

# Cop charged with second DWI resigns

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The Belle Plaine City Council has accepted the resignation of a police officer who was recently arrested on his second drunken-driving charge.

The City Council voted 3 to 2 Dec. 17 to accept the resignation of police Officer Bryan Pasek and an employment-separation package between the city and the police union, according to the Belle Plaine Herald.

The agreement includes a lump-sum severance payment of \$15,027.72, which is equivalent to three months' pay, as well as a lump-sum payment of \$6,581.69, which represents 227.74 hours of accrued paid personal time. Pasek will also continue to receive health insurance benefits through the end of February, the newspaper reported.

A member of the Belle Plaine Police Department since 2002, Pasek's resignation took effect last Friday.

Pasek was arrested by a state trooper on Nov. 20 for driving while intoxicated (DWI) on Highway 169 between Jordan and Belle Plaine while off-duty. He was convicted of DWI in 2003. The Scott County Attorney's office has forwarded the latest case to Carver County to avoid any possible conflict of interest.