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Quick Hits

Funding coming for water lines

By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck's problem with lead water lines keeps getting more attention.

On Monday, Congresswoman Brenda Lawrence, who was joined by State Sen. Adam Hollier, held a press conference in Hamtramck City Hall announcing that Michigan is in line to receive \$1.3 billion for communities to replace their lead lines.

Although Lawrence had nothing specifically to promise Hamtramck, the city appears to be on the radar screen of federal and state officials.

"Hope is on the way," Lawrence said, adding: "No one should go to bed thinking, 'Are my children going to be OK?'"

Elevated lead levels can affect the development of children, who are the most vulnerable to the effects of consuming lead-contaminated water.

Also coming to Michigan, among monies for other projects covered by the infrastructure bill President Biden signed into law, is \$7.3 billion to repairs roads and bridges.

Once again, there's also a need for road repairs in Hamtramck.

Lawrence noted that this infrastructure bill, along with the proposed Build Back Better bill now awaiting approval by the U.S. Senate, represents the largest investment in the country "since Roosevelt's New Deal – think about that."



'Tis the season for the Goodfellows holiday food drive



The annual Hamtramck Goodfellows food drive is once again up and running. The Goodfellows are seeking donations to distribute food vouchers to needy families and individuals so they can have a Christmas meal.

By Charles Sercombe

The Hamtramck Goodfellows are back in action this year.

Last year, the Covid pandemic threw a wrench in the annual donation drive, but with more people moving about freely, the Goodfellows are once again active.

Their goal each year is to raise money so they can distribute food vouchers to needy residents and families. The vouchers are handed out near Christmas so folks can have a home-cooked meal for the holiday.

Once again, the Goodfellows are depending on your generosity. They know times are still financially tight for many, but say that, if you can spare even a few bucks, it goes a long way.

This issue of the Hamtramck Review will be dedicated, in part, to the work of the Goodfellows. Unlike in years past, however, they will not be out selling this issue on the streets of the city to help raise money for their cause.

You can drop off, or mail, a check, made out to the Hamtramck Goodfellows, to c/o Hamtramck City Hall, 3401 Evaline St., Hamtramck MI 48212.

Those who would like a voucher can get an application in city hall or at the fire station. Be sure to turn it in as soon as possible.



Hamtramck's mysterious "Plague Doctor" is on a mission to clean up this town, and inspire residents to pick up litter.

'Plague Doctor' has message for all: clean up this town

By Alan Madlane

Hamtramck has a benevolent presence lurking its main streets on certain misty mornings.

A wraithlike apparition, clad in black, with eerie, crow-faced features. Who could they be? And what could they want?

Well, it turns out that they want to pick up the city's trash, and see the city, which they call home, looking cleaner.

You see, that apparition – have you seen it your

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Pot recall issued

By Charles Sercombe

All four of Hamtramck's marijuana sales outlets are part of a statewide recall of some cannabis products.

The Michigan Marijuana Regulatory Agency issued a recall that affects over 400 dispensaries across the state.

The products that are considered safe, and not part of the recall, include those that can be inhaled, such as vape carts, live resin, and distillate.

The recall is a result of a test on the products performed by Viridis Laboratories and Viridis North. That lab is owned by former employees of the Michigan State Police agency.

Consumers are being told to return the products affected for proper disposal. It appears the health issue has to do with mold on some of the cannabis flowers.

At Quality Roots on Caniff Ave., a manager, who declined to identify herself, had this to say about the recall:

"It sucks. We're going to get through it. It's not just us, it's all over Michigan."

The store will offer in-store credit for products affected by the recall. For those who want to return their merchandise, it must be in the packaging it was sold in, and be part of the products affected by the recall.

A manager at 3Fifteen dispensary on Jos. Campau declined to comment.

Pleasantrees' legal director, Jerome Crawford, told The Review that the recall is like one that affects the automotive industry. But, he said, the recall is an "overbroad reach."

He added: "Our approach has always been to maintain the highest quality."

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Pot recall issued

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The testing was performed Aug. 10 and Nov. 16.

The following Hamtramck dispensaries are part of the recall:

Pleasantrees Cannabis Company, 2238 Holbrook

Puff Cannabis Company, 11941 Jos. Campau

Quality Roots Recreational Cannabis, 2024 Caniff

3Fifteen Hamtramck, 11815 Jos. Campau

The issue of dispensaries in Hamtramck has long been controversial. The Bangladeshi and Yemeni communities strongly opposed allowing the sale of recreational and medical marijuana, but the dispensaries were able to set up shop when the then-city council of two years ago failed to either opt in or opt out in allowing the business.

That inaction allowed dispensaries to get state licenses and operate.

A lot of finger-pointing occurred over who on city council allowed the businesses to seemingly slip in. The issue became a campaign point in the recent mayoral election.

Mayor Karen Majewski was criticized for supporting dispensaries, and apparently paid a political price for her position on this issue, as well as for supporting gay rights.

She lost her bid for re-election to a political newcomer, Amer Ghalib, who has never held elective office. He has

not said where he stands on the marijuana issue, other than that he would base his decisions on what the majority of “the community” wants.

In the meantime, the dispensaries have proven to be financial boons to the city, bringing in thousands of dollars in taxes and special fees.

States that allow marijuana sales have reported reaping millions of dollars in taxes and fees as well.

‘Plague Doctor’ has message for all: clean up this town

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self? – is the Hamtramck Plague Doctor.

Documented before, in these very pages – you don’t litter the street with this newspaper after you’re done reading it, do you? – Hamtramck’s Plague Doc is a one-unit whirlwind of trash-attacking energy, who never met a stray plastic Popov half-pint or filthy facemask they weren’t willing to vanquish.

Preferably, directly into their accompanying trash-bag.

We did manage to net the crafty Doc for a round of questions, to try to help undo the swirling mystery they leave in their do-gooding wake.

Note how slyly they circumvent any attempts to reveal their identity – or their plans for worldwide domination.

Foiled again!

once.

Speaking of which, and given the season, what are some of the Plague Doctor’s favorite scary movies?

PD: I am not a fan of horror. Villains in costume scare me! I am partial to romance. My favorite movie is “How Stella Got Her Groove Back.” It is Angela Bassett that does it for me!

thing actually valuable?

PD: I have picked up over 3,000 gloves and 1,000 masks. I have also found many, many more socks than I could ever imagine. Maybe these were all the socks you could not find after washing day?

The most valuable thing I have found is the quiet and peacefulness of an early morning in Hamtramck.

(Ed. Note: The PD actually later provided a tally sheet they were keeping as they worked. And it really does show a lot of COVID-related masks and gloves, and socks, but also empty liquor bottles and – get this – “weed bags.”

Hamtramck, could it be that you’re going to your local dispensary, “scoring,” and then “firing one up” in your car while pitching the evidence bag out of your car window? Bad, Hamtramck. Very, very naughty.)

The Review: What’s up, Doc? So – exactly how did the Hamtramck Plague Doctor first come into being?

Plague Doctor: The Plague Doctor arose from the needs of the town.

At the beginning of the pandemic, we all felt helpless. I found solace in cleaning up the discarded masks and gloves that were visual images of our situation.

The Review: Hmmm. Interesting.

How long has the Plague Doctor been with us now, here in Hamtramck, all together?

PD: I have always been here. And, it is quite likely that I always will be.

The Review: Terrifying, and yet comforting, all at

The Review: Peculiar specificity...!

Now, will we see the PD this winter at all? Or do they go south to Boca when the cruel winds blow? Do they even make long johns that would fit a plague doctor?

PD: I have never left Hamtramck. I believe I would be misunderstood elsewhere.

And I am not certain that the TSA would allow me to travel on planes.

The Review: Point made, point taken.

What are some of the more common types of trash that you have picked up (and that people should know better than to toss on the ground, all willie-nillie)? What are some of the stranger items? Have you managed to find any-

The Review: Well, riddle me this, speaking of clothing items: Does the Plague Doc have a variety of outfits, or just one? And if more than one, how does the good doctor choose what to

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This week at the Library . . .

Our Next Read Up: Winter is on its way. Frost at the window and long dark nights are here. What better time to curl up with a good book. Our next Read Up & Meet Up title will be “A Hunter-Gatherer’s Guide to the 21st Century” by Heather Heying and Bret Weinstein. New and in demand, we are giving you a head start on finding a copy to read before our discussion about it coming in early 2022.

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John Bunyan: He was an English writer and Puritan preacher born on November 28, 1628. Originally a tinsmith by trade, Bunyan found and cultivated a deeper connection to religious life after having married. However, as a member of a sect not belonging to the new monarchy’s native faith, he was imprisoned for 12 years for refusing to cease preaching. While in jail he composed an autobiography and began work on his most famous writing “The pilgrim’s Progress. To learn more about this figure stop at the library.

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Second Front Page

City is counting on revenue when new GM plant is fully operating

By Charles Sercombe

Now that GM's newly revamped Factory Zero plant is up and running, can the city expect to receive a major revenue stream?

The short answer is yes, but also begs the question: When?

The factory, more commonly known here as the Poletown Plant, has been undergoing a retrofitting for about the past two years in order to accommodate the building of electric vehicles.

During that down time, Hamtramck did not receive any significant revenue because nothing was being manufactured

there.

That's because it's part of a complicated deal between the city, the City of Detroit and GM that goes back to when the plant first opened in the 1980s.

The new plant celebrated its grand opening last Wednesday and with considerable fanfare: A visit by President Joe Biden, who promoted his recently passed infrastructure bill.

Biden is also touting electric vehicles as the wave of the future in auto manufacturing.

While all that feel-good talk was inspiring enough, Hamtramck has

been patiently waiting for the plant to get back into full production.

When the plant is fully up and running, it pays the city about \$800,000 a year. A sliver of the plant actually sits on the Hamtramck side of the border with Detroit; thus, it is obligated to make the payment in lieu of paying property taxes.

That lack of revenue for the past two years has forced the city into deficit spending, and burned through much of its budget surplus.

While revenue from the plant will help offset some financial obligations the city has, there

is still going to be a financial shortfall for the city.

On top of that, Wayne County officials are expected to shutdown the Dickerson Jail on Conant once the new jail downtown is completed. That will result in a \$1 million shortfall to Hamtramck's budget.

All of this portends to a difficult year ahead for city officials, including the city's new mayor and three new city councilmembers.

The new mayor, Amer Ghalib, campaigned on a promise that change is needed to solve the city's financial problems, but he has not offered specifics.



City Hall Insider ...

What is our City Council up to these days?
We have the highlights of the latest council meeting.

By Charles Sercombe

The city council met on Oct. 12, and all councilmembers were present.

The Wayne County Health Order issued a letter saying that public bodies, such as the city council, can continue to meet via Zoom, instead of in-person, until Dec. 31 because of the ongoing Covid pandemic.

A proposal by the State Treasury Office that will lower the city's interest payment on a prior emergency loan was OK'd. The savings will amount to about \$11,000 for the city.

During public comment, about a dozen people spoke on two resolutions proposed by Councilmember Carrie Beth Lasley to fire Jim Allen as city attorney, and his law firm. The other resolution would have the city manager begin a search for a new law firm.

Allen and the City of Hamtramck were named in a lawsuit filed by a paralyzed African-American, saying that Allen sent him racial and handicap insults in emails.

Most of the people who

spoke defended Allen, saying that the person who filed the lawsuit, Charles Blackwell, goaded Allen. (Blackwell later spoke during public comment, but identified himself with the alias "Bobby Brown.")

Most of those speakers were not residents. Most of those who spoke agreeing that Allen should be fired were residents. The comments lasted for about two hours.

Later in the meeting Lasley could not get support to move her resolutions forward for a vote. The same thing happened with two other resolutions proposed by her regarding Allen.

A proposal to fund a design plan for the eventual reconstruction of Caniff Ave., from Conant to Bufalo, was approved.

"It's time to get that other section of Caniff ready," said City Manager Kathy Angerer.

Thanks to a federal grant, Caniff was rebuilt from the I-75 service drive to Jos. Campau this past summer. There is a plan to go forward with repaving Caniff from Jos. Campau to Conant as well.

Councilmember Nayeem Choudhury questioned what will happen to businesses during this repaving. John Hennessey, the city's engineer, said there will be a traffic lane open during construction.

He conceded, however, there were problems, or what he called "growing pains," with access during the first phase of the Caniff rebuild.

On another Lasley resolution, the council was split on whether to create a new position in the city, to be called a "steward."

That person will be tasked with organizing citywide cleanups, and with looking for grants to pay for that work. Councilmember Lasley said the position will "pay for itself" through grants. The position will be year-round, part-time, and will pay \$15 per hour.

Councilmembers Fadel Al-Marsoumi, Mohammed Alsomiri and Mohammed Hassan voted against the proposal. Councilmembers Choudhury, Lasley and Saad Almasmari voted in support, forcing Mayor Karen Majewski to break the tie.

She voted to support



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Governor proposes funding to help with replacing lead water lines

By Charles Sercombe

Hamtramck may be in line to receive funding to replace the city's lead water lines sooner than expected.

Last week, Gov. Gretchen Whitmer announced a plan to expand the state Clean Water Plan by \$300 million.

The proposal would tap into state and federal funds that came from the American Rescue Plan. Whitmer is targeting communities that have tested for high lead levels in their drinking water.

"Every Michigander in every community deserves

access to safe drinking water, and we have a once-in-a-generation opportunity right now to use the federal dollars we have to put Michiganders first and make lasting investments in our water infrastructure," said Whitmer, in a press release.

Recently, a sample from six out of 42 houses tested in Hamtramck showed slightly elevated lead levels. That stirred a panic of sorts among residents, and the city is now distributing free water filters every Tuesday and Thursday in city hall.

City officials are also

hoping to receive funding from the recently passed \$1 trillion infrastructure plan proposed by President Joe Biden and passed by Congress.

Whitmer's plan will earmark \$200 million to help communities replace lead lines.

It is estimated that it will cost \$55 million just to replace all of Hamtramck's lead water lines. The cost breaks down to \$10,500 per household.

The city began replacing the lines over the past two years. About 500 have been replaced so far, and over 300 will be replaced

next year.

There is a state mandate requiring all communities to replace their lead water lines within the next 20 years.

The proposal also includes \$40 million to be set aside to help low-income households pay for plumbing repairs. That assistance will be open to those whose income falls 200 percent below the federal poverty level.

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In Our Opinion

Thanksgiving is a time to relax and reflect

This week, we all celebrate Thanksgiving. The holiday allows all of us to pause and reflect – and to be with our family and friends. This year has once again been challenging. The Covid pandemic is now in its fourth wave in Michigan, and we are again seeing a surge of new cases. Many of us can be thankful we survived another year of this. But it should be noted that over 3,000 of our residents have come down with the disease, and 58 have lost their lives

to it over the past two years. Those are frightening statistics. Thanksgiving week also coincides with the kickoff of the annual Goodfellows drive to raise money for needy residents and families to have nice holiday meals this Christmas. If you can spare a few bucks, be sure to contact the group. Our Goodfellows have been doing this for decades, and for that we are thankful and grateful. You can read about the Goodfellows drive

on the front page. For the next several weeks, the holiday season will be upon us, and the weeks seem to fly by in a flurry. Everything moves too fast. Be sure to take some time for yourself this week, and take stock of all the things you have to be thankful about. And remember, keep taking all the recommended health precautions – including masking up while out in public – to avoid becoming a Covid statistic. Happy Thanksgiving everyone.

Odds & Ends

Covid update... We didn't have enough time to listen to the entire community talk that Mayor Karen Majewski does every Monday on Facebook about the city's latest Covid numbers this week. That's because we went to press early this week, Tuesday afternoon, and had to rush to get the paper together. But we did catch the latest numbers from the past week, and folks, it's getting out of hand. There were 40 new COVID-19 cases reported. Luckily, there were no new deaths. That brings the total number of cases for the past two years up to 3,328. "The numbers have been rising dramatically these past few weeks," Majewski noted. Hamtramck is not alone in experiencing an increase. Michigan is now the leading state in reporting new cases. There is also a national surge in cases as well, so it's happening everywhere. Folks, we've seen a number of people getting pretty lax about masking up. For your own well-being, and the health of your loved ones, get back to masking up in public, and limit going out.

Helping hand... Hamtramck parents are about to pay less for their child-

care, at least in the near future. The state has announced expanded eligibility criteria, related to income. The upshot is that more than 100,000 kids and their families will temporarily pay little – or more likely, nothing – for the time being. As an example, a family of four making up to \$49,000 per year would now be eligible for the temporary waiving of their family-paid contributions to their childcare. This new arrangement will last until at least Sept. 30, 2022. More than 40,000 Michigan families currently receive childcare support. This should lift their burdens significantly. The hope is that this program will ultimately boost Michigan's "economic momentum" by helping to free up more parents to get back to work. Parents can determine their family's eligibility by applying through Michigan MiBridges' "Child Development & Care Program," more commonly referred to as the "Child-care Subsidy."

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Reminder... The City of Hamtramck wants to have a chat with business owners, as well as those who own commercial buildings. A meeting will be held on Nov. 30, at 6 p.m. at Azal Hall, located at 2112 Holbrook Ave. The city wants to have a "conversation" – as it's being called – about the needs of businesses and building owners. The city will have a list of available resources for businesses and building owners to tap into. Who knows? There might be some free money out there somewhere to enhance your business or property. Hey, everyone could use a helping hand these days.



Support Your Local Businesses

‘Plague Doctor’ has message for all: clean up this town

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wear on any given day?

PD: Oh, I usually just put on whatever I pick up in the morning.

The Review: Shockingly pedestrian. So, how much do you know about actual plague doctors throughout history? Where did the phenomenon start?

Are there any famous plague doctors, either retired, dead, or still doing it?

PD: Yes. The Plague Doctor has been valuable to communities for centuries. In the 1300s, we helped combat the Bubonic Plague. We always return in time of need. Interested readers can find more on their small devices or at their local public library.

The Review: I see what you did there – trying to make yourself look all peace-loving and useful and whatnot. Let me remind you, sir or madam, that the jury is still out – and that jury is our readership, who will no-doubt weigh in (at least one of them, anyway) to crucify us for how silly I’ve let this get.

Back to business: What is the realm of the Hamtramck Plague Doctor? Do your duties “bleed over” into Detroit, Highland Park, or other cities? Have you ever hopped on public transportation, hailed a cab, or scheduled a Lyft or Uber in full-on regalia?

PD: So far, I have only explored on foot, but that sounds like fun.

The Review: Oh, I just bet it does! Which brings me to: Are children afraid of you? Should they be? Or what about adults? Do you ever, for example, visit them in their dreams, to try to persuade them to change their filthy ways?

PD: Children are fascinated by me. They should not be scared! Children know much more than many adults. They instantly understand what I am doing. I have had young people spontaneously help out. One young man asked if I was saving the earth. I told him that maybe, with his help, we still can.

The Review: There’s that usefulness again. Does the Plague Doctor have a gender, or do they prefer to be thought of as gender-neutral?

PD: As far as gender, I find it irrelevant to my duties. I prefer neutral pronouns (they, them, doc), as were common when we first appeared to help. I am pleased to see the current progress on this issue.

The Review: Well-evaded. It’s as though you saw right through our paltry attempt to reveal who you really are. Darn it all to heck!

All right then: What is the Plague Doctor’s relationship with the other Hamtramck “Trashies” – competitive, cooperative, combative or supportive?

PD: The Trashies were inspired to help, as Hamtramck litter is not a one-Doctor job. (Ed. Note: Boy, you got that right.) I am grateful to collaborate with my wonderful new friends. They are dedicated and hard-working. And, I know they appreciate all the donors that help make their work possible.

The Review: Does the Plague Doctor have another name people could call them by, when people see them on the streets, or should it just always be “Hey, Plaguey” or “Hello, Mr. or Ms. Doctor”?

PD: You can call me

Doc.

The Review: Cagey. You’ve bested us at every turn. Well, lastly, what advice can you leave with us that might be passed down to future generations of plague doctors, as they may arise from out of the formless muck over by the south end of town (or is it the west end of town? East? North? Where the heck do you come from, anyhow?)

PD: Everyone can be a Plague Doctor, with or without a costume. Every piece of litter you pick up, or every piece not thrown out at all, will help out our town.

The Review: All right, well, thanks, Doc. We’ll assume that your ultimate prescription for the city is, “Clean yourself better!”

See you around! (I could feel their presence wane suddenly, even through the miracle of email. Just like a wisp of smoke – were they ever really there at all? – the Hamtramck Plague Doctor had gone. But I knew it was only – only! – for a moment. Because if you know one thing, it's that: if you're talking about Hamtramck, you're talking trash. And yeah, we love Hamtramck – even when they're being trashy.



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By Charles Sercombe
This week's Crime Log covers Nov. 16-22.

Tuesday, Nov. 16

- Officers found two small children “alone in the elements.” Their caregiver was arrested, and the children were turned over to Children’s Protective Services.
- A report was made about a reckless driver in the area of Holbrook and Jos. Campau.
- An incident of malicious destruction of property was reported in the 2700 block of Neibel St.
- A complaint about an animal was made in the 9600 block of Buffalo St.
- Officers responded to a report about family trouble in the 2400 block of Danforth St.

Wednesday, Nov. 17

- A complaint was made about a disorderly man in the 2000 block of Caniff Ave.
- A resident reported being assaulted while in the area of Brombach and Poland.
- Officers responded to a report of family trouble in the 12000 block of Sobieski St.

Thursday, Nov. 18

- Officers responded to a report about a disturbance in the 11000 block of Klinger St. Upon the officers’ arrival it turned out to be people having an argument.
- A report of domestic violence was made at a residence in the 12000 block of Sobieski St.
- At about 2:30 a.m., an agent for a business complained about a person bothering their customers.
- Officers responded to a report about a person screaming in the 2300 block of Caniff Ave. It turned out to be a person screaming at himself.
- A complaint about an animal was made in the 2900 block of Goodson St.
- An assault was reported at Klinger and

Caniff.

- A report was made about a man walking with a weapon in the area of Dyar and Circle Dr.
- Officers were flagged down regarding family trouble at a residence in the area of Edwin and Dequindre.
- A break-in was reported in the 12000 block of Lumpkin St.

Friday, Nov. 19

- A report was made about a child who was found alone in the 3400 block of Evaline St.
- A suspicious situation was reported in the 3400 block of Yemans St.
- A report was made about a person who overdosed while in the 2200 block of Florian St.
- A vehicle was reported stolen in the 8600 block of Jos. Campau Ave.
- A Detroit resident and a Hamtramck resident were arrested after they created a disturbance at a business in the 11300 block of Conant Ave.

Saturday, Nov. 20

- A complaint was made about a noisy party in the 12000 block of Selfridge St. Officers told those involved to “keep the noise down.”
- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the 2300 block of Caniff Ave.
- A disorderly person was reported in the 2000 block of Caniff Ave.
- A resident of Roseville was arrested, during a traffic stop, for multiple violations.
- A hit-and-run accident occurred in the area of Jos. Campau and Carpenter.
- A complaint was made about an animal in the area of Casmere and Sobieski.
- Officers attempted to pull over a vehicle in the area of Conant and Holbrook, but the driver drove away.

Sunday, Nov. 21

- Multiple gunshots were reported in the area

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of Lumpkin and Poland. Officers did not see any damage, find any shell casings, nor locate anyone who had heard the shots.

• After observing a motorist commit several

traffic violations, officers determined that the driver was drunk, and arrested them.

Monday, Nov. 22

• A resident was arrested in the 5000 block

of Caniff Ave. for attempting to break into a vehicle, and for obstructing an officer.

• A report was made about a landlord, who has a rental unit in the 2600 block of Casmere St., threatening his tenant with a baseball bat. Upon the arrival of officers, the landlord had fled.

A look back at Hamtramck's history...

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