

Allan Seelman



Pamela,

These are the events that I recall leading up to the plane crash on April 7th 2017. I was out test driving an atv and I stopped, shut the atv off and could hear the aircraft popping and backfiring. The plane appeared to be heading south-southeast. It did not look like it was moving forward, shortly after that the nose went down and started to go into a downward spiral. I could not hear the engine of the plane running at this point. It spiraled 8 or 9 time then went into a complete straight down dive. It then disappeared behind the hill and I heard it hit the ground. I ran inside, told my father, Steve. Came back outside and saw a big black cloud of smoke. We then got on to a side-by-side and headed for the crash site, as he called 911. The crash site was approximately 1 miles away through the fields. We arrived 4-5 minutes after hearing it hit the ground. The plane was hardly recognizable and was in flames when we arrived.

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From: [REDACTED]
To: [Sullivan PAM](#)
Subject: Re: Iowa City Plane Crash
Date: Monday, April 10, 2017 3:11:30 PM

Pam,
I've actually given that some thought and I can't recall exactly which way it was spinning, but I believe it was clockwise.
Also, I don't know if this is significant or not, and it's small town hear-say, but supposedly the plane was heard backfiring as it flew over a business 2-3 miles just north of the crash site.

Fast City Inc.

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From: Sullivan PAM [REDACTED]
To: [REDACTED]
Sent: Mon, Apr 10, 2017 2:15 pm
Subject: RE: Iowa City Plane Crash

Allan,

Thank you very much for putting your statement together for me. One question I have is – Where you able to tell if the airplane was spinning to the left or right.

Thank you

[Pam Sullivan](#)

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, April 10, 2017 11:17 AM
To: Sullivan PAM [REDACTED]
Subject: Iowa City Plane Crash

Pamela,

I put together the events of how last Friday played out. Hope this helps.

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