

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor & City Commissioners

FROM: Ken Hibl, City Manager

DATE: April 15, 2010

RE: *Board & Committee Appointment (Clare Main Street Board, Downtown Development Authority, & Clare Brownfield Redevelopment Authority – Ms. Dawn Thomas & Mr. Bob Ruby, Jr.)

For the Agenda of April 19 2010

***Note: This is a Consent Agenda item and is considered as routine business of the City Commission. As such, this matter shall be automatically enacted by one motion with all other Consent Agenda items unless a Commissioner or citizen requests this item be individually discussed, in which event it shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered and acted upon in its designated sequence on the approved agenda of the Clare City Commission for April 19, 2010.**

Background. The Clare Main Street Board consists of thirteen appointed members: twelve of these members concurrently serve as members of the Clare Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and members of the Clare Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA). There are presently two vacancies on the Clare DDA and Clare BRA. Mr. Jim Allen, the Chairman of the Main Street Board, DDA, and BRA, has nominated Mr. Bob Ruby (the proprietor of Bob's Lounge) and Ms. Dawn Thomas (the manager of Alro Steel – Clare) to fill these two vacancies. The Clare Main Street Board and DDA was scheduled to meet on Friday, April 2nd to discuss and consider the nominations and subsequently make a recommendation to the Clare City Commission regarding the appointments; however, a quorum was not present to hold the meeting. Consequently, a special meeting was convened on Thursday, April 15th to discuss this and other agenda items of the Board; the Board unanimously endorsed and recommended that the City Commission make the appointments.

The Clare City Commission is asked to consider the recommendation(s) of the Clare Main Street Board and DDA and make a decision(s) regarding the appointment of individuals to serve in the currently vacant positions of these Boards/Authorities.

Issues & Questions Specified. Should the City Commission appoint Ms. Dawn Thomas and Mr. Bob Ruby, Jr. to concurrently serve as members of the Clare Main Street Board, the Clare Downtown Development Authority, and the Clare Brownfield Redevelopment Authority?

Alternatives.

1. Approve the appointments.
2. Select individuals other than those nominated and recommended for appointment.
3. Do not appoint anyone to fill either of these vacant board positions.
4. Defer/delay decision of this matter to a subsequently scheduled City Commission meeting.

Financial Impact. There is no direct financial impact to the City.

Recommendation. I recommend that the City Commission approve the appointments of Mr. Bob Ruby and Dawn Thomas to serve three-year terms as members of the City of Clare Main Street Board, the Clare DDA, and the Clare BRA by adoption of Resolution 2010-027 (*copy att'd*).

Attachment. Resolution 2010-027.

RESOLUTION 2010-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CLARE CITY COMMISSION APPOINTING MR BOB RUBY, JR. AND MS. DAWN THOMAS TO SERVE CONCURRENTLY AS MEMBERS OF THE CLARE MAIN STREET BOARD, THE CLARE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, AND THE CLARE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

WHEREAS, the Clare Main Street Board consists of thirteen members, twelve of which currently serve as members of the Clare Downtown Development Authority (DDA) and Clare Brownfield Authority (BRA); and

WHEREAS, said thirteen serving members are appointed by the Clare City Commission; and

WHEREAS, two vacancies presently exist on said Board and Authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Chairman of the Clare Main Street Board, who also concurrently serves as the Chairman of the Clare DDA and the Clare BRA, has nominated and the said full boards and authorities have recommended approval of the appointments of Mr. Bob Ruby, Jr. and Ms. Dawn Thomas to serve on said Board and Authorities; and

WHEREAS, the Clare City Commission has reviewed said nominations and deems said individuals are fully qualified to perform the duties and responsibilities as members of said Board and Authorities.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Clare hereby appoints Mr. Bob Ruby, Jr. and Ms. Dawn Thomas to concurrently serve as voting members of the City of Clare Main Street Board, the Clare Downtown Development Authority, and the Clare Brownfield Authority, said appointments being effective the 19th day of April 2010 and terminating on the 18th day of April 2013.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointments are voluntary and without compensation and are governed by the provisions of the respective statutes of the State of Michigan authorizing the establishment of said Board and Authorities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointed individuals may resign from said appointments upon written notice to the Clare City Commission of their intent to do so.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said selection for appointment can be withdrawn, terminated, or revoked, with or without cause, by the Clare City Commission upon notice of its intent to do so.

ALL RESOLUTIONS AND PARTS OF RESOLUTIONS INSOFAR AS THEY CONFLICT WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION BE AND THE SAME ARE HEREBY RESCINDED.

The Resolution was introduced by Commissioner _____ and supported by Commissioner _____. The Resolution declared adopted by the following roll call vote:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

Resolution approved for adoption on this 19th day of April 2010.

Diane Schmidt, City Clerk