



## **Former Chamber of Commerce Director Sentenced for Stealing over \$20,000**

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Sara Arseneau, 53, of Goshen was sentenced today to 60 days in jail before Warren County Common Pleas Judge Robert Peeler. She was also ordered to pay \$20,849.22 in restitution and must complete 200 hours of community service. Arseneau pled guilty on January 14, 2016, to grand theft and tampering with records, both felonies of the 4<sup>th</sup> degree. Arseneau stole over \$20,000 from her employer, the Lebanon Chamber of Commerce, by issuing herself 13 additional payroll checks from November 2012 through June 2015. Arseneau was employed as the Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce. Her duties included writing checks and releasing documents for tax purposes.

“Sara Arseneau violated the trust of so many people in the local business community, all for her own selfish greed. She offered no explanation, gave no apology, and showed no real remorse,” said Warren County Prosecutor David P. Fornshell.

Fornshell praised the efforts of Detective Greg Spanel of the Lebanon Police Department, Assistant Prosecutor Carrie Heisele, Victim Witness Coordinator Melissa Kennard, and Legal Assistant Tonya Colwell.

Fornshell also highlighted that the Prosecutor’s Office conducts anti-theft training for employees, volunteers, and directors of not-for-profit, youth, charitable, and other community organizations. For more information, please contact (513) 695-1325.



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