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Michael Stradtner is the first new City of Westland Fire Chief in 16 years. Stradtner was officially sworn into office last week.

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Missing records alarm auditors

Don Howard
Staff Writer

According to independent auditor Plante Moran, imperfections in accounting practices and handling of drug forfeiture funds in Plymouth Township are not the only financial problems facing the municipality.

Representatives from Plante Moran, the accounting and auditing firm employed by the township, say they cannot comply with the Michigan Department of Treasury requirements and complete the township audit, due June 31, due to the lack of cooperation from Township Treasurer Ron

Edwards and Supervisor Shannon Price.

As township supervisor, Price is considered the chief administrative officer of the municipality.

Both Price and Edwards were defeated in the primary election Aug. 2.

Fieldwork for the audit usually begins in May and is completed by the following June, according to the auditing firm

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which specializes in municipal finance. This year, however, auditors say they can't proceed with the state-required audit for the fiscal year ended Dec. 31, 2015, due to the failure of Edwards and Price to provide the financial reports and records necessary.

In a nine-page list compiled by Plante Moran, auditors highlighted the critical items mandatory for completion of

the report with the majority of those listed due from Edwards.

Key categories listed as requiring further accounting information were segregated for Cash, Customer Receivables, Capital Assets, Accounts Payable, Accrued Liabilities, Revenue Sharing, Property Taxes, Self Insurance and Miscellaneous. Some of the significant yellow-highlighted missing records included:

Request for "copies" of bank reconciliations for all bank accounts through Dec. 31, 2015, including lists of outstanding checks.

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A'maze'ing Maybury Farm opens annual fall attraction

The long-awaited corn maze at Maybury Farm is now open featuring 6 acres of very tall corn.

Jessica Strieggle, executive director of the Northville Community Foundation which operates the farm, said the maze offers a unique way to spend a fall afternoon. Visitors can enjoy a hayride to the entrance to the maze where they are then left to their own devices to find their way through. While in the maze, visitors who find all nine wooden animals hidden in the corn, will have their names entered in a drawing for tickets to the Ringling Brothers and Barnum and Bailey Circus.

When leaving the maze, visitors will be taken back to the farm by another hayride where cider, donuts and snacks are available.

Strieggle said a bigger challenge is completing the corn maze in the dark. She said that the maze is open from 6 until 10 p.m. Fridays and from noon until 10 p.m. Saturdays and from noon until 7 p.m. on



Visitors of all ages enjoy the corn maze at Maybury Farm every year, especially the wagon hayride through the fields.

Sundays. The last hayride wagon leaves for the maze one hour prior to closing.

The maze will be open through Oct. 20. Group tours and bonfires for 15 or more are available, Strieggle said.

To reserve a date or for more information, call (248) 374-0200. Admission to the maze is \$7 per person and includes admission to the farm. Children younger than 2 are admitted at no cost.

All proceeds from the corn maze are

used to care for the farm animals throughout the winter months, Strieggle said.

Maybury Farm is located at 50165 Eight Mile Road in Northville. It is 1-1/4 mile west of Beck Road on Eight Mile, 1/2 mile west of Maybury State Park. Enter at the Maybury FARM sign, do not enter the state park. Parking is free at Maybury Farm. For more information, visit www.northvillecommunityfoundation.org or www.facebook.com/mayburyfarm.

Westland City Hall wins national award

The new Westland City Hall has been presented with another award for excellence, this one from the American Public Works Association.

The new City Hall building was chosen as the National Public Works Project of the Year having already won the local and state awards from the association. The award was based on the transformation of the former Circuit City big box store on Warren Road into a modern, energy efficient City Hall, according to criteria for the national honor.

The Public Works Project of the Year Award was established to promote excellence in the management and administration

of public works projects by recognizing the alliance between the managing agency, the consultant/architect/ engineer, and the contractor who, working together, complete public works projects, a spokesman said. Public works is defined as the physical structures and facilities that are developed, owned, and maintained by public agencies to house governmental functions and provide water, power, waste disposal, transportation, and similar public services in accordance with established public policy.

The ecological consideration, along with features incorporated into the design by OHM Advisors, were the factors that most impressed the judging



Mayor William R. Wild, left, and Dan Fredendall, the president of OHM Advisors, right, accepted the national award for the new City Hall project as public works project of the year.

panel. Those included installing window walls along the length of the southern wall and sky lights and self-extinguishing lights. The

new, larger City Hall replaced the former underused 13,500 square

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'Building fee' OK'd at Wayne, Westland courts

Fines imposed by the 29th District Court in Wayne will increase from \$5 to \$40 following approval of the new building fee by members of the city council.

The new fee schedules will include a "building fee" added to both misdemeanor and civil infractions. A misdemeanor guilty plea will now see an additional \$20-\$40 on the fine and civil courts has been ongoing for several years. A meeting to discuss the possibilities is reportedly planned before the end of the

and or furnishing the Wayne court facilities or for the same purposes at the 18th District Court in Westland should a considered merger of the two courts be accomplished.

The Westland City Council members approved a similar building fee structure on court fines earlier this year.

Discussion of merging the two courts has been ongoing for several years. A meeting to discuss the possibilities is reportedly planned before the end of the

year and is expected to include Judges Sandra Cicirelli and Mark McConnell from the Westland court and Judge Laura Mack from the Wayne court along with administrators from both courts, Westland Mayor William Wild and Wayne Mayor Susan Rowe.

Any court merger or combination would have to be enacted by the state. The Wayne and Westland courts have concurrent jurisdiction allowing the judges to hear cases in each

community. A report, prepared by the State Court Administrator's office, determined that Wayne needed only 67 of a judge while the Westland court required three full-time judges.

Any combination of the two facilities would require extensive facility renovations. Should the courts remain independent, the Wayne building is in need of upgrades and security measure improvements, including a full-time court officer.

CANTON - PLYMOUTH

Glass company will bring 95 jobs

The long-vacant building at M-14 and Sheldon Road in Plymouth will be reopened as a finishing plant for the largest glass manufacturer in the country and bring an estimated 950 jobs to the area.

Plymouth North America purchased the 34-acre site which includes a 329,000 square-foot building for about \$9.5 million last month from Grand Sakva

development. The company will add buttons, clips and trim pieces to glass pieces manufactured in the Puyao plant in Dayton Ohio. The warehouse-like facility previously housed Western Electric, Highland Appliance, American Blind and Wallpaper and most recently Office Depot. Puyao is expected to add a research and development department at the

Plymouth facility.

Grand Sakva had proposed a regional shopping outlet mall at the site, but residents strongly protested the plan which was eventually denied by officials. Currently, Puyao services the glass needs of General Motors, Corp., Ford Motor Co and Fiat Chrysler, among others.

The plant is expected to be fully operational within the next

two to three years, officials said. Initially, there could be as many as 450 jobs at the glass facility and another 500 within three years, working in three shifts, officials said.

Members of the Plymouth City Commission supported an application from Wayne County to install traffic signals and pedestrian crosswalks in front of the Sheldon Road property. County

officials are seeking a grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation to help offset the \$279,000 cost for the improvements.

Puyao will make upgrades and retrofit the plant with machinery along with repairs to the infrastructure and exterior at the site, although the basic footprint of the facility is not expected to change, officials said.



The third annual Star Wars Reads Day is set for this Saturday at the Plymouth District Library, including supervising stormtroopers.

The Force visits library

The Friends of the Plymouth District Library will make sure the community is thinking Star Wars this month as the library hosts its third annual Star Wars Reads Day Saturday, Oct. 15.

Libraries, schools and bookstores around the world will join in this global event that will feature Star Wars collectibles, posters, decorations and more. All are encouraged to dress as a favorite Star Wars character and enjoy free activities, thanks to the support of the Friends of the Library.

Events in Plymouth include:

Face painting from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Located on the library lower level; Star Wars crafts for children ages 5-12 with their families is sessions 11:30 a.m., 1:30 or 3 p.m. Call (734) 453-0750, ext. 5 to register; Star Wars Trivia planned for 1:30 p.m. There is always a spirited competition

among local Star Wars experts. Prizes will be awarded to teams. No sign up is required; Star Wars Snacks - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (or while supplies last) No one will be hungry or thirsty on Star Wars Reads Day - in the main level meeting rooms. Photo Booth, from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. visitors will find the Star Wars photo booth just inside the front door. All are encouraged to snap a photo and post it to Instagram Star Wars Reads give-aways from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. (or while supplies last) - The Friends of the Library have been saving Star Wars books from the used book sale all year in preparation for Star Wars Reads Day 2016.

For more information, contact the library at (734) 453-0750, ext 4 or go to plymouthlibrary.org.

The library is located at 223 S. Main St. in downtown Plymouth.


Howl at the Moon Saturday

Dog owners and their four-legged friends can enjoy fall activities, a dog Halloween costume contest, purchase merchandise and receive free give-aways from local pet supply and service vendors during the Howl at the Moon event from 5-7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at the Canton Dog Park.

Pre-registration is not required for the

free event and all ages are welcome. Non-dog park members must show proof of up-to-date vaccinations for rabies and DHLPF signed by an accredited veterinarian.

The Canton Dog Park is located on Denton Road, just north of Cherry Hill. For more information, call (734) 294-5310 or visit www.cantonmi.org.



CITY OF ROMULUS
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS
NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
Verizon Wireless ERS Telecom Properties
38600 Northline Rd.
WEDNESDAY November 2, 2016

Notice is hereby given that the City of Romulus will hold a public hearing at 7:00 p.m. on **Wednesday, November 2, 2016** for the purpose of considering a variance request for BZA-2016-034, Verizon Wireless ERS Telecom Properties.

A variance from Sections 12.15(c)(3) of the Zoning Ordinance to allow a reduction in the front and side yard setbacks for new cellular telephone tower is requested. The ordinance requires that the front yard setback equal the height of the tower which is 195 feet; a front yard setback of 140 feet is proposed. The ordinance requires that the side yard setbacks equal one-half the height of the tower which would be 97.5 feet; the east side yard setback is 85 feet and the west side yard, 77 feet.

The subject property is located at 38600 Northline. DP# 30-074-01-0158-002.

Copies of the application are available for review at City Hall during regular business hours. All interested parties are encouraged to attend and will be given an opportunity to comment on said request. Written comments may be submitted and should be addressed to Carol Maize, City Planner, Planning Department, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174-1485.



Ellen Crap-Berg, City Clerk
City of Romulus, Michigan

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Tax

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"2015 Winter Tax collection schedule..."

"Schedule(s) detailing healthcare benefits paid for retirees..."

"Schedule of accumulated depreciation, for capital assets"

"Schedule of all retirements prior to Dec. 31, 2015..."

"... (Prepare a) schedule of all federal grants..."

According to state law, municipal audit reports along with any written correspondence, recommendations or deficiencies prepared by the CPA are required to be filed within six months of the end of the fiscal year.

The Audit Manual for Local Units of Government in Michigan states the chief administrative officer, in this case Price, may request an extension for the filing of the audit from the state treasurer stating that the audit is in progress and providing a date for the expected audit completion with an explanation of the existence of any extraordinary circumstance beyond their control demonstrating reasons the audit cannot be completed and filed in reasonable and timely manner. According to individuals close to the situation, Price has not completed any such request.

According compliance guidelines issued by the office of the state treasurer, the contracted auditors must have a rea-

sonable assurance that the financial statements are "free of material misstatements arising from illegal acts that have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts."

"The request for an extension will be denied absent the existence of an extraordinary circumstance beyond the control of the local unit."

In December 2015, Plante Moran auditors also found problems with the audit preparation after township officials finally submitted the required data five months past the June 30 deadline.

In a letter to township officials dated Dec. 1, 2014 auditors Martin J. Olejnik and Karl L. Shea from Plante Moran said that there were no significant material weaknesses in the township accounting practices, they encountered considerable delay in receiving information and necessary documents. They also urged officials to submit all year-end journal entries and audit schedules by May 1 of each year to meet the filing requirement. Noting internal flaws in accounting practices, the auditors said there was "an opportunity for the Township to further strengthen internal control to increase operating efficiencies."

During a public discussion of the audit at that time, Edwards claimed, "We wouldn't have this problem if it hadn't been for the City of Plymouth."

Plante Moran is required, as part of the audit, to certify township compliance with recognized Michigan Department of Treasury accepted government auditing standards.

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

September 26, 2016

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 Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crant, Sylvia Rouse, William Wadsworth.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burchell

Ellen L. Crap-Berg, Clerk

Consent: Stacy Page, Treasurer

1. Moved by Crant, seconded by Abdo to accept the agenda as presented. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-282 2A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 12, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3. **Petitioner:** None.

16-283 4A. Moved by Crant, seconded by Wadsworth to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Florence James. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-284 4A. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crant to recognize Stan Hardaway as they close their doors after doing business in the City of Romulus for 67 years. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

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

5. Mayor's Report: Mayor Burchell thanked everyone who participated in the Romulus Pumpkin Festival. He provided a video of upcoming events in the City of Romulus.

16-285 5A. Moved by Abdo, seconded by Wadsworth to concur with the administration and award Bid ITD 16-17-02 one-year contract pricing for computer hardware, software, and software licensing acquisitions to the three most responsive, responsible bidders, Zonos, Inc. B&B Foto & Electronics Corp., and Insight, Inc. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-286 5B. Moved by Crant, seconded by Crant to concur with the administration and authorize a one-year extension of Bid Award RFP 12-13-36 for the licensing and maintenance of the Hyland Cloud modules currently being utilized throughout the City with Applied Imaging at a cost of \$11,991.40 and for any professional services needed from Applied Imaging at an hourly rate of \$160 per hour through June 30, 2017. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-287 5C. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Abdo to approve payment of the annual \$35 signal maintenance and cabling maintenance invoice in the amount of \$11,711.00, and for each of the remaining years of the agreement. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-288 6A1. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Rouse to concur with the recommendation of the Executive Advisory Committee and to support Sheldon Chandler and Kenneth Manoviczka to the Board of Zoning Appeals with their terms to expire on June 30, 2019. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-289 6A2. Moved by Choate, seconded by Rouse to schedule a public hearing on Monday, Oct. 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. to hear comments regarding Duane Schaefer's proposed rezoning of his property (19401 Harrison Rd.) to establish and industrial development district. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-290 6A3. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Crant to schedule a public hearing on Monday, Oct. 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to hear comments regarding Yapp USA Automotive Performance Systems, Inc.'s (36320 Frank Rd.) request for a new IFT Exemption Certificate. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-291 6A4. Moved by Rouse, seconded by Choate to schedule a public hearing on Monday, Oct. 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. to hear comments regarding Yapp USA Automotive Performance Systems, Inc.'s (36320 Frank Rd.) request for a new IFT Exemption Certificate. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-292 6A5. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Wadsworth to adopt, by reference, an amendment to the Romulus Code of Ordinances, Part II, Chapter 8 (Building & Building Regulations), Article VII (Permit Requirements), Section 8-211 (Code adopted) and Section 8-212 (Reference in code) to include Appendix A of the International Mechanical Code. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report

7. Public Comment:

A Canton resident spoke about a traffic ticket he received in Romulus. Jan Larmon, Chairperson, Cemetery Board of Trustees spoke about the new gate that was installed at the Romulus Memorial Cemetery. Gina Steward from the Telegram Newspaper announced the Women NAACP Banquet will be held in Redford on October 16, 2016.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilwoman Abdo addressed the concerns of the Canton resident who received a ticket in Romulus. Councilman Wadsworth also addressed the concerns of the Canton resident.

9. New Business

10. Communication

16-293 10. Moved by Choate, seconded by Crant to approve Warrant 16-18 in the amount of \$3,447,784.78. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-294 10. Moved by Wadsworth, seconded by Rouse to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

1. Ellen L. Crap-Berg, Clerk for the City of Romulus. Duane Schaefer has hereby certified the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on September 26, 2016.

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CANTON - NORTHVILLE

Northville names new recreation director

Mark Gasche has been named as the new director of Parks and Recreation for both the city and township of Northville. In his new role, he oversees 12 parks with baseball/softball fields, 15 soccer/lacrosse fields, two dog parks, three picnic pavilions, five tennis courts, a recreation center, and a community center, which houses the Northville Senior Center. He leads a staff of six full-

time and more than 50 part-time employees.

Gasche's first order of business is to set up soccer and baseball contracts for Spring 2017. His department provides the fields while Soccer Northville and Northville Baseball and Softball Association (NBSA) manage the programs. He is also looking for \$279,000 to make improvements at Fish Hatchery

Park, including the removal of a retaining wall, restoring the habitat along the banks and in the waterway, and creating direct access to Johnson Creek.

"Fitness is a really big thing in our society. Community-based programs have taken on a larger role. For adults' lifelong health and wellness, they need to be active - even if it's just walking the trails. It's part of our mission

to provide wellness and fitness programs for better health," Gasche said.

Gasche is a 33-year veteran of community parks and recreation departments in New York, Indiana and Michigan. He earned his undergraduate and master's degrees from Central Michigan University. He is a Certified Park and Recreation Professional (CPRP) through

mParks. He has held board positions in several professional organizations and in the community, including Kalamazoo Club and United Way.

His personal interests include golf, walking, bike riding, and attending concerts at smaller venues. He and his wife, Lee Anne, have two adult sons, and are relocating to the area from Adrian.

Winning artwork displayed at Canton theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is currently exhibiting artwork from the 24th Annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition through Oct. 29, bringing together works of artists throughout southeast Michigan. The exhibit contains works in a variety of media, including: paintings, sculptures, mixed media, charcoal drawings, pastels, ceramics, and photography.

Winners this year included: Best of Show - Janet Kondziela for "Peter #4" (Oil Painting); Second Place - James Tidwell for "The Conversation" (Oil Painting); Third Place - Barbara Gage Rex for "As Time Passes By" (Photo); Honorable Mentions were awarded to Laura Larkins for "Lake View Screen Door" (Acrylic Painting) and to James Lounsbury for "Flowers #87B" (Oil Painting). Merit Awards went to: James Benda for "Abstract on Black" (Mixed Media); Janice Dumas for "The Dockers" (Watercolor); Kevin McCown for "Romeo" (Oil Painting); and John Middleton for "Subtlety in Color" (Photo).

"This year's Canton Fine Arts Exhibition truly presents art for all ages and interests," said Jennifer Tobin, Canton arts coordinator. "This exhibit has gained a tremendous reputation for featuring leading-edge artists who are creating not only what's new, but what's next. We are now seeing some of the best works by some of the best artists living and working in Michigan."

Forty pieces were selected by Emma Jean Woodard, who has been a staunch advocate and nurturer of the arts in Michigan for 30+ years and currently serves as the executive director of the Dearborn Community Fund (DCF), whose mission is to provide support for cultural, arts and recreation activities for Dearborn residents. She has launched such programs as: Art in Public Places, a yearlong sculpture exhibit; Youth in Arts Festival; and Pockets of Perception Design Team Project that involves high school students in designing and producing public art. As president and then

Executive Director of the Dearborn Community Arts Council (DCAC) she helped develop a community gallery for the visual arts, produced an annual concert series, developed partnerships with community schools, and developed and co-administered the "Art for Young People" program with Henry Ford Community College.

The Canton Fine Arts Exhibition began in 1993 as an activity of Canton Project ARTS, a cultural programming body which provided various arts-related events and activities to the community. In 2004, Canton Project ARTS was absorbed by Canton Leisure Services and is currently guided by the Canton Cultural Commission.

The exhibit is free and open to the public from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday - Friday, during public performances at the theater and by appointment by calling (734) 394-5308. The gallery, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road in Canton, is closed on holidays.



Best of Show: Janet Kondziela, Oil Painting, "Peter #4."



2nd Place: James Tidwell, Oil Painting, "The Conversation."



3rd Place: Barbara Gage Rex, Photo, "As Time Passes By."



On the force

The Canton Police Department welcomed new police officer Nicole Harmon to the force when she took her official oath of office, administered by Township Clerk Terry Bennett, with family and friends in attendance. All new police officers in Canton are required to successfully complete a 16-week instructor-led field training program, prior to working on their own. This program is designed to orientate and develop recruit officers, maximizing their potential and providing them with the tools necessary to successfully make the transition into their new position as a Canton police officer, officials said.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS THURSDAY NOVEMBER 3, 2016 6:00 PM.

PLEASE NOTE that the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its Regular Meeting on Thursday, November 3, 2016 commencing at 6:00 p.m., to consider:

1. Application 1545, 11590 Noyse RD, R-1-41 is requesting use variance to construct a detached garage. The proposed garage is 17' high, the maximum allowed is 12' high. The variance requested is 5 feet in height.
2. Application 1546, 8861 Northwestern CT, R-1-41 (C-2) is requesting use variance to construct a detached second porch in the rear yard with a setback of 6 feet whereas 50 feet is required. Variance requested is three (3) feet.

The meeting will be held at Plymouth Township Hall, 9555 N. Haggerty Road in the Town Hall Meeting Room.

For further information contact Plymouth Township Building Department 734-354-3200.

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CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Romulus City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 to consider a new Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974 as amended, for VAPP USA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS, INC. 36320 Eureka Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Land in the City of Romulus, Wayne County, Michigan
Parcel: 80 116 99 0001 704 Property Address: 36320 Eureka Road
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THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING! All interested citizens are invited to attend, and will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposal. Written comments may be forwarded no later than October 24, 2016 at 12:00 clock noon, Prevailing Eastern Time to the attention of: Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540

THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 167 of 1976 as amended (Open Meetings Act), MCLA 41.72a (2) (j) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Individuals with disabilities requiring aids or services should contact the City of Romulus Clerk's office by writing or calling the following: Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540.

A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the clerk.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice of the M-100 City Scan Voting System
For the State General Election
Tuesday, November 8, 2016

A public advisory notice of the M-100 City Scan Voting System will take place at 4:00 p.m. on October 24, 2016, at the Charter Township of Plymouth Office, 9555 N. Haggerty Road, Plymouth, MI 48174, for the November 8, 2016 State General Election. The Public Advisory Notice is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to tabulate the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of law. For further information contact the Clerk's Office at (734) 354-3228.

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Nancy Canadian
Township Clerk

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CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Romulus City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 to consider establishing an Industrial Development District pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974, as amended for Daehan Solutions Georgia LLC, 10401 Harrison Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Land in the City of Romulus, Wayne County, Michigan
Parcel: 80 052 09 0001 702 Property Address: 10401 Harrison Road
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CITY OF ROMULUS PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the Romulus City Council will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, October 24, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174 to consider the transfer of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate pursuant to P.A. 198 of 1974 as amended, for VAPP USA AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS, INC. 36320 Eureka Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

Land in the City of Romulus, Wayne County, Michigan
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THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING! All interested citizens are invited to attend, and will be given an opportunity to comment on the proposal. Written comments may be forwarded no later than October 24, 2016 at 12:00 clock noon, Prevailing Eastern Time to the attention of: Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk, 11111 Wayne Rd, Romulus, MI 48174, 734-942-7540

THIS IS AN OPEN MEETING

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A copy of this notice is on file in the office of the clerk.

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BELLEVILLE - INKSTER - ROMULUS

Communities may purchase sewer system

How much would it cost to control your destiny?

When it comes to waste water treatment, the 13 members of the Downriver Utility Wastewater Authority (DUWA) are hoping to find out.

The authority is negotiating to purchase the Downriver Wastewater Treatment Facility from Wayne County for \$57.5 million. The price would include the facility, located on 34 acres in Wyandotte, as well as the infrastructure that supports it. It would give the authority the ability to set its own sewage disposal rates and not have to rely on those set by Wayne County—which has been a source of contention.

"This has been a long process getting to this point," said

Romulus Mayor Leroy Burecuff. Romulus is the second largest community within the authority, behind Taylor.

"This point is technically a bit of a holding pattern. While DUWA representatives have submitted the bid and county officials have verbally agreed to it, there are still plenty of particulars to be worked out.

If it holds, the DUWA would sell bonds to pay for the purchase. Those bonds would be repaid either through sewer rates, savings in the operation or a combination of the two.

"Our goal is to make it cost-neutral to the rates," said Burecuff, who met with the city council in a study session on the issue Monday night. "I don't know

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if that's possible; that's yet to be determined based on the service agreement."

Romulus City Attorney Steve Hitchcock said it might be.

"There's somewhere between \$2 million and \$3 million that could be eliminated from the cost of operating the system if the county was out of it," he said. "That money could be used to (pay for) the bonds that would

be sold to purchase the system. Preliminarily, it appears that very little, if any, rate increase would have to exist to users of the system to pay for this transaction. The savings would generate that additional revenue."

The final numbers won't be known until the agreement is completed and the bonds sold. The 13 members of the DUWA would also have to pledge to

remain within the system for the next 20-25 years, the length of the bond payments.

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The Downriver Wastewater Treatment Facility handles raw sewage from Allen Park, Belleville, Brownstown Township, Dearborn Heights, Ecorse, Lincoln Park, River Rouge, Riverview, Romulus, Southgate, Taylor, Van Buren Township and Wyandotte. It is the second largest wastewater treatment facility in the state, with capacity to treat 225 million gallons of raw sewage daily.

City award nominations accepted

Nominations for some of the most prestigious awards in the community are now being accepted by the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Leona Van Buhler, Chamber Member of the Year, Ted Kuckelman Community Service and Business of the Year awards will be accepted through Nov. 21.

Nominations can be emailed to info@bellevillechamber.org or mailed to 248 Main St., Belleville, MI 48111.

Criteria for each award will be reviewed by members of the chamber awards committee.

To be eligible for the Ted Kuckelman Community Service Award, the nominee must be at least 18 years old, been a partici-

pant in the Belleville area community for at least the past six months although committee members said it is preferable that the nominee have made a long-term contribution to the community; be providing a service for the Belleville area community and have a letter of recommendation from at least one chamber member listing reasons the nominee should be considered.

Criteria for the Leona VanBuhler Chamber Member of the Year Award includes the nominee be a current member of the chamber of at least three years; be an owner, manager or employee of a local business; be recommended by a chamber member and have a demonstrat-

ed dedication of self to business and community support of the community.

The nominees for the Business of the Year award should exemplify the best of qualities expected from a small town business as well as placing an emphasis on customer service, quality product and beautification of their building and/or goods.

Members of the committee will be evaluating the nominee's involvement in the community, the chamber, the schools, area non-profits, continued capital investment in the business and an overall community presence.

For more information or nomination forms, contact the chamber offices at (734) 697-7151.

Boo Bash planned

Ghosts and goblins are expected to fill the Dozier Recreation Complex Oct. 31.

The City of Inkster will host the Annual Boo Bash from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 31 and provide a fun-filled, safe alternative to traditional door-to-door trick or treating activities.

There will be games, priced trick or treat bags and refreshments for children in the sixth grade and younger.

The event is free and open to all children with the age limit.

Also planned for the evening is Trucks with Treats from 7-9 p.m. with set up

beginning in the parking lot of the complex beginning at 6:30. No unwrapped candy or fruit will be allowed at the event when children can go from "trunk to trunk" in the lot for treats to celebrate the holiday.

The Dozier House of Horrors will also be available for children.

The events are made possible by private donations and sponsors including TR1 and 2Byte Entertainment.

For more information, call (734) 728-7539.

The Dozier Complex is located at 2025 Middlebelt Road in Inkster.

Sunny Days Local movie maker needs internet votes

Romulus resident Jesse McNally is hoping for "Sunny Days" indeed.

McNally, 20, a 2014 graduate of Romulus High School, is hoping the public will vote for his most recent film, Sunny Days, a finalist in the WDIV Click on Detroit Film Challenge. The movie is the second McNally has written and the third film he has directed. Since the film premiered in April it has been accepted into six film festivals and is now among the 10 finalists for the Channel 4 award, which will be chosen by a panel of four judges.

Winning would mean four passes to the Sundance Film Festival for the filmmakers. Sunny Days is also eligible for the Peoples' Choice award, determined by an online vote.

Votes will be accepted until 8 p.m. Oct. 19 at www.clickondetroit.com/film-challenge-detroit or by visiting the Sunny Days facebook page and following the link there.

The public can vote once a day for the film of their choice.

Sunny Days features an all-Romulus cast and was filmed in Romulus. McNally, currently a film student at Wayne State University said he has been trying to make movies, since he "was a child."

Set as a satire to the traditional romance film, Sunny Days features a young man, Ben, who, after the loss of his brother, feels lost and alone. Then



Jesse McNally

one day a woman, Sunny, enters his life and brings vast changes that will last forever.

For more information about "Sunny Days," visit the film's facebook page for updates on showings and reviews at www.facebook.com/SunnyDaysMovie or search for "Sunny Days" on IMDb.com.



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Community invited to attend 2nd Public Information Meeting on Willow Run Airport Master Plan Study Update

Willow Run Airport is updating its Master Plan, which will help guide the airport's future development goals. Willow Run will host a Public Information Meeting to share, discuss and receive feedback on the alternatives being considered for implementation at the Airport.

The 2nd Public Information Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 18, 2016 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM at the Holiday Inn Express Hotel 46194 N. Interstate 94 Service Dr. Belleville, MI

(Use rear entrance adjacent to parking area)

Please visit us on the web at www.willowrunmasterplan.com

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WEEKENDS In OCTOBER At 4:30PM

Visit HALLOWEENINHOLLY.COM for more information!

Calendar of events

Open House at fire stations

Fire Services in the City of Plymouth will be hosting a number of Open Houses for the public during Fire Prevention Week continuing through Oct. 15.

The main City Hall Fire Station will be open to the public from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily during Fire Prevention Week. Residents are welcome any time to stop in and view the equipment, chat with the fire fighters or pick up some fire safety information.

In addition to individual tours, the fire department is also scheduling group tours of the fire station. To schedule a group tour, call 734-453-1234 extension 280.

The main fire station is located at Plymouth City Hall, 203 S. Main Street in downtown Plymouth.

Fire services in the City of Plymouth are part of a joint service with the City of Northville.

Congregation meets Sunday

Redeemer Lutheran Church offers worship services at 11 a.m. Sunday at Tyler Elementary School, 42200 Tyler Road in Belleville.

For more information call (734)740-4230 or access www.redeemertlutheranchurch-mi.com.

Halloween Spooktacular set

Northville Park Place will host a Halloween Spooktacular from 1-3 p.m. Oct. 15.

There will be trick or treating; performances by the Northville High School Variety Dance Company; balloon artists; a juggler; airbrush tattoo artists; a bounce house; pumpkin sales; spooky special discounts and kid friendly activities.

Visitors are asked to bring non-perishable items to be donated to Northville City Concern.

Northville Park Place is located at the southwest corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty Roads in Northville. Additional event parking is available at Schoolcraft College.

Early trick or treat planned

Ghosts and goblins can trick or treat through historic Mill Race Village in Northville and visit the not-so-spooky houses at the annual Halloween event planned for Oct. 16.

Pre-registration is required at the fee is \$8 per child, while adults are admitted at no cost. Children can attend the 4:30 or 6:30 p.m. session. Registration is available at www.northvilleparksandrec.org.

The event will take place rain or shine and children should wear costumes and bring a trick or treat bag.

Parking is available at Ford Field or behind the Planet Fitness building.

More information is available at (248) 348-0233.

Freedom Walk registration open

Online registration for the Freedom Walk/5K Run to benefit human trafficking survivors is now available at <http://life-careerhotlinecenter.org/Events.php>. The event will begin at 11 a.m. Oct. 22 at Skateland West in Westland. All 5K registrations will fully support survivors of human trafficking. Registration will begin at the event at 11 and a Zumba warm up will begin at 11:45 a.m. and the walk/run start will begin at 12:00 p.m. Skateland West is located at 27300 Cherry Hill Road in Westland.

Wine tasting benefit set

Tony Saccos and Plymouth Community United Way are joining forces once again for a Craft Beer and Wine Tasting fundraiser from 8-10 p.m. Oct. 14.

Tickets are \$30 per person, and must be purchased in advance by calling (734) 453-6779 or visiting the office at 960 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Suite 2, Plymouth. We accept cash, check, or credit cards. With credit cards, purchases can be made directly over the phone, and tickets will be mailed on the same day.

Plymouth Community United Way will receive 50 percent of each ticket sold. Each ticket includes samples of a variety of red and white wines, a selection of craft beer samples and wine appetizers and food samples.

Tony Saccos is located at 1603 N. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48187.

Craft show benefits veterans

A charity craft and vendor show is planned from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. Oct. 15 at St. Mel's Church, 7506 Inkster Road in Dearborn Heights. The church is on Inkster Road, north of Warren.

There is a \$1 admission fee. All proceeds go to help veterans and their families. There will also be a bake sale, 50/50 raffle and food available for purchase. Vendor table rental is \$35. Information and the vendor contact are available at AmericanLegionAus2600CraftShow@yahoo.com.

Monster Mutt March set

The Belleville Central Business

Community is partnering with Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue to host a costumed Monster Mutt Walk from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 15. The walk will begin and end on Fourth Street near the Belleville Area Museum.

Advance registrations for the event are now being accepted, although registration will also be available the day of the event. Each dog entered will receive a goody bag and a gift. First, second and third place medals will be awarded in three categories: scariest, cutest and best mutt and family costumes. In the last category, the family must also be costumed.

Registration fee is \$10 per dog, plus a can of dog food. Registrations should be submitted to the Belleville Area Chamber of Commerce, 248 Main St., Belleville, MI, 48111 or submitted in person. Include the name and email and phone of the owner, along with a complete address. For more information, contact Janet Millard at jfmillard@att.net. She is available by phone after 3:30 p.m. at (734) 558-5388.

All About the Arts revealed

A free concert by the Sweet Adelines and local Barbershop singers is planned for 7-8:30 Tuesday, Oct. 18 at the Western Campus of the Wayne County Community College District at 9555 Haggerty Road in Belleville.

The concert series is open to the public and refreshments will be served.

The event is presented by the School of Continuing Education. For more information, contact (734) 374-3232.

LifeLine screening offered

Residents can learn about their risk for cardiovascular disease, osteoporosis, diabetes and other chronic serious conditions with screenings by Life Line Screening at the Romulus Senior Center Oct. 18. The center is located at 36515 Bibbins St. in Romulus.

Packages start at \$149 for screenings and a consultant will work with patients to decide which package is most beneficial based on age and risk factors. For an appointment or more information, call 1-877-237-1287 or visit www.lifeLinescreening.com. Pre-registration at the phone number above is required.

Resource Open House planned

Community Living Services in Wayne will host free Resource Open House sessions from 10 a.m. until noon and 6-8 p.m. Oct. 23. The sessions are designed to help parents and caregivers of those with a disability

navigate the confusing mental health system.

This is an opportunity for parents and caregivers of children and adult children with intellectual and developmental disabilities to ask questions about how a person becomes eligible to receive mental health services, Medicaid and Medicare, community resources, alternatives to guardianship, transportation, school transition, staffing, budgets, employment and much more.

This event is open to the public and not limited to those receiving services from CLS. A few confirmed vendors include the Alzheimer's Association, The Detroit-Wayne Community Mental Health Authority, Community Work Opportunities, CLS Peer Mentors, and the CLS Family Services department.

Community Living Services is located at 35425 Michigan Ave. West in Wayne. It is a nonprofit organization.

Legislator host final coffee hour

State Rep. Kurt Hoise will be available to meet with local residents and business owners to talk about state government from 8-9:30 a.m. Friday, Oct. 21, during his monthly Coffee with Kurt.

The meeting will be at Crawford's Kitchen, located at 542 Starkweather St. in Plymouth.

Hoise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office. Residents are invited to call toll free 1-855-REPKURT or email kurt@hoise.house.mn.gov to schedule an appointment.

The October Coffee With Kurt is scheduled to be Hoise's final public constituent event as State Representative before he takes office as Plymouth Township supervisor.

Archery Extravaganza planned

Wayne County Community College District Western Campus will host a Fall Archery Extravaganza Day from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22 at the Belleville location, 9555 Haggerty Road.

The event is free and open to the public and representatives from Detroit Archers, Farmington Hills Riley Archery Range, Motor City Archers, Michigan High School Archery Association, Wayne State University Archery Team, MJC Archery pro shop and other local archery clubs will be on hand.

Attendees can learn about and experience first-hand target, 3-D target, bow hunting and bow fishing along with Olympic level archery.

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