



CITY COUNCIL MEETING
405 E. COLBY STREET, WHITEHALL, MI
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
FEBRUARY 24, 2026
6:00 p.m.

AMENDED AGENDA

1. Meeting called to Order
 - Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Special Presentation – Annual Audit Presentation, Matthew Vredevelde
4. Consent Agenda
 - Approval of the February 10, 2026 Council Meeting Minutes
 - Approval of Accounts Payable
 - Communications – Community Garden Support Letters, Water Cross Connections Postcards
5. Messages from the Mayor, Council, and City Manager
6. Public Comment *
7. Old Business
 - Façade Grant Program
8. New Business
 - Resolution 26-10: Marina Repairs
 - Resolution 26-11: Muskegon Ave Engineering Design Bid Selection
 - Resolution 26-12: Livingston Street Engineering Design Bid Selection
 - Resolution 26-13: White Lake Community Garden
 - Resolution 26-14: Arts Council Support Request
9. Public Comment *
10. Adjournment

City of Whitehall, 405 E. Colby Street, Whitehall, MI 49461; 231-894-4048

* **PUBLIC COMMENT:** Citizens wishing to speak on any subject matter or with regard to items on the agenda should use this opportunity. As a courtesy to the council, state your name, and direct your comments to the board. Please limit comments to three minutes. If you have questions or issues that need to be addressed, contact City Hall during regular business hours.



WHITEHALL

CITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

Council Chambers

February 10, 2026

PRESENT Scott Brown, Tanya Cabala, Debra Hillebrand, Jeff Holmstrom, and Tom Ziemer

ABSENT Bryan Mahan, Roger Squires

ALSO PRESENT Dan Tavernier, Will Meier

Mayor Ziemer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Cabala, seconded by Brown to approve the amended agenda.

Voice Vote: All yeses

MOTION CARRIED

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – Amber Marks and Dayton Pax, White Lake Community Garden

The WLCG representatives provided their 2026 proposal. The city manager will draft a resolution for vote during the first March 2026 council meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of the January 27, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes

B. Accounts Payable \$268,035.67

C. Communications: None

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Brown to approve the Consent Agenda.

Voice Vote: All yeses

MOTION CARRIED

MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND CITY MANAGER

Messages were received from Council members.

City manager will draft program guidelines for a façade grant program that includes the Commercial Rehabilitation District along Colby St.

Tanya Cabala would like to have a joint meeting with the City of Montague city council.

Hillebrand motion to excuse Cabala from the next city council meeting, seconded by Brown.

Voice Vote: All yeses.

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kim Cyr spoke about a shared community project for a new non-motorized path in nearby townships.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Tag Day Request

Motion by Brown, seconded by Hillebrand to approve Knights of Columbus tag day request for Saturday, March 10, 2026.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Brown, Cabala, Holmstrom, Hillebrand, and Ziemer;
No – None; Absent – Squiers, Mahan

MOTION CARRIED

B. Drinking Fountain request for City assistance.

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Cabala to authorize spending \$1,750 to install a drinking fountain near the Chamber of Commerce. This is a partnership with the Snow Farmers who raised \$4,750 for the project.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Cabala, Brown, Holmstrom, Hillebrand, and Ziemer;
No – None; Absent – Squiers, Mahan

MOTION CARRIED

C. Resolution 26-08 Resolution to Authorize Issuance of General Obligation Limited Bonds, Series 2026

Motion by Holmstrom, seconded by Hillebrand, to issuance of limited bonds for capital improvement projects.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Holmstrom, Hillebrand, Squiers, Cabala, Brown, and Ziemer;
No – None; Absent – Squiers, Mahan

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Ziemer adjourned the Council Meeting at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

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CITY OF WHITEHALL
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
February 24, 2026

February 2026 Prepaids

<u>VENDOR NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>Check No.</u>
City of Whitehall-Common Cash	Payroll	\$45,884.48	Transfer
IRS	Payroll	\$14,980.80	EFT
Alerus Financial	Payroll	\$7,182.82	EFT
MISDU - FOC	Payroll	\$61.84	9467

Total Prepaids:

\$68,109.94

Accounts Payable:

\$90,855.05

TOTAL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

\$158,964.99

CITY OF WHITEHALL ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
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Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
ABON	ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS, INC		
	162582	WHITEHALL LIFT STATION AND FORCE MAIN REPLACEM	5,000.00
	162583	WHITEHALL LAKE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT	8,500.00
TOTAL FOR: ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS, INC			13,500.00
PATTON	AMBER PATTON		
	005	CLEANING SERVICES - DPW/CITY HALL/POLICE EPT	725.00
TOTAL FOR: AMBER PATTON			725.00
ASCAP	AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTH		
	STATEMENT	LICENSING FOR PLAYHOUSE	4.58
TOTAL FOR: AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTH			4.58
TWISS	ASHLEY TWISS		
	FLEX FEBRUARY 26	FEBRUARY 2026 FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	142.00
TOTAL FOR: ASHLEY TWISS			142.00
BOU	BRENDA BOURDON		
	FLEX FEBRUARY 26	FEBRUARY 2026 FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	23.96
TOTAL FOR: BRENDA BOURDON			23.96
CATCHMARK	CATCHMARK TECHNOLOGIES		
	17438	SETUP AND LIVESTREAM COMMITTEE MEETING	150.00
	17508	LIVESTREAM MONTHLY CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS	300.00
TOTAL FOR: CATCHMARK TECHNOLOGIES			450.00
MISC	CHATGPT		
	SUBSCRIPTION	CHATGPT SUBSCRIPTION	49.99
TOTAL FOR: CHATGPT			49.99
MAHOC	CHRIS MAHONEY		
	FLEX FEB 2026	FEBRUARY FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	749.19
TOTAL FOR: CHRIS MAHONEY			749.19
CONCORD	CONCORD THEATRICALS CORP		
	2694713	PERFORMANCE FEE - SUMMER26 - THE ODD COUPLE	971.20
TOTAL FOR: CONCORD THEATRICALS CORP			971.20
DTE	DTE ENERGY		
	STATEMENT	PUBLIC UTILITIES	7,464.67
TOTAL FOR: DTE ENERGY			7,464.67
ENLOW	ENLOW ENVIRO, LLC		
	1836	GOLDEN BLEND 5 GALLON PAIL - LIFT STATION DEGR	287.00
TOTAL FOR: ENLOW ENVIRO, LLC			287.00
MISC	ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INST		
	900185702	ARCGIS ONLINE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	700.00
TOTAL FOR: ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INST			700.00
GNAR	GNARLY HEIFER LLC		
	RECEIPT	BURGERS & FRIES	141.46
TOTAL FOR: GNARLY HEIFER LLC			141.46

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HAVIL	HAVILAND		
	562593	QTY 16 - 15 GAL DRUM	1,463.27
TOTAL FOR: HAVILAND			1,463.27
HAP	HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN		
	100012459244	HEALTH INSURANCE - COBRA - HUEBLER	1,268.06
	100012461152	HEALTH INSURANCE - RETIREES - MARCH 2026	3,444.87
	100012463724	HEALTH INSURANCE-MARCH 2026	31,578.00
TOTAL FOR: HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN			36,290.93
KONICA	KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS		
	506613098	COPIER MAINTENANCE #308	7.64
TOTAL FOR: KONICA MINOLTA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS			7.64
KUER	KUERTH'S DISPOSAL INC.		
	75852	90 GAL TRASH SERVICE/65 GAL RECYCLING SERVICES	319.75
TOTAL FOR: KUERTH'S DISPOSAL INC.			319.75
WLBEA	LUDINGTON DAILY NEWS		
	STATEMENT	TREE/BRUSH BIDS POSTING	67.40
TOTAL FOR: LUDINGTON DAILY NEWS			67.40
MACP	MI ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLICE		
	200015906	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - BRANDON PARSONS	330.00
	300013214	ACTIVE (SWORN LE PERSONNEL)	100.00
TOTAL FOR: MI ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLICE			430.00
MISC	MICHIGAN ARTS & CULTURE COUNCIL		
	STATEMENT	GRANT APPLICATION FEE	10.00
TOTAL FOR: MICHIGAN ARTS & CULTURE COUNCIL			10.00
MMLUNEM	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE		
	STATEMENT	MME PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & DUES/MME EARLY C	540.00
TOTAL FOR: MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE			540.00
MISC	MILLER MICHAEL A/JULIA G		
	02/19/2026	2025 Win Tax Refund 22-220-021-0009-00	945.98
TOTAL FOR: MILLER MICHAEL A/JULIA G			945.98
MISSION	MISSION COMMUNICATIONS, LLC		
	2018084	LIFT STATION MONITORING	1,096.80
TOTAL FOR: MISSION COMMUNICATIONS, LLC			1,096.80
MLIVE	MLIVE MEDIA GROUP		
	3802136	MUSKEGON/LIVINGSTON REPAIR PUBLISHING	395.42
TOTAL FOR: MLIVE MEDIA GROUP			395.42
MISC	MUSIC THEATRE INTL		
	7105007	DISNEY'S DARE TO DREAM JUNIOR	815.00
TOTAL FOR: MUSIC THEATRE INTL			815.00

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Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
MUCTR	MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH		
	2500002960	IMPRIVATA USER FEE	101.40
	2600003160	IMPRIVATA USER FEES	114.94
	2600003185	IMPRIVATA USER FEE	101.40
	2600003193	CENTRAL DISPATCH FEES	4,137.42
TOTAL FOR: MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH			4,455.16
MUCRD	MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIO		
	6892	SALT/SAND/BRINE	7,645.53
TOTAL FOR: MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIO			7,645.53
MUTRE	MUSKEGON COUNTY TREASURER'S		
	0000215704	DOG TAGS - JANUARY 2026	295.00
TOTAL FOR: MUSKEGON COUNTY TREASURER'S			295.00
NYE	NYE UNIFORM COMPANY INC		
	STATEMENT	MID NAVY - GUARDIAN MOLLE FRONT CARRIER	310.00
TOTAL FOR: NYE UNIFORM COMPANY INC			310.00
PREIN	PREIN & NEWHOF, PC		
	94180	ENGINEERING - WEST COLBY PROMENADE	4,273.65
	94265	COASTAL MANAGEMENT GRANT APPLICATION 2025	712.00
TOTAL FOR: PREIN & NEWHOF, PC			4,985.65
RIVERS	RIVERS RENTAL & EQUIPMENT		
	STATEMENT	BELT PREMIUM WRAPPED/FAN HOUSING/ELBOW/AIR FIL	232.24
TOTAL FOR: RIVERS RENTAL & EQUIPMENT			232.24
SAMS	SAM'S CLUB/GECE		
	STATEMENT	1-PLY WHITE PAPER TOWELS, COFFEE FILTER, TOILE	56.44
TOTAL FOR: SAM'S CLUB/GECE			56.44
MISC	SPOTIFY		
	2494688485126107	SPOTIFY SUBSCRIPTION	11.99
TOTAL FOR: SPOTIFY			11.99
MICH	STATE OF MICHIGAN		
	STATEMENT	PURCHASING PROGRAM - 02/16/26	180.00
TOTAL FOR: STATE OF MICHIGAN			180.00
SUM	SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION		
	3600146	ANNUAL FIRE EXTINGUISHERS INSPECTION - PLAYHOU	135.00
TOTAL FOR: SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION			135.00
TWIN	TWIN CITIES AUTO PARTS & SERVICE		
	01117	TRUCK 12-18/ COOLANT LEAK / 2024 EQUINOX - OIL	2,126.25
TOTAL FOR: TWIN CITIES AUTO PARTS & SERVICE			2,126.25
USPOS	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER		
	RECEIPT	PM EXPRESS	33.25
	RECEIPT	FIRST CLASS MAIL ENVELOPES (10)	21.97
	STATEMENT	US FLAG COIL/100 (4)	312.00
TOTAL FOR: UNITED STATES POSTMASTER			367.22

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Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Description	Amount
	Invoice		
MISC	WALTZ CHERYL L/ALEX T		
	02/19/2026	2025 Win Tax Refund 22-425-000-0031-00	580.15
TOTAL FOR: WALTZ CHERYL L/ALEX T			<u>580.15</u>
WESCO	WESCO INC		
	677302	OTHER EXPENSES	8.18
TOTAL FOR: WESCO INC			<u>8.18</u>
WIND	WINDEMULLER		
	248336	LIGHTS IN BATHROOMS @ PAVILLION	1,875.00
TOTAL FOR: WINDEMULLER			<u>1,875.00</u>
TOTAL - ALL VENDORS			90,855.05
FUND TOTALS:			
Fund 101	- GENERAL OPERATING FUND		47,732.46
Fund 202	- MAJOR STREET FUND		3,822.77
Fund 203	- LOCAL STREET FUND		3,822.76
Fund 247	- TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY #1		4,754.98
Fund 401	- CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		14,212.00
Fund 580	- PLAYHOUSE		5,212.83
Fund 590	- SEWER FUND		1,444.37
Fund 591	- WATER FUND		2,554.64
Fund 594	- MARINA FUND		1,875.00
Fund 661	- MOTOR POOL FUND		3,897.11
Fund 703	- CURRENT TAX COLLECTION FUND		1,526.13

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Fund 101 GENERAL OPERATING FUND				
Dept 000 247				
101-000-222.100	DOG TAGS - JANUARY 2026	MUSKEGON COUNTY TREASURER' DOG TAGS - JANUARY 2026	295.00	
101-000-231.017	DUE TO FLEX FUND	ASHLEY TWISS FEBRUARY 2026 FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	142.00	
101-000-231.017	DUE TO FLEX FUND	BRENDA BOURDON FEBRUARY 2026 FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	23.96	
101-000-231.017	DUE TO FLEX FUND	CHRIS MAHONEY FEBRUARY FLEX REIMBURSEMENT	749.19	
		Total For Dept 000 247	1,210.15	
Dept 101 CITY COUNCIL				
101-101-962.000	LIVESTREAM COUNCIL	CATCHMARK TECHNOLOGIES LIVESTREAM MONTHLY CITY COUNCIL MEETING	300.00	
101-101-962.000	SETUP AND LIVESTREAM COMMITTED M	CATCHMARK TECHNOLOGIES SETUP AND LIVESTREAM COMMITTEE MEETING	150.00	
		Total For Dept 101 CITY COUNCIL	450.00	
Dept 172 ADMINISTRATION				
101-172-760.000	MME EARLY CAREER OUTREACH DINNER	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MME PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & DUES/WME	340.00	
101-172-770.000	MME PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & DU	MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE MME PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP & DUES/WME	200.00	
101-172-818.000	IMPRIVATA USER FEES - CH	MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH IMPRIVATA USER FEES	49.26	
		Total For Dept 172 ADMINISTRATION	589.26	
Dept 215 CITY CLERK				
101-215-728.000	US FLAG COIL/100 (4)	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER US FLAG COIL/100 (4)	312.00	
101-215-905.000	TREE/BRUSH BIDS	LUDINGTON DAILY NEWS TREE/BRUSH BIDS POSTING	67.40	
101-215-905.000	PUBLISHING - MUSKEGON/LIVINGSTON	MLIVE MEDIA GROUP MUSKEGON/LIVINGSTON REPAIR PUBLISHING	395.42	
		Total For Dept 215 CITY CLERK	774.82	
Dept 265 CITY HALL BLDG & GROUNDS				
101-265-757.000	PAPER TOWEL/COFFEE FILTER/TOILET	SAM'S CLUB/GEFC 1-PLY WHITE PAPER TOWELS, COFFEE FILTER	56.44	
101-265-818.700	CONTRACTUAL SERVICES-CLEANERS (D	AMBER PATTON CLEANING SERVICES - DPW/CITY HALL/POLIC	245.00	
101-265-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 405 E COLBY	DTE ENERGY PUBLIC UTILITIES	1,677.53	
		Total For Dept 265 CITY HALL BLDG & GROUNDS	1,978.97	
Dept 270 FRINGE BENEFITS				
101-270-719.600	FRINGE-HEALTH INS - MARCH 2026	HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN HEALTH INSURANCE-MARCH 2026	31,578.00	
101-270-719.601	FRINGE - RETIREE HEALTH INS - AR	HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN HEALTH INSURANCE - RETIREES - MARCH 202	3,444.87	
101-270-719.601	HEALTH INSURANCE - COBRA - HUEBL	HEALTH ALLIANCE PLAN HEALTH INSURANCE - COBRA - HUEBLER	1,268.06	
		Total For Dept 270 FRINGE BENEFITS	36,290.93	
Dept 301 POLICE				
101-301-757.000	BURGERS & FRIES	GNARLY HEIFER LLC BURGERS & FRIES	141.46	
101-301-759.000	MID NAVY - GUARDIAN MOLLE FRONT	NYE UNIFORM COMPANY INC MID NAVY - GUARDIAN MOLLE FRONT CARRIER	310.00	
101-301-760.000	ACTIVE (SWORN LE PERSONNEL)	MI ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLI(ACTIVE (SWORN LE PERSONNEL)	100.00	
101-301-760.000	CONF REGISTRATION - BRANDON PARS	MI ASSOC OF CHIEFS OF POLI(CONFERENCE REGISTRATION - BRANDON PARS	330.00	
101-301-850.000	IMPRIVATA USER FEES	MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH IMPRIVATA USER FEE	101.40	
101-301-850.000	CENTRAL DISPATCH FEES -	MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH CENTRAL DISPATCH FEES	4,137.42	
101-301-850.000	IMPRIVATA USER FEE	MUSKEGON CENTRAL DISPATCH IMPRIVATA USER FEE	101.40	
101-301-933.000	2024 EQUINOX - OIL CHANGE	TWIN CITIES AUTO PARTS & TRUCK 12-18/ COOLANT LEAK / 2024 EQUINC	727.72	
101-301-962.000	PURCHASING PROGRAM	STATE OF MICHIGAN PURCHASING PROGRAM - 02/16/26	90.00	
		Total For Dept 301 POLICE	6,039.40	
Dept 521 SANITATION				
101-521-818.000	90 GAL TRASH/65 GAL RCY SERV	KUERTH'S DISPOSAL INC. 90 GAL TRASH SERVICE/65 GAL RECYCLING &	41.50	
		Total For Dept 521 SANITATION	41.50	
Dept 567 CEMETERY				

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Fund 101 GENERAL OPERATING FUND					
Dept 567 CEMETERY					
101-567-757.000	SHOP SUPPLIES/LABOR	RIVERS RENWAL & EQUIPMENT	BELT PREMIUM WRAPPED/FAN HOUSING/ELBOW/	102.58	
101-567-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 1316 E COLBY	DTE ENERGY	PUBLIC UTILITIES	68.57	
		Total For Dept 567 CEMETERY		171.15	
Dept 751 PARKS DEPARTMENT					
101-751-775.000	FAN HOUSING/AIR FILTER	RIVERS RENWAL & EQUIPMENT	BELT PREMIUM WRAPPED/FAN HOUSING/ELBOW/	102.59	
		Total For Dept 751 PARKS DEPARTMENT		102.59	
Dept 756 119 S BALDWIN ST					
101-756-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 119 S BALDWIN DTE ENERGY		PUBLIC UTILITIES	83.69	
		Total For Dept 756 119 S BALDWIN ST		83.69	
Fund 202 MAJOR STREET FUND					
Dept 478 WINTER MAINT					
202-478-757.000	SALT/SAND/BRINE		GENERAL OPERATING FUND	47,732.46	
		Total For Fund 202 MAJOR STREET FUND		3,822.77	
Fund 203 LOCAL STREET FUND					
Dept 478 WINTER MAINT					
203-478-757.000	SALT/SAND/BRINE	MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMJ SALT/SAND/BRINE		3,822.77	
		Total For Dept 478 WINTER MAINT		3,822.77	
Fund 203 LOCAL STREET FUND					
Dept 478 WINTER MAINT					
203-478-757.000	SALT/SAND/BRINE	MUSKEGON COUNTY ROAD COMMJ SALT/SAND/BRINE		3,822.76	
		Total For Dept 478 WINTER MAINT		3,822.76	
Fund 247 TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY #1					
Dept 000 247					
247-000-820.300-F24	ENGINEERING-WEST COLBY PROMENADE PREIN & NEWHOF, PC		ENGINEERING - WEST COLBY PROMENADE	4,273.65	
247-000-962.000	OTHER EXPENSES	WESCO INC	OTHER EXPENSES	8.18	
		Total For Dept 000 247		4,281.83	
Dept 525 DOWNTOWN STREETScape					
247-525-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 111 N MEARS	DTE ENERGY	PUBLIC UTILITIES	473.15	
		Total For Dept 525 DOWNTOWN STREETScape		473.15	
Fund 401 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND					
Dept 000 247					
401-000-820.000-A26	WH LIFT STATION & FORCE MAIN REP ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS, I		WHITEHALL LIFT STATION AND FORCE MAIN F	5,000.00	
401-000-820.000-A26	WH LAKE ST IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT ABONMARCHE CONSULTANTS, I		WHITEHALL LAKE STREET IMPROVEMENTS PRO	8,500.00	
401-000-820.000-A26	COASTAL MANAGEMENT GRANT APP 202 PREIN & NEWHOF, PC		COASTAL MANAGEMENT GRANT APPLICATION 20	712.00	
		Total For Dept 000 247		14,212.00	
Fund 580 PLAYHOUSE					
Dept 000 247					
580-000-123.000	LICENSING FEES - SUM26 (580.000. CONCORD THEATRICALS CORP		PERFORMANCE FEE - SUMMER26 - THE ODD CC	971.20	
580-000-727.000	PM EXPRESS	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	PM EXPRESS	33.25	
		Total For Fund 401 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND		14,212.00	

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Fund 580 PLAYHOUSE					
Dept 000 247					
580-000-727.000	FIRST CLASS MAIL ENVELOPES (10)	UNITED STATES POSTMASTER	FIRST CLASS MAIL ENVELOPES (10)	21.97	
580-000-757.410	DISNEY'S DARE TO DREAM JUNIOR	MUSIC THEATRE INTL	DISNEY'S DARE TO DREAM JUNIOR	815.00	
580-000-805.000	CHATGPT SUBSCRIPTION	CHATGPT	CHATGPT SUBSCRIPTION	49.99	
580-000-818.000	90 GAL TRASH/65 GAL RCY SERV	KUERTH'S DISPOSAL INC.	90 GAL TRASH SERVICE/65 GAL RECYCLING	58.25	
580-000-818.600	SPOTIFY SUBSCRIPTION	SPOTIFY	SPOTIFY SUBSCRIPTION	11.99	
580-000-818.680	LICENSING FOR PH - ASCAP	AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS	LICENSING FOR PLAYHOUSE	4.58	
580-000-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 304 S MEARS	DTE ENERGY	PUBLIC UTILITIES	3,101.60	
580-000-931.000	ANNUAL FIRE EXTINGUISHERS INSPEC	SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION	ANNUAL FIRE EXTINGUISHERS INSPECTION	135.00	
580-000-962.000	GRANT APPLICATION FEE	MICHIGAN ARTS & CULTURE	GRANT APPLICATION FEE	10.00	
		Total For Dept 000 247		5,212.83	
		Total For Fund 580 PLAYHOUSE		5,212.83	
Fund 590 SEWER FUND					
Dept 554 SEWER PUMPING					
590-554-757.000	GOLDEN BLEND 5 GALLON PAIL	ENLOW ENVIRO, LLC	GOLDEN BLEND 5 GALLON PAIL - LIFT STAT	287.00	
590-554-818.000	LIFT STATION MONITORING	MISSION COMMUNICATIONS, L	LIFT STATION MONITORING	1,096.80	
590-554-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 403 S BAY	DTE ENERGY	PUBLIC UTILITIES	60.57	
		Total For Dept 554 SEWER PUMPING		1,444.37	
		Total For Fund 590 SEWER FUND		1,444.37	
Fund 591 WATER FUND					
Dept 540 WATER ADMINISTRATION					
591-540-820.000	ARGCIS ONLINE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIO	ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESI	ARGCIS ONLINE ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	700.00	
		Total For Dept 540 WATER ADMINISTRATION		700.00	
Dept 546 WATER SOURCE PLANT					
591-546-757.000	QTY 16 - 15 GAL DRUM CHLORINE	HAVILAND	QTY 16 - 15 GAL DRUM	1,463.27	
591-546-920.000	PUBLIC UTILITIES - 3262 BENSTON	DTE ENERGY	PUBLIC UTILITIES	391.37	
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Dept 000 247					
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INVOICE GL DISTRIBUTION REPORT FOR CITY OF WHITEHALL
 POST DATES 02/20/2026 - 02/20/2026
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Total For All Funds: 90,855.05

Ashley N. Twiss

From: Brenda J. Bourdon
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 11:16 AM
To: Ashley N. Twiss
Subject: Fwd: Community Garden Proposal

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Justin Flores <justinflores924@gmail.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 12:13:32 AM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: Community Garden Proposal

Dear City Clerk,

I hope this message finds you well.

I am writing to express my excitement regarding the upcoming community garden proposal meeting scheduled for February 24, 2026. After gauging public interest through various local Facebook groups in Whitehall, it's clear that there is a strong desire among our residents not only to maintain our garden but also to expand it.

The community garden has been a fantastic asset for our city, bringing residents together, fostering relationships, and providing a space for education and enjoyment. Expanding this initiative will only enhance its benefits and accessibility.

I urge everyone to vote yes on the community garden proposal at the meeting. Let's continue to grow our community spirit and maintain the vibrancy of Whitehall through this wonderful project!

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

Justin Flores
P: (231) 370 3749

Ashley N. Twiss

From: Brenda J. Bourdon
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 11:15 AM
To: Ashley N. Twiss
Subject: Fwd: Community Garden Proposal – Community Support

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "Krieger, Lucinda" <LKrieger@medline.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 10:07:51 AM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: Community Garden Proposal – Community Support

Hello Whitehall Clerks Office -

I'm writing to share my support for the proposed community garden and to express why this project is meaningful to me. I visit Whitehall every year for the Fourth of July to stay with friends, and spending time outdoors is always a highlight of my visit. Having a shared community garden space to enjoy on walks has made my time in the city so much more enjoyable. From my limited time in the summer I can defiantly see that this space is a blooming.

As a Southwestern Michigan native who has since moved to Chicago for work I value escapes in the summer to re-connect to the space I grew up in. I value initiatives that create welcoming places for people to gather, relax, and connect with nature. A community garden feels like a wonderful way to enhance the town's sense of community and provide a space that both residents and visitors can appreciate.

Thank you for taking the time to review public input and for your continued work on behalf of Whitehall.

Warm regards,



Lucinda Krieger
Product Manager
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Ashley N. Twiss

From: Brenda J. Bourdon
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 11:15 AM
To: Ashley N. Twiss
Subject: Fwd: Community Garden

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Patricia Bennett <aspire2yoga@yahoo.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 10:11:58 AM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: Community Garden
Reply-To: Patricia Bennett <aspire2yoga@yahoo.com>

To whom it may concern,

I encourage everyone to vote in favor of the Community Garden's proposal.
I found some time last summer to check out the garden and participate in some of the gatherings to share information and food that came from said garden.
It's a fabulous community building plan.
It's also a great environmental & gardening educational resource.

Sincerely,
Patricia Bennett

Yahoo Mail: Search, Organize, Conquer

Ashley N. Twiss

From: Brenda J. Bourdon
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 11:14 AM
To: Ashley N. Twiss
Subject: Fwd: White Lake Community Gardens

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Begin forwarded message:

From: Stephanie Wagner <swagner@wescoinc.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 10:41:20 AM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: **White Lake Community Gardens**

Hello,

Sending another message after reviewing the proposal drafted by the White Lake Community Gardens Board.

I'm so very excited about this coming to fruition in our community. I am deeply committed to engaging my family of 5 with supporting their events and utilizing this feature. I believe in their vision and recognize their desire to create something meaningful in our community that is coming with pure intentions and utilizing their individual skill sets.

Thank you for considering this initiative.

Stephanie Wagner
Leadership and Development Manager
Wesco, Inc
office: +1 (231) 719-4393
cell: +1 (231) 343-1465
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Ashley N. Twiss

From: Brenda J. Bourdon
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2026 10:52 PM
To: Ashley N. Twiss
Subject: Fwd: Community Garden

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Begin forwarded message:

From: John Hanson <hansdown@live.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 12:04:47 PM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: **Community Garden**

I like what the garden group is doing and their plans for the future look promising.

Please vote Yes on their proposal.

Thank you,

John Hanson

231 736-8736

Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device

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Date: February 19, 2026 at 3:35:13 PM EST

To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>

Subject: White Lake Community Garden Proposal Vote

To whom it may concern,

I am a resident of the White Lake Area and have been excited to see the work being done by the White Lake Community Garden. They have turned a disused public space into an inviting area and project. I am in full support of their recent proposal to expand the project into a larger community garden space.

I look forward to seeing this project come to a vote with supporting 'yes' votes from council members.

Thank you,
Jessica Sum

From: Asia Rasch <asialrasch@gmail.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 4:02:00 PM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: White Lake Community Garden

Good afternoon,

I'm sending out an email to voice my support once more and ask for the city officials to vote "yes" on the upcoming White Lake Community Garden proposal during the upcoming meeting on the 24th. I believe this garden is a welcome and positive addition to our community.

Thank you!

Asia Rasch
231-327-9170

From: Sharlene Kipfer <sharlenefish@protonmail.com>

Date: February 20, 2026 at 6:10:27 PM EST

To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>

Subject: Community Garden

Hi there,

I live just outside Whitehall and it is my closest town. I'd like to request the Council to vote "yes" on the proposal to help us bring a Community Garden to Whitehall.

Thank you,

Sharlene Kipfer

Sent with [Proton Mail](#) secure email.

From: Mallory Barnosky <mallory2barn@gmail.com>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 6:02:53 PM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: **Community garden proposal**

Please vote yes!

Thanks,

Mal

Sent from my iPhone

From: Betsy Hemming <betsy@thehemmings.org>
Date: February 19, 2026 at 6:10:31 PM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: **White Lake Community Garden**

Greetings. I wanted to pass along my hearty endorsement of the project plans for the White Lake Community Garden. This is such a fine effort for a community like Whitehall. A community garden brings many people together, it offers an abundance of produce, it offers opportunities for teaching and growth, volunteering, and a myriad of other benefits. Thanks for the opportunity to share my enthusiasm for this venture!

Betsy Hemming

From: Kimberly Tytyk <kimberly.tytyk@gmail.com>
Date: February 23, 2026 at 6:49:04 PM EST
To: "Brenda J. Bourdon" <Bourdon@cityofwhitehall.org>
Subject: Re: White Lake Community Garden

Hello,

Though not a resident of Whitehall, I love our shared community and the people in it.

Just wanted to send a note and tell you how great it is to have the new White Lake Community Garden, and I hope we'll get to see it grow over time. I haven't jumped in yet, but as an avid gardener myself, I am looking forward to getting involved.

Thanks for helping keep this place such a wonderful place to live,

Kimberly Tytyk
4846 Knudsen St
Montague, MI

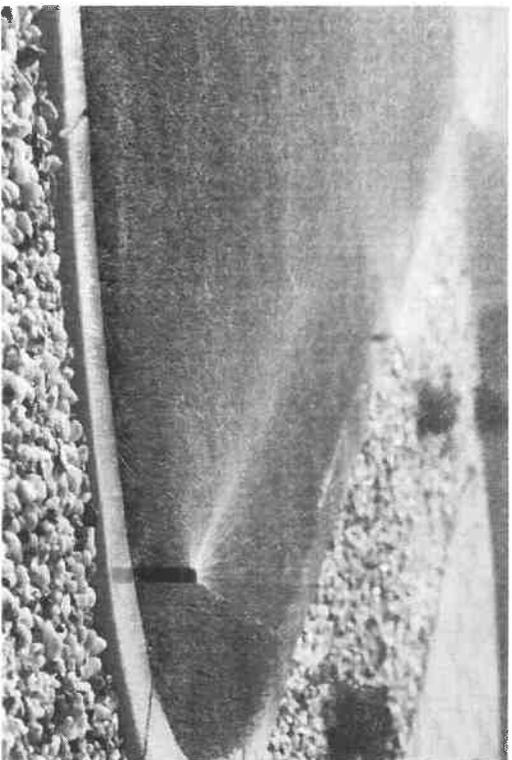
Water Quality Requirements

The City of Whitehall is required by State law to protect the water supply system from sources of potential contamination, including residential irrigation. The City is also required to document the material of all water service lines to protect against lead.

Technicians will be visiting your neighborhood to complete Water Service Visits. Technicians will have Photo Identification.

These unscheduled visits will include:

- **Cross Connection Inspection**
If your home has an underground sprinkling system that uses city water, look for additional information about device testing.
- **Water Service Material Verification**
A city employee or a consultant from Prein&Newhof will ask to verify the material of the water service piping entering the home.



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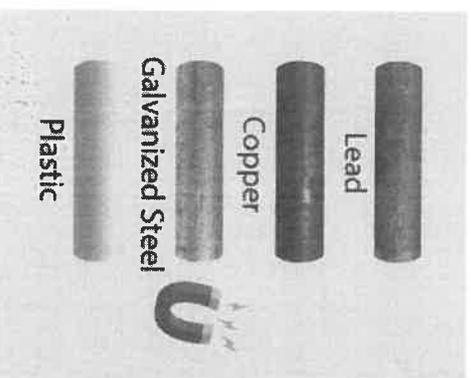
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Lawn Irrigation Systems & Wells

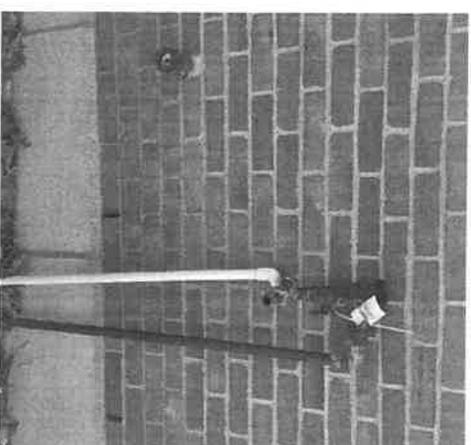
If you have a lawn irrigation system, a testable pressure vacuum breaker (PVB) must be installed outside the home.

To avoid contamination of the public system, wells cannot be connected to the same piping as your city water.

- **What is backflow?** the undesirable reversal of flow of fluids/chemicals/etc. into the public drinking water system.
- **A Backflow Preventer** is a device that prevents reversal of flow, which can occur during backpressure or backsiphonage. Backpressure is if your home's water pressure is greater than the water main. Backsiphonage is if the pressure in the City water main drops (when a hydrant is used for fire fighting) and water is drawn out of the home.
- **Water Service Material Identification** - In addition, City staff are reviewing records of water service materials with a consultant (Prein&Newhof) to document the material for all water service lines in the City. A representative will ask to identify the material of the plumbing where it enters your home. This will assist the City in planning long term water service replacement needs over the next 10 years.



What does your pipe look like?



Testable PVB and a faucet with built-in vacuum breaker.

To learn more, visit [michigan.gov/MLeadSafe](https://www.michigan.gov/MLeadSafe)

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CITY OF WHITEHALL

City of Whitehall – Commercial Rehabilitation District Façade Improvement Grant Program

Program Purpose

The City of Whitehall's commercial corridors, particularly those within the designated Commercial Rehabilitation District—are critical to economic vitality, community appearance, and long-term redevelopment. Aging or deteriorated façades can reduce investment confidence and negatively impact surrounding properties.

The Façade Improvement Grant Program provides financial incentives for commercial property and business owners to upgrade and rehabilitate their building exteriors.

Program Funding Source

This program is funded through the City of Whitehall General Fund, subject to annual budget appropriations approved by the City Council. Allocations will start with \$42,000 available for this fiscal year.

Grant Structure

- Grants awarded on a 1:1 match basis.
- Maximum reimbursement per property: \$6,000.
- Eligible once every two years.
- All work and invoices must be completed by June 30 of the award fiscal year.
- Reimbursement for multi-year projects are not guaranteed.

Eligibility Requirements – Properties

- Must be located within the Commercial Rehabilitation District.
- Must be commercial.
- All taxes, assessments, and municipal fees must be paid in full.

Eligibility Requirements – Applicants

- Property owners.
- Commercial tenants with written owner permission.

Eligible Improvements

- Exterior lighting
- Building-mounted signage



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- Painting, siding, finishes
- Awnings/canopies
- Storefronts and entryways
- Window/door replacements
- Masonry repair
- Energy-efficient improvements
- Architectural enhancements
- Americans with Disabilities Act compliance upgrades
- Labor tied to eligible work

Ineligible Costs

- Work started before approval
- Property acquisition
- Financing fees
- Permit/application fees
- Professional services
- Wages to applicant/relatives/employees
- Personal property

Application & Approval Process

1. Submit application to City Manager or designee.
2. Reviewed in order received.
3. Recommendations forwarded to City Council or review committee.
4. City may approve, deny, or request changes.
5. Decisions will not be based on protected characteristics.

Change Requests

Substantial changes must be submitted in writing. Approved modifications are added as a dated and signed addendum. Unapproved deviations may result in denial of reimbursement.



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Facade Improvement Grant Application Form

Property Owner Name:

Business Name:

Property Address:

Parcel Number:

Applicant Phone:

Applicant Email:

Description of Proposed Improvements:

Estimated Total Project Cost:

Requested City Grant Amount (up to \$6,000):

Proposed Contractor(s):

Projected Completion Date:

Owner Authorization (if tenant applicant):

Signature:

Date:

CITY OF WHITEHALL
RESOLUTION 26-10
Marina Repairs

WHEREAS, The City has determined that dock repairs and handrail installation are needed at the White Lake Municipal Marina.

WHEREAS, The city solicited bids and the following was received:

Contractor	Bid
Jaekel Construction	\$61,825.00

WHEREAS, Public Works Director has reviewed the bid documents and recommends approving the bid from Jaekel Construction.

WHEREAS, the City Council approved the budgeted amount of \$61,825.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED

That the Whitehall City Council does hereby approve the bid from Jaekel Construction for \$61,825.00.

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, and thereafter adopted by the City Council of the City of Whitehall, at a regular meeting held February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
(___ yes, ___ no, ___ absent).

Tom Ziemer, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
RESOLUTION 26-11
MUSKEGON AVE ENGINEERING DESIGN BID SELECTION**

WHEREAS, Muskegon Ave is in need of residential road reconstruction, water main replacement, drainage improvements and new sidewalks. The city recognizes this project as a critical need.

WHEREAS, Bids were requested from three companies for the design and construction oversight of the Muskegon Ave Project. The city received the following bids for the engineering of this project:

Prein and Newhof	\$242,800
Abonmarche	\$300,496
Fleis & Vandenbrink	\$375,000

WHEREAS, the City Council approves selecting the lowest qualified bidder, Prein and Newhof, pending review by the City Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED

That the Whitehall City Council does hereby approve the contract with, Prein and Newhof, for the engineering for the design and construction phases of Muskegon Ave project for \$242,800.

Moved by, _____ seconded by _____, and thereafter adopted by the City Council of the City of Whitehall, at a regular meeting held February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
(yes, no, absent).

Tom Ziemer, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
RESOLUTION 26-12
LIVINGSTON STREET ENGINEERING DESIGN BID SELECTION**

WHEREAS, Livingston Street is in need of residential road reconstruction, water main replacement, drainage improvements and new sidewalks. The city recognizes this project as a critical need.

WHEREAS, Bids were requested from three companies for the design and construction oversight of the Livingston St Project. The city received the following bids for the engineering of this project:

Prein and Newhof	\$342,700
Abonmarche	\$431,732
Fleis & Vandenbrink	\$500,000

WHEREAS, the City Council approves selecting the lowest qualified bidder, Prein and Newhof, pending review by the City Manager.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED

That the Whitehall City Council does hereby approve the contract with, Prein and Newhof, for the engineering for the design and construction phases of Livingston St project for \$342,700.

Moved by, _____ seconded by _____, and thereafter adopted by the City Council of the City of Whitehall, at a regular meeting held February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
(yes, no, absent).

Tom Ziemer, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
RESOLUTION 26-13
WHITE LAKE COMMUNITY GARDEN SUPPORT REQUEST**

WHEREAS, the White Lake Community Garden group provided a report outlining accomplishments and plans. The group seeks to expand operations and footprint at Slocum Park.

WHEREAS, the group has requested additional support from the City. Specific requests are as follows:

Land Use – multi-year park permits for designated park space

Water Use – City to continue covering water use (~\$6 for the 2025 season) and additional spigots.

Seasonal Restroom – standard port-a-john from May 1st through November 1st.

Financial Support - \$1,000

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED

That the Whitehall City Council does hereby approve:

Land Use _____

Water Use _____

Seasonal Restroom _____

Financial Support in the amount of _____

Moved by, _____ seconded by _____, and thereafter adopted by the City Council of the City of Whitehall, at a regular meeting held February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. (yes, no, absent).

Tom Ziemer, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

**CITY OF WHITEHALL
RESOLUTION 26-14
ARTS COUNCIL OF WHITE LAKE – NUVEEN CENTER SUPPORT REQUEST**

WHEREAS, the Arts Council of White Lake – Nuveen Center group provided a letter on the condition of the Sailboat/Trees sculpture at Covell Park. The sculpture is showing obvious signs of wear from exposure to the elements.

WHEREAS, the group has requested additional support from the City to have the restoration work completed that will extend the lifespan by 25-30 years.

WHEREAS, the total project cost is \$14,000. The White Lake Community Fund of the Community Foundation for Muskegon County provided \$6,500. The Arts Council of White Lake – Nuveen Center has requested the remaining \$7,500 to complete the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE RESOLVED

That the Whitehall City Council does hereby approve a one-time payment to the Arts Council of White Lake – Nuveen Center in the amount of \$7,500 for the refurbishment of the Sailboat/Trees sculpture at Covell Park.

Moved by, seconded by , and thereafter adopted by the City Council of the City of Whitehall, at a regular meeting held February 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.
(yes, no, absent).

Tom Ziemer, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk



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February 13, 2026

Dear City Manager Tavernier and the Whitehall City Council,

The Arts Council of White Lake – Nuveen Center (ACWL-Nuveen) is seeking support in restoring the iconic *Sailboat/Trees* sculpture in Covell Park. Designed by sculptor George Ramsay and installed in 2010 as part of ACWL-Nuveen’s Art Walk, the 16-year-old sculpture is showing obvious signs of wear after full exposure to the extremes of Michigan’s seasonal weather. The color has faded dramatically, and the powder-coated surface is cracking on the edges of the aluminum sails, exposing bare metal. Also, there are bolts that are rusting and impacting the surrounding surface. Additionally, the resin donor plaque that accompanies the sculpture is deteriorating.

After several years of research and consultation with various restoration professionals capable of handling this job, we feel the best course of action is to remove the sculpture and have it transported off-site to a professional paint shop. Initially we were told by our first bidder – formerly D & S Industrial Painting – that this would cost \$28,000 due to the expense of using a crane. That bid was out of our reach financially, so we did more research and found Greg Tuggle of Painting Services of West Michigan, an industrial paint shop located in Grand Haven. Greg conveyed a very solid plan for how to proceed with the repairs at a more manageable price of \$12,140. Acknowledging the importance of *Sailboat/Trees* to the community and the fact that the ACWL-Nuveen is a non-profit, Greg gave us a break on costs associated with the job.

In his bid he agreed to the following:

- Removal of the sculpture by Shoreline Metal Fabricators and transportation to the Painting Services shop in Grand Haven.
- The sculptural parts would be disassembled and treated in the following manner:
 - Sandblast to remove loose paint and rust
 - Prime with rust inhibitive primer
 - Prime with 2-part catalyzed epoxy
 - Paint with 3 coats of 2-part catalyzed polyurethane – colors to match the sculpture’s original powder-coated surface
 - Reassemble sails
 - Transport and reinstall in Covell Park

The total budget for this project is \$14,000. This includes the restoration work by Painting Services of West Michigan, a new bronze plaque and powder-coated stand fabricated by Signature Streetscapes in Muskegon, plus costs for installing the plaque on-site in Covell Park. We have already received \$6,500 from the White Lake Community Fund of the Community Foundation for Muskegon County and are requesting that the City of Whitehall consider a donation of \$7,500 to complete this project.

The careful restoration work done by Painting Services will extend the lifespan of *Sailboat/Trees* by 25 to 30 years according to Greg Tuggle. This is great news for the White Lake community because this accessible sculpture is a highlight for community members and tourists to the area. Everyone who travels from Whitehall to Montague or vice versa has a view of this sculpture. It can be seen by car, on foot or while biking along the bike trail. The sculpture is also visible from a boat! The number of residents and visitors served by this unique work of art is limitless!

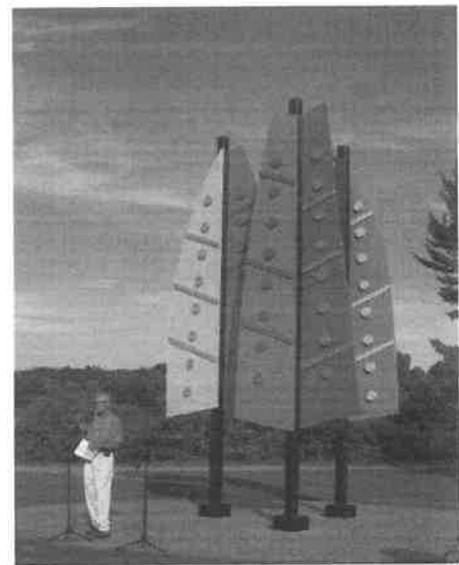
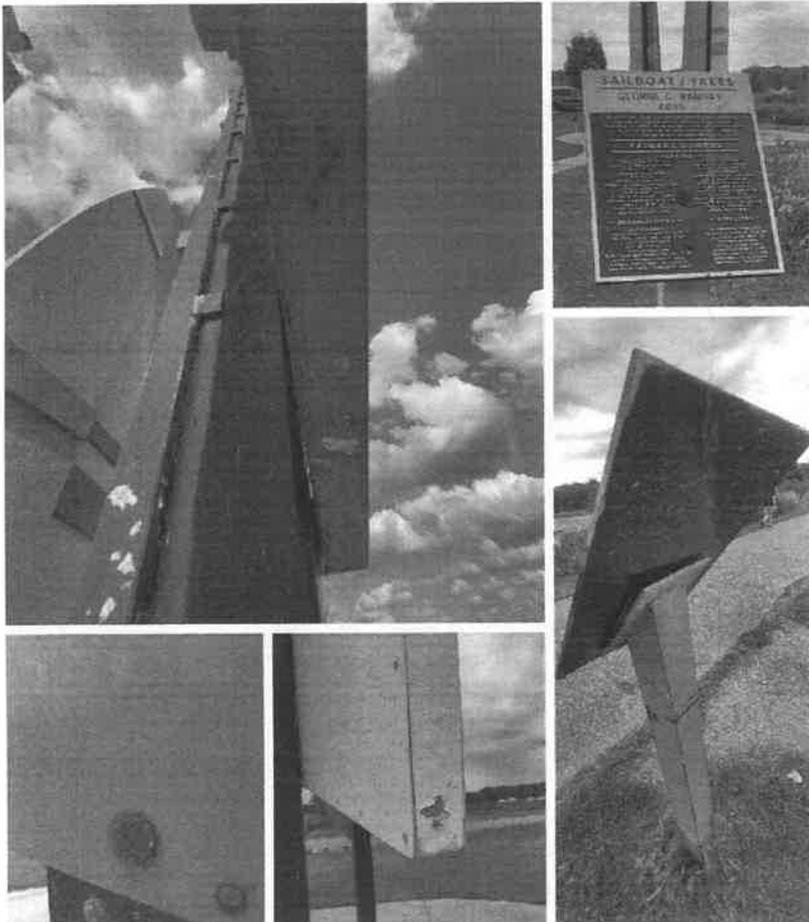
Thank you for your consideration,

Erin Peyer

Erin Peyer, ACWL-Nuveen Director

Sailboat/Trees

Images of needed repairs



George Ramsay at the 2010 dedication



2023 photo of *Sailboat/Trees*