

Four people injured in Grant County crash

At approximately 3:52 p.m. April 22, officers from the Indiana State Police and the Grant County Sheriff's Department responded to a four-vehicle crash on I-69 near the 259-mile marker, in which four people were injured.

The preliminary crash investigation by Master Trooper Lee Williams revealed that traffic was backed up, in a work zone, on southbound I-69 near the 259-mile marker. Raquin Pommer, 23, of Nashville, North Carolina, was driving a 2020 Hino Box truck southbound in the work zone. Pommer failed to stop for the slowing or stopped traffic and rear-ended a 2020 Ford Escape. The Escape was driven by Chase Foreman, 22, of Marion. The momen-



tum of the box truck and the Escape continued into an adjacent lane hitting a 2018 Chevrolet Silverado driven by Brandon Folgers, 26, of Anderson and a 2011 Chrysler 200 driven by Jalyn Moore, 21, of Summerville.

Foreman was flown from the crash scene, via medical helicopter, to a Fort Wayne hospital with life threatening injuries. Folgers was transported, via ambulance, to a Muncie hospital with what are believed to be non-life-threatening



injuries. The other two drivers were transported to local hospitals for medical checks. They were released having suffered bruises and abrasions.

This crash is still under investigation, but at this time neither the use of alcohol nor narcotics is suspected as having contributed to the crash.

Williams was assisted by Senior Trooper Jeremy Perez, Senior Trooper A.J. Coffee, Master Trooper Randy McPike, Trooper Adam York, the Grant County Sheriff's Department, the Gas City Fire Department, the Marion Fire Department, and Grant County EMS.

Proposals accepted through Aug. 1, 2021 for eligible CReED Funding

The City of Marion Community Revitalization Enhancement District (CReED) Board of Directors is seeking proposals from entities located within the boundaries of the established 'CReED districts' throughout the City of Marion. At the Board's meeting on April 8th, it was announced that over \$522,000 remain in its control for investment.

The Board is interested in providing supplemental funding for projects within the districts for the purpose of enhancing economic

development in those areas. Eligible funding would include projects for general rehabilitation of a property and its infrastructure.

Proposals should include:

Name and contact information of the applicant

Description of the site location within an established CReED District

Description of the project including the anticipated economic impact to the community

Financial statement demonstrating the ap-

plicant's ability to complete the project
Amount the applicant is requesting
Description of how the CReED funds will be used

Submit applications no later than Aug. 1 to:

Marion Community Revitalization Enhancement District Board

Attention: Janet Pearson

301 S. Branson Street

Marion, IN 46952

The CReED Board will make a decision on funded projects on Sept. 1, 2021.

Club

He said the decision to move ahead with the plan was made by the compensation committee of the hospital and does not require a vote of the 15-member board of directors. About half of the directors are physicians employed by the hospital and the remainder are members of the community who serve as volunteers.

As explained by Dailey, who, at one time was a member of the governing board of the country club, the support for the financially strapped country club is coming from 13 businesses and individuals in Marion and Grant County, with an average of investment of \$5,000 to \$10,000.

He acknowledged that the hospital's share of the project is the largest of the participants and he explained how the not-for-profit hospital can invest in



Tim Dailey

the support of a for-profit corporation, as the country club now is.

He said the money coming to the country club will be used to:

Replace the current swimming pool with a new and larger pool.

Improve the condition of the tennis courts and add a pickleball court.

Pave a roadway along the perimeter of the golf course

that can be used as a part of walking trail through the course.

Pave several golf cart paths that run from the second to 13th tee on the course. Those paths would also be available for walkers in the "wellness" portion of the plan.

Those areas – the golf course, swimming pool, tennis and pickleball courts – he said will be reorganized as a new not-for-profit corporation, leaving only the iconic clubhouse in private ownership. He said that ownership is not expected to change.

"We see all of this as a wellness kind of thing for our people and a big 'thank you' to the top people," Dailey said. "It is a marketing tool for us and an opportunity to give back to our employees at the same time."

He said that the support

of wellness fits a continuing role for the hospital in providing support for the Marion Grant County Family YMCA, the Boys and Girls Club and Family Services. The hospital recently donated \$100,000 to the YMCA.

"We've got to support the upper people, too" he said.

"We're going way down if we can't get doctors and other professionals into our community. Our intention is to take the Meshingome-

sia Country Club back to what it once was."

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