

## AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & City Commission  
FROM: Jeremy Howard, City Manager  
DATE: May 15, 2025  
RE: Award of Life Saving Pins –  
(Albert Nowak Jr., Aaron Reinherd, Thomas Francisco, John Pedjac, Greg Shull, Maegan Jenkins)

For the Agenda of May 5, 2025

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Background. On March 28, 2025, a medical emergency occurred inside Witbeck Family Foods in the City of Clare and was responded to by several individuals including private citizens, Clare Police Department, and Mobile Medical Response (*see attached memo from Police Chief Saad*). Without the intervention and quick response of Albert Nowak Jr., Aaron Reinherd, Thomas Francisco, John Pedjac, Greg Shull, and Maegan Jenkins, it is quite likely that the outcome of this incident would have been very different and the gentleman who suffered a heart attack may not have survived. The City Commission is asked to formally recognize the life-saving actions of these individuals by presentation of Life Saving Pins to each of them.

Issues & Questions Specified. Should the City Commission acknowledge and recognize these six individuals for their actions in saving the life of the male subject by the award of Life Saving Pins?

Alternatives.

1. Recognize the individuals.
2. Do not recognize the individuals.
3. Set aside a decision regarding this matter to a later date.

Financial Impact. The cost of recognition is minimal – the cost of six life-saving pins.

Recommendation. I recommend Mayor Humphrey present the respective Life-Saving Pins to Albert Nowak Jr., Aaron Reinherd, Thomas Francisco, John Pedjac, Greg Shull, and Maegan Jenkins.

Attachments.

1. Police Chief Saad's Memo.

## CITY OF CLARE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Jeremy Howard  
City Manager  
City of Clare

March 31, 2025

Dear Mr. Howard,

I am writing to formally recognize and commend the exceptional life-saving efforts demonstrated by several individuals during a medical emergency that occurred on March 28, 2025, at 13:16 hours inside Witbeck Family Foods in the City of Clare.

On this date and time, a male subject suffered a heart attack, ceased breathing, and had no pulse. Thanks to the immediate response of two citizens, Albert Nowak Jr. and Aaron Reinherd, CPR was initiated without delay. Their swift actions were critical in maintaining circulation, which is vital in the moments following a cardiac arrest.

Shortly after, Clare Police Sergeant Thomas Francisco and Reserve Officer John Pedjac arrived on the scene. They took over CPR efforts and deployed the department's Automated External Defibrillator (AED) to assist in reviving the individual. Their professional response and use of life-saving equipment played a crucial role in the outcome of this incident.

Mobile Medical Response personnel Maegan Jenkins and Greg Shull arrived and provided advanced medical care. Due to the collective efforts of all involved, the male subject was successfully revived and was even able to verbally communicate with paramedics while being transported to the hospital.

I would like to personally thank and recognize Albert Nowak Jr., Aaron Reinherd, Sergeant Thomas Francisco, Reserve Officer John Pedjac, and Mobile Medical Response employees Greg Shull and Maegan Jenkins for their outstanding service. Their decisive actions and dedication to public safety directly contributed to saving a life.

Considering their heroic efforts, I respectfully request that the Clare City Commission formally recognize each of these individuals with Life-Saving Recognition Pins. Their commitment to the well-being of our community deserves to be acknowledged and celebrated.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Please let me know how we may proceed with this recognition.

Sincerely,



**Chief David Saad**  
City of Clare Police Department