

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey and the Clare City Commission
FROM: Jeremy Howard, City Manager
DATE: January 29, 2026
RE: Fireworks Permit – Summerfest

For the Agenda of February 2, 2026

Background. The Clare Area Chamber of Commerce plans to sponsor the annual summer fireworks show in the City on Saturday, June 27, 2026 (inclement weather date: Sunday, June 28, 2026) as part of the annual Clare Summerfest event. In order to lock in the selected date for the show, the Chamber must submit the approved permit to the fireworks vendor. The State of Michigan requires the governing body hosting fireworks displays to approve said permit (*copy of permit application and certificate of insurance att'd*) for the display. The Commission has traditionally approved the permit in the past and is asked to do so again this year.

Issues & Questions Specified. Should the City Commission approve the fireworks display permit?

Alternatives.

1. Approve the permit.
2. Disapprove the permit.
3. Defer decision regarding the matter to a subsequently scheduled meeting.

Financial Impact. N/A.

Recommendation. I recommend that the City Commission approve the permit by adoption of Resolution 2026-004 (*copy att'd*).

Attachments.

1. Permit Application and Supporting Documents.
2. Resolution 2026-004.

2026 Permit for Fireworks Other than Consumer or Low Impact

Authority: 2011 PA 256	The LEGISLATIVE BODY OF CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP BOARD will not discriminate against any individual or group because of race, sex, religion, age, nationality, color, marital status, disability, or political beliefs. If you need assistance with reading, writing, hearing, etc., under the Americans with Disabilities Act, you may make your needs known to this Legislative Body of City, Village or Township Board.
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This permit is not transferable. Possession of this permit authorizes the herein named person to possess, transport and display fireworks in the amounts, for the purpose of and at the place listed below only through permit expiration date.

TYPE OF PERMIT(S) (Select all applicable boxes)		FOR USE BY LEGISLATIVE BODY OF CITY, VILLAGE OR TOWNSHIP BOARD ONLY.
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural or Wildlife Fireworks <input type="checkbox"/> Articles Pyrotechnic <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Display Fireworks <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Display <input type="checkbox"/> Private Display <input type="checkbox"/> Special Effects Manufactured for Outdoor Pest Control or Agricultural Purposes		PERMIT(S) EXPIRATION DATE (ENTER DATE OF EXPIRATION)
NAME OF PERSON PERMIT ISSUED TO Small Town Saturday Night Fireworks LLC		AGE (18 YEARS OR OLDER) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO
ADDRESS OF PERSON PERMIT ISSUED TO 461 Pearl Lake Dr., Sheridan, MI 48884		
NAME OF ORGANIZATION, GROUP, FIRM OR CORPORATION Clare Area Chamber of Commerce		
ADDRESS 201 W. 4 th St., Clare MI 48617		
NUMBER AND TYPES OF FIREWORKS (Please attach additional pages if necessary) Please see attached Proposal		
EXACT LOCATION OF DISPLAY OR USE On the island in Lake Shamrock in Clare		
CITY, VILLAGE, TOWNSHIP Clare	DATE 6/27/26 rain date 6/28/26	TIME 10:15pm
BOND OR INSURANCE FILED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		AMOUNT \$2,000,000.00

Issued by action of the Legislative Body of a <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Township of Clare on the 2nd day of February, 2026 <div style="text-align: center; margin-top: 20px;"> Clare City Clerk <hr style="border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <small>(Signature and Title of Legislative Body Representative)</small> </div>		
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THIS FORM IS VALID UNTIL THE DATE OF EXPIRATION OF PERMIT

Instructions for Application for Fireworks Other Than Consumer or Low Impact

Applications shall be submitted to the legislative body of a city, village or township board. A permit may be issued as a result of official action by the legislative body. A permit shall be valid only for use within the limits of the jurisdiction of the legislative body of a city, village or township board.

1. Type of Permit – check all boxes that may apply to the type of permit needed. You may select several permit types depending on your fireworks display. You may check with your legislative body of a city, village or township board for assistance when making your selection. Please review the following definitions to determine which type of permit to select:
 - Agricultural or Wildlife Fireworks – devices distributed to farmers, ranchers, and growers through a wildlife management program administered by the US Department of Interior or Michigan DNR.
 - Articles Pyrotechnic – 1.4G fireworks for professional use only that is classified as UN0431 or UN0432.
 - Display Fireworks – 1.3G fireworks for professional use only
 - Special Effects Manufactured for Outdoor Pest Control or Agricultural Purposes – devices with a combination of chemical elements or compounds capable of burning independently of the oxygen of the atmosphere and designed and intended to produce an audible, visual, mechanical or thermal effect for pest or animal control.
 - Public Display – a fireworks display that is open to all persons for viewing.
 - Private Display – a fireworks display that is not open to the general public for viewing.
2. Name of applicant – list the name of the applicant. The applicant may be a person representing an organization, group, firm or corporation, or self. If the applicant is also the operator, enter the same name in the operator's section.
3. Address of applicant – complete the address of the applicant; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
4. Name of person or resident agent representing corporation, LLC, DBA or other – list the name of the person or resident agent that represents the corporation, LLC, DBA or other.
5. Address of person or resident agent that represents the corporation, LLC, DBA or other – list the address of the person or resident agent representing the corporation, LLC, DBA or other.
6. Non-resident applicant – list the name of the non-resident applicant. A non-resident applicant shall appoint a Michigan attorney or Michigan resident agent in writing to be the applicant's legal representative upon whom all service of process in any action or proceeding may be served.
7. Name of pyrotechnic operator – list the name of the pyrotechnic operator. The pyrotechnic operator is the person in charge of the display. The legislative body of a city, village or township board shall rule on the competency and qualifications of the operator before granting a permit and may require an affidavit from the applicant as to the operator's experience, former pyrotechnic accidents, criminal record, sobriety, etc.
8. Address of pyrotechnic operator – list the address of the pyrotechnic operator; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
9. Age of the pyrotechnic operator – list the age of the pyrotechnic operator; the operator must be 18 years of age or older.
10. Name of assistant – list the name of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator;
11. Address of assistant – list the address of the assistant; include the street address, city, state and zip code. If there is more than one assistant, please list additional assistants on a separate sheet and include the address and age of those additional assistants.
12. Age of assistant – list the age of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator; the assistant must be 18 years or older.
13. Name of other assistant – list the name of other assistant to the pyrotechnic operator.
14. Age of other assistant – list the age of the assistant to the pyrotechnic operator; the assistant must be 18 years or older.
15. Exact location of proposed display – list the address of the exact location of the proposed fireworks display.
16. Date of proposed display – indicate the date of the proposed fireworks display; only one display date can be used per application.
17. Time of proposed display – indicate the time of the proposed fireworks display.
18. Manner and place of storage - indicate the manner and place of storage within the legislative body of a city, village or township board of fireworks that are ready for display, just prior to the display in the area of exhibition. The legislative body of a city, village or township board shall obtain approval from the local fire authorities of the manner and place of storage before any permit is issued.

19. Amount of bond or insurance - the issuing legislative body of a city, village or township board shall set the amount of and proof of bond or insurance for the protection of the public to satisfy claims for damages to property or personal injuries arising out of any act or omission on the part of the person, firm or corporation, or any agent or employee of the applicant. The applicant shall assure the bond or insurance required is provided.
20. Name of bonding corporation or insurance company – provide the name of the bonding corporation or insurance company for which the bond was issued through.
21. Address of bonding corporation or insurance company – list the address of the bonding corporation or insurance company; include the street address, city, state and zip code.
22. Number of fireworks and kind of fireworks to be displayed– indicate the total amount of fireworks proposed for the display or use and a description of the type of fireworks for display; such as 10 aerial bombs, 30 aerial rocket bursts, etc.
23. The application is valid for the calendar year in which the application was received and permit was issued.
24. Permit fees shall be established by the legislative body of a city, village or township board and shall be submitted to and retained by legislative body of a city, village or township board.
25. Permitting will be in compliance with the [Michigan Fireworks Safety Act, PA 256 of 2011](#), [MCL 28.466, Section 16](#).
26. **Mail the application to the legislative body of a city, village or township board within the location jurisdiction of the display.** DO NOT mail the application to the Bureau of Fire Services (BFS). If mailed to the BFS, it will be returned to the sender.



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

1/28/2026

THIS CERTIFICATE IS ISSUED AS A MATTER OF INFORMATION ONLY AND CONFERS NO RIGHTS UPON THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER. THIS CERTIFICATE DOES NOT AFFIRMATIVELY OR NEGATIVELY AMEND, EXTEND OR ALTER THE COVERAGE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES BELOW. THIS CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE ISSUING INSURER(S), AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OR PRODUCER, AND THE CERTIFICATE HOLDER.

IMPORTANT: If the certificate holder is an **ADDITIONAL INSURED**, the policy(ies) must have **ADDITIONAL INSURED** provisions or be endorsed. If **SUBROGATION IS WAIVED**, subject to the terms and conditions of the policy, certain policies may require an endorsement. A statement on this certificate does not confer rights to the certificate holder in lieu of such endorsement(s).

PRODUCER Ryder, Rosacker, McCue & Huston 509 W Koenig St Grand Island NE 68801	CONTACT NAME: PHONE (A/C No. Ext): 800-658-4200	FAX (A/C, No):
	E-MAIL ADDRESS: certrequest@ryderinsurance.com	
INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE		NAIC #
INSURER A : HADRON SPECIALTY INS CO		17534
INSURED Small Town Saturday Night Fireworks LLC 461 Pearl Lake Dr Sheridan MI 48884	INSURER B :	
	INSURER C :	
	INSURER D :	
	INSURER E :	
	INSURER F :	

COVERAGES

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 744645362

REVISION NUMBER:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE POLICIES OF INSURANCE LISTED BELOW HAVE BEEN ISSUED TO THE INSURED NAMED ABOVE FOR THE POLICY PERIOD INDICATED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY REQUIREMENT, TERM OR CONDITION OF ANY CONTRACT OR OTHER DOCUMENT WITH RESPECT TO WHICH THIS CERTIFICATE MAY BE ISSUED OR MAY PERTAIN, THE INSURANCE AFFORDED BY THE POLICIES DESCRIBED HEREIN IS SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS, EXCLUSIONS AND CONDITIONS OF SUCH POLICIES. LIMITS SHOWN MAY HAVE BEEN REDUCED BY PAID CLAIMS.

INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLICY <input type="checkbox"/> PRO-JECT <input type="checkbox"/> LOC OTHER:	Y	Y	H0320GL000071-00	1/10/2026	1/10/2027	EACH OCCURRENCE \$ 1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$ 100,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$ 5,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$ 1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$ 2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$ 2,000,000 \$
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY <input type="checkbox"/> ANY AUTO <input type="checkbox"/> OWNED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULED AUTOS <input type="checkbox"/> HIRED AUTOS ONLY <input type="checkbox"/> NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
	<input type="checkbox"/> UMBRELLA LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> OCCUR <input type="checkbox"/> EXCESS LIAB <input type="checkbox"/> CLAIMS-MADE DED RETENTION \$						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y/N	N/A				<input type="checkbox"/> PER STATUTE <input type="checkbox"/> OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

Regarding the General Liability coverage, Waiver of Subrogation applies to the entities listed below per form CG 24 04 when required by written agreement.

Regarding the General Liability coverage, Blanket Additional Insured applies to the entities listed below per form SCGL 320 when required by written agreement.

Certificate Holder is added as Additional Insured Where Required by Written Contract.

the City of Clare, all elected and appointed officials, all employees and volunteers, and all boards and commissions of the City of Clare

CERTIFICATE HOLDER**CANCELLATION**

Clare area Chamber of Commerce
 201 W 4th St.
 Clare MI 48617
 United States

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Lani Laine

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Clare 6/20/26
\$10,000 Proposal
Proposal includes labor, insurance and taxes

Opening

Cakes

1 Freedom Water cake: 1.75" 36 shots silver fountain

Body

- 1 Wizard 1" Bore, 81 shot, Z Shape Brocade Tail Spit Brocade Waterfall With Red/ Green Strobe Pistil
- 1 WPI I, fan and V shape, 225 shot peony, time rain, crackling, waterfalls, fish, crossettes. 20+ effects
- 1 WPI Exploding Kittens 1.2" bore, I shape, 200 shot - Exploding Kittens - 20 effects for 20 rows. Salute finale. Very colorful, very interesting effects in this firework

Shells

- 72 WPI - 3" Assortment C
- 36 Freedom 4" Deluxe Assortment D
- 36 Freedom 4" Deluxe Assortment Y
- 18 Freedom 5" Assortment A
- 18 Freedom 5" Assortment B
- 9 Flower King 6" Color shell assortment C
- 9 Flower King 6" Color shell assortment CF
- 9 Flower King 6" Color Assortment MF

Finale

- 120 WPI - 3" - 10 red white blue mix - no tail - 2x red peony, 3x blue peony, 2x red strobe, 3x white strobe
- 120 WPI - 3" FINALE CHAIN - 5 color + 5 salute - no tail - Red peony, green peony, blue peony, purple peony, white strobe, 5x salute
- 24 WPI 5" - Nishiki/gold ti willow (finale chain)
- 3 Fire Mines

RESOLUTION 2026-004

A RESOLUTION OF THE CLARE CITY COMMISSION APPROVING A PERMIT FOR A FIREWORKS DISPLAY.

WHEREAS, the Clare Area Chamber of Commerce traditionally sponsors a firework display within the City of Clare in conjunction with other activities scheduled for and associated with Summerfest and the 4th of July holiday; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan requires that municipalities issue a permit for the display of fireworks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Clare has traditionally provided said permit to the contracted fireworks display agent of the Clare Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, the Clare Area Chamber has again requested that the City of Clare issue said requisite permit to allow the display of fireworks on Saturday, June 27, 2026 (inclement weather date: Sunday, June 28, 2026).

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Clare hereby approves the issuance of a Permit for a Fireworks Display to the Clare Area Chamber of Commerce.

BE IF FURTHER RESOLVED THAT said permit approval is contingent upon a valid and active insurance certificate listing the City of Clare, all elected officials, all appointed officials, all employees and volunteers, and all boards and commissions of the City of Clare as additional insured, that includes insurance coverage for the date of the actual fireworks display.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS INsofar AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE AND THE SAME ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.

The Resolution was introduced by Commissioner _____, supported by Commissioner _____.
The Resolution declared adopted by the following roll call vote:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Resolution approved for adoption on this 2nd day of February 2026.

Diane M. Lyon, City Clerk