

CLYDE CITY COUNCIL
Regular Session – October 6, 2026

Clyde City Council met at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 6, 2026, in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 222 N. Main Street, Clyde, Ohio. Mayor Doug McCauley called the meeting to order.

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Doug McCauley
Vice Mayor Chris Shay
Council Member Cody Browning
Council Member Greg McMaster
City Manager Justin LaBenne (Not voting)
Clerk of Council Janet Dickman (Not voting)
Deputy Clerk Jackie Hoppe (Not voting)
Finance Director Frank Weasner (Not voting)
Solicitor Zachary Selvey (Not voting)

Absent/

Excused: Council Member Terri Meek

Visitors signing in can be referenced in the Record Book Supplement.

The meeting opened with The Lord's Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of September 15, 2026, regular session of council were distributed for review prior to this meeting. There were no corrections.

Motion: to approve the minutes of September 15, 2026, regular session of council as written,

Action: Approve,

Moved by: Council Member Cody Browning, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Greg McMaster, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Cody Browning.

DISCUSSION OF PENDING OLD BUSINESS

There was none.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Thank you sympathy card from the Moyer Family, for former fire chief Dave Moyer

- Invitation from the Clyde Public Library to their Fall Open House on 10/6/2026 from 5-7 p.m. celebrating 120 Years of Stories from 1906-2026.

Visitors:

Dean Bliss, Sandusky County Drug Task Force, distributed material to council. He offered thanks to the City of Clyde and to the Clyde Police Department for their support. Statistics for January to September 2026 were reviewed. In 2015, there was no drug task force for Sandusky County to address the heroine and opiod abuse. Local police chiefs came together to try to organize a needed drug-task force by obtaining state and local grants, donations and applying for a levy in 2017 to use for staff salaries, vehicle gasoline, etc. Current task force staff was reviewed, including a K-9. The task force encourages individuals to go into treatment, and they have an 80% rate of getting individuals into treatment. Drug overdoses have drastically decreased.

Charlie Horn also shared some material and the highlights were reviewed. Narcan is readily distributed as requested/needed. The cost of drug products changes from time to time, but the cost is back up again.

Mayor McCauley offered thanks for all that the task force does, which is saving lives and helping to improve our communities. Education is very important.

Mr. Shay questioned where the Task Force gives their presentations (Sandusky County Fair, Lions Club, etc.; representatives from the Drug Task Force are available to speak to local organizations regarding their program; drugs being used now have other things mixed in with them, and are very potent that can kill the user).

Mr. McMaster once served on a grand jury and heard the Drug Task Force presentation at that time.

Resident Travis Brown questioned a new drug that Mr. Bliss referenced (Narcan does not work with this new drug; the new drug is a mixture of three drugs, and it has not been named yet).

Renewal of the levy to support the Sandusky County Drug Task Force is on the ballot for November; this is a renewal, not an increase in taxes. The tax brings the Task Force approximately \$697,000/annually, at a cost of approximately \$1.60/month for a homeowner.

James Posey, Sandusky County Health Department, distributed information. He saw a Facebook post stating used needles have been found near the Clyde reservoir. He showed a Naloxone box to Council, which is currently being used in Fremont. This box can hold thirteen boxes of Narcan and the box is placed at parks and other public places. He monitors the sites and replaces the supply as needed. A small Naloxone box can be available for placement at businesses, and a training video is available to explain how to use. This could be made available in Clyde, if requested. They promote a Drug Awareness Day, and he agrees with the Drug Task Force that overdose deaths have decreased significantly.

Mayor McCauley questioned the frequency of vandalism of the Naloxone boxes (there has been zero vandalism in Fremont in the four years they have had them).

Mr. Selvey questioned if some addicts could use the Narcan to allow them to keep using more drugs (no, the addict would not want to “waste” a high by using Narcan).

Mr. Selvey questioned why help is offered to an addict; he made the comparison to someone who is breaking the law by speeding and they get into an accident – would they be helped by performing CPR if needed (yes, helping an addict is the same as helping anyone in need of medical care).

Mr. Shay noted Narcan can be purchased at a pharmacy, at no cost, and without a prescription.

FIRST READING ORDINANCES

There were none.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES

2026-73 AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CHAPTER 710 – YARD/GARAGE SALES OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF CLYDE, OHIO AND REPEALING SECTION 1153.09 – YARD/GARAGE SALES.

By poll of Council, Ordinance No. **2026-73** was read by title only for its second reading.

Mr. LaBenne noted this change will remove the fees, it will move this Chapter out of the zoning codes and place it in the general codes, and it will allow residents to register their yard/garage sale online.

Motion: to adopt Ordinance No. **2026-73**, **Action:** Adopt,

Moved by: Vice Mayor Chris Shay, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Council Member Greg McMaster, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Cody Browning, Mayor Doug McCauley.

Mayor McCauley announced that Ordinance No. **2026-73** was adopted.

RESOLUTIONS

2026-76 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PASS-THROUGH GRANT AGREEMENT WITH THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE COMMUNITY PARK NATURE TRAIL PROJECT.

Resolution No. **2026-76** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne stated we received a \$125,000 award from the State, we had a reasonable quote for about \$132,000 for all the engineering and permitting, building the bridge, EPA, and Army Corp of Engineers relocating some mussels, butterflies, etc. We learned from the last run for this project that this doesn't need to be done but you must go through the process. As soon as this agreement is executed we will be asking for our initial one third advance to ensure we are covering costs as the \$56,000 is incurred for this year, which we did have in miscellaneous lines and again the one third advance will cover most of it. We are hoping to not come out of pocket until we get the reimbursement. It should only be \$7,500 at the end of this. It is about a two-year process for the permitting and engineering to be done.

Mayor McCauley questioned the \$125,000, will we still lose the 1% for whoever writes the check (there does not appear to be any processing fee included in the agreement).

Mr. Selvey is noted that any recordings we will need to do, we have been through once. He does not feel there is anything we would need to worry about. The Community Park legal description consists of about fifteen legal descriptions dating back to the 1930's.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2026-76**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Cody Browning, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor Chris Shay.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Cody Browning, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Greg McMaster.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2026-76** passed.

2026-77 A RESOLUTION AWARDING A CONTRACT FOR THE PREMIER DRIVE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.

Resolution No. **2026-77** was read in its entirety.

Mr. LaBenne reported the chosen bid is well below the engineer's estimate. This project is for 400 feet of asphalt, replacing every joint. Half of the project will be funded, with a \$300,000 grant.

Motion: to pass Resolution No. **2026-77**, **Action:** Pass,

Moved by Council Member Greg McMaster, **Seconded by** Vice Mayor Chris Shay.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Council Member Cody Browning, Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Greg McMaster, Vice Mayor Chris Shay.

Mayor McCauley announced that Resolution No. **2026-77** passed.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Mr. LaBenne gave the following report:

- New stop signs have been posted at the intersections at Mulberry and Maple, and at Woodland and Maple Streets; so far there have been no issues or complaints.
- Tim Willis, WTP Acting Superintendent, spoke on the Raw Water Project; EPA approval has been received to pump water from the Sandusky River, a distance of seven miles, into the reservoir; we are using the new pumping station to identify any needed repairs which can be repaired at no cost to us for the first year.
- Minimum wage has increased by 40 cents, bringing minimum wage to \$11.40.
- A site visit was held with a manufacturer who is looking at locations in Clyde.
- It appears the sale will be going through for Evergreen, although we are not completely aware of who the buyer is; all parties are aware of the debts owed to the City.

FINANCE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Weasner reported the following:

- Budget preparations continue; the budget packet will be made available to Council for their review.
- Mr. Weasner will be leaving on vacation tomorrow and returning next Wednesday
- Thanks were extended to all superintendents for preparing their budgets and learning the new budget tracker system

COUNCIL REMARKS

Mayor McCauley attended the Clyde Public Library open house tonight. Our library is well maintained and has a dedicated staff. He does not want to see our library become a "dinosaur" and no longer used. We are very fortunate to have such a nice library in Clyde.

Mayor McCauley inquired about the property at 226 Duane Street. The structure is dilapidated and he questioned if it is being repaired. He questioned if this property will be treated as other properties have been handled, and if it will be condemned.

Mr. LaBenne is aware of the concern with this property owned by Jason Weaver, and he has another property on Prospect. This property along with about twelve others are being monitored, and the Zoning Inspector has sent letters related to the poor condition of the property to the property owner. Mr. LaBenne noted condemnation requires a financial investment from the City.

Mr. McMaster stated he has seen some structural work being done on this property during 2026.

Mr. Selvey noted in the past the City has offered more grace to local property owners, who are making some type of effort, even if the progress is slow. This is different than a property owned by a LLC.

MOTIONS

There were none.

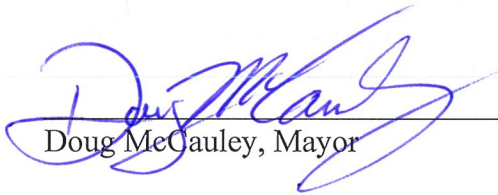
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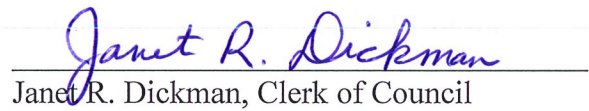
Motion: to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. **Action:** Adjourn,

Moved by Mayor Doug McCauley, **Seconded by** Council Member Greg McMaster.

Vote: Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 4).

Yes: Mayor Doug McCauley, Council Member Greg McMaster, Vice Mayor Chris Shay, Council Member Cody Browning.



Doug McCauley, Mayor

Janet R. Dickman, Clerk of Council

CITY OF CLYDE
COUNCIL MEETING

Date: Tuesday, October 6, 2026 Regular Session

Visitors – PLEASE SIGN IN:

1. Pearl Busi DCB
2. Charles Horn Chuff
3. Tim Willis Tim Willis
4. Gary Beamer Gary Beamer
5. Mike Billips MBillips
6. Loreli Phillips Loreli Phillips
7. Marcia Nacey Marcotte
8. Jim Posay J Posay
9. Gary Smith Gary Smith
10. Travis Brown Travis
11. Kayleigh Trent Ken
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