

AGENDA REPORT

New Haven, Michigan Meeting Type

MEETING DATE:	8 October 2024
DEPARTMENT:	Village President
DATE SUBMITTED:	2 October 2024
PREPARED BY:	Brian Meissen
ITEM TITLE:	Wendy Kincaid Yard Flooding

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Mrs. Kincaid (31455 Clark Street) has requested to speak to Council regarding repeated flooding of her yard when we have heavy rain storms. She suspects that the ditch is backing up onto her property due to the downstream ditches being overgrown with brush and/or clogged with trees and debris. The ditch system travels south down Havenridge, east across Clark Street where it crosses her property. From her house, the ditch turns south on Clark Street and traverses south between Victoria Street and Pembrooke Subdivision before merging in with the Shook Drain.

Originally, we thought this ditch system was part of the Shook Drain system and that it was the responsibility of Macomb County Public Works, so we were telling her to get in contact with Macomb County. Upon further digging into the drain maps, it's listed as a "natural watercourse" and does not appear to be a ditch system that is supported by the County. Our DPW Superintendent has been working to get quotes to clear out the brush through the ditch system which leads to the Shook Drain, but thus far has only been able to get two companies to come out and give us quotes. Macomb County Public Works has said that we could hire them to do the work, but they do not have the bandwidth or resources to clear the brush this year.

I've reassured Mrs. Kincaid that we have been working on getting the quotes, but admittedly it has been a handful of months since her complaints began; thus she has requested to come before Council.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

N/A