



**City of White Cloud  
12 N. Charles Street  
White Cloud, Michigan 49349 & via Zoom  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING  
Minutes for November 1, 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 6:00 p.m.

**1. Roll Call**

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

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** City Manager April Storms, Clerk Kelli Arnold, Police Chief Dan Evans, Deputy Treasurer Makayla Brandt

**Guest sign-in:** Richard Dault, Marva Shears, Kay Scott, Dan Abid

**Zoom:** None

**2. Approval of Agenda**

Approval of Agenda for the regular City Council meeting of November 1, 2022.

**Motion** by Dault, **Seconded** by Becker to approve the agenda for November 1, 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**

None

**Received**

**D. Approval of Minutes**

**1. Approval of the Regular meeting Minutes of October 4, 2022.**

**Motion** by Becker **Seconded** by Dault to approve the minutes of October 4, 2022.

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

**E. Unfinished Business**

**1. Proclamation 2022-01.**

A proclamation of appreciation was presented to Police Chief, Dan Evans, by Mayor Miller for hosting Kids and Community Picnic for the past seven (7) years. **Received**

**F. New Business**

1. Resolution 2022-52 October expenditures.

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

**Motion** by Shears, **Seconded** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2022-52, October expenditures.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

**Motion Carried**

2. Resolution 2022-53 Grant application Redevelopment Ready Community Technical Assistance

A resolution to apply for a grant through the Michigan Economic Development (MEDC) Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Technical Assistance (TA) Match Funding for \$30,000.00 (thirty thousand dollars) toward the City Master Plan and Downtown Corridor and appoint City Manager as Project Manager.

**Motion** by Murchison, **Seconded** by Dault to adopt Resolution 2022-53 authorizing City Manager to submit application and administer funds for MEDC RRC TA grant.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

**Motion Carried**

3. Ordinance 2022-04 Rental Unit Regulation

An ordinance to rescind ordinance 2015-24 and adopt Ordinance 2022-04 an ordinance regulating rental units in the City of White Cloud to require registration of rental units, to require certificates of compliance, to require inspections and to prescribe penalties for the violation of the ordinance.

**Motion** by Dault **Seconded** by Anuci to adopt Ordinance 2022-04 Rental Unit Regulation.

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

**Motion Carried**

4. Police Equipment

A request for approval from City Council for the police department to purchase police radios and bullet proof vests out of the equipment fund; approximate cost is \$14,547.90. A grant has been submitted through the USDA; at this time has not been approved.

**Motion** by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to approve the purchase of the requested police equipment.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

**Motion Carried**

5. Resolution 2022-54 Policy & Fee Schedule Inspection of Residential Rental Units

A resolution to approve and adopt the City of White Cloud policy and fee schedule for inspection of residential rental units.

**Motion** by Dault, **Seconded** by Becker to adopt Resolution 2022-54.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

**Motion Carried**

6. Board & Committee Appointments

Each board, committee or commission member with a term expiration of 2022 has been contacted and are interested in retaining their position on their respective boards. The mayor recommends the following:

Lori Shears, 3-year term to 12/31/2025 on the Planning Commission.

Herm Becker 5-year term to 6/07/2027 on the Cemetery Board.

Cindie Thompson, 2-year term to 12/31/2024 on the Tax Board of Review.

Marva Shears, 3-year term to 12/31/2025 on the Zoning Board of Appeals.  
Leroy Stratton, 3-year term to 12/31/2025 on the Compensation Committee.  
Chad Fetterley, 2-year term to 12/31/2024 on the Marihuana License Board.  
**Motion** by Dault, **Seconded** by LaClair to appoint the members to their respective boards, committees, and commissions.

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

7. Resolution 2022-55 Rescind Council Resolutions 2018-14, 2019-03, and 2020-06 Resolutions regarding the transfer of the City's real and personal property assets of the Newaygo County Sanitary System No. 2 to the White Cloud Sherman Utilities Authority. Per the City charter, Section 7.11, Disposal of Utility Plants and Property states "Unless approved by a three-fourths majority vote of the electors voting thereon at a regular or special election the city shall not sell, exchange, lease, or in any way dispose of any property, easement, equipment, privilege or asset belonging to and appertaining to any municipally owned utility." There was no vote of the electors regarding the transfer of the City's assets to the White Cloud Sherman Utilities Authority, therefor the transfer of the City's sewer system assets was invalid and all Resolutions pertaining to the transfer need to be rescinded.

**Motion** by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to rescind Resolutions 2018-14, 2019-03 and 2020-06.

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

**No-Becker, LaClair Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried**

8. Parks & Rec Committee recommendation for Mill Pond dock  
Parks and Rec recommendation to replace the boards on the docks at the Mill Pond swimming area with composite decking. The approximate cost would be near \$5,000.00 to replace 108 lineal feet of dock. There is \$12,000.00 budgeted for park improvements for the 2022-2023 fiscal year.

**Motion** by Shears, **Seconded** by Dault to approve the recommendation of replacing mill pond dock boards with composite decking.

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

**No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried**

9. Council member questions and comments

A discussion whether council members should join the public when addressing the Council as a member of the public to separate his/her Council member "role". **Received**

10. Sesquicentennial Flags

The city will be celebrating the White Cloud Sesquicentennial (150 years) in 2023. City Manager would like Council to approve purchasing 8 different styles of art pole banners to hang throughout the City showcasing the history of White Cloud. A quote was received from MJ Purchasing in the amount of \$2,870.00.

**Motion** by Murchison, **Seconded** by Dault to approve the purchase of street pole banners as requested by City Manager.

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

None

**I. Council Member Comments**

H. Becker, L. Shears, B. Miller

**Received**

**J. Adjournment**


Meeting adjourned by Mayor Miller at 7:03 p.m.

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

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

**Motion Carried**

  
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Brian J. Miller, Mayor

  
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Kelli Arnold, Clerk  
Approved on 12/06/2022

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