

The regular meeting of the Clare City Commission was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers of Clare City Hall, 202 West Fifth Street, Clare, Michigan by Mayor Pat Humphrey who led with the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were: Commissioners Bob Bonham, Pat Humphrey, Maegan Jenkins and Carolyn (Gus) Murphy. Absent: Nick Loomis. Also, present: Jeremy Howard, City Manager; Shannon Sirpilla, City Treasurer; Luke Potter, DPW Director; and Diane Lyon, City Clerk.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Moved by Commissioner Jenkins second by Commissioner Murphy to approve the items listed with an asterisk (*) (Agenda, Minutes, Department Reports, Communications, Professional Development, Board & Committee Appointments and Bills) that are considered to be routine by the City Commission. Roll call vote: Yeas: Commissioners Bob Bonham, Pat Humphrey, Maegan Jenkins, and Carolyn (Gus) Murphy. Nays: None. Absent: Nick Loomis. *Motion Carried.*

3. ***APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Approved by Consent Agenda.

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Approved by Consent Agenda.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Mr. Tom Kunse addressed the City Commission in opposition to the nonenforcement of the City's marijuana ordinance as it relates to odors emanating from Total Holistic Cultivation operations on Industrial Parkway as odors are often discernable in the city's right-of-way. Mr. Kunse favors enforcement of the current ordinance rather than amending the ordinance to be less stringent or subjective to interpretation.

6. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

A. RECOGNITION OF MARY ANN SHURLOW

Mayor Humphrey presented a Mayoral Certificate and Key of Excellence to Mary Ann for her many years of service and dedication to the community and City of Clare.

B. CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE-CLARE WRESTLING CLUB

The Clare Wrestling Club has requested that the City Commission consider adopting a Resolution enabling them to apply for the issuance of a State Gaming License, thereby allowing their organization to conduct various fund-raising events to support the community wrestling program.

Motion by Commissioner Murphy second by Commissioner Loomis to approve the State Gaming License by adoption of Resolution 2021-083. Roll call vote: Yeas: Commissioners Bob Bonham, Pat Humphrey, Maegan Jenkins and Carolyn (Gus) Murphy. Nays: None. Absent: Nick Loomis. *Motion Carried.*

C. *BOARD & COMMITTEE REAPPOINTMENT-AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD, MR. STEVE STARK AND MS. ARLENE GARVER

Approved by Consent Agenda, Resolution 2021-084.

8. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** The City Treasurer presented her report.

9. **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

Lake Shamrock Dredging. Still waiting on EGLE to respond to our new location (one mile west of the city) so that we can get the hauling contract to you for approval. We will be doing some dry runs (backing up trucks and testing reach of excavator, etc.) and testing while we are waiting. There also was a great recent article in the Morning Sun about the project written by Sue Fields.

Little Tobacco River Drain Project. Maple Street is open again; Fisher Contracting will be working on the Dunlop Bridge through the weekend to drive H Pilings for the footings and will be pouring concrete during the week; They have another 4-5 weeks on this in order to complete the bridge; The 4th St culvert is scheduled to be delivered on November 5;

They have more ditching and clean up to complete; Two houses on W. 1st (104 & 112), one house at 403 Hemlock and one house at 214 E. 4th are scheduled to be demolished. Overall, everything but E 5th St will be completed before winter.

Master Plan. Our five-year cycle for the City's Master Plan is coming up at the end of this year. We have been working with a couple vendors to obtain quotes for the required update. This project is budgeted this year and the Planning Commission will be putting in some long hours to review this topic over the next several meetings in order to complete the update.

Halloween Festivities. There are numerous events in Clare for Halloween. Event flyers were provided to the Commission. The City is planning on bringing back the hotdog roast and candy check at the City of Clare Fire Hall this year after taking a hiatus due to COVID-19. Mayor Humphrey recommended traveling down East 6th Street as there is a home in the 300 block fully decked out for Halloween.

Dredging/Barge Tour. Since tonight's agenda is relatively light, I recommend a tour of the new dredging barge following tonight's meeting. We will meet at the corner of Wilcox and McEwan and take a look at the barge now that it's placed in the water. We can also take a look at the lake level and see some of the silt "islands" that have been build up that will be removed and some of the work that will be done along the banks. DPW Director Luke Potter and I will be there to answer questions.

10. *COMMUNICATIONS: *Approved by Consent Agenda.*
11. EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENT: None.
12. COMMISSION DISCUSSION TOPICS: None.
13. *APPROVAL OF BILLS: *Approved by Consent Agenda.*
14. *PROFESSIONAL & EDUCATIONAL TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES: *Approved by Consent Agenda.*
15. ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Commissioner Bonham second by Commissioner Jenkins to adjourn the meeting. Roll call vote: Yeas: Commissioners Bob Bonham, Pat Humphrey, Nick Loomis and Carolyn (Gus) Murphy. Nays: None. Absent: Nick Loomis. *Motion Carried.* Meeting adjourned at 6:17 p.m.

Pat Humphrey, Mayor

Diane Lyon, City Clerk