



**City of White Cloud
12 N. Charles
White Cloud, Michigan 49349 & via Zoom
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Minutes for February 3, 2026, 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 6:01 p.m.

1. Roll Call

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

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: April Storms, Kelli Arnold, Adam Hoover

Guests: Rich Dault

Via Zoom: Ian Rees of Gabridge & Company, PLC
Michael (unknown last name)

2. Approval of Agenda

Approval of the agenda for Tuesday, February 3, 2026. Miller requested amendment to add New Business item #5, Veteran Banners.

Motion by Becker, **Second** by Shears to approve the agenda with the requested amendment.

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

3. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance
Led by Murchison

B. Reserved Time

Ian Rees reporting on the financial audit for Fiscal Year July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025. The city received a “clean/unmodified opinion”, the best possible outcome.

The assets and deferred outflows of resources of the City exceeded its liabilities and deferred inflows of resources by \$6,212,743 (net position); Of this amount, \$589,588 represents unrestricted net position to be used to meet ongoing obligations.

The city received \$2,211,923 in revenues, incurred \$1,885,388 in expenses. The City’s governmental funds reported combined fund balances of \$809,524. Approximately 15.9% or \$227,172 of the amount is available for spending (unassigned fund balance).

A significant portion of the City’s net position (\$5,268,074 or 84.8%) reflects its investment in capital assets (e.g. land, buildings and improvements, machinery, equipment, vehicles, and infrastructure). These assets are not available for future spending. An additional portion of the net position (\$355,081 or 5.7%) represents resources that are subject to external restrictions on

how they may be used. The remaining balance (\$589,588, or 9.5%) is unrestricted and may be used to meet the government's ongoing obligations to its citizens and creditors.

At the end of the current fiscal year, the city is able to report positive balances in all reported categories of net position, both for the government, as well as for its separate governmental and business-type activities.

C. Public Comment

None

D. Approval of Minutes

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 6, 2026.

The council members were presented with a draft of the regular meeting minutes January 6, 2026.

Motion by Anuci, **Second** by Dault to approve the regular meeting minutes of January 6, 2026.

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

E. Unfinished Business

None

F. New Business

1. Resolution 2026-06 January expenditures

A resolution to approve City expenditures for January 2026. The expenditures for payroll were \$45,628.23 and payable claims of \$99,516.04 for a monthly total of \$145,144.27.

Motion by Anuci, **Second** by Dault to adopt Resolution 2026-06.

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Anuci, Dault, Becker, Shears, Barnhard, Murchison, Miller
No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried**

2. Resolution 2026-07

A resolution to establish guidelines for granting poverty exemptions from property taxes.

Motion by Dault, **Second** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2026-07.

**Roll Call Vote: Ayes- Dault, Anuci, Barnhard, Becker, Murchison, Shears, Miller
No-None Absent-None Abstained-None Motion Carried**

3. Resolution 2026-08 Fremont Area Community Foundation Grant application

A resolution to approve submitting a grant application to Fremont Area Community Foundation (FACF).

Motion by Dault, **Second** by Anuci to adopt Resolution 2026-08.

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

4. Establish Airport Advisory Committee

A request forming an airport advisory committee that will be appropriate when discussing the long-term planning of the airport, including the Airport Layout Plan (ALP). Discussion included committee size of 5-members with staggered 2- and 3-year terms.

Motion by Anuci, **Second** by Dault to create an airport advisory committee.

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

A **motion** by Shears, **Second** by Becker, to begin the airport advisory committee with five (5) members with one alternate, first two members with a 2-year term and remaining members a 3-year term.

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

Motion Carried

5. Veteran banners

City Manager requesting Council approval for splitting the cost of veteran banners that will be displayed on the city decorative light poles. The banner cost is \$80.00 each to be split 50/50 between city and purchaser/sponsor. The banners will be on display for 2 years then going to purchaser/sponsor.

Motion by Shears, **Second** by Becker to approve expenditure of \$1,640.00 for city portion of veteran banners.

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

No-None Absent-None Abstained-None

Motion Carried

G. Correspondence

1. Clerk Memo
2. CM memo/Police Department Report
3. DPW report
3. Zoning report
4. City Manager/Treasurer Report
5. River Country Chamber verbal

Received

H. Public Comment

I. Council Member Comments

Becker, Shears, Miller

Received

J. Adjournment

Adjourn the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Motion by Becker, **Second** by Anuci to adjourn the council meeting.

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

Motion Carried



Brian J. Miller, Mayor



Kelli Arnold, Clerk
Approved on 3/3/2026