

The following individuals appeared Wednesday before Judge Charles Steele in Van Wert County Common Pleas Court:

Two individuals charged in an expensive vandalism act at one of the local windmill sites in July of this year were sentenced.

Kyle J. Beech, 21, Van Wert, and Dustin E. Gamble 20, Haviland, were sentenced for their involvement in the damage to a crane, lighting equipment and other equipment at the site. The crane was then allegedly set on fire by the individuals. Damage to the equipment reportedly exceeded \$500,000.

A third individual allegedly involved has not been apprehended as of this date.

Judge Steele ordered that both individuals be placed on five years of community control, spend six months in the Van Wert County Jail and while in jail, participate in any programs available. Beech and Gamble were ordered to serve an additional 30 days in jail at a time to be determined by their supervision officer. The two were also each given a 12-month prison sentence with the imposition of the prison sentence deferred pending the successful completion of the community control program.

Each of the young men was ordered to pay proportionate amounts of restitution for \$56,585 of the damage which was not covered by insurance to the company that suffered the loss of the equipment.

Beech and Gamble were ordered to pay court costs, \$250 as partial reimbursement for their court appointed attorney and the affidavit of indigency fee.

Both individuals told Judge Steele that their actions were stupid and that they had been drinking at the time the incident took place.

Dominic Eddins, 33, Van Wert, entered guilty pleas to two counts of Attempted Burglary, both counts are felonies of the third degree. Both incidents took place in late October. Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for Jan. 25.

Robert K Seibert, 24, Van Wert, entered a not guilty plea to a charge of domestic violence, a felony of the fourth degree when he was arraigned.

Seibert had recently been indicted by the Van Wert County Grand Jury. Seibert was released on a \$5,000 unsecured personal surety bond and ordered to have no contact with the victim.

Ryan E. Homier, 31, Van Wert, was sentenced to a four year prison sentence on a charge of aggravated burglary, a felony of the first degree.

According to a Van Wert City Police Department investigation, Homier broke in a home on North Chestnut Street in September and assaulted a former girl friend.

Homier will be on five years of post-release control upon release from prison.

He was given credit for 96 days of time he had served in jail awaiting the final disposition of this case.

Kevin L. Clay, 25, Van Wert, was placed on three years of community control and ordered to spend up to six months in the WORTH Center on a charge of possession of drugs, a felony of the fifth degree.

Clay was arrested after an incident in January, at which time he was found unresponsive because of a drug overdose from heroin.

Assistant Van Wert County Prosecuting Attorney Martin D. Burchfield told Judge Steele had it not been for some friend, EMS personnel and police personnel acting quickly, Clay more than likely would have died from the overdose.

Clay will have two years of intensive supervision during his community control program and was ordered to pay all costs associated with his case, had his driver's license suspended for six months and complete community control.

Judge Steele also gave Clary a nine-month prison sentence but deferred the imposition of the sentence pending the successful completion of the community control program.

Kristopher Markley, 28, Van Wert, was placed on three years of community control on a charge of cultivation of marijuana, a felony of the fourth degree.

Markley was arrested after a Van Wert City Police Department investigation revealed that Markley was growing marijuana in his home in Van Wert,.

Markley was ordered to undergo a substance abuse assessment and complete any programs recommended. Judge Steele ordered Markley's driver's license suspended for six months, that he pay all costs associated with his case and be on two years of intensive supervision.

Markley also received a six month prison sentence with the imposition of the prison sentence deferred pending the successful completion of the community control program.

Benjamin Williams, 33, Convoy, entered a guilty plea to a charge of trafficking in marijuana, a felony of the fifth degree.

Judge Steele ordered that a pre-sentence investigation be conducted with a sentencing hearing scheduled for Jan. 25.

Dustin Helle, 22, Van Wert, entered a guilty plea to a charge of possession of drugs, the indictment also included a specification that he used a 2011 Dodge pickup truck in the commission of the offense.

Judge Steele ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for Jan. 25.

Cory Salisbury, 30, Fort Wayne, Ind., entered a guilty plea to a charge of theft, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

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Ronald T. Haiber, 50, Lima, was placed on three years of community control on a charge of violation of a civil protective order, a felony of the fifth degree.

Haiber was arrested after a violation took place in Delphos last fall.

Haiber was given a 90 day jail sentence and credit for 90 days he has served in jail awaiting disposition of his case. Haiber also was ordered to undergo an psychological assessment and complete any programs ordered.

Judge Steele also gave Haiber a 12-month prison sentence but deferred the imposition of the sentence pending the successful completion of the community control program.

Nicholas Bendele, 29, Van Wert, entered a guilty plea to a charge of misuse of a credit card, a felony of the fifth degree.

Judge Steel ordered a pre-sentence investigation and scheduled sentencing for Dec. 21.