

CITY MANAGER REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & Clare City Commission
FROM: Jeremy Howard, City Manager
DATE: June 1, 2023
RE: City Manager's Report

For the Agenda of June 5, 2023

Lake Shamrock Dredging Project. Mechanical dredging is back on again now that we are in June and Fish Spawning pause is complete. Our new operator is doing great and is learning the process quickly. Spoils are still being hauled out to the north side of the airport under our current EGLE mechanical dredging permit. The hydraulic dredging contractor is still hard at work preparing and submitting permits to EGLE. He is still hopeful to be able to get a revised permit and after looking at the airport site and digging test holes he would like to use the very south end of the property for the holding cells if possible. This would shorten the amount of distance we would have to pump the material.

City Hall Windows. In case you have not had a chance to take a look yet, the new windows on City Hall are now complete. The flashing has been completed around all the windows on the South and East side of the building where the aluminum was placed many years ago. It looks very nice now and the city crews did an excellent job. I am hoping to have the remaining cement window sills painted white on the other two sides of the building as well to match the flashing.

Michigan Green Communities. Clare was again recognized this year for environmental leadership by the statewide Michigan Green Communities program. As part of the Michigan Green Communities (MGC) Challenge, local governments were awarded gold, silver, or bronze seals of achievement reflecting community leadership in areas such as energy efficiency, climate adaptation and resilience, recycling, environmental justice, and more. The City of Clare achieved silver status for exemplary action in multiple categories, including items in categories related to planning, economic development, land use, climate resilience, climate adaptation, energy efficiency, renewable energy, materials management (AKA recycling, composting, waste diversion), water conservation and protection, clean mobility, and community engagement. You can also find more information in the recent press release from the Michigan Municipal League at the following address: <https://mml.org/news/press-releases/48-michigan-communities-recognized-sustainability-accomplishments>

Summer Concert Series. The 2023 Summer Concert Series in Shamrock Park starts June 8th and runs through the summer every Thursday night from 6-8. It is once again being held at Shamrock Park after we did another extensive survey. Attendees stated they liked the shade at Shamrock Park and the pavilions if it rains, as well as the bathrooms and play area for kids. See the attached flyer for more information on who will be playing at each concert.

City Department Tours. At a recent City Commission meeting the Commission requested that we implement tours of the city departments after some of the upcoming meetings. I think this is a great idea and will allow our departments and employees to show some of the amazing work they do as well as share any problems and concerns that they feel are important for the Commission to see and have a better understanding of when having conversations. Tonight, we will be starting those tours with the Department of Public Works. After the meeting is adjourned, we will head over to the DPW building for an informal tour. I will continue to schedule these department tours for future meetings as well.

Attachments:

1. 2023 Clare Summer Concert Series.



CLARE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

SHAMROCK PARK - 221 WILCOX PARKWAY
JUNE 8 - AUGUST 24, 2023
6-8 P.M.

GRAB YOUR
CHAIR AND COME
ON OUT!!!

JUNE

SUMMER KICK-OFF

8TH

THE MUSIC LADY
EXTRAORDINARY FOLK MUSIC

15TH

WOODMAN UNPLUGGED
ACOUSTIC

22ND

COUNTRY EXPRESS
OLD TIME COUNTRY

29TH

SOUTHBOUND
CLASSIC ROCK

JULY

6TH

KEVIN CHAMBERLAIN
COUNTRY

13TH

THE REAL DEAL
BLUES

20TH

SUNSHINE STRING BAND
VARIETY

27TH

STEPHANIE TERPENING
MULTI-GENERATION POP & FOLK



LIVE
MUSIC

AUGUST

3RD

CROSSTOWN DRIFTERS
SOUTHERN/CLASSIC ROCK

10TH

23 NORTH
OLDIES

17TH

THE GABE & TOM SHOW
VARIETY

24TH

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