



Weekly Newsletter

April 26, 2025

CCRP MONTHLY MEETING— Thursday, June 17, 2025
Clinton County Courthouse — 7:00 pm

Transparency, Accountability, Frugality!

Do you ever wonder who the individuals are that are making the decisions at all levels of government? Do you know if their backgrounds qualify them to be spending billions of our tax dollars?

In Michigan and Clinton county we have to ask the same questions as to who has control of the various expenditures and how our spending priorities are determined. At the state level we have seen the widespread wasting of our tax dollars for projects that should never have been initiated or approved. Our elected leaders in Lansing need to take a serious look at the performance of various agencies that have been created over the years with the intent of benefiting the residents of the state. Their goal was to create a better business climate and bring new jobs to Michigan. However, historically they have failed miserably in their efforts. MEDC, SOAR, the STRATEGIC FUND, MSHDA, all need to be eliminated and the wasteful spending stopped.

Clinton County is no different. The Clinton County Administrator works with the Board of Commissioners to develop policies, approve budgets, and handle the county business. The Administrator's purview includes an all inclusive approach to the management and oversight of the major functions of the county by developing and administering all aspects of county government. The County administrator forwards his recommendations to the Board of Commissioners for final approval.

Over the last several years the county has had to deal with several controversial issues that have shed light on some of the practices that have proved problematic. Decisions and procedural actions have raised serious questions related to the transparency of the Administrator and our elected county commissioners in making some of those decisions. These relationships with outside entities must be reevaluated.

As a county we now face a major decision that needs to be made by the board of commissioners. Upon recommendation by an infrastructure committee a bond millage could potentially be placed before the voters in the near future to approve a \$91,200,000 Public Safety facility. The residents of Clinton County deserve an explanation and have input as to how we managed to not sufficiently maintain and fund the current 27 year old public safety facility. Do the taxpayers need to incur this additional debt for a new facility knowing that the county commissioners have known about these issues since 2004 but they were never addressed.

This proposed new Public Safety Facility must be evaluated and actual needs and priorities clearly defined. Alternatives must be considered to upgrade and repair the outstanding issues in the current building over time without incurring a massive amount of debt.

Going forward the county must look at what can be done knowing what issues are coming up and plan on how the additional funding will be allocated instead of letting a facility go into disrepair.

It is expected that the individuals employed by the county who serve the people will be good stewards of our tax dollars and make decisions that are transparent, frugal, and accountable.

YOU HAVE TO ASK — DO WE REALLY NEED A NEW PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY?

Four Years To Save the Republic?

Can human liberty turn into slavery without us even knowing it? Over time various tactics have been used to achieve that goal for years and decades. People haven't been aware of this subtle transformation because the process takes place so slowly over time and it is never recognized as being executed by the politically powerful.

In our American Republic, for more than a century, we have seen the gradual move toward an invisible totalitarian state. By using psychological techniques with an oppressive legal and financial system we the people have been duped into believing we are free to live our own lives. The people don't realize that corporations and big government have been in collusion to extract wealth and maintain power through their system of societal controls. We are actually playing out a scenario similar to Aldous Huxley's Brave New World, where a technocracy merges with a government of the wealthy. The ruling class has managed to keep control of us through subtle manipulation and distraction. We have become conditioned to accept our servitude without resistance. We have learned to live by conforming and by becoming compliant, and forgoing our individual freedoms. Critical thought is no longer part of our persona.

Our government has learned to control every aspect of our lives. We have allowed our processed foods to become adulterated and to damage our bodies causing a variety of diseases. We have legalized cannabis and made it easier to move away from the reality of our daily lives by using opiates and prescription drugs prescribed by our doctors.

Corporations and the government have created modes of distraction to remove us from the reality of our daily lives. Smartphones have become a bane to our existence and to our children making us numb to the reality of life that we used to know and love. Gambling has become a big money maker for states and for gambling entrepreneurs and has become an addictive release for many. Childrens' educational achievement levels and basic skills continue to decline. Students graduating from college have meaningless degrees, can't get jobs, and have large debt loads that will take years to pay off. On TV you hear a litany of commercials on what drugs you need to take to solve all of your problems. BIG PHARMA has taken over our lives and the medical profession and our government has been complicit in medicating us for everything.

Our government has created a society where most of the people have become apathetic and that was the end game in the beginning to keep us under their control. We say we still have a constitution that protects us but big government and corrupt judges just ignore the law and the Constitution.

President Trump has four years of continual harassment to fight everything that the liberal left Marxists and the DC swamp creatures put in his way. Hopefully he can reverse the Big Government/Corporate beasts that will do all they can to stop him. Today we live under a system of American fascism that has all of the trappings of totalitarian state—but we are told we are FREE.

We are the foot soldiers in the war we are fighting! It's up to us to Save the Republic!

MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT! TURN IN YOUR ABSENTEE BALLOT EARLY!

If you are an Automatic Early Absentee Voter you should have received your absentee ballot in your mailbox. Please cast your vote early by mail or return it to your clerk as soon as you can. Make sure that the St. Johns School Board is doing what is in the best interest's of the students and the taxpayers. Fiscal responsibility by the board should be one of their most important objectives.

THIS BOND ISSUE MUST BE DEFEATED!

VOTE NO ON THE ST JOHNS BOND ON MAY 6

CLINTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
9:00 a.m. (Last Tuesday of each month)
Tuesday, April 29, 2025

LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP FOR THE
CCRP LINCOLN DAY DINNER ON MAY 8, 2025

LINCOLN DAY DINNER LINK: <https://www.ccrpmi.com/2025-lincoln-day-dinner-registration.html>

(Clip and return with your payment to the address listed on the form)

2025 Clinton County Republican Party Lincoln Day Dinner

Couple..... \$100.00
Single..... \$ 60.00

Questions should be directed to *Nancy Bareham* at: 517-202-4719 or to — nbareham@yahoo.com

Attendee #1 _____ Attendee #2 _____
Employer _____
Occupation _____
Address _____ City _____ State ____ ZIP _____
email: _____ Phone _____

(Confirmations will be sent to the email address given above)

PAYMENT INFORMATION: Please enclose your registration form and a check payable to:
Clinton County Republican Party and MAIL to:
Steve Willis, 4789 Drumheller Road, Bath, MI 48808 (Payment is due May 3, 2025)

You can also register and pay online with a credit card at our website at:



[LINK https://www.ccrpmi.com/2025-lincoln-day-dinner-registration.html](https://www.ccrpmi.com/2025-lincoln-day-dinner-registration.html)

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WHERE DO I VOTE ON THE SJPS BOND ON MAY 6?

Bengel/Ovid /Bingham Townships

vote at Bingham Township Hall, 2027 N. Lansing, St. Johns, MI

Duplain Township

votes at Elsie Public Library/Duplain Township Hall, 145 W. Main St. Elsie

Essex Township

votes at Maple Rapids Community Center, 209 W. Union St., Maple Rapids

Greenbush Township

votes at Greenbush Township Hall, 1883 E. French Rd., St. Johns, MI 48879

DeWitt Charter Township/Olive Township

votes at Olive Township Hall, 1400 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt 48820

Riley/Watertown/Westphalia Township

votes at Riley Township Hall, 7110 W. Pratt Rd., DeWitt, MI 48820

Victor Township

votes at Victor Township Hall, 6843 East Alward Road, Laingsburg

St. Johns Precinct 1

votes at First Baptist Church, 512 S. US-27, St. Johns

St. Johns Precinct 2

votes at Nazarene Church, 515 N. Lansing St., St. Johns

St. Johns Precinct 3

votes at First Baptist Church, 512 S. US-27, St. Johns

Fulton Township & Washington Township in Gratiot County

votes at Washington Township Hall, 8989 S. Baldwin Road., Ashley

VOTE NO ON MAY 6 — DO WHAT IS RIGHT!

<https://www.ccrpmi.com/>

APRIL Government & School Board Meeting Schedules

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Riley Twp - 7:00 pm	2 Maple Rapids Village - 7:30 pm	3	4	5	
6	7 Bath Twp Board - 6:00 pm Westphalia Twp - 6:00 pm Westphalia Village - 7:00 pm	8 Victor Twp - 7:00 pm Village of Elsie - 7:00 pm Village of Fowler - 7:00 pm	9 Bengel Twp - 7:00 pm Duplain Twp - 7:30 pm	10 CC Planning - 6:00 pm	11	12
13	14 Bingham Twp - 7:00 pm Dallas Twp - 2:00 pm DeWitt Twp - 7:00 pm Olive Twp - 7:30 pm DeWitt City - 7:00 pm City of Ovid - 7:00 pm	15	16 Essex Twp - 7:30 pm	17 CCCRP Monthly - 7:00 pm Eagle Twp - 7:00 pm	18	19
20	21 Bath Twp Board - 6:00 pm Watertown Twp - 7:00 pm Ovid/Elsie SB - 6:30 pm PW SB - 7:00 pm	22	23	24 Ovid Twp - 7:00 pm BOC Ways/Mean - 9:00 am	25	26
27	28 DeWitt Twp - 7:00 pm Greenbush Twp - 7:00 pm DeWitt City - 7:00 pm City of St. Johns - 7:00 pm Bath SB - 6:30	29 BOC Monthlys - 9:00 am	30			

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS IN CLINTON COUNTY

Bath - 6:30 pm (4th Monday) DeWitt - 6:00 pm (2nd Monday) Fowler - 7:00 pm (Normally 2nd Monday) Grand Ledge 6:00 pm (Normally Second Monday)
 Laingsburg - 7:00 pm (Meetings vary) Ovid/Elsie - 6:30 pm (3rd Monday) Pewamo/Westphalia - 7:00 pm (normally 3rd Monday)
 St. Johns - 6:30 pm (Meeting dates vary — see website <https://www.sjredwings.org/our-district/boardofeducation/>)