

CITY MANAGER REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & Clare City Commission
FROM: Jeremy Howard, City Manager
DATE: October 2, 2025
RE: City Manager's Report

For the Agenda of September 15, 2025

Lake Shamrock Dredging. Mechanical dredging by the city continues at the west end of the lake. The city's barge operates during normal DPW business hours as time and workload permit. Savin's hydraulic dredging is still currently under a short pause in operations for another job and then will be back to complete their work here in several areas.

Lake Shamrock Dam Project. For the dam project, our engineering firms, GEI and Spicer, are continuing design work for the new dam, emergency/auxiliary spillway, and the new walkway. GEI has submitted the preliminary permit application to EGLE and they are continuing to work toward the 90% completion mark on the design. They city will meet with them again this month to finalize the design and then bidding should occur over the winter. We are still waiting on the grant agreement with FEMA and will bring that to you at a future meeting. We will be applying for additional funds from DRRGP dollars if they become available, but so far, another round has not been announced.

Lake Shamrock – Dam – Mussel Relocation Project. As you know, EGLE and the DNR are requiring the City to do a Mussel Relocation in the area directly surrounding the Dam in preparation for the removal and replacement of the old Dam and then replacement with a new Dam and Emergency Spillway. The project began the first week of October and will likely take about a week. I have attached a few pictures that I took recently when I went onsite to speak with them about the project and progress.

MDOT Summer Road Project. The MDOT road project from 3rd Street northerly to State Street (where last year's Mill & Fill project began) has been completed for the most part. There were a couple delays due to weather and scheduling, but overall, the project went very smoothly. They are finishing up doing the manhole lifts and then the project should be complete.

New Gas Station Business – Ground Breaking. As you know a new gas station and store are slated to be built on the North East corner of Colonville and S. Clare Ave. On October 1st, RPF Oil broke ground and started moving dirt to prepare for the project to begin. The City is excited to see this project come to fruition. I have attached some pictures of the first bit of dirt work that occurred on October 1st.

Attachments:

1. Mussel Relocation Pictures.
2. RPF Oil Pictures.













