

## AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commissioners  
FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager  
DATE: January 27, 2010  
RE: City Manager's Report



For the Agenda of February 1, 2010

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Depot Steering Committee Meeting. The first committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, January 29<sup>th</sup>. Committee membership currently includes representation from MidMichigan Community Action Agency, MDOT, the City of Clare Planning Commission, the Clare Chamber of Commerce, the Clare Area Arts Council, Clare Main Street, the Pere Marquette District Library, a local builder, a local businessman, the local railroad group, and the City of Clare. Committee membership will be increased/decreased as needed during the process to relocate and rehabilitate the depot building. I will provide the Commission an overview of the committee's first meeting discussions and general direction the committee is pursuing at Monday's meeting.

New Middle Michigan Development Corporation President. The Middle Michigan Development Corporation (MMDC) has selected its new president, Mr. Brian Anderson. A copy of Brian's resume is attached; he was selected from a pool of approximately 50 highly qualified applicants and assume leadership of this organization on February 15<sup>th</sup>. Brian replaces Mr. George Dunn, who retired in October 2009 after serving as the corporation's president for 26 years. The City and many of its industrial manufacturing firms are clients of MMDC and have a long-standing (11 years), successful relationship with this organization.

IDC Presentation. The Clare Industrial Corporation presentation to the Clare City Commission regarding proposed industrial park expansion is now tentatively scheduled for the City Commission meeting of February 15<sup>th</sup>.

Conference Attendance. I will be attending the annual Michigan city and county manager's conference being held in Grand Rapids Feb 2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>. I will be available via cell phone and email and can return to Clare on two-hours notice if needed throughout this period.

Attachments. Biographical Sketch of Mr. Brian Anderson.

## **Brian Anderson**

Lansing Michigan

Currently serves as the Director of Urban Development and Legislative Affairs for Lansing, Michigan as a part of the city's Economic Development Corporation, Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, and Tax Increment Finance Authority.

- Handles much of the economic development activity occurring in the downtown & surrounding principle commercial areas of the City
- Interfaces with the business & development community on such subjects as retention/recruitment visits, acquisition and use of grant funds, tax incentives, various financing and loan tools, comprehensive development agreements, land sale negotiations, and other related tasks
- Often manages the implementation of these projects and represent clients in front of City Council and its committees
- Veteran of both local and state government approval processes
- Well versed in urban planning procedures
- Serves on several boards and committees for commercial associations and community groups across the City of Lansing
  - Multi-municipality Corridor Improvement Authority
  - Cool Cities
  - Michigan Main Street
  - Business Improvement Zone
- Community speaker, manages initiatives, creates a fantastic environment for entrepreneurs
- Experienced in internal and external policy decisions, balance multiple priorities, meets strict deadlines, exceeds expectations
- Possess strong financial interpretation and projection skills
- Bachelor's degree in Regional and Urban Planning from MSU, currently pursuing MBA and Certified Economic Developer Certificate