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## Township pact may open fire station

Plymouth Township Fire Station No. 2, which serves the largest subdivision in the township, may reopen as early as August.

According to an official statement from the office of Supervisor Kurt Heise, a long-discussed and negotiated inter-governmental agreement with Northville Township was finally approved by members of the township board of trustees last week, which will allow staffing at the fire station.

Fire Station No. 2 was closed since 2012 at the direction of previous township officials who also reduced fire department staffing by more than half. One of Heise's campaign promises when seeking election last year was an effort to reopen the station and improve the fire and emergency

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response in the township.

The members of the board also recently approved the hiring of three new firefighters in the township, a necessary minimum step to manning the station adequately, according to Fire Chief Don Phillips, who has been involved in the plans for reopening the station.

Trustees and critics of the agreement have expressed concerns and argued that it is nebulous and vague and does not define a set procedure for the joint dispatch between the two communities. The agreement

does not have a defined plan for mutual aid that addresses the role of Huron Valley Ambulance (HVA) with the new reciprocal agreement. HVA is not licensed to operate in Northville Township and each community operates an independent dispatch center. HVA currently handles the majority of hospital transport for Plymouth Township, without a contract or formal agreement.

The agreement, which is to be considered by Northville Township officials tonight, will allow the sharing of the fire sta-

tion by the two communities.

Under the innovative regional cooperation agreement, both townships will each have two emergency vehicles and two firefighters housed at Station 2 to respond to emergencies in both communities using standard mutual aid protocols.

"Re-opening Station 2 will improve emergency response times throughout both communities, saving lives and protecting property," said Heise. "Public safety is the core function of local government, and what our hardworking taxpayers expect," he added.

Northville Township will also provide the most up-to-date emergency training resources to Plymouth Township firefighters, using the Northville in-house training officer at no cost to Plymouth Township.

## On the move Concours d'Elegance opens next weekend, venue move considered

Don Howard  
Staff Writer

When the anticipated crowd of nearly 15,000 arrives at The Inn at St. John's in Plymouth next weekend to view millions of dollars of classic automobiles from around the world, they may not realize this might be one of the final Concours d'Elegance in this venue.

This is the 39th Concours d'Elegance of America which moved to the Plymouth location 7 years ago to take advantage of the location and beauty of the rambling golf course on which to display the rare and vintage automobiles.

Concours d'Elegance Director Diane Fil-Schneider confirmed that the event has been approached by other venues hoping to lure one of the most prestigious shows in the country to another site. The contract between Concours d'Elegance and the Inn at St. John's expires next year, at the end of 2018, which would be the eighth year the show has been in Plymouth Township.

The prestigious display features 3 days of festivities including 15 events and is considered by many to be the third most prestigious gathering of car enthusiasts in the country. Ranking just under Pebble Beach and Amelia Island, according to Fil-Schneider, the show features some of the rarest, most beautiful and most expensive autos in the world. This year, more than 300 classic vehicles, including antique and vintage cars and motorcycles will be on display.



The official 2017 Concours d'Elegance poster by artist Steve Macy.

Exhibition at the Concours is by invitation only and the vehicles are carefully juried by experts before the coveted invitations are issued to owners around the world.

Fil-Schneider said the only problem at The Inn at St. John's is the parking for the huge crowds who flock to see one of

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## Romulus OK's Amazon road upgrade bonds

We'll have both those entities on the hook to make shortfall payments if they were to occur.

Members of the Romulus City Council took action last week to keep up with the aggressive timeline needed to bring an Amazon distribution facility to the city.

The city approved an inter-governmental Road Development Agreement between Seaford Development Services, the Detroit Regional Aerotropolis Development Corp., the Romulus Tax Increment Financing Authority (TIFA) and Amazon.com/DEFC LLC, a subsidiary of Amazon.com to fund the road improvements necessary for the development.

The development includes an 865,000 square-foot building that will be constructed on 85 acres of land Ecorse, east of Vining Road that will be used as an Amazon distribution center. The project will require the reconstruction and expansion of Ecorse Road as well as sig-

nificant improvements to Vining Road that will cost about \$14 million.

The agreement stipulates that Wayne County will contribute \$1.6 million. The city will sell bonds to fund the road improvements, but the bond payments will be paid through

the taxes generated by the development.

City Attorney Steve Hitchcock said the agreement also stipulates that both Amazon.com/DEFC LLC and the Amazon parent company have agreed to make any portion of the bond payments, if the tax revenues prove insufficient.

"We'll have both those entities on the hook to make shortfall payments if they were to occur," he said. "There is some potential risk because we're doing a 15-year bond and we're

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# BELLEVILLE - ROMULUS

## Belleville Christmas in July begins today

Santa will be vacationing in downtown Belleville today and tomorrow, July 20 and 21.

To celebrate his visit, local businesses are offering Christmas in July bargains, seasonal treats and children's activities throughout the downtown area.

Our Father's Day Care is offering children's games, giveaways, visits with Santa and other children's events from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. at 1111 South St.

Other participants include Belle's, Bayou Grill, Crafted: Modern Handmade, Equis Pub, Edrice Law Collection Boutique;

Denny's Barber Shop/Hot Hair Salon; Garden Fantasy on Main; Kabab Garden; Hidalgo's Authentic Mexican Restaurant and Rainbow Massage.

The annual garage sale at the Belleville Area Museum will take place Friday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. and antiques appraisals will be offered from 4-6 p.m.

Music at Lakeside will feature the Stubbs Girls in concert at 7 p.m. Friday in Horizon Park.

Other participants include the Belleville Area District Library; the Belleville Seventh-Day Adventist Church and

Wayne County Community College Ted Scott Campus which provided the decorated fire truck along with the Belleville Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites which provided the downtown shuttle tomorrow from 4-7 p.m.

Garden Fantasy on Main will be hosting a wine tasting and sale from 5-7 p.m. today, July 20. Visitors who wear their ugly Christmas sweater or hat will receive 10 percent off purchases both today and tomorrow, July 21 at Garden Fantasy on Main, 210 Main St.

From noon until 4 p.m., chil-

dren can create an edible bird ornament at the shop. Wine for the special tasting is provided by Vintners Canton Winery. For more information about the sale, call (734) 697-7400 or GardenFantasyOnMain.com.

In the holiday spirit, The Gardner's Choice is accepting early orders for fresh cut Christmas trees, starting at \$25. Available trees include Scotch Pine, White Pine, Douglas, Fraser and Concolor fir. Pre-orders will receive a 25 percent discount if paid by Nov. 1. The Gardner's Choice is located at 7580 Belleville Road in

Belleville. For more information, or to order, call (734) 697-1820 or TheGardensChoice.com.

Belle's, which sells artisan gifts and resale items, is providing free hors d'oeuvres and coffee along with a chance to win a \$50 Visa gift card with every \$10 purchase during the Christmas in July celebration. Belle's will also offer giveaways of local artisan work both today and tomorrow.

For more information about the Christmas in July celebration, contact the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, (734) 697-7151.

## Art for Pumpkin Festival program still sought

The Romulus Arts Council is currently seeking art for the annual Romulus Pumpkin Festival guidebook.

Each year, the first-place winner art entry is used for the cover art on the guidebook. The second and third place winners, along with two honorable mention winners, will also be included in the

book.

This is the 20th anniversary of the Pumpkin Festival in the city.

A donation from the Leo D. and Eva Rosch family have made cash prizes available for the top three artists. The first place winner will receive \$200, second place artist will receive \$100 and the third place winner will

receive \$100 and each of the honorable mention winners will receive \$50.

All students who are Romulus residents are eligible to enter their work in the contest, from pre-school through 12th grade.

Rules require that the art must have a fall/pumpkin theme, but no Halloween theme; no wording

should be on the artwork; the pictures should be no smaller than 8.5 by 11 inches and no larger than 17 by 17 inches; the art must be portrait oriented; bright colors are preferred in acrylic, watercolor, tempera or pastels. Crayons and colored pencils do not have the vibrancy of the other mediums for reproduction.

The name, age, school and contact information of the student artist must be on the reverse side of the entry.

All interested participants should submit their artwork to the Economic Development Department, located in Romulus City Hall, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174 by July 29.

## Amazon

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relying on tax captures through the TIFA, the city and the Aerotropolis to pay those bond payments. If for any reason there would be changes in the law or changes in property values and there's a shortfall in any given year we wanted a way of protecting the city. This gives us that protection."

Hefcock said the tax revenues from the \$40 million building and the estimated \$125 million in personal property in the form of equipment and technology needed to operate the center would be more than enough to offset the bond payments, however.

The city also contracted with Seefried to supply construction management services for the road project, but that services will not cost the city any money, according to Mayor Leroy Burcroft. Seefried is also the company construct-

ing the building for Amazon.

Councilman William Wadsworth said the plan was a boon to the city, since it brought in the capital investment as well as the road improvements.

"This is the first time in any 30-plus years here that we actually have a final say in a new road or an expansion in a road," he said. "In the past it's always been what the county or the state wanted. I think that's a very positive thing."

The project could bring between 1,600 and 2,000 jobs to the community, as well. It was announced at the end of May, but city officials said they want to have it operational next year.

"Probably our biggest challenge right now is that we meet the timeline," Burcroft said.

"This company is a real deal and they're looking to move fast on this. My commitment and our team's commitment is that we're going to make sure we do everything in our power to keep them on their timeline. It means a lot to our city."

## Singing along

Joe Pelly, a local musician, performed in a family summer concert at the Romulus Public Library last week. The concert was funded in part by the Michigan Humanities Council and the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs.

Children, and parents, sang along with the music during the free event at the library, part of the Summer Reading Program.

Photo by Joe Pelly



## MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 3, 2017

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro-Tem John Bardeen.

*Pledge of Allegiance*

*Roll Call:* John Bardeen, Linda Chaute, Harry Crout, Collette Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

*Absent:* Kathy Abdo, Sylvia Malowicki.

*Administrative Officials in Attendance:*

LaRoy D. Burcroft, Clerk

Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk

*Motion:* Nancy Paige, Treasurer

1. Moved by Crout, seconded by Wadsworth to accept the agenda as presented.

*Motion Carried Unanimously.*

2. 23.12.14. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 26, 2017. *Roll Call Vote:* Ayes - Bardeen, Chaute, Crout, Roscoe, Nays - None. *Absent:* Wadsworth. *Motion Carried.*

3. 23.12.14. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Crout to approve the minutes of the special meeting of the Romulus City Council held on June 26, 2017. *Roll Call Vote:* Ayes - Bardeen, Chaute, Crout, Roscoe, Nays - None. *Absent:* Wadsworth. *Motion Carried.*

4. *Pastor:* None.

5. *Chairperson's Report:*

12.24.15. 4A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to adopt a resolution to congratulate Kris and Vivian Allen on their 50th wedding anniversary. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.15. 4B. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to adopt a resolution to congratulate Kris and Nina Ong on their 50th wedding anniversary. *Roll Call Vote:* Ayes - Bardeen, Chaute, Crout, Roscoe, Wadsworth, Nays - None. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

4. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to accept the Chairperson's Report. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

5. *Mayor's Report:*

12.24.15. 5A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to concur with the administration and adopt a resolution to file a petition for the Project Mercury development. As part of this development, a portion of the Fruman Drain will be abandoned and the drain removed adjacent to this resolution allows Wayne County to conduct a public hearing to solicit public comment. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.15. 5B. Moved by Chaute, seconded by Crout to concur with the administration and award BID 16/17-27 for two-year fixed pricing on water hydrant and gate valves for Water Division of the City of Romulus, Department of Public Works, to the lowest, most responsive, responsible bidder, HD Supply Waterworks. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.15. 5C. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Roscoe to concur with the administration and award BID 17/18-26 for one-year fixed pricing for water system parts for Water Division of the City of Romulus, Department of Public Works, to the lowest, most responsive, responsible company, SLC Meier. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

6A. *Clerk's Report:*

12.24.16. 4A.1. Moved by Chaute, seconded by Wadsworth to approve second reading, final adoption of Appendix A - Zoning Amendment 1.237 which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.2. Moved by Roscoe seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 16/17-28, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.3. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crout to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-1, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.4. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by City Planner, Carol Meier, to re-appoint Tanya Long to the Board of Zoning Appeals for three (3) years - expiration date of term will be June 30, 2020, and to re-appoint John Abdo as an alternate member of the Board of Zoning Appeals for three (3) years - expiration date of term will be June 30, 2020. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.5. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-2, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.6. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-3, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.7. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-4, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.8. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-5, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.9. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-6, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.10. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-7, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.11. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-8, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.12. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-9, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.13. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-10, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.14. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-11, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.15. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-12, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.16. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-13, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.17. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-14, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.18. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-15, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.19. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-16, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.20. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-17, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.21. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-18, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.22. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-19, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.23. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-20, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.24. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-21, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.25. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-22, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.26. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-23, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.27. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-24, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.28. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-25, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.29. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-26, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.30. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-27, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.31. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-28, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.32. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-29, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.33. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-30, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.34. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-31, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.35. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-32, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.36. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-33, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.37. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-34, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.38. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-35, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.39. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-36, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.40. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-37, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.41. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-38, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.42. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-39, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.43. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-40, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.44. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-41, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.45. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-42, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.46. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-43, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.47. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-44, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.48. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-45, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.49. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-46, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.50. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-47, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.51. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-48, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.52. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-49, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.53. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-50, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.54. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-51, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.55. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-52, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.56. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-53, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.57. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-54, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.58. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-55, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.59. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-56, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

12.24.16. 4A.60. Moved by Roscoe, seconded by Chaute to approve second reading, final adoption of Budget Amendment 17/18-57, General Fund, which was introduced at the Council meeting of June 26, 2017. *Motion Carried Unanimously.*

### ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 014

#### CITY OF ROMULUS

#### APPENDIX A - ZONING

#### AMENDMENT 1.237

An Ordinance to amend the Official Zoning Map of the City of Romulus by conditionally rezoning certain property from M-2, General Industrial to M-1, Industrial Transportation.

THE CITY OF ROMULUS ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: To conditionally rezone 69.48 acres of property at 3730



# CANTON - NORTHVILLE - PLYMOUTH

## Supervisors elected to SEMCOG committees

Township supervisors from Canton and Plymouth have been named to committees with the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams has been elected to the Regional Clearinghouse Review Committee and Transportation Coordinating Council for the organization. Williams was chosen to serve on both committees during the annual SEMCOG meeting in June.

"I am very pleased and honored to have the opportunity to

represent Canton on these two very important committees," Williams said. "My participation on these committees should help to guide projects and funding for our region's needs."

The Regional Clearinghouse Review Committee oversees applications for federal and state assistance in southeast Michigan to ensure consistency with adopted regional plans and policies. The committee members also select projects to be funded annually by \$5 million Transportation Alternatives Program.

The Transportation coordinating Council members work to develop and implement the long-range transportation plan for the area. They monitor and implement the plan through the Transportation Improvement Program and recommend transportation projects and amendments. Goals are to align planning initiatives, improve project coordination, and enhance regional performance measures.

Plymouth Township Supervisor Kurt Heise was also elected to serve on the

Transportation Coordinating Council for (SEMCOG) at the annual meeting.

The council comprises a diverse set of stakeholders, including those with expertise in local government, economic development, environmental policy, workforce development, and education.

Heise has more than 25 years of experience in local, county and state government, and served on the Transportation Coordinating Council in the late 1990s when he was the mayor's deputy in Dearborn Heights. As

the former Plymouth Township Supervisor, Heise also served on the Houston Transportation Committee.

"Serving on the TCC will allow me to leverage my many years of public sector experience to help ensure Western Wayne County gets proper consideration for state and federal road monies," Heise said. "This is best done through regional cooperation and collaboration on projects that spur economic development and job creation for our residents."



### Special guests

Plymouth Noon Rotary Club President Kent Early, far right, welcomed Canton Township Supervisor Pat Williams, center, and Canton Township Director of Public Safety Josh Meier, left, to the club meeting last week. Williams was the guest speaker and discussed progress in the Canton community. Photo by Dave Willard.

## Township may take over joint Parks and Recreation Department

The Northville Parks and Recreation Department is one step closer to being under the administrative domain of Northville Township rather than the City of Northville. Members of the Northville City Council approved this change, considering the growth of the Parks and Recreation Department in recent years - with more than 100 employees, including part-time and seasonal workers, and a \$2.2 million annual budget. As such, it requires greater administrative service support, which can be provided by Northville Township officials said.

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## Audit shows Canton progress

Canton Township is about three years ahead of predictions for pre-recession taxable home values.

According to auditors from Plante Moran, the outside accounting and auditing firm used by the municipality, at the current rate of new growth in the township, Canton should return to those pre-recession taxable home values by 2024, three years ahead of the previous 2021 prediction.

Auditors presented findings to the board of trustees recently noting that township-wide taxable values began to inch up in 2013 and have climbed 2.9 percent last year. Auditors said that those taxable values on property are expected to increase 2.2 percent this year and 3 percent during the next two years.

The auditors noted that the long-range financial picture in the township has been impacted by the adoption of multi-year budgets and planning for future capital improvement projects.

One of the major issues in nearly all

municipal budgets, unfunded liabilities, was reduced in Canton, auditors noted, from \$72.6 million to \$58.3 million. Township officials worked with union officials to negotiate changes in benefits and retiree health care costs, which accounted for the sharp decrease.

Canton also saw an increase in state shared revenue due to the dramatic population increase in the township.

Township Supervisor Pat Williams said that the positive findings of the auditors were due to the careful financial management of previous board. He said previous officials set the township up in a good position and that the current board members could now move forward and "continue our conservative, long-range planning to ensure the continued financial health of the Canton community."

Williams also said that he is confident that the new board of trustees will continue to work on legacy costs in an effort to "minimize and mitigate the liability."

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**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**INVITATION TO BID**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Canton, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan will accept sealed bids at the Office of the Clerk up to 3:00 p.m. Thursday, August 3, 2017 per the following:

**SUBMIT AUTO SYSTEMS**

Bids may be picked up at the Finance and Budget Department, on our website at [www.cantonmi.org](http://www.cantonmi.org) or you may contact Mike Sheppard at 734/749-5225. All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope with the proposal name, company name, address and telephone number and date and time of bid opening. The Township reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals. The Township does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age or disability in employment or the provision of services.

**MICHAEL SEGREST, CLERK**

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**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM THE (CONDOMINIUM REGULATIONS CHAPTER 82 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Condominium Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 7, 2017 at the First Floor Meeting Room of the Charter Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. to consider the request by the petitioner to present the following proposed variances to the Condominium Ordinance for the project known as Brookwood Park Condominiums located on the north side of Cherry Hill Road between Lot 1 and Horton Road.

The petitioner has requested a variance pursuant to Section 82-124 to allow more than 20 units on a dual and split-lot.

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S., prior to Thursday, August 3, 2017 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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Brookwood Park - Variance to Condo Ordinance  
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**Notice of Public Hearing**  
**Charter Township of Canton**  
**Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program**  
**Program Year (FY) 2017 Action Plan**

The Charter Township of Canton is adopting its Annual Action Plan for Program Year (FY) 2017 from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018 for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding.

The Finance Department is holding all public hearings at a PUBLIC HEARING on Tuesday, August 8, 2017 at 7:00 P.M. at the Canton Administration Building - Board Room, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan. (Overseas all communications should be addressed in writing to the Finance Director, Canton Township - Finance Department, Mike Sheppard, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan, 48103.)

Canton will provide technical assistance to citizens and group representation of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing funding request proposals and in the review of program activities and program performance. In addition, Canton will make adequate provision to assist non-English speaking residents in interpreting program opportunities and provisions on a case-by-case basis, as well as provide auxiliary aids and services for individuals with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations must contact Mike Sheppard at (734) 749-5225, e-mail [mike.sheppard@cantonmi.org](mailto:mike.sheppard@cantonmi.org) or in writing to the Finance Department, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton, Michigan, 48103. All requests for special accommodations must be made with reasonable advance notice.

Mike Sheppard  
Finance Director  
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**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON**  
**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Michigan Public Act 116 of 2006, of the State of Michigan, as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, August 7, 2017 at the First Floor Meeting Room of the Charter Township Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road at 7:00 p.m. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING APPENDIX A - ZONING OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 16 - AMENDING THE DISTRICT RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE ZONING MAP AS FOLLOWS:**

**SINGH EXECUTIVE PARK REZONING - CONSIDER REQUEST TO REZONE A PORTION OF THE EXPANDABLE AREA OF THE SINGH EXECUTIVE PARK, (WAYNE COUNTY RESERVATION PLAN NO. 148) AS SHOWN ON THE ATTACHED MAP FROM C-3, REGIONAL COMMERCIAL TO L-14, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH DISTRICT. Property is located on the north side of Michigan Avenue, west of Lilley Road.**

Written comments addressed to the Planning Commission should be received at the Canton Township Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S. prior to Thursday, August 3, 2017 in order to be included in the materials submitted for review.

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Singh Executive Park Rezoning 138-RZ-4190

# Calendar of events

## Art Institute director to speak tonight

The Plymouth Arts and Recreation Complex (PARC) will host a special presentation by Detroit Institute of Arts Director Salvador Salazar-Pons from 6-7:30 tonight, July 20.

Salazar-Pons will discuss his vision for the museum, explore some of his favorite works of art, and answer questions about the DIA. This event is free and open to the public.

The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with entertainment provided by the Michigan Philharmonic. There will be complimentary light appetizers and beverages.

For more information call (734) 927-4090.

## Grub crawl tickets on sale

Tickets are now on sale for the 12th Annual Northville Grub Crawl planned for 6:30 p.m. July 25.

Participating Northville restaurants will offer samples of appetizers and entrée items along with cash bar specials for the event. Ticket holders can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own. Restaurants participating in the year include: Aubrey's of Northville, Brann's Sizzler Steaks & Sports Grill, Bricks of Northville, BrownDog Tacos, Drink's & Eats, Garage Grill & Fuel Bar, Northville Winery & Brewery Co. with Genitt's Catering, Northville Sports Den, My Little Paris Cafe & Bookstore, Rusty Bucket and Truon. The Village Workshop and WOK Asian Bistrot.

Tickets for those 21 and older are priced at \$30 and available at Good Time Party Store, 567 West Seven Mile Road, Northville or the Northville Chamber of Commerce, 195 South Main St., Northville. Tickets can be purchased by mail from the chamber website [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org).

The Northville Grub Crawl is sponsored by: Remerica HomeTown One-Patti Mullen & Associates with assistance from Good Time Party Store.

For more information, visit the Northville Chamber of Commerce website [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org) or call (248) 349-7568.

## Birthday celebration planned

Celebrations of the 150th anniversary of the City of Plymouth this year have already included various festivities throughout the community but the biggest city birthday party will take place July 26

at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Tickets to the event, planned for 6-8 p.m. are priced at \$25 per person and include food, wine, a great exhibit and a raffle for a diamond necklace valued at \$10,000.

The party where the necklace will be raffled, will include visits from re-enactors posing as past residents of Plymouth, like the first woman mayor, Ruth Whipple, and George Starbuck of Old Village.

Tickets for the party are available at the museum, at Dearborn Jewelers and online at [www.plymouthhistory.org](http://www.plymouthhistory.org).

## Farmers market now open

The Canton Farmers Market will be open from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. every Sunday through Oct. 12 at Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road, Canton.

This open-air market features a variety of Michigan grown and made food as well as hand-crafted items. The Farmers Market will take place rain or shine.

Find the latest market information on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket](https://www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket).

## Concert series begins

The Northville Summer Friday Night Concert Series - presented by Tom Holzer Ford - brings the music of some of the finest local musicians to downtown Northville Town Square from 7-9 p.m. every Friday night through Aug. 25.

The schedule features music from jazz to blues to rock 'n' roll. For more information, including a full schedule of performances, contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at (248) 349-7640 or visit [www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org).

## Community Band sets concerts

The Belleville Community Band will perform a second summer concert this year at Belleville First United Methodist Church.

The free concert is set for 3 p.m. July 30.

The church is located at 417 Charles St. in Belleville.

## Stand Up Summer Camp set

A camp for empowering young people to find their voice featuring art, music and poetry will take place through July 28 at Holy Redeemer Church.

The camp is open to students in first through sixth grades living in Belleville.

# Legends alumni sought

The Inkster Legends Basketball Camp is seeking information about former students and players.

President/Director of Inkster Legends Fred Smiley said the group is hoping to list former campers and the universities they attended on an alumni page on the Legends website. Information about whether the basket-

ball camp alumni played basketball at their respective colleges. Smiley said the page would also contain photos of the alumni in their college team uniforms, if the players would submit them.

He suggested former "campers" add the information and photos at [www.inksterlegends.com](http://www.inksterlegends.com) on the contact us section of the website.

The cost is \$5 per week or \$25 for the summer. Older youths are being sought as well as junior leaders.

The camp will take place from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. Tuesday through Thursday. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

Adult volunteers are needed and registration is on a first come basis.

For information or to register, contact Pastor Bill Hales, (734) 740-4230 or visit [www.info@redemerarcv.com](http://www.info@redemerarcv.com).

## Wounded Warrior leads yoga class

A special fundraiser for the Wounded Warrior Project is planned in Canton Township.

Old Glory Flags and Flagpoles of Canton and Canton Leisure Services have joined forces to host "Yoga in the Park" with Dan Nevins at 9 a.m. Saturday, July 22.

The benefit for the Wounded Warrior Project is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. and will take place in Heritage Park, located behind the Canton Administration Building, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Participants are asked to arrive by 8:30 a.m. for event day check-in or registration.

All proceeds from this event will go to benefit Wounded Warrior Project. Tickets are currently on sale at <http://active.cantonmi.org>; just search Dan Nevins. Tickets are currently \$35 online and will be \$45 the day of the event. Ticket price includes a Wounded Warrior Project gift bag, while supplies last. Participants will also receive a tax statement at the end of 2017 stating the portion of their donation that is tax deductible. Learn more Nevins at [www.dannevins.com](http://www.dannevins.com). For additional information about this special outdoor yoga session, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org) or call (734) 394-5360.

## Rally on Ridge planned

More than 20 food trucks are expected

to join the face painters, bouncers, games and children's activities along with live music July 25 at Preservation Park.

The 4th Annual Rally on Ridge, a benefit for the Canton Farmers Market, will take place from 5:30 until 9 p.m.

Those who attend and plan to stay for the live acoustic music are encouraged to bring along lawn chairs or picnic blankets.

This year, the Rally on Ridge main event sponsor is Toll Brothers. In addition, The Regner Team of Edward Jones, Financial Advisor, is sponsoring the entertainment. Additional sponsorship support is being provided by Brightside Dental. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities for the event, call (734) 394-5375.

The special fundraising event will take place in the Cherry Hill Village District, as well as in Preservation Park, located at 500 N. Ridge Road. No admission is required for either event. Join the Canton Farmers Market weekly newsletter at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org), or like the Canton Farmers Market on Facebook for market updates.

## Seniors Day at market

The Westland Farmers and Artisans Market will welcome senior citizens for some special activities during Seniors Day from 3-7 p.m. Aug. 10.

Along with more than 30 vendors and artisans, there will be special veteran's health and fitness exercises and local experts on nutrition. The Market Bounty Raffle will award one lucky senior a basket full of market goodies donated by vendors. The market takes place at 1801 N. Carlson, south of Ford Road in Central City Park. Vendors will be selling produce, plants, fresh foods and crafts. There is live music every week and EBT cards are accepted.

For more information, call (734) 226-7222 or [westlandchamber@yahoo.com](mailto:westlandchamber@yahoo.com).

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