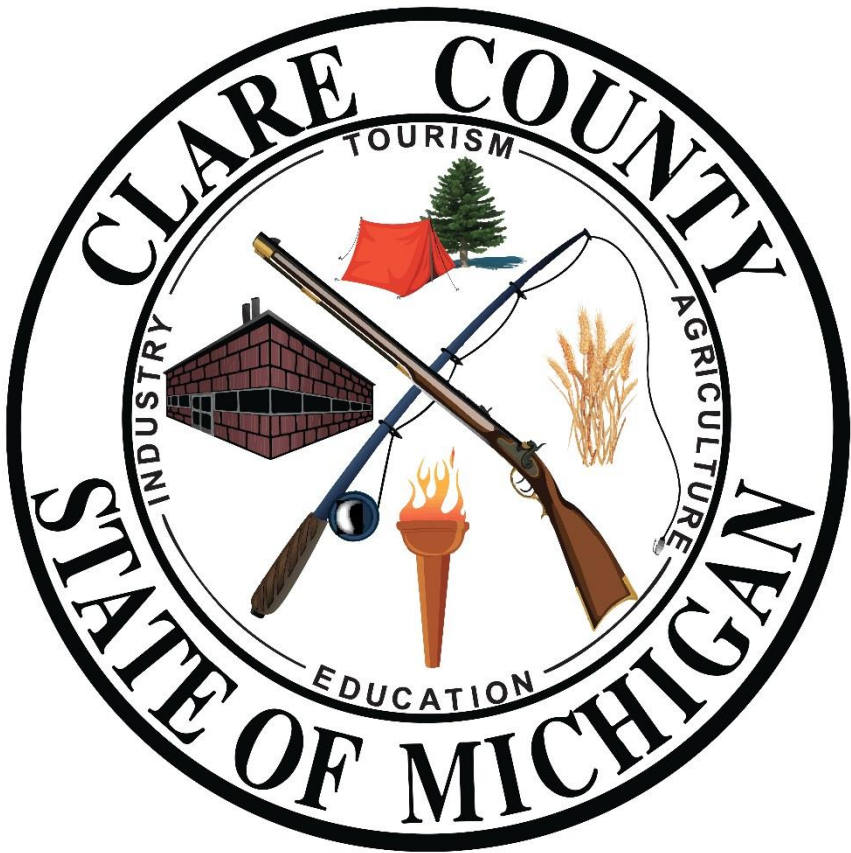


**COUNTY OF CLARE**  
**225 W. MAIN ST.**  
**P.O. BOX 438**  
**HARRISON, MICHIGAN**



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## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

“I Pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands. One nation, under God, indivisible, with Liberty and Justice for all.”

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE MICHIGAN FLAG**

“I Pledge allegiance to the Flag of Michigan, and the state for which it stands, two beautiful peninsulas united by a bridge of steel where equal opportunity and justice to all is our ideal.”

## **RESPECT FOR THE AMERICAN FLAG**

The Flag Code, a national guideline on ways in which it is to be respected, state that no disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America. Specific ways, in which the flag should not be used, according to the code, are:

\*The flag should not be dipped to any person or thing, and can be flown upside down only as a signal.

\*The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a way that would allow it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged.

\*The flag should never have any mark, insignia, letter, work, or other designs of any kind placed upon it.

\*The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

\*The flag should never be used for advertising purposes. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a flag’s staff or halyard.

When lowering the flag, make certain that no part of it touches the ground. It should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag, ceremoniously fold it lengthwise in half, then repeat with the blue field on the outside. Finally, while one person holds it by the blue field, another then makes a triangular fold in the opposite end, continuing to fold it in triangles until only the blue shield shows.

When a flag is in such a condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified manner, preferably by burning.

It is proper to display the flag from sunrise to sunset on all days the weather permits. The flag may also be displayed at night if illuminated by a light. But it is even more important to display the flag on national holidays and days of importance.

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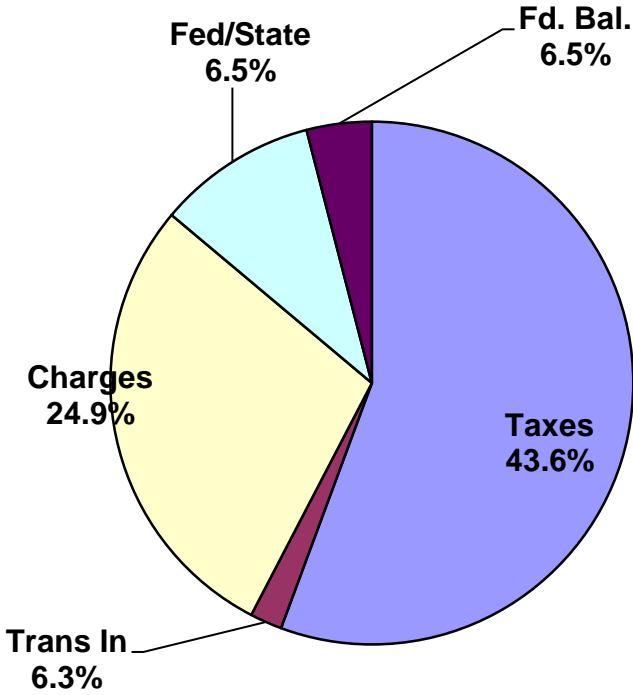
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## COURTHOUSE OFFICE HOURS

The Clare County Courthouse is open from 8:00 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Some offices are closed during noon hour 12:00 — 1:00 pm.

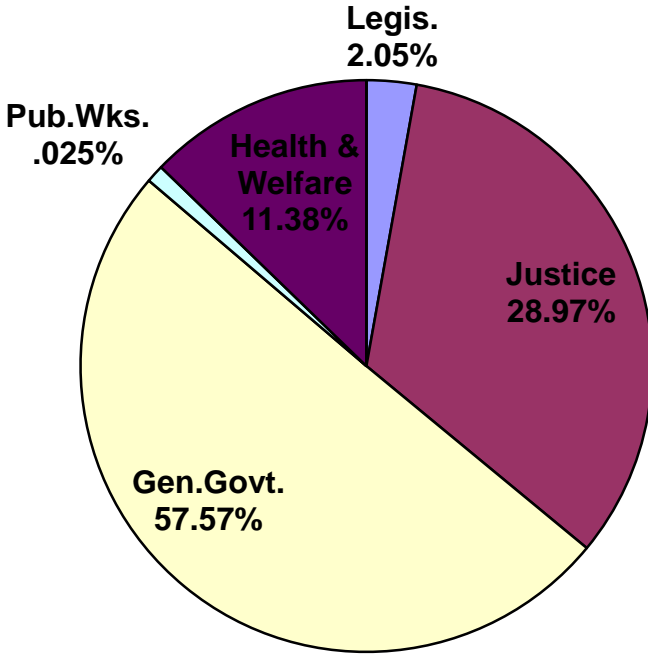
County offices will be closed on all regular Government Holidays. Any exceptions will be posted on the bulletin board in the County Building, located at 225 W. Main St., Harrison. For more information call (989) 539-2510, County Administrator's Office, or information is available on the county's website at [www.clareco.net](http://www.clareco.net).

**FY 2020  
REVENUES GENERAL FUND**



<u>USES</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
FUND BALANCE	\$ 810,332	6.5%
TRANSFER IN	\$ 787,034	6.3%
CHARGES	\$3,091,939	24.9%
FEDERAL/STATE	\$1,487,567	12%
TAXES	\$5,404,689	43.6%

**FY 2020  
EXPENDITURES GENERAL FUND**



<u>USES</u>	<u>2020</u>	<u>% OF TOTAL</u>
LEGISLATION	\$ 102,416	2.05%
JUSTICE	\$ 1,446,555	28.97%
GENERAL/GOVT.	\$ 2,874,054	57.57%
PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 1232	.025%
HEALTH & WELFARE	\$ 568,281	11.38%

**COUNTY OF CLARE**  
**From the 2010 Census**  
**POPULATION-30,926**

<b>Local Units</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>1990</b>	<b>1980</b>	<b>1970</b>	<b>1960</b>
Arthur Twp.	647	667	544	562	475	420
Franklin Twp.	825	809	600	631	374	251
Freeman Twp.	1157	1118	613	437	212	127
Frost Twp.	1047	1159	826	852	607	338
Garfield Twp.	1882	1968	1477	1416	938	686
Grant Twp.	3259	3034	2636	2227	1754	1328
Greenwood Twp.	1041	1059	718	649	362	255
Hamilton Twp.	1829	1988	1546	1595	796	513
Hatton Twp.	933	923	673	638	460	295
Hayes Twp.	4675	4916	3811	3609	1943	606
Lincoln Twp.	1824	1758	1253	947	645	345
Redding Twp.	526	526	448	401	281	200
Sheridan Twp.	1575	1588	1051	1033	863	712
Summerfield Twp.	456	453	316	279	214	119
Surrey Twp.	3606	3555	3221	3101	2338	1653
Winterfield Twp.	459	483	371	418	335	285
City of Clare	3118	3140	3013	3300	2639	2442
City of Harrison	<u>2114</u>	<u>2108</u>	<u>1835</u>	<u>1700</u>	<u>1460</u>	<u>1072</u>

## **TELEPHONE NUMBERS OF CLARE COUNTY OFFICES/PROGRAMS**

Administrator .....	539-2510
Adult Probation.....	539-2458
Airport.....	989-640-9444
Animal Control .....	539-3221
Board of Commissioners.....	539-7436
Building Inspector.....	539-2741
Central Michigan Dist. Health Dept. ....	539-6731
Central Michigan Dist. Health Dept. Envir. Health .....	539-5092
Circuit Court - Clerk .....	539-7131
Circuit Court, Probation & Parole.....	539-2458
Conservation District .....	539-6401
County Clerk.....	539-7131
District Court .....	539-7173
District Court, Probation.....	539-2187
Drain Commissioner .....	539-7320
Electrical Inspector .....	539-2351
Emergency Management .....	539-6161
Enterprise Community .....	539-7805
Equalization Department .....	539-7894
Fair .....	539-9011
Department of Human Services (Formerly Family Ind. Agency) .....	539-4260
Friend of the Court.....	539-0800
Technology .....	539-6402
Housing Commission.....	539-2761
Juvenile Probation.....	539-7887
Medical Examiner.....	231-730-3114
Mental Health (Community Mental Health for Central Michigan)...	539-2141
MSU Extension/4-H Youth/Home Economics .....	539-7805
Probate/Juvenile Court.....	539-7109
Juvenile Probation.....	539-8871
Prosecuting Attorney .....	539-9831
Public Guardian .....	386-6099
Register of Deeds/Abstractor.....	539-7131
Road Commission.....	539-2151
Senior Services/Council on Aging.....	539-8870
Sheriff's Department .....	539-7166
Soil Erosion.....	539-6401
Surveyor.....	539-2540
Transit .....	539-1473
Treasurer .....	539-7801
Veteran's Affairs .....	539-3273
Women's Aid.....	539-5895
<b>WEATHER LINE.....</b>	<b>539-5961</b>

## **Federal Officials**

### **Senators**

Gary Peters (D)

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Midland Office: 989-631-2552

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State Capitol

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Lansing, MI 48909

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Fax 517-335-7858

### **State Senator: 33rd District**

Rick Outman (R)

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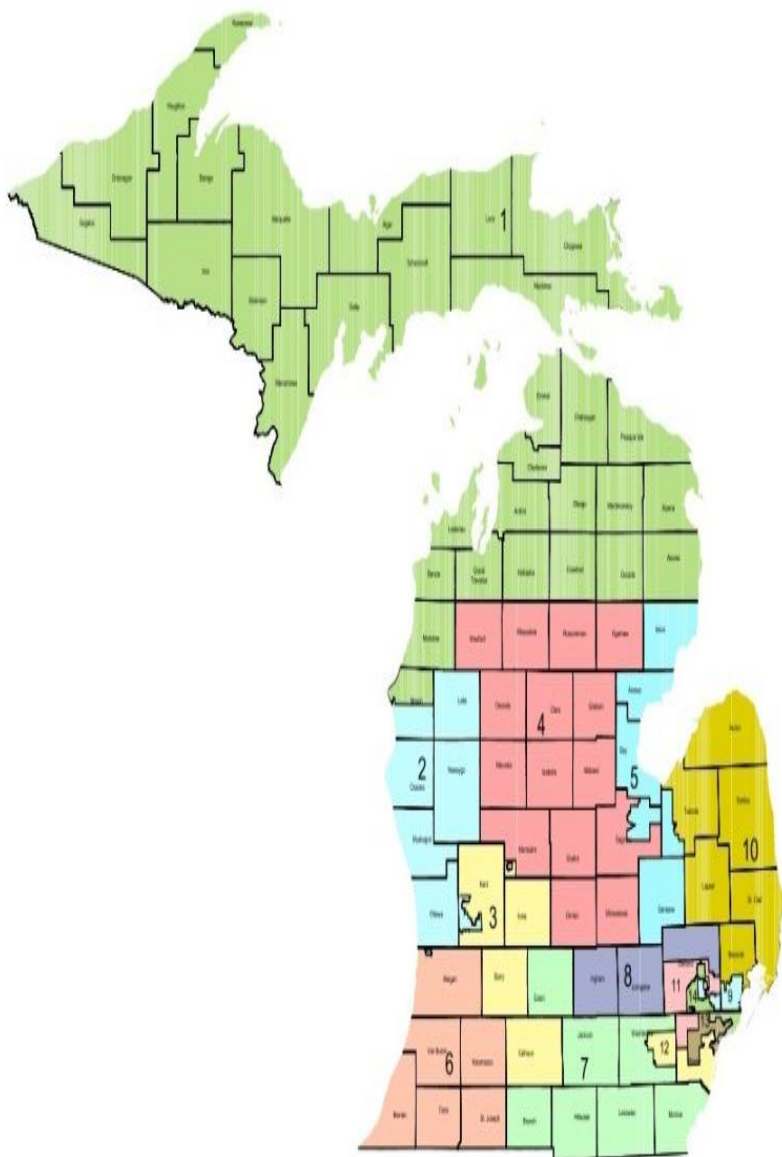
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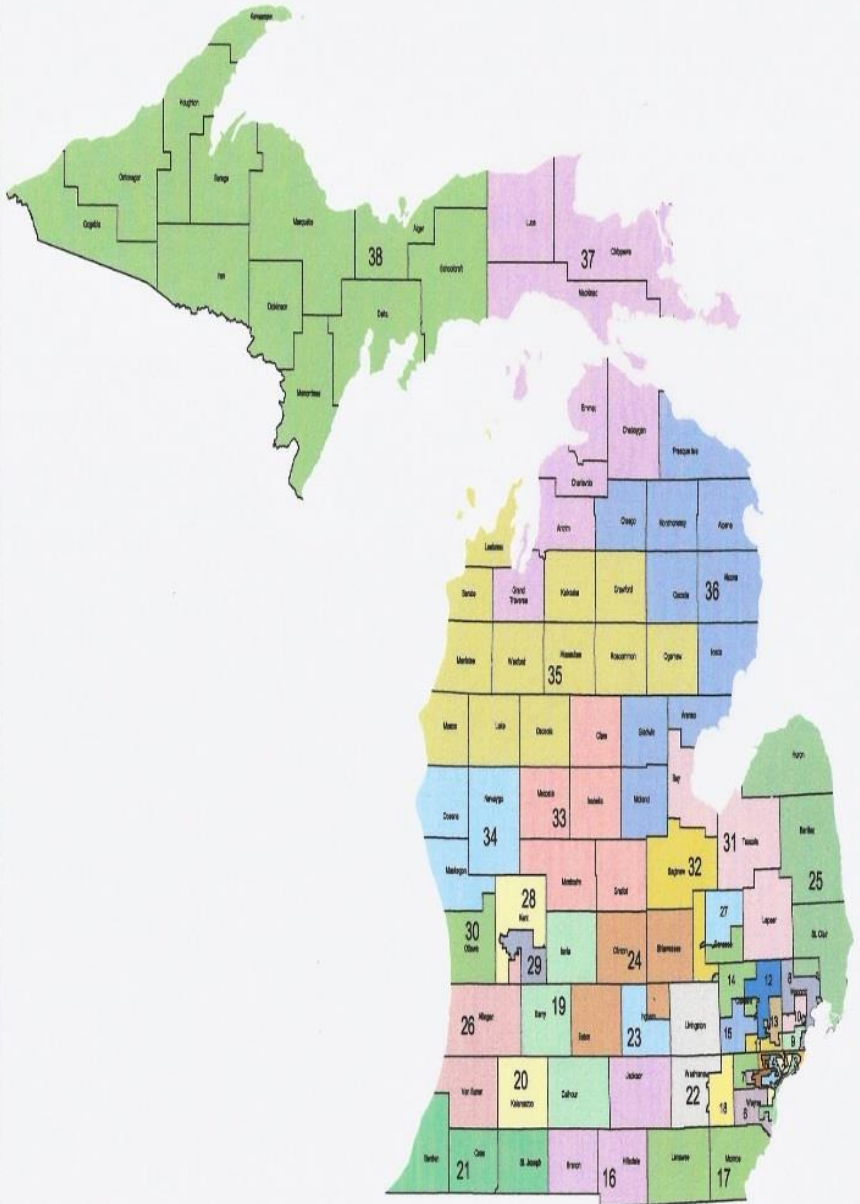


# Congress





# State Senate



**CIRCUIT COURT  
55<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL COURT  
CLARE & GLADWIN COUNTIES  
(989) 539-7131  
HONORABLE THOMAS R. EVANS  
(989) 426-9237  
HONORABLE ROY G. MIENK  
(989) 426-6025  
CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES**

Judicial Secretary for Judge Evans ..... Annette Mead  
Judicial Secretary for Judge Mienk ..... Rhonda Reppert  
Court Administrator ..... Darrell Schlese

**Motion Days**  
Every Monday

**Officers of the Circuit Court**

Clerk of the Court ..... Lori Martin  
Chief Deputy Clerk ..... Stacy Pechacek  
Circuit Court Jury Line ..... (989)539-7061

**FRIEND OF THE COURT  
(989)539-0080**

Friend of the Court ..... Jamie Raymond

**CIRCUIT COURT PROBATION & PAROLE  
(989)539-2458**

Supervisor ..... Charles Pistro

**80<sup>TH</sup> JUDICIAL COURT  
CLARE & GLADWIN COUNTIES  
(989)539-7173 (989)539-9207  
HONORABLE JOSHUA M. FARRELL  
DISTRICT COURT JUDGE**

**Officers of the District Court**

Magistrate .....Steven Worpell  
Court Reporter/ Judicial Clerk .....  
Probation Officer ..... Rebecca Noteboom

**PROBATE/FAMILY COURT  
CLARE & GLADWIN COUNTIES  
(989)539-7109 (989)539-7451  
HONORABLE MARCY A. KLAUS  
PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT JUDGE**

Probate Register .....Josette Given  
Juvenile Register .....Stacy Swan  
Deputy Clerk.....Haley Schanhals  
Court Administrator/Referee ..... Darrell Schlese  
Friend of the Court..... Jamie Raymond

**JUVENILE PROBATION  
(989)539-7887**

Juvenile Probation Officer ..... Joseph Phillips

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN  
CLARE COUNTY**

Members of the State Bar of Michigan  
Residing, or with Law Offices in Clare County

Carpenter, Dwight, P42780.....	Clare
Diederich, D. Todd, P57429 .....	Harrison
Dreyer, David, P23247 .....	Harrison
Hoerauf, Jaynie, P47885 .....	Clare
Hovey, Tara, P54258 .....	Harrison
Klaus, Jeffrey, P59563.....	Clare
McAndrew, David, P58250 .....	Harrison
Moore, Scott, P53609.....	Harrison
Peterson, Matthew, P80119 .....	Harrison
Post, Izak, P77832.....	Harrison
Roe, Austin, P56342 .....	Harrison
Santini, Andrew, P77155.....	Gladwin
Tomczyk, Karyn, P76403 .....	Gladwin

## ELECTED COUNTY OFFICIALS

County Clerk/Register of Deeds/Abstractor .....Lori Martin  
Email.....[martinl@clareco.net](mailto:martinl@clareco.net)  
Chief Deputy Register of Deeds.....bringoldj@clareco.net... Joy Bringold  
Chief Deputy Clerk.....pechaceks@clareco.net..... Stacy Pechacek  
P.O. Box 438, Harrison, MI 48625..... (989)539-7131  
Fax Number..... (989)539-6616

County Treasurer .....Jenny Beemer-Fritzinger  
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Chief Deputy Treasurer..... Janet Price  
Email..... pricej@clareco.net  
P.O. Box 564, Harrison, MI 48625..... (989)539-7801  
Fax ..... (989)539-0866

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Email.....ambrozaitism@clareco.net  
Chief Assistant Prosecuting Attorney ..... Eilisia Schwarz  
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney ..... Mark Webb  
P.O. Box 586, Harrison, MI 48625 ..... (989)539-9831  
Fax.....(989)539-1807

County Sheriff..... John Wilson  
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Undersheriff.....Dwayne Miedzianowski  
Email.....miedzianowskid@clareco.net  
P.O. Box, 407, Harrison, MI 48625 ..... (989)539-7166  
Fax..... (989)539-5721

Drain Commissioner .....Carl Parks  
Email..... parksc@clareco.net  
P.O. Box 564, Harrison, MI 48625 ..... (989)539-7320  
Fax ..... (989)539-7385

County Road Commissioners ..... Max Schunk, Bill Simpson, David Coker  
Tim Haskin, and Karen Hulliberger  
3900 Mannsiding Road, Harrison, MI 48625 ..... (989) 539-2151  
Fax ..... (989)539-7751  
Dewayne Rogers.....Engineer-Manager  
Email.....[ccrc@clarec.com](mailto:ccrc@clarec.com)

County Surveyor ..... Timothy L. Lapham  
P.O. Box 438, Harrison, MI 48625 ..... (989) 539-2540

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

225 W. Main St., Harrison, MI 48625  
Ph. (989) 539-7436 Fax (989) 539-2588

District 1..... Dale Majewski

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email: [rickieglenn2014@gmail.com](mailto:rickieglenn2014@gmail.com)

District 4..... Stephanie J. Brown

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District 6..... Bronwyn Asplund

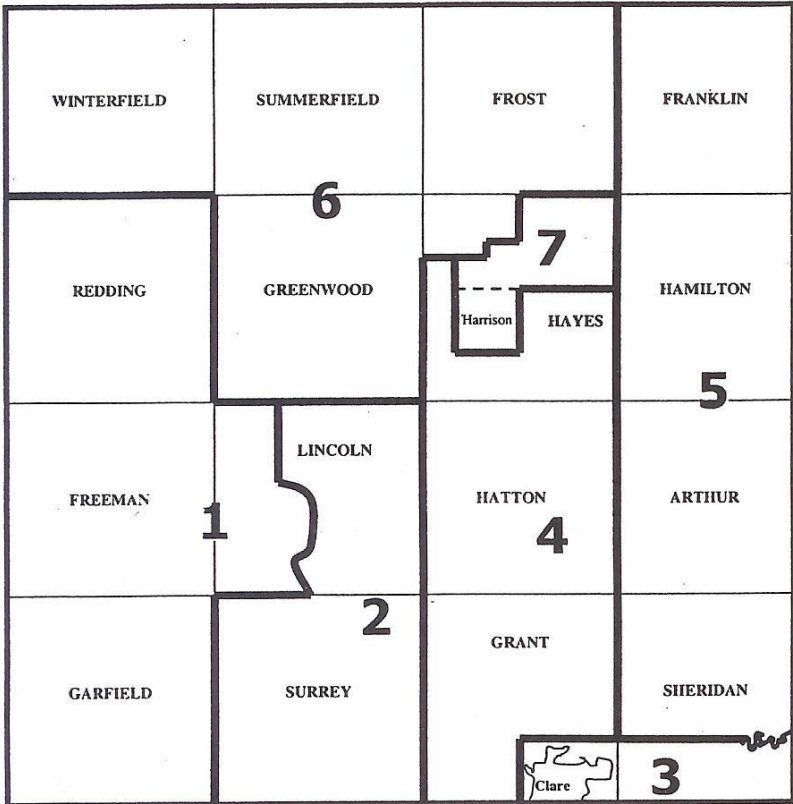
3900 Harding, Harrison, MI 48625  
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Email: [bronwynasplund@gmail.com](mailto:bronwynasplund@gmail.com)

District 7..... Jeff Haskell

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Email: jeff.haskell@yahoo.com



# COMMISSIONERS' DISTRICT MAP



**CLARE COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS  
2021 MEETING DATES**

The 2021 regular meetings of the Clare County Board of Commissioners are scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month

January 20, 2021	August 18, 2021
February 17, 2021	September 15, 2021
March 17, 2021	September 30, 2021
April 21, 2021	October 20, 2021
May 19, 2021	November 17, 2021
June 16, 2021	December 15, 2021
July 21, 2021	January 19, 2022

All rescheduled meetings or special meetings shall be posted on the bulletin board located next to the main South entrance door of the Courthouse, 225 W. Main St., Harrison, Michigan 48625.

Adopted by the Clare County Board of Commissioners on December 16, 2020

Minutes of the Clare County Board of Commissioners are posted on the county's website at [www.clareco.net](http://www.clareco.net).

**Note: Please contact the Clare County Administrator's Office at (989) 539-2510**

# APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICES

## ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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Dawn Raupp..... Administrative Assistant  
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## AIRPORT

4527 N. Clare Ave., Harrison, MI 48625  
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 438, Harrison, MI 48625  
(989)640-9444

Gale Bensinger ..... Manager

## ANIMAL CONTROL

P.O. Box 438, 4038 Hazel Dr., Harrison, MI 48625  
(989)539-3221, Fax (989)539-4919

Ruanne Hicks ..... Director  
Email .....hicksr@clareco.net

## COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

P.O. Box 438, 225 W. Main St., Harrison, MI 48625

### HOUSING

(989) 539-2761, Fax (989) 539-3041

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Lori Phelps.....phelpsl@clareco.net.....Director  
David Lipovsky II.....lipovskyd@clareco.net.....Building Official  
Tammy Goodman.....goodmant@clareco.net.....Administrative Assistant

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# APPOINTED COUNTY OFFICES CONT'D.

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4-H Program Coordinator ..... Alex Schunk  
Housing/ Financial Council .....Teagan Lefere  
Program Instructor-SNAP-Ed..... Katina Price  
District 6 Coordinator.....(231)779-948.....Shari Spoelman  
Office Assistant ..... Donna Thompson

## SENIOR SERVICES/COUNCIL ON AGING

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Email ..... phelpsl@clareco.net  
Carol Majewski ..... Nutrition Director  
Email .....majewskic@clareco.net

## VETERANS AFFAIRS

P.O. Box 438, 225 W. Main St., Harrison, MI 48625  
(989)539-3273, Fax (989)539-4925

Karl Hauser..... Director  
Email ..... hauserk@clareco.net

# BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

## Ag Preservation Board

Garry Wiley .....	Gladwin
Ken Brown .....	Harrison
Real Estate .....	Vacant
2 At-Large .....	Vacant
– Liaison .....	County Commissioner

## Airport Advisory Board

Connie Cauchi .....	City of Harrison
Kim Kennicott .....	Harrison
Ed Erskine .....	Harrison
Rick Jones .....	Hayes Township
Gale Bensinger .....	Airport Manager
Samantha Pitchford .....	County Commissioner
Stephanie Brown .....	County Commissioner

## Board of Canvassers

Jean Gaskill .....	Farwell
Louis Adams .....	Farwell
Jerry Burger .....	Lake
Carron Nevill .....	Clare
Lori Martin .....	County Clerk

## Boundary Commission

Marcy A. Klaus .....	Harrison
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## Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

Jeremy Howard .....	Clare
Lori Phelps .....	Community Development
Tracey Connelly .....	Harrison
Gina Hamilton .....	Farwell
Rod Loomis .....	Chemical Bank
Dale Majewski .....	County Commissioner

## Building Authority

Jim Allen .....	Clare
Gerald White .....	Farwell
Don Haskin .....	Harrison
Dean Beavers .....	Farwell
Lori Martin .....	County Clerk
Jenny Beemer-Fritzing .....	County Treasurer

## Clare Conservation District-Board of Directors

(989)539-6401

John Kennedy .....	Chairman
Matt Todd .....	
Joy Simmer .....	
Scott Peterson .....	
Clint Colosky .....	
Robert Mussell .....	Associate Board Member

# **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (CONT'D.)**

## **Natural Resources Conservation Service**

(989)426-9621 Extension 3

Nia Becker..... Forester  
..... Resource Conservationist

## **Gypsy Moth Program**

P.O. Box 356, 225 W. Main St. Harrison, MI 48625

(989)539-6401 Fax (989)539-2182

Melissa Townsend..... Coordinator

## **Central Michigan District Health Department**

815 N. Clare Ave., Ste. B., Harrison, MI 48625 (989)539-6731

Dale Majewski..... County Commissioner  
Jeff Haskell..... County Commissioner  
Dr. Jennifer Morse..... Medical Director  
Steve Hall..... Health Officer

## **Community Mental Health for Central Michigan**

P.O. Box 817, 789 N. Clare Ave., Harrison, MI 48625

(989)539-2141 or Mt. Pleasant (989)773-6961 Voice (989)773-2890 TT4

Joe Phillips..... Farwell  
Sandra Bristol..... County Commissioner  
Craig Derror..... Program Director  
Linda Kaufman..... Executive Director

## **Construction Board of Appeals**

Scott Owens..... Clare  
Paul Geoffrey..... Harrison  
Brandon Sherman..... Lake  
Thomas House..... Farwell  
Terry Thayer..... Clare  
Robert Meister..... Clare

## **Department of Health and Human Services**

Nick Lyon..... Director  
Joseph Phillips..... State Appointee  
Eileen Couchman..... Harrison  
Denise Goschka..... Harrison

## **Department of Public Works**

Carl Parks..... Drain Commissioner  
Brian Tomaski..... Harrison  
Lester Vida..... Harrison  
Russ Hamilton..... Farwell  
Alan Jessup..... Clare  
Sam Russell..... City of Harrison  
Jeff Haskell..... County Commissioner

# BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (CONT'D.)

## Election Commission

Jenny Beemer-Fritzinger ..... County Treasurer  
Lori Martin ..... County Clerk  
Marcy A. Klaus ..... Judge of Probate

## Local Emergency Planning Commission (LEPC)/LPT

Jerry Becker ..... Emergency Management Director  
Teresa Lane ..... Clare County Sheriff's Dept./911/EMD  
Marlana Terrian ..... 911 Director  
Jim Chapman ..... Fire Rep.  
Dale Majewski ..... Clare County Commission  
Paul Spata ..... American Red Cross  
Lt. Josh Lator ..... MI State Police  
Melissa DeRoche ..... Public Health  
Cathy Kelbey ..... Consumers Energy  
Mary Jo Beal ..... MCA Rep  
Dave Bondie ..... Clare County Road Commission  
Dwayne Rogers ..... Clare County Road Commission  
Brett Hansen ..... Mobile Medical Response  
Brian Gregory ..... Chief/ Clare City Police Dept.  
Nick Oster ..... Clare County Sheriff's Department  
John Wilson ..... Clare County Sheriff's Department  
Tom Pirnstill ..... Clare County Transit  
Kathleen Kelly ..... Lear Corp  
Tracey Connelly ..... Local Government  
Tracy Byard ..... Clare County Administrator  
Antoinette Prabucki ..... DHHS Clare/Isabella  
Neali Staley ..... LTC Care/MediLodge Of Clare  
Chris Damvel ..... Harrison Fire Department Rep.  
Kevin Tubbs ..... Garfield Township Fire Rescue/Fire Rep.  
Steve Schummer ..... DNR Harrison Field Office Fire Officer  
Mike Conway ..... Hamilton Township Government  
Jim Walter ..... Clare Public Schools/Education

## Fair Board

P.O. Box 698, Harrison, MI 48625 (989)539-9011

Lamar Gunden ..... President  
Jay Kleinhardt ..... Vice President  
Kim Langlois ..... Secretary/Treasurer  
Carl Schwind ..... Trustee  
Tom Dewey ..... Trustee  
Clayton ..... Trustee  
Donald Haskin ..... Trustee  
Bernard DeVuyst ..... Trustee  
Larry Crawford ..... Trustee  
Betty Mussell ..... Trustee

## Jury Board

Charles T. Dorcey (Tom) ..... Harrison  
..... Harrison  
Therese Haley ..... Clare  
Lori Martin ..... County Clerk

# **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (CONT'D.)**

## **Land Bank Authority**

Jenny Beemer-Fritzingher.....Chair  
Tracey Connelly.....Secretary  
Maye Tessner.....Treasurer  
Jack Kleinhardt.....Member  
Dale Majewski.....Member

## **Medical Control Board**

Dr. John Duff, M.D. .... Medical Director  
Jennifer Walsh..... ER Supervisor/Admin. Mid-Michigan Medical Center Clare  
Megan Hasse.....Mid-Michigan Medical Center Clare  
Jill Thorington.....Mid-Michigan Medical Center Clare  
Jason MacDonald.....Manager, Mobile Medical Response West Region  
Brett Hansen.....Supervisor, Mobile Medical Response West Region  
Glenn King.....MMMC Administration, Clare Community Hospital  
Kevin Tubbs.....Garfield Township Fire Department  
Marlana Terrian.....911 Director, Clare County Sheriff's Department  
Dale Majewski.....Clare County Commissioner  
Mary Jo Beal EHS Preparedness Coordinator.....Mid- Michigan Medical Center  
Dwayne Miedzianowski.....Clare County Sheriff's Department  
Brian Gregory.....Clare Police Department  
David Saad.....Clare Police Department  
Dave Williams.....Chief, Surrey Township Fire Department  
Dave Turner..... Supervisor/EMS, Osceola EMS  
Jerry Becker.....Emergency Management Director

## **Medical Examiner**

(231)730-3114

Dr. Paul Wagner.....Chief

## **Mid-Michigan Community Action Agency**

(989)386-3805

..... Clare County Commissioner  
Norman E. Gage..... Harrison  
Jill Sutton.....Executive Director  
Nancy Jones.....Farwell

## **Plat Board**

Jenny Beemer-Fritzingher.....County Treasurer  
Jack Kleinhardt.....County Board of Commissioner  
Lori Martin.....County Clerk, Register of Deeds

## **Region 7 Area Agency on Aging Board of Directors**

1615 Euclid, Bay City 48706

1-800-276-2137 [www.region7aaa.org](http://www.region7aaa.org)

Mike Tobin.....Board Member  
Andrew Orvosh.....Executive Director



# **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS (CONT'D.)**

## **Region 7B Workforce Development**

(989)539-2173

Jeff Haskell.....Board Member  
Mark Berdan.....Executive Director

## **Remonumentation**

Lori Martin ..... Grant Administrator  
Timothy L. Lapham..... County Surveyor

## **Solid Waste Advisory Committee**

(989)539-8493 Ext. 3119

Larry Gross, Chairperson..... Environmental  
Fred Sawyer, Vice Chair ..... Northern Oaks  
Michael Kennedy..... Waste Management  
Mark Janezcko..... Environmental  
County Commissioner ..... Rick Fancon  
County Commissioner ..... Samantha Pitchford  
Vacant ..... Citizen At Large

## **Ten Sixteen (Formerly Performed by Human Aid)**

(989)631-0241 Ext. 105

[www.1016.org](http://www.1016.org).

Sam Price..... President/CEO

## **911 Advisory Board**

Marlana Terrian .....911 Director, Clare County Sheriff Dept.  
Teresa Lane..... Clare County Sheriff's Department/911  
Dale Majewski..... Clare County Board of Commissioners  
Dwayne Miedzianowski ..... Clare County Sheriff's Department  
Kevin Tubbs/Chris Damvelt .....Clare County Fire Rep.  
Steve Schummer ..... Michigan Department of Natural Resources  
Lt. Josh Lator..... Michigan State Police  
Jason McDonald ..... Mobile Medical Response  
Mike Conway ..... Citizen at Large  
Jerry Becker..... Emergency Management  
Mary Jo Beal ..... MCA/Mid-Michigan Medical Center Clare  
Brett Hansen..... Mobile Medical Response

## **Soldiers Relief Commission**

(989) 539-3273

John Ruolo..... Vietnam  
Peter Spitzely .....Vietnam  
William Zastrow ..... Korean

## **Veterans Trust**

(989) 539-3273

Jack Allbee ..... VFW  
Wesley Parish..... Member at Large

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS

## Arthur Township

Meeting Date: First Monday, Holidays Tuesday 7:00 p.m.  
3031 S. Athey Ave., Clare, MI 48617(989)386-5305

Supervisor.....	Matthew Bednorek
1720 S. Bailey Lake Ave., Gladwin, MI 48624 .....	(989) 317-5383
Clerk .....	Janice LaRose
7668 E. Gladwin Road, Harrison, MI 48625.....	(989)429-5525
Treasurer.....	Anna Sharp
7037 E Jefferson Rd., Clare, MI 48617.....	(989) 429-4202
Trustee .....	Joy D. Kleinhardt
9578 E. Mannsiding Rd., Gladwin, MI 48617 .....	(989) 386-1972
Trustee .....	Jerry Willford
9578 E. Mannsiding Rd., Gladwin, MI 48624 .....	(989) 386-9110
Zoning Administrator.....	Javian Coats
2546 S. Bailey Lake Ave., Gladwin, MI 48624 .....	(989)965-2573
Assessor .....	William Strouse
8164 Washington Rd., Clare 48617.....	(989)289-5845

## Franklin Township

Meeting Date: Third Thursday—6:30 p.m.  
9809 N. M-18, Gladwin, MI 48624  
franklin-twp.com

Supervisor.....	Edward Erskine
6760 Pine Street, Harrison, MI 48625.....	(989) 429-9786
Clerk .....	Alexa Cooper
7373 Meredith Grade Rd., Harrison., MI 48625 .....	(989) 941-5089
Treasurer.....	Sandra Scherrer
9310 Meredith Grade, Harrison, MI 48625 .....	(989) 539-8936
Trustee .....	Jacqueline M. Ecklin
7287 E. Long Lake Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....	(989) 539-7705
Trustee .....	Therese Haley
.....	(989) 539-2468
Assessor.....	Julie Tatro
1149 Eagle Dr., St Helen, MI 48656.....	(989)389- 0841

## Freeman Township

7280 Mannsiding Rd., Lake, MI 48632 Second Thursday - 7:00 p.m.  
info@freemantwp.org  
(989)588-2752 fax (989)588-4470 www.freemantwp.com

Supervisor.....	Alan E. Housler
.....	(989) 339-5547
Clerk...hours Mon. & Wed. 8:30- 12:30.....	Julie Lightfoot
.....	(734) 730-6222
Treasurer.....	Janet Lackie
7280 W. Mannsiding Rd., Lake, MI 48632.....	(989) 339-7715
Trustee .....	Carol Barnett
6198 White Acre, Lake, MI 48632.....	(989) 588-2297
Trustee .....	Sandra Sable
3988 Tahoe Tr., Lake, MI 48632 .....	(248) 494-1559
Zoning Administrator/ Blight Enforcement officer.....	Harold Logan
6015 Ashard Rd., Lake, MI 48632.....	(989) 588-6400
Assessor..... email: nmassessing@gmail.com .....	Frank Gentz
P.O. Box 352, St. Helen, MI 48656.....	(989) 389-0832

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS (CONT'D.)

## Frost Township

Meeting Date: Third Tuesday—7:00 p.m.

9031 N. Clare Ave, Harrison, MI 48625 (989)539-3804

Supervisor..... Marion Coon  
2463 E. Long Lake Rd., Harrison, MI 48625 .....(989) 630-9038  
Clerk and mailing address ..... Joan Rattray  
P.O. Box 566, Harrison, MI 48625.....(989)630-0366  
Treasurer..... Virginia Hogan  
P.O. Box 848, Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 539-7079  
Trustee ..... Janet Spencer  
7380 N. Clare Ave., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 429-3410  
Trustee..... Michael Sporer  
1224 East Ave., Harrison, MI 48625 .....(517) 546-3040  
Assessor ..... Jim Van Wormer  
.....(989) 389-0841  
Zoning Administrator ..... Jim Letts  
5870 E. Pierce Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 539-539-1942

## Garfield Township

Meeting Date: Fourth Monday—7:00 p.m.

9348 Terry St., Lake, MI 48632 (989)544-2445

(Wed. and Fri. 9a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m.-4 p.m.)

Supervisor..... David Byl  
800 N. Crooked Lake Dr., Lake, MI 48632.....(989) 544-2445  
Clerk (mailing address) ..... Janet M. Clayton  
11926 S. Shore Drive, Lake, MI 48632 clerk@garfieldtownship.net(989) 246-4391  
Treasurer..... Robin Yarhouse  
8340 Gibson Ave., Lake, MI 48632 .....(989) 750-6071  
Trustee..... James Lard  
11420 Alpine Dr., Lake, MI 48632 .....(517) 294-5520  
Trustee..... Lisa K. Rowland  
6304 W. Ludington Dr., Lake, MI 48632 .....(989) 544-2386  
Assessor..... Brad Beach  
P.O. Box 225 Weidman, MI 48893.....(989)640-7105

## Grant Township

Meeting Date: Second Tuesday - 7:00 p.m.

P.O. Box 208 Clare, MI 48617 (989)386-4484

Supervisor..... Dan Dysinger Jr.  
540 E. Surrey Rd., Farwell, MI 48622.....(989) 588-2552  
Clerk ..... Tammy Teall  
tammyteall@gmail.com.....(989) 424-6040  
Treasurer..... Tammy L. Shea  
4760 E. Beaverton Rd., Clare, MI 48617.....(989) 386-3717  
Trustee..... Tom Kunse  
9800 S. Grant Ave., Clare, MI 48617 .....(989) 205-4133  
Trustee..... Margery Bell  
8855 S. Eberhart., Clare, MI 48617.....(989) 359-7125  
Assessor..... Dawn Gentz  
P.O. Box 352, St. Helen, MI 48656.....989-389-0832

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS (CONT'D.)

## Greenwood Township

Meeting Date: First Wednesday—7:00 p.m.

3447 W. Temple Dr., Harrison, MI 48625 (989)539-6881

Supervisor.....jessmcclaughr@gmail.com..... Jesse McClaughry  
2665 Oak Grove, Harrison, MI 48625.....(810) 488-0056  
Clerk (mailing address).....clerk@mackson.org..... Rachel Mackson  
838 N. Harding Ave., Harrison, MI 48625..... (989) 572-0456  
Treasurer..... David Lawrence  
2620 Cherry Grove Ln, Harrison, MI 48625 Telephone & Fax.....(989) 539-5396  
Trustee.....trusteegarrity@gmail.com..... Gail Garrity  
2931 W. Lily Lake Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 272-3257  
Trustee.....list\_1@yahoo.com..... Laura L. List  
3960 W. Clarence Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 539-0760  
Assessor..... Tina Braman  
11475 E. Cranberry Lake, Gladwin, MI 48624.....(313) 303-3687

## Hamilton Township

Meeting Date: First Thursday—6:30 p.m.

3042 N. Rodgers Rd, Harrison 48625

(989)539-7943 hamiltontwp.us

Supervisor supervisor@hamiltontwp.us .....David Wright  
11443 E. Fir Rd.,Gladwin, MI 48624..... (989)329-9711  
Clerk..... clerk@hamiltontwp.us ..... Finette LaBoda  
3042 N. Rodgers Rd, Harrison 48625.....(989) 539-6975  
Treasurer.....treasurer@hamiltontwp.us .....Mickie Duby  
3042 N. Rodgers Rd, Harrison 48625..... Office/Cell (989) 329-5392  
Trustee..... Michael Iutzi  
7201 E. Stockwell, Harrison, MI 48625..... (989)429-0018  
Trustee..... Michael Conway  
7230 E. Townline Lake Rd., Harrison, MI 48625..... (989)329-1353  
Zoning Administrator.....Melissa Townsend  
mjtowns10@gmail.com.....(989)429-9020  
Assessor.....assessor@hamiltontwp.us..... Tina Braman  
3042 N. Rodgers Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989)426-8854 or (313)303-3687

## Hatton Township

Third Tuesday—7:30 p.m.

3988 E. Ashard Rd., Harrison 48625

(989)386-8123 www.hattontownship.com

Supervisor.....billhileman1950@gmail.com..... William Hileman  
1692 S. Harrison Ave., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 539-5409  
Clerk (mailing address).....hattonclerk@yahoo.com..... Linda McClain  
2020 S. Clare Ave., Clare, MI 48617..... (989) 424-0808  
Treasurer..... Molly Humphrey  
1682 S. Bluegill Rd., Clare, MI 48617..... (989) 386-7012  
Trustee..... Nathanael C. Farrell  
1403 E. Mannsiding Rd., Harrison, MI 48625.....(989) 539-6885  
Trustee..... William Guiette  
4420 E. Gladwin Rd., Harrison, MI 48625..... (989) 539-2978  
Assessor.....jamesvanwormer@gmail.com..... James VanWormer  
1149 Eagle Dr. St. Helen, MI 48656.....(989) 389-0841

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS (CONT'D.)

## Hayes Township

Third Tuesday – 7:00 p.m.

2055 E. Townline Lake Rd., P. O. Box 310, Harrison, MI 48625

Hall Phone (989)539-7128 Fax (989) 539-7129

[www.hayestownship.com](http://www.hayestownship.com) Office Hours: Tues.-Fri. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Supervisor.....[hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com](mailto:hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com).....Rick C. Jones  
Clerk..... [hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com](mailto:hayestownshipclerk@gmail.com) ..... Debra Hoyt  
Treasurer..... [hayestownshiptreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:hayestownshiptreasurer@gmail.com) ..... Maye Tessner-Rood  
Trustee [hayestwptrustee2@gmail.com](mailto:hayestwptrustee2@gmail.com) ..... Bob Buckely  
Trustee [hayestwptrustee1@gmail.com](mailto:hayestwptrustee1@gmail.com) ..... Thomas Willett  
Assessor..... Jim Vanwormer  
Zoning ..... Rod Williams

## Lincoln Township

Meeting Date: Second Monday—7:00 p.m.

175 Lake George Ave., P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633

(989)588-9841

[www.lincolntwp.com](http://www.lincolntwp.com)

Supervisor..... Dennis Zimmerman.  
P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633 .....(989) 588-9343  
Clerk (mailing address) ..... Carol L. Majewski  
P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633 .....(989) 588-9069  
Treasurer..... Maggie Carey  
P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633 ..... Wk (989) 588-2574  
Trustee..... Mike Tobin  
P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633 .....(989) 588-2311  
Trustee..... Jerry Bridges  
5206 Wolf Lane, Farwell, MI 48622 .....(989) 588-6212  
Assessor..... Becky Taylor  
P.O. Box 239, Lake George, MI 48633 ..... (989-588-9841 ext. 8

## Redding Township

Meeting Date: Third Wednesday—7:00 p.m.

8391 W. Temple Dr., Harrison, MI

(231)743-9525

Supervisor, [reddingtwpsupervisor@gmail.com](mailto:reddingtwpsupervisor@gmail.com)..... Bruce Scarbrough  
Clerk, [reddingclerk@gmail.com](mailto:reddingclerk@gmail.com)..... Bonnie L. Pierce  
Treasurer, [reddingtwptreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:reddingtwptreasurer@gmail.com) ..... Teresa Liski  
Trustee [redtrustel@gmail.com](mailto:redtrustel@gmail.com)..... Marlene McGlashen  
Trustee [redtruste2@gmail.com](mailto:redtruste2@gmail.com)..... Nancy Scarbrough  
Assessor [reddingtwpassessor@gmail.com](mailto:reddingtwpassessor@gmail.com) (989)389-0841..... Julie Tatro  
Activities Director/Funeral Dinners:.....(315)955-4978 ..... Linda Miller

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS (CONT'D.)

## Sheridan Township

Meeting Date: Second Thursday—7:00 p.m.  
8987 E. Surrey Road, Clare, MI 48617  
(989)386-7648

Supervisor/Assessor and mailing address..... William R. Strouse  
8164 Washington Rd., Clare, MI 48617 .....(989) 386-3795  
Email: ..... billstrouse@ispmtg.com  
Clerk ..... Leane Strouse  
8110 Washington Rd., Clare, MI 48617 .....(989) 386-7981  
Email: ..... sheridantwpclerk@yahoo.com  
Treasurer..... Jennifer Magnus  
9720 E. Beaverton Rd., Clare, MI 48617.....(989) 386-8197  
Email: .....jennifermagnus@yahoo.com  
Trustee..... James M. Eberhart  
6409 E. Clarabella, Clare, MI 48617 .....(989) 386-7893  
Trustee..... Brian Tomaski  
6811 E. Dover Rd., Clare, MI 48617 .....(989)418-8788  
Email: .....  
Constable..... Aaron Strouse  
8110 Washington Rd., Clare, MI 48617 .....(989)386-7981

## Summerfield Township

Meeting Date: Last Tuesday—6:30 p.m.  
9971 N. Finley Lake, Harrison, MI 48625  
(989)539-2501

Supervisor..... sumsupv@hotmail.com..... Dan Wilhelm  
P.O. Box 528 Harrison, MI 48625 .....(989) 539-2501  
Clerk (mailing address)..... Jaclyn Hall  
summerfieldclerk@yahoo.com..... 989-539-2501  
Treasurer..... Cheryl Grigg  
1255 Muskegon Rd., Harrison, MI 48625 ..... 989-539-2501  
Trustee..... Michael Romatz  
.....(989) 539-2501  
Trustee..... Glenn Alexander  
.....(989) 539-2501  
Assessor..... Julie Tatro  
1149 Eagle Dr., St. Helen, MI 48656 .....(989) 389-0841

# TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS (CONT'D.)

## Surrey Township

Meeting Date: Second Tuesday – 6:00 p.m.  
110 E. Michigan, P.O. Box 647, Farwell 48622  
Hall Phone (989)588-6691, Fax (989)588-3524

Supervisor..... Russ Hamilton  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....ext. 104  
Clerk (mailing address) ..... Glenna Bradbury  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....ext. 102  
Treasurer..... Stacy Delong  
551 Grace Street, lot 45, Farwell, MI 48622 .....ext.105  
Trustee..... Rod Williams  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....  
Trustee..... Ken Pitchford  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....(989) 588-6691  
Assessor..... Frank Gentz  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....ext. 108  
Zoning Administrator ..... Rod Williams  
P.O. Box 647, Farwell, MI 48622.....ext. 106

## Winterfield Township

Meeting Date: Second Tuesday– 7:00 p.m. Every Odd Month  
8987 Cook Ave., Marion 49665  
(616)204-0085

Supervisor/Assessor ..... Mark Hammar  
9638 Twin Lakes Ave., Marion, MI 49665 .....(231) 743-2218  
Clerk (mailing address)..... winterfieldtwshp@gmail.com ..... Bonnie Blackledge  
9775 Haskell Lake Rd., Marion, MI 49665-9583.....(616) 204-0085  
Treasurer..... Linda Peterson  
11163 N. Strawberry Ave., Marion, MI 49665.....(231) 825-8248  
Trustee..... Fred Prielipp  
8651 Cook Ave., Marion, MI 49665 .....(231) 743-9531  
Trustee..... Shelly Laughlin  
9533 Cook Ave., Marion, MI 49665 .....(231) 743-6402  
Assessor.....mvwassessing@gmail.com.....Zachary VanWormer  
MCAT, 1149 Eagle Dr., St. Helen, MI 48656.....(989) 389-0841

## Michigan Township Association

Meeting Date: Every even month on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday at the  
Clare County Courthouse in Conference Room A - 6:30 p.m.

Chair..... Linda Bailow  
lbailow@hotmail.com .....(989) 539-5002  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair..... James Korman  
Kormanjim07@gmail.com.....  
Secretary..... Kathy Decker  
.....(989) 539-9409  
Treasurer..... Barbara Ferrett  
Woodybat24@gmail.com.....(989) 539-2365

# CITY OFFICES

## City of Clare

202 West Fifth Street  
Clare, MI 48617-1490  
(989)386-7541 Fax (989)386-4508  
Website: [www.cityofclare.org](http://www.cityofclare.org)

Commission meetings are the 1<sup>ST</sup> and 3<sup>RD</sup> Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Commission Room.

**Mayor** .....Pat Humphrey  
**Mayor Pro Tem**.....Bob Bonham  
**Commissioners**.....Nick Loomis  
.....Meagan Jenkins  
..... Gus Murphy

### Other City Officials:

Manager.....Jeremy Howard.....[howard@cityofclare.org](mailto:howard@cityofclare.org)..... 424-4065  
Clerk .....Diane Lyon..... [dLyon@cityofclare.org](mailto:dLyon@cityofclare.org).....424-4068  
Treasurer.....Steven Kingsbury..... [skingsbury@cityofclare.org](mailto:skingsbury@cityofclare.org)...424-4069  
Assessor.....Edie Hunter.....[ehunter@cityofclare.org](mailto:ehunter@cityofclare.org)..... 424-4066  
Water/WWT .....Dale Clark ..... [dclark@cityofclare.org](mailto:dclark@cityofclare.org) ....386-2321  
DPW/Streets .....Luke Potter.....[lpotter@cityofclare.org](mailto:lpotter@cityofclare.org).....424-4072  
Police Chief.....Brian Gregory .....424-4075  
Fire Chief.....Jim Chapman .....424-4084  
Librarian.....Sheila Bissonnette...[sbissonnette@cityofclare.org](mailto:sbissonnette@cityofclare.org).386-3576  
Attorney.....Jaynie Hoerauf 601 Beech St., Clare 48617.....(989)386-3434  
Auditor .....Andrew, Hopper & Pavlik.....(989) 835-7721  
Building Inspector....Dave Lipovsky .....[lipovskyd@clareco.net](mailto:lipovskyd@clareco.net).... 989-539-2761  
Electrical, Mechanical & Plumbing Inspector.....989-539-2761  
Airport Manager .....Gary Todd..... [gtodd@cityofclare.org](mailto:gtodd@cityofclare.org).....424-4104  
Parks & Recreation Director .....Joy Simmer ..... [jsimmer@cityofclare.org](mailto:jsimmer@cityofclare.org) 424-7074

## CITY OFFICES (CONT'D.)

### City of Harrison

First and Third Monday – 6:00 p.m.  
City Hall, 2105 Sullivan Dr.



Harrison, MI 48625  
(989)539-7145  
Fax (989)539-2292  
www.cityofharrisonmi.org

**Mayor** ..... Stacy Stocking  
(989) 539-7145

**Mayor Pro-Tem** ..... Dan Sullivan  
(989) 539-7655

**Council Members:** ..... Dave Rowe  
..... Connie Cauchi  
..... Mick Haley  
..... Joni Ashcroft  
..... Daniel Sullivan  
..... Angela Kellogg

**Other City Officials include:**

City Manager/Clerk ..... Tracey Connelly  
..... 989-539-7145 Ext. 200  
Treasurer..... Tracy Wheeler- Clay  
..... 989-539-7145 Ext. 201  
Assessor..... George King  
..... (989) 539-7145  
Fire Chief..... Chris Damvelt  
..... Ext. 209  
DPW Superintendent ..... Sam Russall  
..... Ext. 204

Attorney ..... Jaynie Smith-Hoerauf

Building Inspector (Clare County) ..... David Lipovsky  
(989) 539-2761

Electrical Inspector (Clare County) ..... Dan Rowley  
(989) 539-2761

Code Enforcement Officer ..... Mike Freeman

**Village of Farwell**  
First Monday – 6:00 p.m.  
Village Hall – 109 S. Hall St.  
Hours: M –F 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**President** ..... Tracey Jackson  
.....

**President/Mayor Pro-Tem** .....

**Council Members:** ..... Allen Brewer  
..... Amanda Pfruender  
..... Linda Williams  
..... Carl Schafer  
..... Tracey Jackson  
..... Shawn Burger90

**Other Village Officials include:**

Clerk ..... Kayla Randle

Treasurer.....Mindy Campbell

Zoning Administrator .....Ernie Teall

**DPW**

Supervisor..... Jason Walters

.....Jeff Meylan

..... Daryl Barber

Librarian .....Noah

Attorney ..... Jaynie Smith-Hoerauf

Clare County's eastern townships were organized by Midland County in March 1870 and the western townships by Mecosta County in 1871. Farwell was the host village of our original county seat. Speculators had purchased land in Clare County as early as 1854, but large scale lumbering did not begin until after the Civil War. Homesteaders began arriving just prior to the Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad (1870) and claimed the better agricultural acreages under the Homestead Act of 1862, or by exchanging Military Script for eighty acres or more.

The F&PM railroad came to Clare in 1870 and was extended to Evart in 1871. Now that the means were available, immigrants, woodsmen, homesteaders, and drifters began to populate our county. The lumbermen made the quickest and heaviest impact upon our resources by felling most of our forests. Necessity, being the mother of invention, caused a revolution in the woods when Scott Gerrish needed an efficient method to get tens of thousands of remote logs into the Muskegon River. He built and operated a special logging railroad between landlocked timber tracts near Lake George and Temple, on the Muskegon River. These logs were railed in stupendous quantities to the rollways. This innovative railroad extended the wealth of the county by 300%, but most of this new money went to Saginaw, Muskegon, and Chicago.

Clare County has had its troubles with lawless elements. Some of this conflict was generated by farmers in Grant and Sheridan Townships when lumbermen took local government from their control. The Board of Supervisors retaliated by withholding funds for a new jail at Harrison and the Sheriff was not compensated for transporting lawless men to jails in Midland or Osceola Counties. The County went feral following this interval.

After the timber was gone, our homesteader/farmers took over the pine barrens and began nurturing our soil back to productivity. During the 1930's, large oil fields were discovered and developed with capital supplied by various sorts of businessmen.

Since the Spanish-American war, we have sent our young men to help defeat America's enemies. By the 1990's, Clare County had invested large amounts of fiscal resources into its educational and cultural institutions.

As a County, we entered a new century with eager anticipation. Residents, farmers, light industry and tourists benefit from our vision. Our citizens expect the good life because the infrastructure of our county is good and getting better. Clare County has become one of Michigan's favorite residential districts for we have hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, golfing, and other recreations in our back yards. **The Gateway to the North!**

**COUNTY OF CLARE**  
**225 W. MAIN ST.**  
**P.O. BOX 438**  
**HARRISON, MICHIGAN**

**CLARE COUNTY MISSION STATEMENT:**

**The Mission of Clare County government is to provide quality services among competing demands for limited resources in the most effective and efficient manner possible to the citizens and patrons of Clare County government.**

**Visit Clare County's website at [www.clareco.net](http://www.clareco.net) for updated information.**

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