November 2026 Director's Report

Business news:

- Ollies officially opened the weekend of October 30th, with a ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration on November 4th. BDA staff and some board members were present to welcome them to the community.
- Big Cals Card House is coming soon to 11499 N. Saginaw Road, next to Silhouette Salon
- Scooter's Coffee will be constructing a new location west of Vienna & Linden Rd, next to the Creek's Edge complex. Grant applications have been emailed to our contact.
- Bealls will be moving into the space between Family Farm & Home and Ollie's.

At the October 27th special meeting, Jeff Harrington was tasked with arranging a meeting with the owner of Tradewinds RV to discuss using a north entrance to the property at 4240 West Wilson Road. Harrington has since told staff that the owner is willing to meet and will share details at the meeting.

The RFP for seasonal flowers and pots was posted on October 19, 2026 and is due November 19, 2026.

The flowerpots from the Saginaw/Vienna intersection have been picked up and are now being stored at Storage One, across from the office. The pickleball nets are also being stored there for the winter.

Jill Freeman, Freeman Gardening Services, reported that she is not coming back next season to care for the flower gardens and pots, as she is ready to retire. An RFP for the work will be posted early next year.

BDA staff met with Steve Gross Construction to determine a solution to the two-year-long plumbing issues. The plan is to have the work done in the last two weeks of the year.

The Clio Area Chamber's monthly lunch & learn is scheduled for Thursday, November 12th at the fire hall. The topic is *community involvement opportunities*.