



OFFICE OF
CITY MANAGER

CITY OF CLARKSBURG

WEST VIRGINIA

Manager's Report

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Follow-up/General Updates

1. Fiber Optic Lines –Multiple sub-contractors have recently been installing Fiber Optic Lines throughout various routes in the Northview section of town. These sub-contractors are working on behalf of the Ntelos Fiber Optic Agreement approved by Council in October of 2008 under the supervision of Loomis. This City's Code Enforcement office, as well as Public Works and Finance Departments, are working together to determine all of the sub-contractors involved, as well as to confirm when the project will be completed.
2. Demolition – The City Administration has submitted all paperwork to the West Virginia Housing Development Fund for review and consideration to allow for the URA to revolve the demolition funds; approximately \$375,000 to continue with the program.
3. Campus Community Link Project – The city is continuing to work our partnership/grant with A B College's Art Department to propose public art projects and opportunities. There will be a public meeting at the Fairmont State Caperton Center on Tuesday, February 12th at 6:00 pm.
4. Bridge Dedication – Reminder that the Goff Plaza Bridge Dedication ceremony will be held on Friday, January 25th at 11:00 am, at which time the bridge will be dedicated in honor of the late "John Charles Giese".

Economic Development

1. Technology Park – The Administration has been working on a funding application for infrastructure improvements to the Rail Spur that services the three (3) manufacturing plants within the Business and Technology Park. The grant amount is for \$100,000.
2. CVS/Hometown – The requested alley abandonment ordinance on the proposed site for the new CVS is on the agenda for approval; I recommend Council to approve such ordinance on first reading. We are continuing to work with Hometown to secure a closing date for property acquisition in early/mid February. In addition, we are continuing to work with their engineers to receive plans for review.
3. Chestnut Street Project – Contractors are continuing with progress on the Chestnut Street stabilization project. Reminder to public that the roadway is closed to thru traffic.
4. Highland Hospital – The loan documents for this project were executed with the USDA and participating financial institutions on Monday, January 14th. There is tentatively a "Wall Smashing" ceremony which is planned to be scheduled for next week, details will be forthcoming tomorrow.