



City of the Village of Clarkston
375 Depot Rd
Clarkston, Michigan 48346
City Council Regular Meeting
04 12 2021
7:00 pm

Regular City Council Meeting

Mon, Apr 12, 2021 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (EDT)

You may join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone using the following link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/278784045>

Or you may call in using the following phone number and access code: [\(872\) 240-3212](tel:8772403212) , Access Code: 278-784-045

1. Call To Order
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Mayor Haven, Avery, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie
4. Approval Of Agenda - Motion
5. Public Comments:
Individuals have the opportunity to address the City Council on subjects not on the Agenda, limiting their comments to three minutes. Alternatively, public comments may be emailed to City Manager Jonathan Smith @ smithj@villageofclarkston.org or City Clerk Jennifer Speagle @ speaglej@villageofclarkston.org and they will be read out loud during this time. If preferred, comments may be stated or submitted anonymously.
6. FYI: CAYA Pinwheels For Prevention

Documents:

[CAYA PINWHEELS EVENT - APRIL 2021 04 12 2021.PDF](#)

7. Sheriff Report For March 2021

Documents:

[SHERIFF REPORT MARCH 2021.PDF](#)

8. City Manager Report

Documents:

[CITY MGR REPORT 04 12 2021.PDF](#)

9. Motion Acceptance Of The Consent Agenda As Presented
 - Minutes and Treasurer's Report
 - Minutes
 - Final 03 08 2021
 - Draft 03 30 2021
 - Draft 03 22 2021
 - Treasurer's Report 04 12 2021

Documents:

[04 12 2021 CONSENT AGENDA.PDF](#)

10. Old Business

- 10.a. Motion: Short Term Rentals
 - Guidance needed for the Planning Commission

Documents:

[DISCUSSION SHORT TERM RENTAL MEMO FROM CWA 3-2-21 04 12 2021.PDF](#)

- 10.b. Motion: Church St Continued Closure
 - Recommendation from Planning Commission

Documents:

[RECOMMENDATION TO COUNCIL TO EXTEND CHURCH ST CLOSURE 4-12-2021.PDF](#)

- 10.c. Resolution: Resuming Paid Parking

Documents:

[RESOLUTION PAID PARKING AND PARKING ENFORCEMENT 4-12-21.PDF](#)

11. New Business

- 11.a. Solicitation Request
 - Jeff Cicirelli from Cicirelli's cleaning service is requested permission to hand out flyers and demo equipment for future cleaning and equipment sales in the City of Clarkston.

Documents:

[CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM REQUEST 04 12 2021.PDF](#)

- 11.b. Resolution: Mental Health Awareness Month

Documents:

[RESOLUTION OAKLAND COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK 04 12 2021.PDF](#)

12. Adjourn

Only those matters that are on the agenda are to be considered for action.



CAYA - Pinwheels for Prevention

The Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA) Pinwheels for Prevention Program, started as a springtime Clarkston tradition in April 2016, with joyful blue pinwheels spinning in gardens planted throughout the community, symbolizing that childhood should be filled with hope, happiness, and kindness. The Pinwheels for Prevention Program began as part of a nationwide campaign and has become more fully aligned with the community's interest in creating a culture of well-being, where children and youth can thrive. Now, Clarkston's blue pinwheels have become more interactive and impactful, reminding each and every one of us, children, youth, and adults alike, that we have a role to play in creating a culture of well-being—understanding that we can positively impact someone's life by what we say and do. The blue pinwheel gardens across the Clarkston area reflect community interest and support to help children and youth feel safe, hopeful, and welcomed throughout the community.

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (CAYA) is a prevention program that is focused on strengthening youth and families through community involvement. CAYA is one of 26 Youth Assistance (YA) offices that are located in every school district throughout Oakland County. Each YA office is sponsored by Oakland County Circuit Court-Family Division, local school districts, and local municipalities; in addition to the County Circuit Court, CAYA's local sponsors include Clarkston Community Schools, Independence Township, Springfield Township, and The City of the Village of Clarkston. CAYA's programs and services include Casework Services, Family Education, Homework Club, Mentors Plus, Camp Scholarships, Skill Building Scholarships, Youth Recognition, and Pinwheels for Prevention. Visit the CAYA website for more information: www.CAYA-MI.org.

**OAKLAND COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT
INDEPENDENCE SUBSTATION**

TO: John Smith, City Manager

FROM: Lieutenant Todd Hill, Substation Commander

SUBJECT: City of the Village of Clarkston Monthly Report

	2021												2021	2020
ARRESTS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	YTD	YTD
Felony (CLR-059)	2	0	1										3	13
Misdemeanors (CLR-059)	3	2	7										12	46
MICR:														
Violent Crimes (CLR-004)	1	0	0										1	12
Property Crimes (CLR-004)	1	0	0										1	20
TRAFFIC:														
Monthly Warnings - Citation Report	1	2	4										7	57
Monthly Citations - Citation Report	3	1	1										5	64
Crashes - Czrsh Report	1	0	1										2	22
LIQUOR INSPECTION ACTIVITY:														
Alcohol Compliance Checks (AE)	0	0	0										0	0
Violations (CLR-065)	0	0	0										0	0
STATION STATISTICS:														
Calls for Service (CLR-065)	74	56	144										274	975

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Main Street Speed Study

This week student intern CJ Sivak updated the Planning Commission on progress of capturing driver speed data on Main Street, showing some preliminary data charts. It was agreed in the meeting that more data is needed before drawing any firm conclusions, so CJ will return to the Planning Commission in May after capturing another month of data. A City Council update is targeted for May 10th.

“Your Speed” Sign on Northbound Main Street

Also this week, technicians determined that the “Your Speed” sign on northbound Main Street is not repairable in the field and must be returned to the manufacturer for repair or replacement, with an estimated turn-around time of 7-10 days. The sign is fully covered under warranty.

City Sign Project Update

The Sign Committee recently met with Craig Breeden from ASI Signage to obtain a status update on our project. Craig indicated that COVID has significantly impacted his company, but that things are picking up now and installation of our new welcoming sign and street signs should start the week of April 19th.

Clarkston Road Update

A recent meeting with the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) revealed that there are no simple solutions for addressing the standing water on Clarkston Road in the approach to Main Street. RCOC has been working on a design that will include wider lanes and a longer right turn lane on Clarkston Road for drivers turning North, but storm water drainage continues to be the major obstacle. The estimated budget for RCOC to rebuild the roadway is \$290K, but this increases to \$2M or more when storm water drainage solutions are added in. It was agreed in the meeting that a joint solution with MDOT (who owns and maintains Main Street) will be key to making the project viable.

Bat Houses Installed

Council’s previous approval of Boy Scout Andrew Herrmann building and installing 10 bat houses in Depot Park as part of Andrew’s Eagle Scout Project came to a close recently with the installation of the houses. Andrew did a wonderful job of designing and building the houses, even including an outline of a bat burned into the wood face. Thanks also to Jimi for helping Andrew with the installation using the City lift.

Dog Licenses

For several years now, the City Offices have sold Oakland County Dog Licenses as a service to our residents. Due to COVID, however, the City has not received any 2021 licenses. People needing a license will therefore need to go to the Oakland County Animal Control offices at 1200 Telegraph or visit their website (www.oakgov.com/petadoption).

Respectfully submitted, **Jonathan Smith, City Manager, April 8, 2021**



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City Council Regular Meeting Minutes
03 08 2021 Final Minutes

3/8/2021 - Minutes

1. Call To Order
By Mayor Pro Tem Wylie @ 7:01
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Wylie, Avery, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski present and calling in from Clarkston. Haven - Absent
4. Approval Of Agenda - Motion
Motion by Avery Second by Luginski to approve the Agenda as presented. Wylie, Avery, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski - Yes Motion Carried

5. Public Comments:

Chet Pardee - Thanked City officials for updating the financial report format. He also asked if the City's Budget will require an amendment for paying Atty Mark Peyser monies beyond that which was previous approved. He suggested that the RAMP report be presented to Council by the City's engineer in order to refresh and educate Council Members. He also suggested that the information regarding the financing of the City Hall and DPW garage improvements be summarized, reviewed by Council and added to the website.

Cory Johnston (read by City Manager Jonathan Smith) regarding the settlement cost of the Bison v Clarkston Lawsuit information from the City Manager report, Short Term Rentals and in person meetings.

No response was given to either public comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Wylie thanked Clerk Speagle changing the format of the Council minutes by adding details to the public comments and discussions. She also thanked Jonathan Smith for changing the format of the financial reports that are included in the Consent Agenda. Jonathan replied stating that it was a combination of Greg and Evelyn, Wylie in turn thanked them.

6. FYI:
7. Sheriff Report For February 2021
Lt Hill was on the line for any questions. Ed Bonser asked how best to handle loud road noise, specifically loud vehicles traveling down M15 that continuously rev their engines or backfire. Lt Hill suggested that if you have someone that comes the same time of day every day call the non emergency dispatch number at (248) 858-0951 or 0950.

8. City Manager Report

Included is the Annual City Manager Report. Kneisc thanked Smith for looking into installing a guardrail on northbound White Lake Rd at Depot Rd. Smith stated that this portion of the road is owned and maintained by Oakland County. One thing we are looking at doing is moving the "Your Speed" sign down before the curve to be more visible to oncoming traffic which in turn should slow down traffic sooner. Casey agreed and said it would also be a better location for solar reasons.

Ed Bonser in regards to the City Manager Annual Report wanted to thank Smith for everything he has done this past year and hopes that he feels gratification in what he does as he does not get paid nearly as much as he should for everything he does.

9. Motion Acceptance Of The Consent Agenda As Presented

Avery inquired about the WRC soil erosion bill. Smith explained that the closer you are to water the higher the inspection fees and the inspection wont stop until the final grading, hydroseeding and new rain gardern is installed, which will be done in the spring.

Wylie asked about the Tom Ryan bill regarding Line v HDC. Atty Ryan stated that this work pertained to the final decision affirming the decision of the HDC relative to the Line railing. 2/15 bill regarding correspondance with Mayor Haven and Mrs. Wylie. Atty Ryan stated the coorespondance between Wylie, Haven & Smith was forwarded to him for review.

Casey asked about the 3/2 bill for McLean v HDC. Atty Ryan explained McLeans are suing the HDC to overturn the HDC's decision regarding their fence much like the Lines v HDC case over their porch railings. Casey also asked what Clarkston V Thrift. Atty Ryan stated it was an assault and Battery Case.

Chet Pardee asked if we get our monies worth on the Holcomb paving? Smith stated we did get 3' wide shoulders on both sides the \$700 overage was due to number of sewer grates that had to be lifted to correctly pave around them.

Motion by Casey Second by Kneisc to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Wylie, Avery, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski - Yes Motion Carried

10. Old Business

10.a. Motion: Short Term Rentals

Ben Carlisle from Carlisle Wortman presented different options for the City to address Short Term Rentals (STR's). 1. Ban STR's 2. Ban STR's in R1 & R2's but allow in Village Commercial District 3. Allow STR's with regulations.

Atty Ryan warned that the State Legislature can preempt our laws and Charter if they deem its for a public purpose.

Residents Theresa Fabrizio, Ed Bonser & Sharon Kramer all shared their thoughts for keeping STR's offering personal experiences in favor of and stated why they believe they are good for the City.

Luginski would be in favor with a regulation on the number allowed in the City. Kneisc and Casey are in favor of option 3.

Chet Pardee questioned the Mill Pond Inn and questions the overhead cost for the City to oversee regulations. Atty Ryan stated that the Mill Pond Inn has its own ordinance under Bed & Breakfast.

Motion by Avery Second Wylie to table a motion on Short Term Rentals until all Council Members are present. Wylie, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski - Yes Motion Carried. Bonser Recused.

10.b. Motion: In Person Meetings

Smith stated that Public Meeting Act 254 that allowed virtual meetings is set to expire 03/31. Smith stated during a virtual meeting with MML they believe there is a possibility of a last minute extension. Atty Ryan stated that once Act 254 expires, council may attend virtually if you are an active Veteran in the Military, if the local unit declares a disaster due to the pandemic or you have a medical condition in

which protocol must be followed. He went on to state that MDHHS changed the restrictions starting March 5th you can have indoor gatherings of no more than 25 person with social distancing and masks. In order to accommodate the staff, council and public and not have to turn anyone away we will need to do some sort of hybrid of in person and virtual.

Wylie stated that Senate Bill 207 regarding extending virtual meeting (to June 30th) is making its way through legislature and if anyone would like to support this bill and help move it forward please contact your State Senator or local Rep (Rosemary Bayer and/or Andrea Schroeder)

Luginski asked if the 6' social distance is a law, suggestion or guideline? Atty Ryan stated that it is an MDHHS order that has a force of law behind it. Luginski commented that he does know that Oakland County Historic Committee has started meeting in person.

11. New Business

11.a. Discussion: 35 Madison Ct

Smith stated the office has had numerous complaints from the residents of 35 Madison Ct apartment complex, most of which are seniors and/or disabled. Lack of sidewalk and parking lot snow removal, insufficient trash receptacles, mold, poor water quality, can not reach landlord and no response to complaints. Smith and Building Official Craig Strong walked the building and was allowed entry to 2 apartments and made a list of violations. A letter was written and sent to the building owner via certified mail with a list of violations.

Al Avery asked what options do we have. Atty Ryan said we can do what we have been by sending the Building Official, contacting owner and following up on making sure the owner is keep up with the building.

12. Adjourn

Motion by Avery Second by Luginski to adjourn at 9:02pm. Wylie, Avery, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski - Yes Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Speagle, City Clerk.



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Draft Minutes 03 22 2021

3/22/2021 - Minutes

1. Call To Order
@ 7:pm by Mayor Haven
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Present (all calling in from Clarkston, Mi) Avery - Absent
4. Approval Of Agenda - Motion
Motion by Wylie Seconded by Bonser to approve the Agenda as presented. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes Motion carries.
5. Public Comments:

Chet Pardee in reference to the Bisio v Clarkston lawsuit asked who is managing the lawyers and what role is the council playing in what the city's lawyers have decided to file. Have the City officials read the public filings? He goes on to ask if James Tamm is still active on the case and estimates that the City's MML representation costs paid by the citizens is more than a half million dollars. The City's approval of \$14k was for facilitation involvement by Atty Peyser. Now I read that Atty Peyser DID NOT participate in the facilitation per his email. Is this true? Council will review Atty Peyser's February invoice tonight confirming his costs have significantly exceeded what council had approved, once again violating Michigan budget laws. How accurate will tonight's budget amendment be? The public filings show there was an agreement in facilitation that Susan Bisio was willing to accept less than one-half of Bisio legal costs: \$160,000. This was also less than one-half of Mr. Tamm's estimate per Jonathan's acknowledgment in the June 2020 budget approval council meeting. And the filings indicate that the \$35,000 approved and paid by the city is the City's share. How can the insurance companies participate now that the settlement has been withdrawn? Had the insurance companies required the stipulations by Atty. Peyser? Atty. Peyser added requirements that make no sense. Seemingly, requiring the Bisio's to agree that the City did no harm and Susan Bisio's FOIA suit never existed.

Atty Tom Ryan asked to reply to Chet Pardee's comments. The City has hired Mr. Peyser as outside council to handle the Bisio facilitation due to Ryan's conflict in the matter. Mr Peyser has advised the City that there will be a settlement in the case however none have been finalized as it has not been signed by both parties as of yet. They are still working on some of the terms of the settlement as is common. As far as the Council overseeing the Attorneys, the Attorneys are doing their jobs as in Mr Tamm and Mr Peyser, they had filled a motion on the City's behalf to enforce the settlement agreement based on facilitation. It has not been entered and finalized as of yet but hopeful it will be in the near future.

In regards to another lawyer participating with the same Surname, Ryan was not sure what Chet was referring to. As far as the MML representation cost paid by the citizens is one-half million dollars, Ryan states he does not know the cost but that is why we have insurance. The MML has covered all of Mr Tamms legal costs, it has not been paid by the citizens, the insurance company is covering cost on behalf of the city. Atty Mark Peyser was involved in the facilitation and the initial \$14,000 was to bring him up to speed on everything. No one knew what the total budget would be for his involvement. No money is spent without City Council approval of the the budget amendment.

Ryan goes on to state that it is inaccurate that the settlement was withdrawn. There has been no inappropriate statements or clauses made by Peyser. Peyser received another draft of the settlement today and hopefully the matter will be resolved soon. We don't have a settlement agreement signed by everyone as of tonight. We have been working on it since early February.

6. FYI:
None

7. City Manager Report

8. Motion Acceptance Of The Consent Agenda As Presented

Motion by Luginski Second by Casey to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes Motion carries.

Chet Pardee stated that as Council approves the consent agenda they are once again violating Michigan Budget Law. Peyser's February invoice exceeds the dollar amount previously approved by Council. Wylie asked that this issue be moved out of the consent agenda as it is on the agenda to approve later today. Smith said that it doesn't violate the overall dept budget which is not overdrawn by make this payment. He agreed that the original \$14,000.00 estimate was established before the City knew how much was involved. There are many aspects of the case that are still ongoing. The costs are higher than originally planned but there is still money left in the budget for attorney fees.

9. Old Business

9.a. Discussion/Motion Short Term Rentals

Haven Stated that Avery isn't present and there is a desire on Council's part to have all members present before taking action on short term rentals. Smith stated that they may need to table the decision again so that there can be discussion and approval with the full Council. Resident and Short Term Rental owner Theresa Fabrizio was aware earlier in the day that this item would be pushed to a later date. She was under the impression that the discussion wouldn't happen until all Council members were present. She had a few people lined up to speak on her behalf and it is frustrating as she wants them to have the opportunity to talk. Commission Chair Rich Little commented that in Oct/Nov of 2019 the Council discussed short term rentals and asked PC to look at issue on whether to regulate or ban them. PC researched many examples of regulating and banning and came back to Council in Jan/Feb of 2020 with a list of recommendations of regulations if that is the way Council was leaning. Discussion lead to possibly banning them. In April 2020 Tom Ryan stated that there was some action in the Supreme Court regarding short term rentals so PC decided they should wait for the Supreme Court decision was issued to see if it effect local control. It has been tabled a couple of times and Council has stated that they would like every Council member to be present when voting on the short term rentals.

Motion by Casey second by Wylie to table the decision. Haven, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski Wylie - Yes Avery- Absent Bonser- Recused.

9.b. Discussion: In Person Meetings

City Manager Jonathan Smith stated there has been a lot of effort and discussion recently about the ability to continue in person meetings. Senate Bill 207 was proposed to allow the continuation of the no reason virtual meetings but it expires on March 31st 2021. It is not likely that Bill 207 will be extended as the Senate will be on a 2 week spring break. As of right now the April 12th Council meeting will be in

person unless a local State of Emergency is declared. To adhere to the 6 foot social distancing guidelines our conference room would only be able to hold 16 people with 7 council members and 3 staff members that would only allow 6 members of the public to attend any other would have to be turned away and that would be a violation of the Open Meetings Act. Kneisc and Luginski suggested looking at other venues like the Methodist Church or Library. Wiley recalled that Monday wasn't a good day with the Library and using the Methodist Church would create an extra burden of cleaning and sanitizing after the meeting. Wylie is in favor of continuing virtual meetings by declaring a state of emergency so the council has the flexibility. Rich Little (PC Chair) ask that Smith keep PC and HDC in mind as this will effect their meetings as well. Tom Ryan suggested that the council schedule a meeting for Tuesday, March 30th to give Smith time to look for different locations to hold meetings and that maybe legislature will enact Senate Bill 207 and push things to June 30th.

Motion by Haven Second by Wylie to set up a meeting for March 30th to discuss the need for any further action relative to virtual meetings. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes

10. New Business

10.a. Discussion: American Rescue Plan Status

Along with slides giving Council an idea of what the American Rescue Plan was all about Smith explained that the American Rescue Plan (ARP) includes significant funds for local municipalities for the first time. Michigan will get \$10.3 billion and from there it breaks down to what the State, Counties and local Municipalities will keep. The City of Clarkston is projected to receive \$90,938.00. The projection is broken down at \$105 per person for the census counts. Smith believes there is 866 residents, multiplied by \$105 brings you to \$90,938.00. This is an early estimate and subject to change. The total amount will come in two tranches. 90 days from now we will receive the first half and the other half will be paid approximately 12 months later. There are four categories in which this money can be used. 1. COVID related public health emergencies and the negative impact on local households, small businesses, nonprofits, etc. 2. Essential workers that have had or will have additional expenses because of COVID. 3. Replenishing lost revenue. For example the City lost approximately \$100,000.00 by closing down the paid parking. 4. Infrastructure funding but only relating to water, sewer or broadband. There are more details to come on this. Treasury is responsible for putting together the details regarding what can and can't qualify as an approved expense before we receive the money and we have until Dec 31, 2024 to use the funds.

10.b. Resolution: Budget Amendment

Motion by Bonser Second by Casey to authorize the City Treasurer to complete a budget amendment in the amount of \$20,320.00. \$320.00 to cover an overdraft of the election supplies adn \$20,000.00 to be added to the legal fees account. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes Motion Carries.

10.c. Discussion: FODP Report

Jim Brueck provided a status update from the FODP Committee.

10.d. Motion: Agenda Amendment

Motion by Haven Second by Bonser to amend the agenda to include a Resolution for Depot Park Gazebo Repairs. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes Motion carries.

10.e. Resolution: Depot Park Gazebo Repair

Motion by Casey Second by Luginski to authorize the City Manager to spend up to \$4000.00 for materials to repair the Depot Park Gazebo. Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes Motion carries.

10.f. Discussion: Fourth Of July Parade

Clerk Speagle spoke with Joette Kunse (organizer of past parades) and was told that she believed The Optimist canceled this years 4th of July Parade because of the number of people it would attract. Clerk Speagle has a call into Kathy Novak, Optimist President to confirm.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Casey Second by Wylie to adjourn at 8:46pm Haven, Bonser, Casey, Kneisc, Lugingski, Wylie -
Yes Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Speagle, City Clerk.

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1. Call To Order
@ 7:01pm by Mayor Haven
2. Pledge Of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
Haven, Avery, Casey, Luginski calling in from Clarkston Mi. Kneisc from Vancouver Wa. Wylie from Saugatuck Mi. Bonser absent.
4. Approval Of Agenda - Motion
Motion by Wiley Second by Avery to approve the Agenda as present. Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wylie - Yes. Motion Carries.
5. Public Comments:
Made by Chet Pardee regarding The Bisio settlement.
6. Discussion: In Person Meetings
Smith provided a summary of the current state of affairs relative to the topic.
7. Resolution: Continuing Of The Local State Of Emergency
Motion by Wiley Second by Casey that it be Resolved and Declared by the City Manager, Mayor and City Council of the City of the Village of Clarkston, Oakland County, Mi. that there is a continuing Local State of Emergency in the City due to COVID-19, and MDHHS orders the City of the Village of Clarkston Preparedness Plan be implemented to ensure that local resources are to be used as needed and to the fullest extent. Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Wiley - Yes. Lunginski - No. Motion Carries to extend the Local State of Emergency until June 30th 2021.
8. Resolution: Closed Session To Discuss Pending Litigation

Motion by Avery Second by Wylie to enter into closed session as permitted by State Statute MCL 15.268 (e) to discuss the Bisio v Clarkston lawsuit (Oakland County Circuit Court case Number 2015-150462-CZ pending before the Honorable Leo Bowman.

Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wiley - Yes Motion Carries.
- 8.a. Call To Order
By Mayor Haven @ 7:39pm
- 8.b. Roll Call
Haven, Avery, Casey, Luginski calling in from Clarkston Mi. Kneisc from Vancouver Wa. Wylie from Saugatuk Mi. Bonser absent.
- 8.c. Discussion: Pending Litigation With Atty Mark Peyser
- 8.d. Motion: End Of Closed Session

Motion by Casey Second by Avery to end Closed Session @ 8:00pm. Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wiley - Yes Motion Carries.

9. Resume Open Session
@ 8:01 pm by Mayor Haven

10. Motion: Bisio Lawsuit Settlement Agreement

Motion by Avery Second by Casey for the City Manager to execute the Susan Bisio settlement agreement whereby in addition to the City paying directly the sum of \$35,000.00 to Ms. Susan Bisio's counsel, the Kemp Klein Law firm in settlement of the total fee claim, both the City and Ms. Bisio has agreed to release each other from any and all claims they may have against the other arising out the FOIA litigation. Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wiley - Yes Motion Carries.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Wiley, Second by Avery to adjourn @ 8:08 pm. Haven, Avery, Casey, Kneisc, Luginski, Wiley - Yes Motion Carries.

Smith stated that he was having trouble starting the recording of this open session portion of the meeting. He went on to notate that the recording started in enough time to capture the vote on the Bisio Lawsuit Agreement but not Chet Pardees comments asking why the full agreement was not shown. The answer to that is because the agreement has not been fully excepted by all parties involved. At some point it will be but as of right now we do not know the exact date of when that will be. Chet acknowledge the question and answer for the record.

Respectfully Submitted by Jennifer Speagle, City Clerk.

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

4/12/2021

Treasurer's Report:

I. Disbursements from 03/01/2021 -3/31/2021

101 General Fund	\$	107,609.89
202 Major Streets	\$	2,362.37
203 Local Street	\$	686.23
231 Parking Meter Fund	\$	62,258.29
236 Friends of Depot Park		
295 Mill Pond Lake		
301 2012 GO Bond Debt		
305 2007 GO Bond Debt	\$	5,558.80
401 Capital Projects Fund	\$	20,367.25
590 Sewer Fund	\$	247.45
703 Tax Fund	\$	38,058.56
Total	\$	237,148.84

II. Invoices for review and payment approval

Carlisle Wortman - Master Plan, Bldg Adm, Planner & Other
HRC - Professional Services
HRC - Main Street Traffic Claiming
HRC - Depot Park Restroom Relocation
HRC - Sidewalk Plans & Specs
HRC - Office Expansion Study
HRC - Parking Study
Tom Ryan - Professional Services (March Invoice)
Tom Ryan - Clarkston Court Prosecution (March Invoice)

Total \$ -

III. Other Checks for Review

RWC Soil Erosion
Road Commision
Road Commision
Howard & Howard

Total \$ -

GRAND TOTAL \$ 237,148.84

*Prepared by Evelyn Bihl on behalf of
Gregory Cote' 4/8/2021*

04/08/2021

CHECK DISBURSEMENT REPORT FOR CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
CHECK DATE FROM 03/01/2021 - 03/31/2021

Check Date	Check #	Payee	Description	Account	Dept	Amount
03/03/2021	10161	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	DPW SUPPLIES	750.000	441	201.60
03/03/2021	10162#	CHARTER TWP OF INDEPENDENCE	LAW ENFORCEMENT	802.000	301	32,756.54
03/03/2021	10162	CHARTER TWP OF INDEPENDENCE	FIRE PROTECTION - IND TWP	802.001	336	39,176.30
		CHECK GEN 10162 TOTAL FOR FUND 101:				71,932.84
03/03/2021	10163	MAZZA AUTO PARTS	MATERIAL & OUTSIDE LABOR-PICKUP TRUCK	861.001	446	327.79
03/03/2021	10164	THOMAS J RYAN PC	LEGAL FEES	803.000	266	570.00
03/03/2021	10164	THOMAS J RYAN PC	LEGAL FEES	803.000	266	1,140.00
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03/03/2021	10167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	PARK MATERIALS	728.000	265	2,185.52
03/03/2021	10167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	BUILDING MAINTENANCE-VH	931.000	265	29.98
03/03/2021	10167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	HEALTH INSURANCE	709.000	441	172.00
03/03/2021	10167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	MATERIAL & OUTSIDE LABOR-PICKUP TRUCK	861.001	446	14.83
03/03/2021	10167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	EQUIPMENT INSURANCE	961.005	446	57.58
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03/03/2021	10168	DOUG WEAVER	BLDG INSPECTORS' SALARIES	703.004	371	195.00
03/03/2021	10169	JEFF SHAFER	BLDG INSPECTORS' SALARIES	703.004	371	195.00
03/03/2021	10170	MERLE WEST	BLDG INSPECTORS' SALARIES	703.004	371	195.00
03/03/2021	10171	GREAT LAKES ACE HARDWARE	DPW SUPPLIES	750.000	441	66.54
03/03/2021	10172	OAKLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES COM.	PARK MATERIALS	728.000	265	1,885.00
03/03/2021	10173	HOWARD & HOWARD	LEGAL FEES	803.000	266	6,410.00
03/03/2021	10174*#	ROAD COMM FOR OAKLAND CTY	P- GRANTS	502.000	000	3,222.00
03/10/2021	10175	CARLISLE/WORTMAN ASSOC INC	VH-PLANNER FEES	811.000	721	1,102.50
03/10/2021	10176	COMCAST	TELEPHONE EXPENSE	850.000	264	570.39
03/10/2021	10177#	DTE ENERGY	DETROIT EDISON-VH	920.000	265	3.08

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03/10/2021	10177	DTE ENERGY	DTE UPPER PARKING LOT	923.000	265	171.29
03/10/2021	10177	DTE ENERGY	DTE UPPER PARKING LOT	923.000	265	23.21
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03/10/2021	10177	DTE ENERGY	DTE STREET LIGHTING	926.000	448	<u>1,266.30</u>
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03/10/2021	10179	SYSTEMATIC HEATING & COOLING, INC	PARK MATERIALS	728.000	265	905.45
03/10/2021	10180	CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE	VEHICLES - GAS & OIL	862.000	446	353.98
03/10/2021	10181	CARLSLE/WORTMAN ASSOCIATES, INC.	BLDG DEPT PROFESSIONAL FEES	809.000	371	1,500.00
03/10/2021	10182	STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	727.000	264	90.55
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		CHECK GEN 10182 TOTAL FOR FUND 101:				96.84
03/17/2021	10183	PETTY CASH - CITY OF CLARKSTON	PETTY CASH	004.000	000	150.00
03/17/2021	10185	CHEMSEARCH	PARK MATERIALS	728.000	265	291.33
03/17/2021	10186	BLUE CARE NETWORK	HEALTH INSURANCE	709.000	441	344.32
03/17/2021	10187	HOWARD & HOWARD	LEGAL FEES	803.000	266	9,485.00
03/17/2021	10188	STAPLES	OFFICE SUPPLIES	727.000	264	93.47
03/24/2021	10189	RICOH USA INC	RICOH COPIER LEASE	941.000	264	202.65
03/24/2021	10190	CLARKSTON AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE	AUDIT FEES	805.000	223	290.00
03/31/2021	10192	OAKLAND SCHOOLS	SUPPLIES	726.000	253	175.51
03/31/2021	10193	SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION	PHYSICAL EXPENSE	720.000	441	66.00
03/31/2021	10194	ELITE STUMP GRINDING	TREE TRIMMING & MAINTENANCE	817.001	446	<u>495.00</u>
			Total for fund 101 GENERAL			107,609.89
03/03/2021	10167*#	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	SUPPLY & MTLs - NON-WINTER MAINT	726.001	451	507.00
03/17/2021	10184*	ROAD COMM FOR OAKLAND CTY	SALT - WINTER MAINTENANCE	778.001	453	<u>1,855.37</u>
			Total for fund 202 MAJOR STREET			2,362.37
03/17/2021	10184*	ROAD COMM FOR OAKLAND CTY	SALT - WINTER MAINTENANCE	778.001	453	<u>686.23</u>
			Total for fund 203 LOCAL STREET			686.23

03/03/2021	1110	SPRINT / NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE EQUIPMENT	760.000	264	71.57
03/03/2021	1111	T2 SYSTEM CANADA INC	MISC EXPENSE	757.000	264	55.00
03/03/2021	1112	ROAD COMM FOR OAKLAND CTY	ROAD / PARKING LOT MAINTENANCE	761.000	264	62,000.00
03/10/2021	1113	PASSPORT LABS, INC	MISC EXPENSE	757.000	264	5.75
03/24/2021	1114	T2 SYSTEM CANADA INC	MISC EXPENSE	757.000	264	55.00
03/31/2021	1115	SPRINT / NEXTEL COMMUNICATIONS	PHONE EQUIPMENT	760.000	264	70.97
			Total for fund 231 PARKING METER FUND			<u>62,258.29</u>
03/24/2021	2030	CHASE	INTEREST DEBT SERVICE PYMT	995.000	906	5,558.80
			Total for fund 301 2012 GO BOND DEBT			<u>5,558.80</u>
03/03/2021	10174*#	ROAD COMM FOR OAKLAND CTY	RESURFACING OF ROADS	970.006	901	20,040.97
03/24/2021	10191	ADT	PROFESSIONAL & CONTRACTUAL SERVICES	805.001	901	326.28
			Total for fund 401 CAPITAL PROJECT FUND			<u>20,367.25</u>
03/03/2021	2074	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	POSTAGE	727.001	536	180.00
03/17/2021	2075	GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY	IWC CHARGES IND TWP	814.002	536	67.45
			Total for fund 590 SEWER			<u>247.45</u>
03/08/2021	680(E)	OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER	TAX COLLECTIONS	220.000	000	4,293.11
03/08/2021	681(E)	CITY OF CLARKSTON CVT	TAX COLLECTIONS	220.000	000	27,943.02
03/08/2021	682(E)	CLARKSTON INDEPENDENCE DISTRIC LIBR	TAX COLLECTIONS	220.000	000	5,666.51
03/08/2021	683(E)	MILL POND ASSOCIATION	TAX COLLECTIONS	220.000	000	155.92
			Total for fund 703 TAX			<u>38,058.56</u>
		TOTAL - ALL FUNDS				<u>237,148.84</u>

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TO: City Council, The City of the Village of Clarkston
Jonathon Smith, City Manager
Tom Ryan, City Attorney

FROM: Richard K. Carlisle, FAICP
Ben Carlisle, AICP

DATE: March 2, 2021

RE: Short Term Rentals

We have been asked to assist the City in identifying options to address short term rentals (STRs). Short-term Rentals are also commonly known by company names such as AirBnB or VRBO. Definitions of short-term rental vary but typically short-term rental refers to furnished self-contained apartments or houses that are rented for short periods of time, typically a week or less.

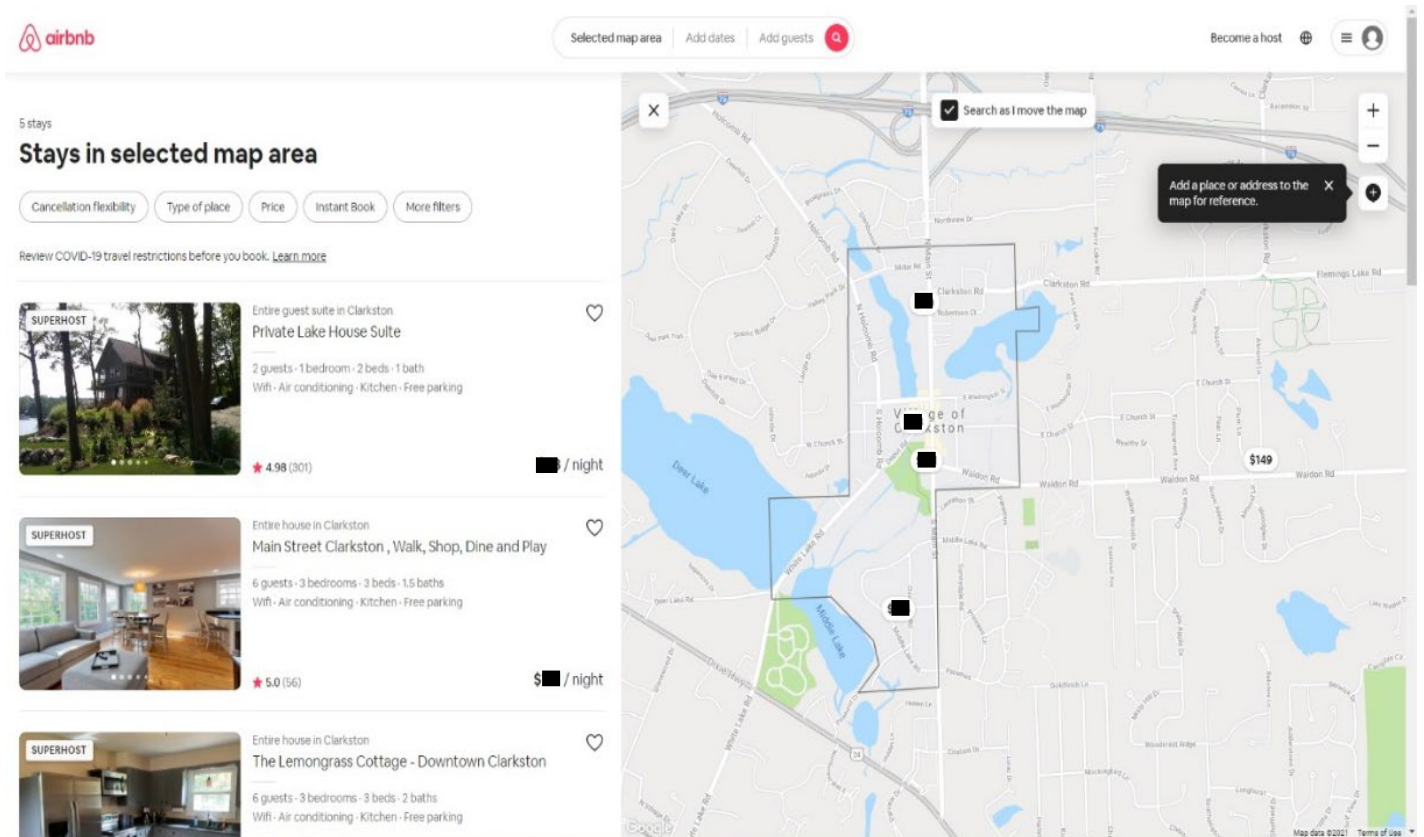
Generally short-term rentals fall into three general categories:

1. Primary Residence Homestay. Short-term rental where the owner remains present during guest stay.
2. Primary Residence Whole House. Short-term rental where owner is not present during guest stay.
3. Non-Owner-Occupied, often referred to as a vacation rental. Short-term rental where the home/apartment is not the primary residence of the owner and primary purpose of home/apartment is for short-term rentals.

Existing Conditions in Clarkston

As of February 24, 2021, there were four properties advertised on AirBnB and/or VRBO. The City has noted that they have not received any complaints or police calls regarding these uses. Existing STRs in the city include:

General Location	Type	Zoning District	Advertised
Main St (Clarkston Road)	Non-Owner-Occupied, Carriage House Accessory Dwelling Unit)	R-1	AirBnB
Main (Waldon Road)	Non-Owner-Occupied, whole house	R-2	AirBnB / VRBO
Overlook (Princess Lane)	Non-Owner-Occupied, whole house	R-1	AirBnB
Depot and Main Street	Unknown	VC, Village Commercial	AirBnB



Regulatory Options:

Short-term rentals may be approached in many ways, including differentiation between rental types such as primary residence or non-owner-occupied, location restrictions, occupancy, penalization for non-compliance and more. Please note that any approach the City takes will require zoning ordinance amendments. Preliminary options for the Council consideration:

1. Ban short-term rentals outright from any zoning district in the city.

While this may be an option for Council consideration, there are legal defensibility issues by outright banning a recognized use. If the City desires to ban STRS, there would have to be strong evidence as to why the City can exclude the use from any district in the city. In the end it may be defensible but not sure the restriction of the use would be worth the potential legal challenge when other viable options exist, as outlined in option 2 and 3.

2. Ban short-term rentals in the R-1 and R-2 Residential Districts but allow in other limited districts such as the VC, Village Commercial.

Recent case law has upheld municipal rights to ban STRs from single-family residential districts. If the City desires to ban in the R-1 and R-2 Residential Districts to avoid an exclusionary zoning case, they should consider allowing in limited districts, such as the VC, Village Commercial. The City may allow but regulate STRs in VC, Village Commercial. See option 3 for regulatory considerations.

3. Allow short-term rentals in VC, Village Commercial and/or R-1 and R-2 Residential Districts with regulations.

Third option for the City to consider is to allow in the VC, Village Commercial and/or R-1 and R-2 District but regulate. Listed below are regulatory options for the City to consider:

Regulatory Consideration	Purpose	Enforceability / Staff Commitment / Resources
<p>Create registration and license program Options include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Require local contact person/ agent b. Create a process for dealing with violators c. Ability to collect fees d. Requiring monthly reports from hosting sites to be filed with the Planning Department, which will share the information with City Council. 	<p>Can require local contact person / agent. Can create a process for dealing with violators. Can revoke license for repeat offenders. Can establish fees to offset City costs. Can monitor nuisance complains with registered rentals.</p>	<p>Enforceable.</p>

Regulatory Consideration	Purpose	Enforceability / Staff Commitment / Resources
No advertisements on premise	Maintain neighborhood integrity. Eliminate visual clutter.	Enforceable
Inspection and Life and Safety Codes Require inspection for STRs	Ensure public health, safety, and welfare	Enforceable
Limit number of days to be rented out a year	Maintain neighborhood integrity by limiting number of days for rental and reduce renter turnover. In theory, less rental turnover equates to less nuisance issues and better maintains neighborhood integrity.	May be difficult to enforce. Staff would have to monitor number of visitors of times house is rented. Could require owners to register all dates with City.
Regulate STRs based on type, example owner-occupied vs. non-owner occupied STRs?	Would allow limited rentals by owner-occupied while maintaining neighborhood integrity.	Enforceable through registration program
Limit by Geography a. Location b. Spacing/distance from each other to limit clustering	Limit to specific area of city. Maintain neighborhood integrity by limiting clustering of short-term rentals. Potentially picks winners and losers by being first come-first serve basis.	Enforceable through registration program.

Additional Consideration

In addition to considering how to treat potential new STRs, the City must also consider how to deal with the four (4) known existing STRs. Potential options include:

1. Ensure compliance with whatever regulations the City adopts. This may make these existing STRs non-compliant; or
2. Grandfather the known existing ones and ensure that any new STRs comply with whatever regulations the City adopts.
3. Allow existing ones to exist for a specific period of time and then amortize their use.

March 2, 2021

I look forward to discussing these options at an upcoming meeting. Please let me know if you have further questions.

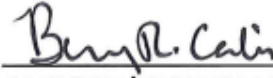
Yours Truly,



CARLISLE/WORTMAN ASSOC., INC.

Richard K. Carlisle, AICP

President



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Benjamin R. Carlisle, LEED AP, AICP

Recommendation from the Planning Commission (PC) to City Council re:

Continued Outdoor Dining on East Church Street Until July 7, 2021 (2 Months)

1. Background:

The closure of East Church to assist with outdoor dining during the Covid-19 pandemic is scheduled to expire on May 2, 2021. At that point, the Honcho tents would be removed from the street and the East Church would be restored to vehicle traffic.

However, the State of Michigan is currently experiencing a spike in Covid-19 cases and restaurants, operating at only 50% capacity, are in danger of being reduced to 25% capacity as positivity rates are perilously close to 10%.

Note: See Michigan Covid up-tick data in link below:

https://www.michigan.gov/documdata in link below:ents/coronavirus/20210323_Data_and_modeling_update_vSHARE_720229_7.pdf

On April 5, 2021, the Planning Commission discussed the continued challenges facing downtown businesses and restaurants. Union Joints and Honcho restaurant employees discussed the potential of extending the East Church Street closure until July 7, 2021. The Planning Commission agreed unanimously.

PC Recommendation to Council:

The Planning Commission recommends that City Council extend the East Church Street Honcho closure until July 7, 2021 with the following conditions:

1. All prior agreements for hours of operation, lighting, safety, licensing, insurance, boundaries and power remain unchanged.
2. The large Quonset tent, currently on East Church, is removed during the first week of May, 2021.

3. East Church is reopened to traffic on or before July 7, 2021.

4. All pavement striping for original parking and crosswalks is restored by July 7, 2021.

Thank you for your consideration and support.

Submitted by Rich Little, Chair - Planning Commission, on April 7, 2021.

City of the Village of Clarkston

375 Depot Road
Clarkston, Michigan 48346

Resolution - Paid Parking and Parking Enforcement

WHEREAS, in the May 11, 2020 City Council meeting, a resolution was passed to temporarily suspend paid parking and parking enforcement through December 31, 2020 to assist our local businesses struggling from the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, and;

WHEREAS, in the December 14, 2020 City Council meeting, a resolution was passed to extend the temporary suspension of paid parking and parking enforcement through February 15, 2021, and;

WHEREAS, in the February 8, 2021 City Council meeting, a resolution was passed to extend the temporary suspension of paid parking and parking enforcement through April 12, 2021, and;

WHEREAS, after paying for the repaving of N. Holcomb Road in 2020, no funds are currently available in the Parking Fund for road paving, sidewalk replacement or parking lot repairs, and;

WHEREAS, the current MDHHS restrictions allow indoor dining up to 50% and outdoor dining up to 100%, provided 6' social distancing is maintained, and;

WHEREAS, with COVID vaccines rolling out, there has been a noticeable increase in restaurant and business patronage, with parking on main street, in the Washington & Main lot and in the Depot Road lot at approximately 80% on Thursday through Saturday evenings, and;

WHEREAS, it is therefore proposed that the current suspension of Paid Parking and Parking Enforcement be lifted effective May 1, 2021, allowing time for the City to restart the processes, and;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Paid Parking in the Washington and Main parking lot will resume May 1, 2021 and Parking Enforcement throughout the City will also resume May 1, 2021.

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Resolution is Adopted

Resolution is Defeated

Jennifer Speagle, City Clerk

April 12, 2021

Date

City Council Agenda Item Request

City Council Agenda Item Request
375 Depot Road Clarkston, MI 48346 (248)625-1559

Today's Date 4/8/2021

City Council Meeting Date 4/12/2021

NOTE:

Council meetings are held the second and fourth Mondays of each month. All agenda items must be received by noon on the Thursday prior to a meeting.

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Describe Item Jeff Cicirelli is requesting that Cicirelli's cleaning service is able to hand out flyers, and demo equipment for future cleaning sales and equipment sales in the Village of Clarkston. The description of items used is a mag liner powered stair climbing hand truck model number 110, dupray neat steamer.

Action Requesting My ideal action for Cicirelli's cleaning service is to do some door-to-door sales and passing out flyers in neighborhoods. My second plan is to use the intersection of Washington Avenue and S. Main St. I'd like to use the intersection at the red light stops to approach stopped cars to solicit sale of merchandise and as a thank you pass out a flyer.(or just pass out flyers). Any car interested in merchandise and or information would be directed to the paid parking lot on corner and I'd be OK paying multiple parking spaces for my time. I would only approach vehicles at a complete stop and walk away once the lights

turns green to avoid traffic problems. I'd also be OK using city sidewalks to pass out flyers to accepting people. My third plan of attack is to ask excepting businesses if I can use a well desired place on their property with their permission to pass out flyers. I believe in hard work and I wanna make this as legal as possible, and as safe as possible. Once confirmed on what I am able to do from the city Council, I would like to be in direct contact with somebody from the city or police department and what my plans for the day are going to be or plans in advance. I'm looking for Monday morning for a few hours (9am-12pm)once a week for at least a month to test out how this works for my business.

Attachments

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April 2, 2021

Mayor Eric Haven
City of The Village of Clarkston
375 Depot St
Clarkston, MI 48346

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Dear Mayor Haven,

Please accept this invitation to join an exciting, community-driven collaboration declaring May 2021 as Mental Health Month.

Each year Oakland Community Health Network, along with its exceptional service provider network, hosts an array of initiatives that promote community awareness about mental illness. As part of this endeavor, we are once again asking cities, townships, and villages throughout Oakland County to partner with us by approving the included proclamation for May as Mental Health Month at their council meetings.

We understand with the current COVID-19 epidemic, social distancing, and uncertainty of resuming normal activities, many entities may be holding virtual meetings. If this is the case for your community, please let us know if it's possible to read aloud the proclamation or post it on your website.

Thank you for considering this meaningful initiative. Together we can serve as advocates of independence and equality for people who have a mental illness. Please contact Debbie Wisser at 248-858-0929 or wisserd@oaklandchn.org for any questions regarding this effort.

Sincerely,



Christine Burk
Communications and Community Outreach Director

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BY: 

Mental Health Awareness Month – May 2021

- WHEREAS, mental health is important for our individual well-being and vitality, as well as that of our families, communities and businesses; and
- WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has been a reminder of the importance of integrating mental health into preparedness and response plans for public health emergencies; and
- WHEREAS, younger adults, racial/ethnic minorities, essential workers, and adult caregivers reported having disproportionately worse mental health outcomes, increased substance use, and elevated suicidal ideation associated with COVID-19; and
- WHEREAS, one in six U.S. children aged 2–8 years (17.4%) had a diagnosed mental, behavioral, or developmental disorder; and
- WHEREAS, May 6, 2021 is designated the National Children’s Mental Health Awareness Day and May 2 through May 8, 2021 is designated as Children’s Mental Health Awareness Week ; and
- WHEREAS, Oakland Community Health Network is committed to being a Zero Suicide organization and cultivate a network of providers who are engaged in the Zero Suicide philosophy; and
- WHEREAS, mental illness is a biologically based brain disorder that cannot be overcome through “will power” and is not related to a defect in a person’s “character” or intelligence; and
- WHEREAS, mental health recovery not only benefits individuals with mental health disorders by focusing on their abilities to live, work, learn and fully participate and contribute to our society, but also enriches the culture of our community life; and
- WHEREAS, the Oakland Community Health Network (OCHN), and its service provider agencies, are committed to inspiring hope, empowering people, and strengthening communities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, Oakland Community Health Network, hereby recognizes May 2021 as Mental Health Awareness Month. OCHN calls upon our citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, businesses and schools to recommit our state to increasing awareness and understanding of mental illness, and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses to promote recovery.