



**City of White Cloud
12 N. Charles Street
White Cloud, Michigan 49349 & via Zoom
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Minutes for September 6, 2022, at 6:00 P.M.**

A. Meeting Called to Order

The Regular Meeting of the White Cloud City Council was held on the above date. Mayor Miller called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Council Members Present: Brian Miller, Lori Shears, Candice Dault, Herm Becker, Jeff Murchison, Damon Anuci

Darren LaClair joined the Council upon confirmation of Council appointment at 6:09 p.m.

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager April Storms, Clerk Kelli Arnold, Deputy Treasurer Makayla Brandt

Guest sign-in: Richard Dault, Dennis & Cheryl Hult, Marva Shears, Joanne Chandler, Juanita Murchison

Zoom: Dan Abid, Dale Twing

2. Approval of Agenda

Approval of Agenda for the regular City Council meeting of September 6, 2022, with amendment to remove item #14 under new business.

Motion by Murchison, **Seconded** by Dault to approve the amended Agenda for September 6, 2022.

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None **Motion Carried**

3. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Murchison.

B. Reserved Time

None

C. Public Comment

C Hult, D Hult

Received

D. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the Regular meeting Minutes of August 9, 2022.

Motion by Dault **Seconded** by Shears to approve the minutes of August 9, 2022.

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None **Motion Carried**

E. Unfinished Business

1. Confirmation of appointment to City Council

A roll call vote had not been taken following the Mayor appointment of Darren LaClair to City Council during the regular August council meeting; The term will end 11/9/2026.

Motion by Miller, **Seconded** by Dault to appoint Darren LaClair to the City Council.

Roll Call Vote: Yes- Anuci, Shears, Dault, Muchison, Miller

No-Becker Absent–None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

**LaClair joined the Council at the table; his oath had been administered following the August Council meeting.*

F. New Business

1. Resolution 2022-45 City expenditures for August 2022

A resolution to approve all expenditures of the City for August 2022.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2022-45, August expenditures.

Roll Call Vote: Yes- Dault, Anuci, LaClair, Shears, Murchison, Becker, Miller

No-None Absent–None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

2. Resolution 2022-46 Authorizing use of State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) from ARPA revenue.

A resolution to authorize the full amount of the SLFRF grant for revenue replacement in fiscal 2022/2023 to offset normal operating expenses.

Motion by Miller, **Seconded** by Dault to adopt Resolution 2022-46 authorizing use of SLFRF.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-Miller, Dault, Murchison, Shears, Becker, LaClair, Anuci

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

3. City Council Rules & Procedures amendment

An amendment to the City Council Rules & Procedures to add under “Miscellaneous” a number 5, Council vacancies: a) Applicants for the City council seat will be asked to state their qualifications and express their interest in serving on the council, b) Any member of City council can make a motion to recommend an eligible replacement to the vacant seat, and c) Vote of the City council will be by roll call for the vacant seat.

Motion by Dault **Seconded** by Becker to approve the amendment to Council Rules & Procedures..

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

4. White Cloud Area Fire Building Authority Loan

The original loan for the WC Area Fire Building Authority began 9/1/2012 with the first payment in September of 2013 (per Resolution 2013-01). All other area entities have paid off their loan and the request was made for the City of White Cloud to pay off their portion. If the city should pay off out of the general fund, the loan would be closed, the special assessment for that loan would no longer be able to be assessed for repayment therefore there would be no reimbursement for that remaining 10 years of the loan.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by LaClair to not pay off the White Cloud Area Fire building authority loan.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-Dault, LaClair, Shears, Murchison, Becker, Anuci, Miller

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

5. Special Events application & waiver for Halloween Hollow Trunk or Treat

A request of Boomerang to host at White Cloud County Campground a trunk or treat and costume contest on October 31 between 4:30 and 7:00 pm, along with a request to waive the permit fee.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to approve the special events application and waive the fee as they do meet the criteria for a waiver.

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

6. 2nd read/Adopt Code of Ordinances Ordinance 2022-02

Based on a recommendation from the Planning Commission, the City Council is presented with an ordinance to repeal Ordinance 2014-21 known as blight ordinance; and to rescind chapter 152 Property Maintenance Code sections 152.01-152.04, sections 152.15-152.22, sections 152.35-152.37, sections 152.50-152.56 AND, to adopt Chapter 152 Property Maintenance Code sections 152.05-152.13, sections 152.23-152.33, sections 152.40-152.47, and sections 152.60-152.73.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to approve and adopt Code of Ordinances Ordinance Number 2022-02.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-Dault, Anuci, Shears, Becker, Murchison, Miller

No-LaClair Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

7. Construction & Property Maintenance Board of Appeals

A request to form a three (3) member board to hear appeals by any person who is aggrieved by a decision of the code official or a notice issued/received under the Property Maintenance Code.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to approve the creation of a Construction and Property Maintenance Board of Appeals.

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

8. Planning & Zoning Fees update

Last revision of the Planning and Zoning fees was April 2021. Request to revise the following:

Special Land Use permit from \$300.00 to \$400.00

Planned Unit Development from \$400.00 to \$450.00

Re-zoning application from \$300.00 to \$400.00

Request to implement the following fees:

Property Maintenance Code Violations

1st violation \$100.00

2nd violation \$250.00

3rd violation \$500.00

Property Maintenance Code/Construction Board of Appeals: \$350.00

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to update the City of White Cloud Planning & Zoning Fees.

Roll Call Vote: Yes- Dault, Shears, Murchison, Anuci, Becker, LaClair, Miller

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

9. 1st Read/introduction Ordinance 2022-03

An ordinance to amend the Municipal civil infraction Ordinance, Violations bureau, Ordinance 2014-18, Section 5 Schedule of Civil Fines/Costs.

Received

10. WCPD School Resource Officer (SRO)

WC Public School and City of White Cloud have re-negotiated the Fiscal year 22/23 contract for the School Resource Officer (SRO) position. The school will pay the city three (3) payments throughout the school year, each payment will be \$10,000.00, that is an increase of \$3,500.00

each payment. City Manager is seeking Council support to pay the SRO position a \$2.50 per hour stipend.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to approve the School Resource Officer position stipend of \$2.50 per hour.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-Dault, Anuci, Shears, LaClair, Becker, Murchison, Miller

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

11. Crandell Funeral Home/City owned-railroad right-of-way

Crandell Funeral Home is requesting the city quiet title a portion of the city-owned abandoned Pere Marquette Railroad right of way that abuts their parcel number 15-05-132-001; Crandell parking lot and fence are on the old railroad property. City Assessor has stated Crandell's taxes are currently assessed to include the pavement and fence. City Manager recommendation to allow Crandell the quiet title deed at no cost.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Murchison to quiet claim the abandoned railroad/right-of-way land to Crandell's.

Roll Call Vote: Yes- Dault, Murchison, Shears, LaClair, Becker, Anuci and Becker.

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

12. Police Department Garage Roof replacement

Bids were received in 2019 for a new roof on the police garage; no bid was awarded. Seeking Council approval to put the bid package out once again to have the roof replaced.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to approve putting out a police department bid package for new roof.

Vote: Yes- All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

13. Resolution 2022-44.1

A resolution to amend resolution 2022-44 authorizing City Manager to sign and execute documents for sale of certain city-owned real property to correct the original bid price to show \$70,000.00.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Becker to adopt Resolution 2022-44.1.

Roll Call Vote: Yes-Dault, Becker, Murchison, Anuci, Shears, LaClair, Miller

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

G. Correspondence

1. Police Department report
2. DPW report
3. City Manager Report/Treasurer report

Received

H. Public Comment

C. Hult, D. Abid, D. Hult

Received

I. Council Member Comments

D. LaClair, D. Anuci, C. Dault

Received

J. Adjournment


Meeting adjourned by Mayor Miller at 7:41 p.m.

Motion by Dault **Seconded** by Shears to adjourn.

Vote: Yes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried


Brian J. Miller, Mayor


Keli Arnold, Clerk
Approved on 10-4-2022

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