



City of White Cloud
12 N. Charles Street
White Cloud, Michigan 49349 & via Zoom

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Minutes for January 9, 2024, 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, Amy Barnhard, Herm Becker, Candice Dault, Jeff Murchison, Lori Shears, Brian Miller

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Manager Storms, Clerk Arnold, CEDAM Fellow Stafford

Guest sign-in: Rich Dault, Suzy Kozlowski, Gerald Kozlowski

Via Zoom: Ian Rees of Gabridge & Company

2. Approval of Agenda

Approval of the agenda for January 9, 2024, as presented.

Motion by Becker, **Seconded** by Dault to approve the agenda as presented.

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

3. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Murchison.

B. Public Comment

Gerald Kozlowski – Request for reserved time at February Council Meeting **Received**

C. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the Regular Council meeting Minutes from December 5, 2023.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to approve the regular meeting minutes of December 5, 2023. Becker questioned item #2, 3, & 4 on the previous month minutes, they show Barnhard absent when in fact she was not.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to rescind the original motion and approve the amended minutes of December 5, 2023.

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

D. Reserved Time

Ian Rees of Gabridge and Company to present Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Audit results.

Financial Highlights:

- a) The assets and deferred outflows of resources exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources at the close of the 22/23 Fiscal year by \$6,126,343 (net position). Of this amount, \$889,728 represents unrestricted net position, which may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to citizens and creditors.

- b) During the year, the City received \$1,813,042 in revenues and \$1,751,287 in expenses, resulting in an increase in net position of \$61,755.
- c) At the close of the 22/23 Fiscal year, the City's governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$1,074,259, an increase of \$108,259 in comparison with the prior year.
- d) At the end of the current fiscal year, unassigned fund balance for the general fund was \$449,472, or approximately 38.1% of total general fund expenditures and transfers out.
- e) A significant portion of the City's net position (\$4,871,843, or 79.1%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g., land, buildings and improvements, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure), less any related outstanding debt that was used to acquire those assets. These assets are not available for future spending.
- f) An additional portion of the City's net position (\$400,772, or 6.5%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on how they may be used. The remaining balance of \$889,728 is unrestricted and may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to its citizens and creditors.
- g) There were not expenditures in excess of what was budgeted.

E. Unfinished Business

None

F. New Business

1. Resolution 2024-01 Attorney Representation of Record for the City

A resolution to approve the designation of Murphy, Caris, & Miller P.C. Law Firm as Attorney of Record for the City.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to adopt Resolution 2024-01.

Vote: Ayes- All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried

2. Resolution 2024-02 approve City expenditures for December 2023.

A resolution to approve expenditure of City funds in the amount of \$282,764.79 for the month of December.

Motion by Shears, **Seconded** by Becker to approve and adopt Resolution 2024-02.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried

3. Resolution 2024-03 Grant application to MSHDA

A resolution to apply for a grant through Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) for costs associated with zoning text amendments and similar actions to encourage increasing housing supply and affordability.

Motion by Murchison, **Seconded** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2024-03.

Vote: Ayes-All No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried

4. Resolution 2024-04 Amend FY 2023/2024 Budget

A resolution to amend fiscal year 2023/24 Budget by increasing revenues and expenses.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Becker to adopt Resolution 2024-04, amending the fiscal year budget.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried

5. Resolution 2024-05, Annual Application and Permit for Operations within State Right-of-Way

Performance Resolution required for purposes of issuing to a Municipality required by MDOT annual application and permit for Miscellaneous operations within State Highway Right-of-Way.
Motion by Dault , **Seconded** by Shears to adopt Resolution 2024-05.

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

Motion Carried

6. Resolution 2024-06 2nd Round EGLE Grant

A resolution to approve applying to Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) Water Resource Division Dam Risk Reduction Grant Program, 2nd Round.

Motion by Murchison , **Seconded** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2024-06.

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

Motion Carried

7. 1st Read Ordinance No. 2024-01 White Cloud Code of Ordinances Chapter 117 Marihuana Licensing Board

An ordinance to amend the White Cloud Code of Ordinances, Chapter 117, Section 117.05 entitled “Board Composition and Eligibility” and Section 117.07 entitled “Powers, Duties and Procedures”.

Received

8. Council Letter of Understanding to WC Public Schools Board of Education

A letter to WC Public Schools Board of Education expressing city commitment to support the project of expanding the football field/spectator area pending the successful passing of the upcoming debt millage proposal.

Received

9. City Council approval of White Cloud Airport Hangar #3 Lease

Approval of lease between City of White Cloud and “Lessor” Jon Grice for 5-year term from January 10,2024 through January 9, 2029.

Motion by Shears , **Seconded** by Dault to approve the lease between the City and Jon Grice for airport hangar #3.

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

Motion Carried

10. City Council approval Airport Apron Rehabilitation Project Consultant Agreement

Council was presented with a Project Consultant Agreement from Mead and Hunt for the White Cloud Airport Apron Rehab in 2025 with an estimated construction cost of \$337,362 and proposed consultant fee of \$37,640.00.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Anuci to approve the Airport Project Consultant Agreement.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Dault, Anuci, Shears, Barnhard, Murchison, Miller

No-Becker Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

11. NC Tourism Council Contribution

A request from Newaygo County Tourism Council for 2024 Partner Contribution in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion by Dault, **Seconded** by Shears to approve contribution of \$500 for partnership with NC Tourism Council.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

12. City Manager 2024 review discussion

City Manager has requested a closed session for her annual review on February 5th. The council discussed if the upcoming review would be a goal discussion, or a point system as was done last year. The majority concluded a goal discussion will be the fairest.

Motion by Anuci, **Seconded** by Dault to do a goal assessment review not scoring like last year.
Vote: Ayes- All No-None **Absent**-None **Abstained**-None **Motion Carried**

G. Correspondence

1. Police Department report
2. DPW report
3. CEDAM Fellow report
4. Zoning report
5. City Manager report/Treasurer report

Received

H. Public Comment

None

I. Council Member Comments

Shears, Miller

Received

J. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned by Mayor Miller at 7:04 p.m.

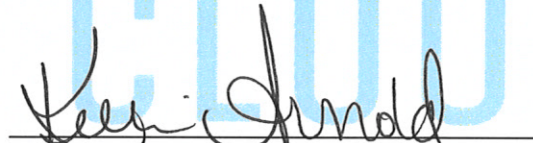
Motion by Anuci, **Seconded** by Becker to adjourn.

Vote: Ayes-All No-None **Absent**-None

Motion Carried



Brian J. Miller, Mayor



Kelli Arnold, Clerk

Approved on 2-6-24