

CITY MANAGER REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & Clare City Commission
FROM: Jeremy Howard, City Manager
DATE: May 29, 2025
RE: City Manager's Report

For the Agenda of June 2, 2025

Lake Shamrock Dredging and Dam Project. Mechanical dredging by the city and hydraulic dredging by Savin Lake Services are still paused. Both will return as soon as permitting will allow, which is the beginning of July. Savin did start the weed treatment the week of May 25 that is in coordination with the dredging to start in July. This is in coordination with the dredging and will again assist the dredging process by limiting the amount of vegetation that they have to deal with for the mechanical dredging process to be completed more efficiently.

For the dam project, our engineering firm, GEI, is continuing design work for the dam and options for the type of systems we may be able to utilize. The City and GEI met at our regular monthly meeting and discussed recent progress. The design is getting close to the 50% design mark and being able to have EGLE start looking at it to have preliminary conversations on approval. We are also working with EGLE to get the acceptance complete for the FEMA grant and the 2nd and most recent HHPD 1.3 million dollar grant to fund the full project adding to the original state allocated funds.

Summer Concert Series. The 2025 Summer Concert Series in Shamrock Park starts June 5th and runs through the summer until August 14th every Thursday night from 6-8 at Shamrock Park. See the attached flyer for more information on who will be playing at each concert.

Clare Destination Art Sculpture. The Clare County Arts Council recently shared that the sculpture "My Favorite Thing" aka The Dog has found his "Furever" Home. He is going to be hanging out in front of the Pere Marquette District Library on Fourth St. in Clare. Many thanks go to everyone who helped keep the sculpture here in Clare by donating to the purchase that was made by the Arts Council. Thank you to the Clare County Arts Council and the Clare community for helping bring "My Favorite Thing" to its permanent City of Clare location at the library. FYI – The piece was created by Travis Emmen, and the sculpture was the 2024 People's Choice winner of the Clare Destination Art Sculpture Walk. I have attached a couple of pictures of the piece in its new location and permanent home at the library.

Attachments:

1. 2025 Summer Concert Series Flyer.
2. Sculpture Pictures.

August



20TH ANNUAL

CLARE **SUMMER** CONCERT SERIES

AUGUST 7TH

RYAN AMBS

Genre: 90's Variety

AUGUST 8TH ***BONUS CONCERT***

MID MICHIGAN BRASS BAND

AUGUST 14TH

COUNTRY EXPRESS

Genre: Old Time Country

AUGUST 21ST



OLD 27
Car Tour

For additional information on the Old 27 Car Show or to inquire about other events in Clare, you can visit the Clare Area Chamber's website



JUNE 5 - AUGUST 14
2025

THURSDAY
EVENINGS
6-8 P.M.

SHAMROCK PARK - SMALL PAVILION

June

JUNE 5TH

WOODMAN UNPLUGGED

Genre: Acoustic

JUNE 12TH

SOUTHBOUND

Genre: Southern/Classic

Brought to you by:



JUNE 19TH

JUSTIN JUDGE

Genre: Country

JUNE 26TH

THE REAL DEAL

Genre: Blues

Brought to you by:



National Parks & Rec Month



July

JULY 3RD

CROSSTOWN DRIFTERS

Genre: Southern/Classic Rock

Brought to you by: Friends of Clare County Parks & Rec



JULY 10TH

KEVIN CHAMBERLAIN

Genre: Country

Brought to you by:



of Clare



JULY 17TH

RICK KELLEY

Genre: Family

Brought to you by:



JULY 24TH

GABE COUCH

Genre: Variety

Brought to you by:



JULY 31ST

MIR AND THE MAN

Genre: Modern Pop, Folk and Americana

Brought to you by:



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