10. For information call (734) 461-9373 and leave a message.

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More Letters

FMAR invites you to its fall fund-raising events

To the editor:

Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue would like to invite you to our fall fundraisers. They are starting off this week! On Thursday, Sept. 13, the Van Buren Eagles have graciously offered up their hall again, 9961 Beck Rd., for the annual FMAR Spay-ghetti and No Balls Dinner. Time is 5-9 p.m. Raffles and a Bake Sale will run concurrently. Cost will be \$10 for adults and kids 13 and up; \$6 for kids 12 and under; kids under 2 eat free. Proceeds will support the FMAR spay and neuter program.

The action switches to Milan on Oct. 10 when Original Gravity Brewing Company, 440 County Street, will host. This year for the first time, food from Papa G's BBQ will be available for purchase along with Paninis from OG's menu. Take a chance on a 50/50 raffle, raffle baskets, a brewery tour, and learn about the brewing process. A local farmers' market will be onsite during the early hours of the 5-10 p.m. event.

During Booville's Harvest Fest on Oct. 13, you just may see Coldwell Banker Professionals running a Pet Meet and Greet, 309 Main Street! FMAR is pleased to partner with them as these realtors would love to see clients and the public adopting rescued animals.

On Oct. 20 another Monster Mutt Walk will take place downtown from 1-3 p.m. You can register your pet for \$10 and a donation of dog food. Each pet will receive a goody bag and small gift. First, Second, and Third prizes will be given out for Scariest costumed pet, Cutest, and Best Mutt and Family. Yes, we would like to see humans in costume that day, too. Route will be different than other years due to library construction.

Chances are FMAR will participate in the Van Buren Township Candy Loop taking place in Quirk Park on Oct. 27. The new Pet Valu in Milan, MI will sponsor a Pet Meet and Greet that day from 12-4. Location is 523 W. Main Street.

Something new to try is Escape the Post. It's an amusement center in Flat Rock, 15005 Telegraph Rd. Event is Friday, Nov. 2. Two sessions are offered. One is 7-8:30. The other is 8:30-10 p.m. You will use brain power challenging yourself and your group to escape the special room you will be locked in. Food is available for purchase there as well as raffle tickets. Please make reservations by calling 734-461-9458. Fee is \$28 each, payable at the door. This is another business offering FMAR a percentage of what is collected that night and we are grateful.

A favorite place for FMAR to collect a percentage is from Haabs Restaurant, 18 W. Michigan Ave, Ypsilanti. If you dine at Haabs on Nov. 18, FMAR will receive

10% of the take for the whole day/evening. Haabs always saves FMAR the Sunday before Thanksgiving to help us out.

Mark your calendars for Dec. 8 when Santa Claus will visit Milan's Pet Valu, 523 W. Main Street. Bring your pet and get a photo taken with Santa between 11-3.

FMAR appreciates your participation in our fund raising. Hopefully these hot tips on upcoming events will have piqued

your curiosity. If you have questions about anything, please call the shelter at (734) 461-9458. Thank you for your consideration and Happy Autumn!

Linda Luke,
FMAR Fundraiser/Events Coordinator

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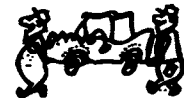


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Obituaries



Donna F. (Coffman) Clark

DONNA F. (COFFMAN) CLARK

(July 17, 1940 – August 24, 2018)

Donna F. Clark, 78, loving wife, mother, grandmother, soon to be great-grandmother, and friend to all passed away August 24, 2018, in Tampa, Florida. Born July 17, 1940, in Dalton, Kentucky, to Guestel Woodrow and Dona Pauline (Childress) Coffman, she was the first of three children. She moved with her family to Detroit before settling in Van Buren Township where she graduated from Belleville High School in 1958. Her parents instilled in her the virtues of strength and service to family and community. She married her high school sweetheart, Clyde Robert Clark, Jr., on August 13, 1960.

Her commitment to family and community showed itself in her many acts of service including den mother for Cub Scouts, leader for Boy Scouts, leader for Girl Scouts, and volunteer with Belleville Band Boosters and Golden Garrison Drum & Bugle Corps. She was a Van Buren Township trustee and worked as a teacher's aide for over 28 years. She touched many people through her life's work and will be missed by all.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her parents-in-law, Juanita Marie (Pickett) Clark and Clyde Robert Clark, Sr. She is survived by the love of her life and husband of 58 years, Clyde Robert Clark, Jr. She is also survived by her four children; Jeff (Marcia) Clark, Joannie (Bob) Payne, Pat (Jeff) Fondaw, Kathryn Brightwell; her eight grandchildren, Ryan (Lizzie) Payne, Sean (Nicole) Payne, Kyle (Nikki) Fondaw, Chase Brightwell, Cody Fondaw, Morgan Clark, Meredith Clark, Jeb Clark, and her soon to arrive great-grandchild. Also surviving are her siblings; Jackie (Jim) Schuelert and Bill Coffman; her sister-in-law, Susan Studer, and many beloved nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A celebration of her life will be held at 11:00 a.m. on October 20, 2018, at The First United Methodist Church in Belleville, Michigan. In lieu of flowers the family has requested donations be made in her name to: Neuro ICU Education Fund held at Tampa General Hospital Foundation PO Box 1289, Tampa, FL 33601 or visit www.tgh.org/make-gift.



FLOYD HARRY STABNAU

(May 6, 1928 – September 8, 2018)

Age 90, a longtime Belleville/Van Buren resident. Survived by wife Peggy; son Mark; four grandchildren; one great-grandson. No public services planned at this time. David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville
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David Foster Sherwood

DAVID FOSTER SHERWOOD

(November 13, 1953 – September 5, 2018)

Age 64, died peacefully with his family by his side at his Sumpter Township residence on Wednesday morning, September 5, 2018.

David is the beloved husband of Mary; loving father of Kaitlyn (Todd) Sherwood of Belleville, MI, Kelsey (Justin) Siggins of Ortonville, MI, and Kyle (Ashley) Mehlhaff of Ypsilanti, MI; cherished son of Mary (the late George) Sherwood of Belleville.

David is also survived by his grandchildren, Liam and Nolan; and his brother, George Sherwood Jr. of Sumpter Township, MI.

David was born and raised in Belleville, a graduate of Lincoln High School. David was a craftsman and custom builder. He would often driver his daughters (Kaitlyn, Kelsey) around Belleville to show them the homes he proudly transformed. David was an incredibly talented woodworker and his craft will forever be engraved in the coin boxes, bird feeders, and all of the pieces he created to be enjoyed for generations.

David, affectionately called "Papa," was so proud of his grandsons, Liam and Nolan, who gave him so much joy and happiness. Sharing ice cream, reading books, and wheelchair rides were a few of his favorite cherished times.

David was also notorious for his sweet tooth and best known to eat a whole bag of candy at one sitting. Mary Janes, "Red Sticks," and Tootsie Rolls were just a few of his favorites.

David loved nature, spending time outdoors, and all of his animals. He enjoyed yard work, chopping wood, feeding the birds, and working in his wood shop. David's greatest love was for his family who takes comfort in knowing that he is at peace.

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BERYLEUNICE KING

(June 3, 1922 – September 6, 2018)

Age 93, of Romulus. Survived by sons Howard and Daniel; seven grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; and siblings Carl and Betty. Service will be held at 11 a.m., Sept. 13, at the David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.
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WILLIAM BRUCE WEALL

(March 20, 1953 – September 5, 2018)

Age 65, of Taylor. Survived by daughter Natalie; son William II; two grandsons; his former wife Tammy; two nephews; great-niece and great-nephew. Cremation accorded. David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville
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- **Thursday, Sept. 13** – Belleville Area District Library's Homegrown Knowledge program is back at 7 p.m. Tonight it is "Canning and Preserving" with Farmers' Market regular Melanie O'Neil and librarians Amy Greschow and Hilary Savage sharing tips and tricks on preserving food, from dehydrating to making jams and pickles. Come prepared to taste! 699-3921
- **Friday, Sept. 14** – Coffee House from 7 to 10 p.m. at Belleville Church of God, 45170 Hull Rd. Come enjoy fellowship, live music, coffee drinks, soda drinks, table games. Donations support Single Moms' Child Care Fund.
- **Friday, Sept. 14** – Red Cross Blood Drive from noon to 5:45 p.m. at Tim Hortons-Belleville, 10360 Belleville Road.
- **Friday, Sept. 14, Saturday, Sept. 15, and Sunday, Sept. 16** – First-annual Sumpter Seniors Rummage and Treasures Sale, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the Sumpter Township Community Center Gym. Three days. Rent table for \$10. Benefit to raise money for seniors' Christmas party. Info: (734) 461-9373. Leave a message.
- **Saturday, Sept. 15** – Van Buren Township Family Fun and Public Safety Day, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., south parking lot area at Menards. Meet Jase, the new K-9 officer under Handler Officer Ryan Barry.
- **Saturday, Sept. 15** – Belleville High School All-Class Reunion at BHS Commons, 501 W. Columbia Ave. Activities begin at 2:30 p.m. with social gathering school tour, and shopping in the school store. Dinner is from 5 to 8 p.m. Information on Facebook at bellevilleallclass@gmail.com or phone (734) 787-4601.
- **Sunday, Sept. 16** – 24th-annual Don Rochon Memorial Car Show & Swap Meet, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Sumpter Township Fairgrounds, 23501 Sumpter Rd.
- **Sunday, Sept. 16** – St. Joseph Catholic Church, 9425 Whittaker Rd., Ypsilanti, is holding its annual Harvest Festival from noon until 6 p.m. There is a raffle with one \$5,000 prize and five \$500 prizes. Famous chicken dinner, local crafters, bake sale, and silent auction.
- **Sunday, Sept. 16** – Free Sunday Music and Car Show, 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Music today by Jay Frandsen/Sax. Information: Jimmy Baleja, (734) 223-4824.
- **Monday, Sept. 17** – Farmer's Market in

the Fourth Street Square, 4-7:30 p.m. Also, car show on Main St., 5-9 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Sept. 18** – Belleville High School Band Review starts at 6:30 p.m. at the BHS Athletic Field.

• **Thursday, Sept. 20** – Broadway: The American Musical Theatre, 7 p.m. at Wayne County Community College's Ted Scott Campus, 9555 Haggerty Rd., Belleville. Part 1 is "From Tin Pan Alley to Leonard Bernstein." Part 2 comes Oct. 18. Free. Information: (734) 374-3232.

• **Thursday, Sept. 20** – The Belleville Area Historical Society will host a special membership and volunteer drive from 6 to 8 p.m. at Wayne County Community College, 9555 Haggerty Road. Impersonators of Joe and Rose Kennedy will entertain and answer questions about all things Camelot. Salad, pizza, refreshments provided. Free for those who sign up for a new membership as well as for existing members who bring in a new member or for those who sign up for a volunteer position. Otherwise, donation is \$20.

• **Saturday, Sept. 22** – Belleville Area Lions Club will hold a free event from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library. The event includes Lions Kidsight doing vision screenings, Lions Hearing Center doing hearing screenings, and Michigan Mason Child Identification Program on hand with DNA kits. Information: (248) 390-9233 or email balclionjo@comcast.net

• **Saturday, Sept. 22** – Community United Methodist Church, Olive and Bibbins street in Romulus, will hold a spaghetti dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

• **Sunday, Sept. 23** – Free Sunday Music and Car Show, 2-5 p.m. at September Days Senior Center, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township. Music today by Southern Xpress. Information: Jimmy Baleja, (734) 223-4824.

• **Monday, Sept. 24** – Farmer's Market in the Fourth Street Square, 4-7:30 p.m. Also, car show on Main Street, 5-9 p.m.

• **Monday, Sept. 24** – Families Against Narcotics, along with Wayne County Mental Health, will present a program on opioid abuse from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Masonic Temple, at the corner of Main and High streets in Belleville. Narcan kits will be distributed.

• **Monday, Sept. 24** – Free Live Vegetarian Performing Arts Cooking Show with Chef Mark Anthony at 6:30 p.m. at Wayne County Community College District Ted Scott Campus, 9555 Haggerty Road, Belleville. Sponsored by Belleville Seventh-day Adventist Church. Information: (918) 902-9977.

Upcoming Meetings

• **Thursday, Sept. 13** – Keystone Academy school board, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• **Monday, Sept. 17** – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Sept. 18** – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Sept. 19** – Belleville Downtown Development Authority, 6 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Environmental Commission, 7 p.m.

• **Monday, Sept. 24** – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. at the Commons at Belleville High School.

• **Tuesday, Sept. 25** – Van Buren Township Downtown Development Authority, 5:30 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., regular meeting at 6:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Sept. 26** – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• **Monday, Oct. 1** – Van Buren Township work/study session, 4 p.m. Also, Belleville City Council, 7:30 p.m.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 2** – Van Buren Township regular meeting, 7 p.m.

• **Monday, Oct. 8** – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education meets at 7 p.m. at the Commons at Belleville High School.

• **Tuesday, Oct. 9** – Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Van Buren Township Board of Zoning Appeals at 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7:30 p.m.

• **Wednesday, Oct. 10** – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

• **Thursday, Oct. 11** – Keystone Academy school board, 6 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township Planning Commission, 7 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

Registration under way for Fall Storytimes at the District Library

Fall Storytimes are starting at the Belleville Area District Library and the slots fill up fast, said Youth/Teen Services Librarian Tara K. McCann.

Registration is under way at the Library Circulation Desk for:

• **Monday Night Family Storytimes** for ages 4-10 at 7 p.m. Mondays, Sept. 10 Oct. 15.

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• **Thursday Morning Toddler Time** for ages 2-4 at 11 a.m. Thursdays, Sept. 13 – Oct. 18.

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bond since Jan. 18 when she was brought back from Georgia where she and her co-defendant, Brad Fields, had fled after Gabrielle's death was ruled a homicide.

Judge Green reported that pretrial services said the remand is appropriate and Diaz should remain in custody without bond.

Diaz's preliminary exam was delayed by a request on Jan. 31 for a competency exam. After she was declared competent to stand trial, her court-appointed attorney David Cripps, asked for another exam by a psychiatrist chosen by the defense. That second exam also declared her competent.

She is due before Circuit Court Judge Vonda R. Evans on Sept. 11.

Co-defendant Brad Edward Fields, 29, had his six-hour preliminary exam before 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley on May 11, after he was found competent to stand trial. His retained attorney is Timothy Jon Wrather. Fields also remains in custody without bond.

He is scheduled for a jury trial before Judge Evans, also on Sept. 11. The charges against him are the same as those against Diaz, except for the two conspiracy charges against her added by the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office on Sept. 4.

Wayne County assistant prosecutors questioned four witnesses during the preliminary exam, with the first being Diaz' mother, Cynthia Diaz, who had raised Gabrielle, since she was a few weeks old and the girl's father left, to last September

when Gabrielle began preschool and had to be in her mother's care.

The grandmother told of the morning that Gabrielle died. She testified that her daughter called her at about 9:30 or 9:45, crying, saying Gabrielle wasn't responding and the grandmother said she was on the way. She said she lived in Westland and it took her 30 minutes to get to Rawsonville Woods mobile home park. When she got there she told Diaz to call 911 and her daughter told her she had tried twice, but sometimes the cell service is bad. She tried twice more and finally got through, the grandmother said.

The grandmother said when she got to the mobile home Fields was doing CPR, but he said this was the first time he did it. The grandmother, who had been trained, took over the CPR, but testified Gabrielle didn't respond to her. She said police arrived about 10 minutes later and then the Huron Valley Ambulance about five to 10 minutes after that.

She said Diaz rode in the passenger seat in the ambulance to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital where the grandmother drove to join her. She said about two and a half hours later the doctor came out and said the little girl had been pronounced dead.

The grandmother testified Diaz didn't say what happened to Gabrielle and she didn't ask.

"I know it makes me look bad," she said. There were red marks, superficial burns on the legs, but she didn't ask her daughter how the girl got the burns.

"When you're emotional, you don't think of things," the grandmother said. After Gabrielle was pronounced dead, "Candice left with Brad and Aunt Zoe and I went home alone." She said she later took them to the trailer to get their car and things.

She said she didn't know that Diaz and Fields had gone out of state until she saw it

on the news. She had talked to Diaz on the phone many times, but hadn't been told she was out of state.

Diaz's mother said at age 4 1/2, Diaz was badly burned after her grandmother fell asleep with a cigarette. Diaz was burned over 46% of her body and after many months of treatment, "Candice was brought home from the hospital by me."

Testimony later showed that Diaz said she knew how to treat burns from her time in the hospital.

The grandmother said she felt Gabrielle had autism and should be tested.

On Jan. 1, Fields reportedly said he couldn't stand the girl's screaming and so Diaz held Gabrielle tighter and tighter until she accidentally suffocated her.

The grandmother told Sumpter Detective-Sergeant John Toth that he was looking in the wrong direction because he's looking at Diaz and, "She didn't do anything wrong... She covered for Brad when he got arrested for guns ... I don't like Brad."

Eleven pages of the medical examiner's report from the University of Michigan Hospital was entered into evidence without reading it aloud by agreement between the defense and prosecution.

Sumpter Township Police Officer George Salajan was the next witness. He said he was dispatched to the scene of a drowning with Officer Jerry Cox and Cox entered the mobile home first.

Officer Salajan said when he saw the little girl her eyes were glassed over and her skin was pale gray. The two officers moved the little girl out of the bathroom floor into the living room where there was more access for CPR. He said she had no pulse and no breathing. He described bruising on her face, matted hair, vomit in her hair and nose, and scald marks. When they turned her to her side to try to clear her throat, he said he saw more bruising on her back, matching bruises on her arms and legs, "bright red in color ... her feet were bright red, the color of blood." He said it was obvious there were scald marks on the back.

When HVA arrived, a fire fighter carried Gabrielle out to the ambulance.

Officer Salajan said he tried to get permission from Diaz to search the trailer, but she refused and told him she didn't know why police would want to search the house "when she drowned."

As Officer Salajan was talking to Diaz as she sat in the front seat of the ambulance, HVA workers asked Diaz how Gabrielle got burns on her and Diaz replied that she got it in a hot bathtub the day before.

Officer Salajan testified police secured the house, got a search warrant, and then searched the house. He said that pieces of

dead skin had been hanging from a scald/burn wound on the little girl. After they got the warrant, he found the bathtub drain was clogged with hair and some kind of material that turned out to be skin, which he collected for evidence.

He said police confiscated computers, old cellphones, and narcotics paraphernalia.

Officer Salajan said the child's bedroom had a nanny cam on a dresser, a dresser with children's clothing, toys, and a mattress leaned against the wall.

Sumpter Police Sgt. Elizabeth Egerer was the next witness, testifying Det./Sgt. Toth brought her into the case on Jan. 5 for help with technology and warrants. She studied Facebook, Snapchat, Google, and phones at the residence.

After going through the prosecutor, 34th District Court and Facebook, she came up with 10,777 pages on Diaz from Oct. 1, 2017 through Jan. 1, 2018. Sgt. Egerer said Diaz and Fields corresponded several times a day and usually had something to say about Gabrielle.

Prosecutor Elsey used this as the evidence for the added conspiracy charges.

Elsey showed seven brief videos sent back and forth between Fields and Diaz. They showed the little girl in November and December sleeping on the floor in just her underwear while the mattress is propped against the wall. They show Gabrielle wrapped in garbage bags to keep warm and acting weird after allegedly being given Adderall. [Adderall is an amphetamine/salt combo used to treat ADHD.] In late December, they showed the little girl crying and screaming, in only her underwear, and the voice of Diaz yelling in the background.

The last witness was Det./Sgt. Toth, officer in charge of the case, who testified he had been a police officer for 23 1/2 years with 18 1/2 of those years at Sumpter.

He testified he went to the morgue, spoke with Investigator French there, and observed the body. Pictures were entered into evidence.

Diaz and Fields fled the state and warrants for their arrests were filed. They were picked up in Georgia, just short of the Florida state line, and then extradition began.

Det./Sgt. Toth testified once the transportation service that was bringing her back got to Bowling Green, OH, he and Sgt. Egerer drove down to pick Diaz up and bring her back. He said Sgt. Egerer read Miranda Rights to Diaz and they did not discuss the case in the car.

Later in his office, Det./Sgt. Toth said he read the Miranda Rights to her again and had her initial each line indicating she understood. This was recorded by body

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Toth said he set up two different body cams to record different angles of the 2 1/2 hour interview with Diaz and these two discs were entered into evidence. Rick Pomorski, an investigator from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, also participated in the interview.

Judge Green said the audio was horrible and hard to follow, so Toth produced Diaz's written statement. In the statement Diaz said she gave Gabrielle a bath to clean the burns up, like they did for her in the hospital. She said, "Brad is still bitching ... I was holding her to get her to stop." She said she was rubbing on the burns to get the skin to come off, which caused the child to scream. She estimated the pain, on a scale of 1-10 as being, "either 99 or 100."

Then Prosecutor Elsey made the motion to bind Diaz over for trial.

Defense attorney Cripps said he didn't feel that the additional charges of conspiracy were established.

Judge Green said she had read the messages that had gone back and forth between Brad and Candice, that hadn't been read aloud in the courtroom.

"... beating the crap out of this child, urinating and feces, Adderall ... all go back and forth ... clearly what they are doing to this child..." is together, she said.

Defense attorney Cripps said first-degree murder means she caused the death and, "I don't think the evidence shows that. It may have been a showing of neglect. There was physical abuse by Mr. Fields, but she accidentally suffocated her daughter. She said, 'I held her too tight and she stopped breathing.'"

Judge Green said the autopsy showed she was suffocated and there is probable cause that she did do it intentionally.

Cripps said as to the "torture," she was rubbing burns to help her daughter.

"For purposes of probable cause, I'm not buying that. I couldn't do that to my child," Judge Green said.

She then bound Candice Diaz over to circuit court on all charges.

Editor's Note: The Sept. 4 preliminary exam of Candice Diaz was recorded by Fox 2 Detroit, WJBK, and is on its web site. So far there have been 122,738 views.

Court Watching:

Theron Hunter of VBT bound over for trial on five charges

By Rosemary K. Oztman
Independent Editor

After a preliminary exam on Sept. 5, 34th District Court Judge Brian A. Oakley bound Theron John Hunter, 40, of Van Buren Township over to circuit court for trial. Hunter is due at the Frank Murphy Hall of Justice in Detroit at 9 a.m. Sept. 19.

Hunter is charged with carrying a concealed weapon, controlled substances (heroin less than 25 grams), possession of firearm by a felon, weapons felony firearm, and weapons felony firearm – second offense.

The only witness called by the prosecution was Sgt. Alex Schultz of the Van Buren Township Police Department, who said he was the nighttime shift supervisor on Nov. 15-16, 2016, when the case began.

He said police were informed when they came on board at 6 p.m. that a person had called dispatch to report that a female had been pushed into a vehicle which left the trailer park at the north end of the township.

Sgt. Schultz said he alerted the officers to make checks to see if they can locate the vehicle and check the woman's welfare since it could be a possible kidnapping. The information was turned over to the detective bureau, he said.

He said at around 2:30 a.m. on Nov. 16 he stopped a car matching the description of the vehicle they were looking for – a silver SUV with a black male driving – which accelerated to a high rate of speed after he turned on his lights to make the traffic stop.

He said he told the driver, identified as Theron Hunter, that he was investigating an alleged domestic dispute. Hunter said he lived in the trailer park with his girlfriend, Sgt. Schultz testified. Hunter gave his driver's license to the officer, who ran it through the law enforcement information network (LEIN) that showed there was a valid felony warrant for Hunter out of Washtenaw County. He put Hunter in the back of his patrol car.

Sgt. Schultz said he then did a vehicle inventory check and found a fully loaded handgun with a bullet in the chamber under the front passenger seat, within arm's reach. He testified he also found a Dunkin'

Donuts cup with a lid on it, with a baggie of suspected narcotics inside. It later tested to be heroin.

Under cross-examination by Hunter's court-appointed attorney, Sgt. Schultz testified that he stopped the car because it matched the description of the car he was seeking and the driver was a black male, as described by the caller.

He said after he made a U-turn to follow the car, it headed toward Washtenaw County on Michigan Avenue. He said he had to drive more than 100 mph to stop the car which he did just over the Washtenaw County line.

Hunter is free after posting bond of \$10,000/10%.

John Phillip Fisher

John Phillip Fisher, 80, had his preliminary exam set for Sept. 19 before Judge David Parrott. Fisher is charged with seven felony charges of criminal sexual conduct: one count of CSC 1st degree (person less than 13 years, defendant at least 17), two counts of CSC 2nd degree (penetration - person under 13, defendant 17 years or older), two counts of CSC 2nd degree (relationship), and two counts of CSC 4th degree (incest) in Van Buren Township on Jan. 1, 2008.

If he is found guilty he could be punished by any number of years in prison up to life.

His bond had been set at \$50,000/10%, and was posted. He is free on a tether and appeared in the courtroom on a walker. The prosecutor and defense attorney Pamela Tracy stipulated to his competency.

Steven Cole Stickler

On Sept. 5, a felony domestic violence

charge against Steven Cole Stickler, 38, was dismissed by Judge Oakley at the request of the prosecutor. He had been free after posting bond of \$10,000/10%.

Stickler's charge was brought after an incident in Van Buren Township on Aug. 16.

Darrell Wayne Veres

The preliminary exam for Darrell Wayne Veres, 51, on a charge of home invasion-1st degree was delayed again until he is out of treatment at the Walter Reuther facility. The incident for which he was charged occurred on Dec. 13 in Van Buren Township. His attorney Ricky Nelson was present in the courtroom for a review of the case.

He is being held on \$25,000 cash bond.

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Railroad crossings to be closed on South Street, Elwell, Rawsonville

Drivers have seen the piles of railroad ties piled neatly along the railroad tracks over the past few weeks in Van Buren Township, the City of Belleville, Sumpter Township, and Augusta Township.

Now the work has begun to maintain the tracks and an announcement has been made that various railroad crossings will be

closed from Wednesday, Sept. 12, through Friday, Sept. 14, as the work progresses.

Sumpter Township Police Chief Eric Luke said his department had been notified by the railroad on Tuesday that the crossing on Rawsonville Road south of Bemis was to be closed from 8 a.m. Wednesday through Friday morning. Drivers were

advised to seek an alternate route.

He said police also were notified that many other crossings in the area will be closed at about the same time. Several in Augusta Township will be closed, along with the Elwell Road crossing in Van Buren Township and the South Street crossing in the City of Belleville.

Mystery pipe uncovered in dig at site of new district library

At Tuesday's meeting of the Belleville Area District Library board, architect Dan Whisler said he got a call earlier that day that workers had just uncovered an 8-12" storm pipe in the digging around for the library construction that nobody knew was there.

He said it is an old pipe with holes in it but nobody knows where it starts and

where it stops. He said workers plan to scope the pipe with a camera to see where it goes. Whisler said the city was unaware it was there.

He said that is what happens sometimes in excavations. There are surprises.

Joy Cichewicz, chairman of the building committee, said the project is about a month behind schedule now, but extra time

had been allowed in the plans.

Whisler said this week they got the first pictures of the structural steel plans and now the steel can be manufactured and be on the site around Thanksgiving. He expects the first girders to go up by Christmas.

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Joseph Henry Jacobson, son of Scott and Stephanuie Jacobson and great-grandson of Mildred Baker of Belleville, was born June 26.

This Christening dress was given to Robert and Mildred Baker of Belleville by Mildred's parents, Lamber and Elizabeth Mida, upon the birth of their first child, Robert Jr., for his Christening.

It then was worn by their next two children, James and Joan. When the grandchildren started coming along, it was worn by all eight grandchildren for the baptisms: Natasha, Marcus, Robert III, Tara, Christopher, Stephanie, Elizabeth, and Glenn.

Then the great-grandchildren came along: Alison, Nicklas, Tyler, Joshua, Jack, Caroline, Emma, Nina, Eve, Edward,

Gabriel, and pictured at left, number 12, Joseph.

That makes 23 babies that have been baptized in this 74-year-old dress. Mildred Baker has had all of the names embroidered on the slip along with their date of birth. Boys' names are in blue and the girls names are in pink. The shawl that is used at baptism was knitted by Mildred.

"Each time the dress is brought out of storage, it brings back many happy memories," Mildred said.

Great-grandmother Mildred traveled with her daughter to California for baby Joseph's baptism in August. Mildred has attended all 23 baptisms.

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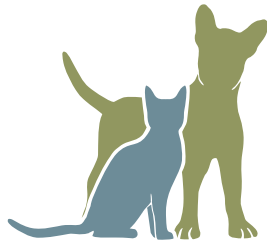
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The Belleville Area District Library's Homegrown Knowledge Program kicks off the fall season today with Canning & Preserving, beginning at 7 p.m. Join Belleville Farmer Market's Melanie O'Neil and librarians Amy and Hilary with tips and trick for preserving food, dehydrating, and jam and pickle making. Call (734) 699-3291.

This Saturday is Van Buren Township's Public Safety Family Fun Day, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the parking lot at Menards. The free event will give the public a chance to meet the township's police and fire personnel and public safety vehicles. The township's K-9 "paw-ficer" Jase will be on hand along with kid-friendly entertainment, free blood pressure checks, child

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The Belleville Area Council for the Arts is inviting all artists to its annual Community Art Show coming up Nov. 2-4 at the Belleville Yacht Club on East Huron River Drive. Artists can submit and display up to three pieces of works in six categories with cash prizes as awards. The fee for adults is \$20 for up to three pieces of art, \$10 for children and teens. The deadline for entry forms and fees is Oct. 19. Entry forms are available at VBT Hall, Sumpter Twp. Hall, Garden Fantasy on Main, Twisted Rooster, Belleville Area District Library, The Professional Building at 152 Main, and Sumpter Ace Hardware. To learn more and download an application, visit www.bacaartshow.org or call (734) 357- 8000.

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Congratulations to the Belleville High School varsity football team winning its third game of the season, a 52-14 victory

over Dearborn on Sept. 6 at Dearborn. The Tigers, who are ranked No. 3 in the Super 10 in the state by the Detroit Free Press and No. 3 in Division 1, travel to Westland John Glenn this Friday, Sept. 14. Go Tigers!

Yankee Air Museum sets Bombers & Brews fund raiser for Sept. 29

Yankee Air Museum at Willow Run Airport has set its second-annual Bombers & Brews fund raiser for 5-8 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 29, at the museum.

The event was so successful last year that they decided to do it again.

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brewery. Food will be available from Twisted Rooster. There will be comfortable music by their DJ, a Booze Bucket Raffle and more.

Reduced price tickets are available prior to the event at www.yankeeairmuseum.org/events.



Independent photo by James Otzman

A Speedway gas station is going up at the northeast corner of Belleville and Tyler roads in Van Buren Township, across Tyler Road from the present Meijer gas station.

'American Pickers' coming to Michigan again in September

Mike Wolfe, Frank Fritz, and their team are returning to Michigan in September to film episodes of the hit series "American Pickers" throughout the region.

"American Pickers" is a documentary series that explores the fascinating world of antique "picking" on the History Channel.

The hit show follows Mike and Frank, two of the most skilled pickers in the business, as they hunt for America's most valuable antiques. They are always excited to find sizeable, unique collections and learn the stories behind them.

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way, the Pickers want to meet characters with remarkable and exceptional items. The pair hopes to give historically significant objects a new lease on life, while learning a thing or two about America's past along the way.

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VBT Board approves on 6-1 vote new pickup truck for fire marshal

By Rosemary K. Otzman
Independent Editor

Although it was in the 2019 budget, the Van Buren Township Board of Trustees at its Sept. 4 meeting approved, on a 6-1 vote, purchase of a 2018 Ford F-150 4x4 Super Crew Police Responder from Atchinson Ford for the fire department.

Trustee Paul White voted no, saying there were too many bells and whistles on the vehicle and the board should spend

taxpayer money on basic, less costly vehicles.

The "Race Red" pickup is on the Atchinson lot. The cost is not to exceed \$36,000, which is state pricing.

Fire Marshal McNally said the purpose of the Super Crew model is to conduct in-vehicle interviews at fire scenes and to transport persons involved in an emergency response. He said it is capable of towing the fire safety Smoke House to schools, which is his responsibility.

Trustee White especially objected to the Sirius XM Radio, remote start, reverse sensing, XLT Chrome Package, Chrome Step Bar, sliding rear window, and voice-activated navigation system.

"This is too much for us," Trustee White said.

Supervisor Kevin McNamara said the XLT is the base model for Ford and they gave the township \$1,000 back.

Trustee White said when he talked to Supervisor McNamara on the phone, McNamara told him the only option it had was Sirius.

"That's nice for Texas ranchers," White said of all the options, saying it wasn't proper for a township using taxpayers' money.

Trustee Kevin Martin said the navigation system will be disconnected and Sirius is by subscription.

"This is an expensive vehicle," White continued, noting there are other vehicles with base packages. "We want to be a

premier township," but this is too much.

"I'm going to vote no to spending this amount of money on a fancy vehicle," White said.

"We need to get a better process in place," said Trustee Sherry Frazier of the procedure used. "We did it last year and got an extra-big cab for a single building inspector."

She complimented Atchinson Ford for stepping up and getting the township a vehicle with extras. She said they always should buy local if they can.

"We always take the lowest bid," Supervisor McNamara said, adding this is state pricing and the \$36,000 is what the township is getting it for.

Trustee Frazier said it was in the 2019 budget, but "we'll get along with a 2018 model."

Trustee Reggie Miller said last year was a different scenario and it was not appropriate last year. But, this is the end of the model year and the township is getting extra bells and whistles on it just to get rid of it off the lot.

In other business at the Sept. 4 meeting, the board:

- Held a moment of silence in honor of former Trustee Donna Clark who died the previous week. Treasurer Sharry Budd made the announcement, recalling Clark was appointed to finish the term of Pat Birbeck and then won four-year terms in 1992 and 1996. She retired in 2000 to travel with her husband Bob and lived in Arizona and Florida. She worked as a paraprofessional at Rawsonville Elementary School for years;

- Heard Supervisor McNamara announce the township has a box for old flags in the police lobby. It has been in place for just two weeks and already has 86 old flags in it;

- Heard McNamara report the township

ladder truck will hold a large American flag 100 feet high on Sept. 11 at Grace Lake Corporate Center;

- Approved the second and final reading of an ordinance to rezone 9275 Haggerty Road from C-1, General Business, to OT, Office Technology for US Signal high tech center at the northeast corner of Haggerty and Tyler roads;

- Approved the second and final reading of an ordinance that adds the High Tech, Data Processing, and Computer Centers use to the M-1, Light Industrial zoning district;

- Heard Matthew Best, Director of Public Services, announce the township is working with Chase on outside security and it has sought a building permit for inside renovations. He said it is a \$23 million project. He said the high-tech center is across the street from the new US Signal high tech center site;

- Voted 6-1 to approve a new purchasing policy, with White voting no. Treasurer Budd said she pulled the credit card policy and travel policy out of the overall policy to make it more understandable. The other two will be separate policies;

- Approved a credit card policy on a 5-2 vote with Trustees White and Frazier voting no. There was a lot of discussion on whether credit card users "must" or "may" be required to turn in receipts for purchases. Also, Trustee Martin added that they had two weeks to come up with the receipts. There were loud disagreements and board members talking over each other, so Supervisor McNamara declared a five-minute recess before continuing the meeting;

- Removed from the agenda the new Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses Policy because it was discussed at length at the work/study session earlier in the afternoon

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FAA makes local airspace changes for Metroplex Project

WASHINGTON -- Starting in mid-September, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) will make airspace changes in and around Cleveland and Detroit airports.

These changes are part of the Cleveland-Detroit Metroplex project, which will bring updated satellite procedures to improve traffic flow.

In most cases, aircraft will follow the same tracks that they do today. The difference is that aircraft will be using modernized procedures that replace dozens of decades-old conventional air traffic

VBT

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and deemed not ready for a vote;

- Approved a \$59,229 contract with Blue Ribbon Contracting for maintenance improvements needed at the French Landing Dam. This item was added at the last minute by Best who said VBT owns the dam and the township has to pay for certain maintenance. Eagle Creek purchased STS Hydro, which operates the dam, and so work that was supposed to be done last year was delayed. Eagle Creek went out for bids and selected Blue Ribbon. Best said the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission requires the township to have a plan in place and in June or July a FERC inspector said the township has to plan for maintenance by Sept. 15. The township has a fund for the maintenance, Budd said. The work to be done is on the riprap embankments along the dam and the roadway; and

- Heard compliments on the new, smooth surface of McBride Ave. and heard complaints on the condition of the cemeteries, especially Otisville on Riggs Road.

Earlier in the day the township board went into closed-door session with the Local Development Finance Authority to discuss pending Visteon litigation.

control procedures.

In all, the Cleveland/Detroit Metroplex project includes 71 new satellite-based procedures. This project is a key component of the FAA's Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen) and a nationwide effort to build the foundation for future safety and efficiency improvements.

Travelers will benefit from safe and more-efficient routing. Prior to making the decision, the FAA conducted a thorough environmental assessment and held public meetings and stakeholder briefings. The agency also evaluated and responded to public comments.

The FAA issued its Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact / Record of Decision for the Cleveland/Detroit Metroplex project earlier this year.

The project expands the number of entry and exit points into and out of the Cleveland/Detroit airspace, which is like creating more on- and off-ramps in the sky. It includes two major airports and 10 satellite airports.

The FAA's environmental analysis for the project calculated noise at locations throughout the study area. It showed the proposed action would not result in any significant noise increases under the National Environmental Policy Act. However, there would be a reportable noise increase that could potentially affect approximately 335 residents in the Sumpter Township, Wayne County, southwest of Detroit Metro Airport.

The FAA held six public workshops on the project before releasing the Draft Environmental Assessment in November of 2017. Agency officials conducted approximately 78 briefings for stakeholders including community groups, airport officials and local, state and federal officials.

Six additional workshops were held after the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment on Nov. 10, 2017.

Additionally, following a 30-day public comment period, the FAA evaluated and responded to comments before making a final decision on the project.

When the Cleveland/Detroit Metroplex procedures are put into effect, some people might see aircraft where they did not previously fly. This is because some air route changes will occur, and because satellite-based procedures create more concentrated flight paths than conventional procedures.

Some people will experience slight noise decreases, some will see no changes, and some will experience small noise increases.

Some flight track dispersion will continue to occur after the new procedures begin, because the Metroplex project would not change a number of existing procedures. Also, air traffic controllers will need to

occasionally vector aircraft for safety or efficiency reasons or to reroute them around weather systems.

The Finding of No Significant Impact/Record of Decision, as well as the Final Environmental Assessment, are available on the Cleveland/Detroit Metroplex website, as well as local libraries. You may see them here: http://www.metroplexenvironmental.com/cle_dtw_metroplex/cle_dtw_docs.html

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WAYNE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE – ABANDONMENT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY

On August 23, 2018 Wayne County via Resolution No. 2018-635, absolutely abandoned and discontinued the following road right-of-way:

All that part of Justine Street (platted as Pine Street 33 foot wide right of way) and Cedar Street (33 foot wide right of way) of "Denton Farms" subdivision of part of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 6, T3S., R8E, Township of Van Buren, Wayne County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 40 of Plats, Page 4, Wayne County Records, lying Southeasterly of Michigan Avenue (By-Pass/US-12) right of way. No easements were retained.

This Resolution was recorded August 29, 2018 with the Register of Deeds for Wayne County in Liber 54586, Page 618.

Questions can be directed to Paul A. Zook Wayne County Department of Public Services Engineering/Real Estate 400 Monroe – Suite 300 Detroit, Michigan 48226 (313) 224-7772

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Teacher

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

- Approved minutes of a special, four-minute meeting on Aug. 30, held to approve the six-month union agreement with the Van Buren Educational Association, with Simone Pinter and Susan Featheringill abstaining. The item was on the agenda of the Aug. 27 meeting, but no vote could be taken because there were not enough board members present to vote who did not have

to abstain. The agreement runs through December 2018;

- Hired three new teachers: Cameron Wheeler to teach world history at Belleville High School as of Aug. 29, Rebecca Simon a special education teacher at Owen Intermediate as of Sept. 4, and LaToya Tingle a GSRP teacher at Haggerty ECDC as of Sept. 4;

- Hired four non-instructional employees: April Turnbull, paraprofessional at Owen Intermediate School as of Sept. 4; Anna Porter, custodian for Buildings and Grounds, as of Aug. 28; and Amber Knowlton and Angela Ledford, lunch

supervisors at Rawsonville Elementary as of Sept. 4;

- Heard Jeff Moore, Director of Instruction, give a report on the M-Step scores that recently were released to the public. Board Secretary Kevin English noted if the state uses the Van Buren scores on M-Step to rate the third-grade readers, 75% of the third graders would have to be retained for not being proficient in reading. "What are we going to do with those kids?" English asked. Moore replied, "No one really knows." Supt. Pete Kudlak said they are talking about that right now on the state level and how that's going to be

addressed. The Van Buren math scores are across the board 10% below state level and English Language scores about 15% below state average. "We're underperforming when we look at the state average," said Moore. "We're under performing. ... It's a challenge";

- Heard parent Kevin Farr ask the board to give the transportation department more funding because a lot of students are on the bus more than an hour each way. He also was concerned that middle school and high school students a mile and a half away from the school have to walk to school. He said they have to walk in the dark in rain, snow, and sleet and this isn't safe. Board president Johnston said Van Buren spends more than anyone else in Wayne County on transportation. He said someone would get with him to discuss the issue;

- Heard reports from the new student representatives on the school board, Olivia Sylvestre, sophomore class president, and Nia Smith, senior class president.

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE 08-21-18

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ZONING ORDINANCE 05-2-17(2) AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING THE ZONING MAP IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

The Charter Township of Van Buren Ordains:

SECTION 1. ORDINANCE AMENDMENT.

The Zoning Map in connection with the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended as follows:

Ordinance No. 08-21-18

An ordinance to amend the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 05-02-17(2), as amended, to amend the zoning map by rezoning parcel V125-83-047-99-0007-701; otherwise known as 9275 Haggerty Road from C-1, General Business to OT, Office Technology.

This property is located at the northeast corner of Tyler Road and Haggerty Road.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY

In the event any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or word of this ordinance is deemed invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion deemed severable and shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. REPEALER.

Any and all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect seven (7) days after publication of the notice of adoption in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township. This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within fifteen (15) days of passage. A copy of this Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 during normal business hours.

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Van Buren, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, called and held on the 4th day of September, 2018.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance,

Leon Wright, Clerk

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Adopted: September 4, 2018
Published: September 13, 2018
Effective: September 21, 2018

Belleville Band Boosters sponsor Band Review on Tuesday, Sept. 18

The Belleville Band Boosters are sponsoring the 26th-annual Belleville High School Half-Time Band Review at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, Sept. 18, at the BHS Athletic Field.

Bands from New Boston Huron High School, Dearborn Crestwood High School, Flat Rock High School, Lincoln High School, Monroe High School, and Belleville High School will all perform their 2018 half-time shows in a non-competitive event.

Gates open at 5:45 p.m. and admission is \$5 each with children 12 and under admitted free of charge.

Belleville fisherman wins \$1,253 in bass fishing contest on Lake Erie

Brett Haake of Shorewood, IL, caught five bass weighing 23 pounds, 11 ounces, to win the T-H Marine FLW Bass Fishing League Michigan Division tournament on the Detroit River on Aug. 26.

Haake took home \$3,956 for his win at Elizabeth Park Marina in Trenton.

The Bass Fishing League held a tournament in August at Elizabeth Park Marina, with nearly 100 boats participating.

Taking second place and earning \$2,278 was Michael Sitko of Pinckney, with five bass weighing 23 pounds, 6 ounces.

Third place went to Mike Trombly of Belleville, who caught five bass weighing 22 pounds, 12 ounces. He earned \$1,253.

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— Albert Einstein

Birthdays

Sept. 8 -- Fred Soja
Sept. 11 -- Chris Shukait
Sept. 16 -- Thomas Millard, Debra Hamrick, Speed Gant
Sept. 17 -- Geof Bush
Sept. 18 -- David Sala
Sept. 20 -- Lois Cox, Lila White
Sept. 21 -- Reg Ion
Sept. 22 -- Jim Posegay, Luke White, Patricia Marshall
Sept. 26 -- Ethan Fulton

Do you have a birthday in September? Does anyone you know have a birthday soon? Call the *Independent* at 699-9020 and let us know. We'll list it in this column ASAP following your call.
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CITY OF BELLEVILLE
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, August 20, 2018
A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Belleville was called to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building, 6 Main Street by Mayor Conley.
1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE
2. ROLL CALL
Council Member Fielder Present
Council Member Marcotte Present
Council Member Smith Absent
Mayor Pro Tem Loria Absent
Mayor Conley Present
3. PRESENTATIONS AND CITIZEN COMMENTS
Presentations - None
Council follow up list - None.
Citizen Comments
Mike Renaud thanked the Public Services staff for taking care of the overgrown grass and weeds along High Street. A member of the audience asked if something other than a seawall could be used for a barrier at the Doane's Landing Park.
4. AGENDA APPROVAL
Motion by Fielder, Second by Marcotte to approve the agenda with one addition – Item B (Doane's Landing Seawall) under General Business.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Motion by Marcotte, Second by Fielder to approve the City Council meeting minutes from August 6, 2018 as presented.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
6. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None
7. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES -None
8. GENERAL BUSINESS
A. Harvest Fest – Street Closings
Motion by Fielder, Second by Marcotte to approve **Resolution No. 18-073** to hold the Harvest Fest on October 13, 2018 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and to close Roys Street starting at Main and ending before Chase Bank drive-through lanes.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
B. Doane's Landing Seawall Project.
Motion by Marcotte, Second by Fielder to approve **Resolution No. 18-074** awarding a contract for replacement of the City's portion of the Doane's Landing Seawall to C&R Landscaping for a total project cost not to exceed \$295,000.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
9. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & DEPARTMENTAL EXPENDITURES
Motion by Fielder, Second by Marcotte to approve **Resolution No. 18-075** for accounts payable and purchases over \$500.00 for a total of \$412,014.17.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
10. ADJOURNMENT
Motion by Marcotte, Second by Fielder to adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Respectfully submitted,
Sherri Scharf, City Clerk
Approved: September 4, 2018
Published: September 13, 2018

Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN
COUNTY OF WAYNE, STATE OF MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 08-21-18(1)

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE 5-2-17(2) AS AMENDED OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN TO ADD HIHG TECH, DATA PROCESSING, AND COMPUTER CENTERS AS A PERMITTED USE IN THE M-1 LIGHT INDUSTRIAL ZONING DISTRICT:

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN ORDAINS:

SECTION 1 – ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

Pursuant to this Ordinance, the following sections of the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance shall be amended in accordance with the below text (changes are **bold and underlined**), upon the effective date of this Amendment:

Section 3.104 – Permitted Uses by District

The following Table 1 lists the permitted uses and special land uses in each district. Refer to Article 2 for a description of the uses listed in the following Table 1.

Whenever a specific development standard is included for a particular use in Table 1, any development must comply with the requirements of the referenced section. All development standards for specific uses are listed in Article 5.

Refer to the footnotes to the Table of Permitted Uses and Special Land Uses in Section 3.105. Footnotes applicable to each zoning district are indicated in parentheses after the zoning district title in the Table 1. Finally, refer to Article 6 for applicable requirements not listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Table of Permitted Land Uses and Special Land Uses by District

Key: ■ Principal Permitted Use ● Special Land Use [blank] Use Not Permitted															
USE	R-1A, R-2A, R-1B, and R-1C	RM (A)	RMH	AG	C (B), (C)	C-1 (C)	C-2 (C)	FS	OT (D)	M-1 (E)	M-T (F)	M-2	AP (G)	M-U	DEVELOPMENT STANDARD
OFFICE USES															
Financial Institution, No Drive-Thru					■	■	■		■					■	
Financial Institution, With Drive-Thru						●	●		●						Section 5.105
<u>High Tech, Data Processing, and Computer Center</u>									■	■		■			

Section 3.115 – M-1, Light Industrial District

(B) PERMITTED USES
<ul style="list-style-type: none">□ Wholesale Sales□ Warehousing (excluding Distribution Centers)□ Manufacturing and Processing (Light)□ Laboratories, Minor□ Laboratories, Major□ Retail Dry Cleaning Plants and Laundries□ Public utility buildings, telephone exchange buildings, electric transformer stations and substations and gas regulator stations and including storage yards, when necessary to serve the immediate vicinity.□ <u>High Tech, Data Processing, and Computer Centers</u>□ Accessory Outdoor Industrial Storage□ Accessory structures and uses customarily incidental to the above permitted uses□ Indoor Recreation

SECTION 2 – SEVERABILITY

Should any provision or part of this Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3 – REPEALER

All other provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, or Ordinances or parts of Ordinances, in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

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Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF VAN BUREN BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 4, 2018

Supervisor McNamara called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room. Present: Supervisor McNamara, Clerk Wright, Treasurer Budd, Trustee Frazier, Trustee Martin, Trustee Miller and Trustee White. Others in attendance: Secretary Montgomery, Public Services Director Best, Human Resource Director Sumpter, Executive Assistant Selman, Fire Marshall McNally and an audience of two (2). Treasurer Budd announced the passing of former Trustee Donna Clark, requested a moment of silence and expressed condolences and sympathy to the family on behalf of the entire Board.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE AGENDA: Supervisor McNamara outlined the items appearing on the agenda, announced the removal of New Business item #6 to consider approval of Resolution 2018-22 Reimbursement of Travel, Meal and Lodging Expenses Policy and the addition of a new item to consider approval of the selection of Blue Ribbon Contracting by Eagle Creeks to rebuild the French Landing Dam South embankment.

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

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA: Martin moved, Miller seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. [Work Study Session minutes of August 20, 2018, Closed Session minutes of August 20, 2018, Board Meeting minutes of August 21, 2018, Prepaid List of August

23, 2018, Prepaid List of August 30, 2018, Voucher List of September 4, 2018, Approval of Resolution 2018-19 Michigan Township Association Certificate of Excellence in Taxes, Approval of the 2019 Holiday Schedule]. Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: None.

C O R R E S P O N D E N C E / ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS:

A box for worn flags has been placed in the Public Safety Department lobby, Mayser USA will host a job fair on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. they are seeking production workers and have approximately 75, jobs to fill. Information about the job fair is available on the Township website, the Clerk's Office Facebook page and on Comcast cable channel VBT12, the State of Michigan has issued a Fish advisory for Belleville Lake and multiple areas in the Huron River Water Shed. Individuals are advised not to eat fish from the lake. There is no threat to the Township drinking water and the lake is safe to use for recreational purposes. More information can be found on the Township website (www.vanburen-mi.org) and at the State of Michigan website (www.michigan.gov/pfasresponse) and the Van Buren Fire Department in conjunction with the LDFA will hoist the ladder truck in remembrance of the victims of 911 at the Grace Lake Corporate Center on September 11, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Unfinished and New Business): None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Frazier moved, Miller seconded to approve the second (final) reading of Ordinance 08-21-18 to rezone parcel V125-83-047-99-0007-701 (9275 Haggerty Rd.) from C-1, General Business to OT, Office Technology. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Motion Carried. The request has been reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission and a Public Hearing was held on August 8, 2018 during which no public comment was received. The rezone allows the applicant to pursue an office technology development on the site.

Wright moved, Budd seconded to approve the second (final) reading of Ordinance 08-21-18 (1) changes to the Charter Township of Van Buren Zoning Ordinance 5-2-17 (2) to add the High Tech, Data Processing, and Computer Centers use to the M-1, Light Industrial zoning district. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin, Miller and White. Motion Carried. This change in the current zoning ordinance adds the additional use within the M-1 zoning district.

Budd moved, Miller seconded to approve the purchase of a 2018 Ford F-150 4x4 Super Crew from Atchinson Ford for the Fire Department. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Nays: White. Motion Carried. A year end model became available locally at State pricing. It will be used to interview and transport fire victims and transport equipment. Funds that were to be requested in the 2019 budget will be removed. Trustee White expressed displeasure with the option package included on the vehicle

preferring a vehicle with standard items only. Trustee Frazier expressed a desire to have a better process in place.

Frazier moved, Miller seconded to approve Resolution 2018-20 Purchasing Policy. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Frazier, Martin and Miller. Nays: White. Motion Carried. Board members discussed the sealed bid requirement for purchases \$20,000.00 and higher which shall be approved by the Township Supervisor and/or Township Board. Trustee White expressed displeasure with the language that allows the Supervisor bid approval.

Martin moved, Wright seconded to approve Resolution 2018-21 Credit Card Policy with an amendment that requires a receipt be turned in within fourteen days of use. Roll Call Vote. Yeas: McNamara, Budd, Wright, Martin and Miller. Nays: Frazier and White. Motion Carried. The resolution separates the Purchasing Policy as a stand-alone from the current policy in place under resolution 2012-18. Board members discussed failure to turn in a receipt which may result in the employee being held responsible for the transaction. Board members opposed preferred to change the word "may" to "shall" since it has been past practice. Other Board members expressed that situations may arise where a receipt may be lost if an employee's wallet was stolen and felt "shall" was too harsh. Supervisor McNamara called a recess at 7:47 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

Wright moved, Martin seconded to approve the selection of Blue Ribbon Contracting by Eagle Creek to rebuild the French landing Dam South embankment. Motion Carried. Routine maintenance is needed on the south embankment. Funds are set aside annually in the Reserve Fund for Dam repair. The Public Services and Eagle Creek recommend Blue Ribbon Contracting for this service in the amount of \$59,225.00.

REPORTS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Resident questioned the wording of "shall" vs. "may" as it pertained to Resolution 2018-21.

BOARD COMMENT NON-AGENDA ITEMS: Board members expressed how pleased they were that the McBride paving project has been completed, appreciation of the Treasurer's office for seeking the Michigan Township of Excellence in taxes, announced that Public Safety Day will be held on Saturday, September 15, 2018 in the Menards parking lot from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., and discussed grounds issues that are being addressed at the Otisville cemetery and the presence of poison ivy.

ADJOURNMENT: Miller moved, Frazier seconded to adjourn at 7:53 p.m. Motion Carried.

Leon Wright, Township Clerk
Kevin McNamara, Supervisor
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SECTION 4 - SAVINGS CLAUSE

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court or any rights acquired or any liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under the Zoning Ordinance, or any act or Ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 3 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 5 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect seven (7) days after publication of the notice of adoption in a newspaper of general circulation within the Township. This Ordinance shall be immediately recorded by the Township Clerk in the Township Ordinance Book as soon as it is adopted, which record shall be authenticated by the signatures of the Supervisor and Clerk and shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township within fifteen (15) days of passage. A copy of this Ordinance may be purchased or inspected at the Clerk's Office, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, MI 48111 during normal business hours.

SECTION 6 – ADOPTION

This Ordinance is hereby declared to have been adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Van Buren at a meeting duly called and held on the 4th day of September, 2018, and ordered to be given publication in the manner prescribed by law.

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

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

I hereby approve the foregoing Ordinance,

Leon Wright, Clerk

Kevin McNamara, Supervisor

Adopted: September 4, 2018
Published: September 13, 2018
Effective: September 21, 2018

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Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

Out of the 418 dispatch calls for service reported by Van Buren Township police for the past week, the following are selected for this column.

Sunday, Sept. 2:
0327 – assist other dept., N. Liberty St./E. Huron River Dr.

0511 – assist other dept., Rock Creek Dr.
1046 – disorderly, Rawsonville
1113 – disorderly, Bemis Rd.
1335 – malicious destruction of property, Martz
1338 – road hazard, Sheldon Rd./Van Born Rd.
1344 – traffic offense, Maple Dr.
1637 – traffic offense, Country Walk Blvd./Savage
2124 – abandoned auto, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2307 – traffic offense, Crossroads

Monday, Sept. 3:
0138 – abandoned auto, Beckley
0202 – malicious destruction of property, E. Archwood Dr.
0209 – private property impound, S. I-94 Service
1046 – property damage accident, Belleville
1047 – assist other dept., Menlo Park
1233 – unauthorized driving away of auto, Hampton Dr.

1252 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.
1252 – road hazard, Ecorse/I-275
1352 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
/ W. Huron River Dr.
1554 – traffic offense, Cambridge Ct.
1648 – malicious destruction of property, WB I-94
/ Haggerty
1722 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Denton Rd.

1824 – assist other dept., N. Edgemont
2025 – suspicious person/vehicle, Martinsville Rd.
2111 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Beck
2114 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
2126 – private property/property damage accident, Brookside Dr.
2222 – mental subject, Hull Rd.
2233 – assist other dept., Bog Rd.
2333 – disorderly, S. I-94 Service Dr.

Tuesday, Sept. 4:
0820 – animal complaint, Bak Rd.
1106 – missing person, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1322 – private property/property damage accident, Westlake Cir.
1338 – neighbor trouble, N. Bellridge Dr.
1443 – breaking & entering, Parkwood Dr.
1559 – fraud, Jackson St.

1614 – sexual assault, Milton Dr.
1622 – hospice death, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1717 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1817 – 911 welfare check, Alden Ave.
1828 – suspicious person/vehicle, Quirk Rd.
1849 – traffic offense, E. Huron River Dr./Martinsville Rd.
1923 – mental subject, Haggerty Rd.
2050 – suspicious person/vehicle, Woodbury Dr. / Haggerty Rd.

2114 – domestic, S. Ponderosa Trl.
2150 – 911 welfare check, Hardwood Dr.
Wednesday, Sept. 5:
0013 – noise complaint, Meadows Cir.
1108 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Huron River
1354 – suicidal person, Denton Rd.
1437 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd. / Martz Rd.

1445 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1542 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Co. Line
1717 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
1855 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / I-94 N. Service Dr.
Thursday, Sept. 6:
0017 – personal injury accident, WB I-94 / Belleville Rd.

0244 – private property impound, VB Estates
0623 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
0656 – assault & battery, Haggerty Rd.
0933 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
0934 – larceny, Belleville Rd.
0956 – mental subject, Pebblebrook Dr.
1011 – traffic offense, Sondra Dr./Fay Dr.
1019 – road hazard, W. I-94/rest area
1338 – neighbor trouble, Chloe Ct.
1341 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd.
1423 – animal complaint, S. I-94 Service Dr.
1427 – breaking & entering, Country Ln.

1454 – property damage accident, Belleville/Quirk
1527 – larceny from auto, Belleville Rd.
1647 – animal complaint, Lohr Rd./Martz Rd.
1715 – larceny, Holly Ln.
1717 – holdup alarm, Van Born
1901 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
1907 – domestic, Denton Rd.
1918 – road hazard, E. Huron River Dr. / Haggerty
1933 – leaving the scene of a property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
2100 – disorderly, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2118 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
2144 – suspicious person/vehicle, Belleville Rd.
2153 – domestic, Fret Rd.
2214 – domestic, N. I-94 Service Dr.
2326 – suspicious person/vehicle, Haggerty Rd.

Friday, Sept. 7:
0203 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rawsonville Rd.
0431 – property check, Riggs Park
0613 – hospice death, Nautica Dr.
0701 – property damage accident, Ecorse Rd./Sheldon Rd.
1040 – animal complaint, Beck Rd./Ayres Ave.
1218 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton Rd.
1339 – suspicious person/vehicle, Hull Rd./Bak
1451 – disorderly, Van Buren St.
1529 – disorderly, Victoria St.
1656 – missing person, S. Bellridge Dr.
1711 – assault & battery, Rawsonville Rd.
1730 – breaking & entering, Denton Rd.
1750 – property damage accident, Belleville Rd. / N. I.94 Service Dr.

1829 – domestic, Laguna Dr.
1838 – traffic offense, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1840 – ordinance violation, Martz Rd./Hoeft Rd.
1955 – harassment call, Kirkridge Park Dr.
2001 – domestic, Haggerty
2058 – personal injury accident, Rawsonville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.
2113 – assist other dept., Freeport Ct.
2224 – retail fraud, Belleville Rd.

Saturday, Sept. 8:
0048 – domestic, Sylvia Dr.
0630 – threat, Rawsonville Rd.
0654 – suspicious person/vehicle, Westlake Cir.
0705 – traffic offense, Belleville Rd.
0723 – suspicious person/vehicle, Kirkridge Park
0728 – suspicious person/vehicle, Rose Blvd.
0751 – private property/property damage accident, Van Born
1124 – hold up alarm, Belleville Rd.
1153 – larceny, S. Woodbury Dr.
1223 – larceny from auto, S. Ponderosa Trl.
1309 – found property/child, Village Center Dr.
1325 – property damage accident, Rawsonville Rd.
1439 – larceny from auto, Denton Rd.
1733 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd.
2019 – fraud, Belleville Rd.
2102 – noise complaint, Ayres Ave./Beck Rd.

Also on this week's log are 159 traffic stops, 29 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

Belleville Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 2:
0133 – warrant arrest, Rawsonville Rd.
0310 – larceny from auto, N. Liberty St.
0644 – assist fire dept., Third St.
1156 – missing person, Carmell St.
1225 – malicious destruction of property, Liberty
1317 – weapons violation, Tuscan Manor
1725 – juvenile complaint, Main St.
1819 – welfare check, Lunch Box
2027 – suspicious person/vehicle, Estrada Dr.
2033 – welfare check, Tyler

Monday, Sept. 3:
0207 – assist other dept., Loza Ln.
0207 – parking complaint, Oxford Ct.
1029 – mental subject, Menlo Park Dr.
1120 – malicious destruction of property, S. Edgemont Ave.
1420 – property damage accident, Henry St./South
1538 – parking complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1543 – larceny, N. Liberty St.
1634 – suspicious person/vehicle, Menlo Park Dr.
1816 – domestic, N. Edgemont Ave.
2106 – suspicious person/vehicle, Loza Ln.

Tuesday, Sept. 4:
0521 – intrusion alarm, W. Davis St.
1055 – property damage accident, E. Columbia Ave.

/ Madelon St.
1809 – civil matter, Sumpter Rd./Owen St.
1817 – civil matter, Potter Dr.
2219 – miscellaneous complaint, W. Columbia
2303 – suspicious person/vehicle, Main St.
Wednesday, Sept. 5:
0530 – intrusion alarm, Main St.
0816 – suspicious person/vehicle, Breakwater Ct.
1010 – larceny from auto, Bedell St.
1137 – vehicle lockout, Marathon
1138 – private property impound, South St.
1253 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
1411 – warrant arrest, Main St.
2001 – assist fire dept., Menlo Park Dr.
2001 – found property/child, Carmell St.
2030 – property damage accident, E. Columbia Ave./South St.
2332 – domestic, Light Tower Ct.

Thursday, Sept. 6:
0924 – ordinance violation, South Biggs
1030 – juvenile complaint, W. Columbia Ave.
1401 – found property/child, Main St.
1411 – assist fire dept., Third St.
2123 – property damage accident, Main St.
2156 – suspicious person/vehicle, W. Columbia Ave. / Main St.
2326 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Liberty St.

Friday, Sept. 7:
0641 – disorderly, Belle Villa Blvd.
0949 – suspicious activity report, Robbe St.
1210 – warrant arrest, Second St.
1213 – assist fire dept., Sumpter Rd.
1226 – suspicious person/vehicle, Denton
1400 – property damage accident, High St.
1522 – assist fire dept., N. Edgemont Ave.
1525 – assist fire dept., S. Edgemont Ave.
1920 – fraud, Main St.

Saturday, Sept. 8:
0140 – assist citizen, Main St.
0325 – suspicious person/vehicle, N. Biggs Ave.
0558 – suspicious person/vehicle, Loza Ln.
0735 – assist other dept., Rose
1211 – PPO violation, Loza Ln.
1849 – warrant arrest, Second St.
2028 – motorist assist, Belleville/I-94
2203 – assist fire dept., Breakwater Dr.

Also on this week's log are 43 traffic stops.

Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

Sunday, Sept. 2:
0004 – suspicious incident, Rawsonville/Bemis
0027 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Wear Rd.
0129 – disorderly person, 43000 bl. Harris Rd.
0505 – fire dept. assist, 41000 bl. Willow Rd.
0842 – reckless driver, Sumpter/Bemis
1112 – well-being check, 20000 bl. Karr Rd.
1213 – assist other agency, out of township
1333 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Ln.
1349 – fire dept. assist, Third St.
1438 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1547 – shots fired, 51000 bl. Wear Rd.
1723 – assist other agency, out of township
1736 – larceny, 51000 bl. Willis Rd.
1756 – fire dept. assist, Wayside Dr.
1818 – alarm, 44000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1856 – ORV complaint, Arkona/Elwell

Monday, Sept. 3:
0226 – suspicious incident, Judd/Elwell
0243 – malicious destruction of property, Redwood St.
0325 – assist other agency, out of township
0856 – trespassing complaint, 8200 bl. Rawsonville Rd.

0859 – alarm, 44000 bl. Paris Rd.
1428 – fire dept. assist, First St.
1451 – fire dept. assist, 43000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1657 – abandoned vehicle, 40000 bl. Harris Rd.
1700 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Fenster Rd.
1838 – fire dept. assist, 42000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1900 – civil dispute, Redwood St.
2156 – fire dept. assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2337 – fire dept. assist, 49000 bl. Wear Rd.

Tuesday, Sept. 4:
0828 – parking complaint, Paris/Sumpter
0912 – civil dispute, 10000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
0940 – property damage accident, Sumpter / Oakville Waltz
1104 – 911 hang up, 28000 bl. Elwell Rd.
1140 – 911 hang up, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.

1544 – citizen assist, Oakville Waltz/Haggerty
1549 – property damage accident, Oakville Waltz / Haggerty
1654 – 911 hang up, 25000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1750 – citizen assist, 11000 bl. Rawsonville Rd.
2122 – disorderly person, 24000 bl. Karr Rd.
2332 – suspicious incident, Edgewood Dr.

Wednesday, Sept. 5:
0009 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
0129 – ORV complaint, Lohr/Bemis
0143 – warrant arrest pick up, Sumpter/Victoria
0212 – suspicious incident, Wyoming
0620 – warrant arrest pick up, Sumpter/Kozma
1027 – death investigation, 20000 bl. Sherwood
1109 – suspicious person, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1347 – warrant arrest pick up, Oakville Waltz / Elwell

1539 – malicious destruction of property, 24000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
1812 – 911 hang up, 44000 bl. Clay Rd.
1858 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Haggerty Rd.
1912 – family trouble, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.
2027 – animal complaint, 22000 bl. Fenster
2220 – operating while intoxicated arrest, Sumpter / Oakville Waltz

Thursday, Sept. 6:
0140 – fire dept. assist, 22000 bl. Fenster
0803 – warrant arrest pick up, out of township
1026 – civil dispute, Carriage Ln.
1507 – suspicious vehicle, Karr/Judd
1714 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Willow Rd.
1926 – alarm, 20000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2116 – suspicious person, Nevada
2241 – family trouble, 43000 bl. Dunn Rd.

Friday, Sept. 7:
0702 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Sherwood Rd.
0750 – suspicious person, Willis/Rawsonville
0803 – fire dept. assist, 29000 bl. Martinsville Rd.
1110 – citizen assist, Edgewood Dr.
1141 – fire dept. assist, 47000 bl. Bemis Rd.
1210 – animal complaint, Second St.
1351 – reckless driver, Bemis/Sumpter
1355 – 911 hang up, 24000 bl. Elwell Rd.

1531 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
1916 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2201 – juvenile complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
2321 – family trouble, 18000 bl. Martinsville Rd.

Saturday, Sept. 8:
0527 – animal complaint, 26000 bl. Sumpter Rd.
0654 – assist other agency, out of township
1034 – animal complaint, 44000 bl. Judd Rd.
1950 – disorderly person, 44000 bl. Paris Rd.
2035 – well-being check, Edgewood Dr.
2119 – suspicious vehicle, 48000 bl. Sherwood Ct.
2217 – traffic hazard, Sumpter/Willis

Also on this week's log are 13 follow-up investigations, 36 miscellaneous details, 40 patrol checks, and 53 traffic stops.

Belleville man dies in crash on Rawsonville Road Saturday morning

James A. Martindale, 27, of Belleville died at about 4:22 a.m. Saturday after he was thrown from a vehicle in a single-car crash on Rawsonville Road south of Oakville-Waltz Road in London Township.

A blue 2009 Dodge Charger was driving south on Rawsonville Road when the car left the road to the right, crashed into a ditch, and overturned multiple times according to the Monroe County Sheriff's Office. Martindale was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to *The Monroe News*, another occupant of the vehicle was taken to Beaumont Trenton Hospital for minor injuries and later released.

Monroe County Sheriff's Deputies Brian Quinn and Jon Cregar of the Traffic Services Division are investigating. Anyone with information on the crash is asked to call (734) 240-7493.

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