



St. Clair County Animal Control

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52 Animals Seized From “Deplorable Conditions”

China Township, St. Clair County–

On February 14, 2025 a search warrant was executed on the 5800 block of Indian Trail in China Township. St. Clair County Animal Control seized 52 animals including sheep, mini-pigs and fowl.

Kevin Tuttle, 59, was arraigned on felony cruelty and neglect charges for 4-10 animals earlier in the day. These charges stem from a situation involving goats and sheep in deplorable conditions taken into care by Animal Control on January 22nd, 2025.

"The animals seized during the arctic blast last month were without food, water, or shelter adequate for livestock," said Director Melissa Miller. "Shelter required for livestock can be as simple as trees or topography for windbreak."

"The 52 animals' health and living conditions yesterday were consistent with the animals Animal Control previously removed from this location," Director Miller continued.

One animal was in critical condition and immediately transported to Michigan State University Veterinary Medical Center. All animals are being assessed for diagnostics, treatment, and species appropriate feeding plans.

St. Clair County Animal Control urges anyone aware of animal collecting, cruelty, or neglect to report the conditions to 810.984.3155 or animalcontrol@stclaircounty.org.