



CITY OF CLARKSBURG

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THE CITY OF CLARKSBURG IS NAMED AS A HOME RULE CITY

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Clarksburg, WV; The West Virginia Municipal Home Rule Board conducted their meeting on Monday, October 6, 2014. On the agenda was the Announcement of Phase II of the Home Rule Program and the sixteen (16) cities. The Home Rule Board moved to include the following sixteen (16) cities into the program: Bluefield, Buckhannon, Charleston, Clarksburg, Dunbar, Fairmont, Martinsburg, Milton, Morgantown, Nitro, Parkersburg, Ranson, Shinnston, South Charleston, Vienna and Weirton.

Mayor, Catherine Goings stated "This is welcoming news to us as a City, as well as Council. The Manager and his staff had worked very hard on developing the plan as well as the presentation. This program is a tool that will assist the city in many facets, but most importantly will allow the city to address issues at a local level." City Manager, Martin Howe continued to state "This is a great opportunity for the City of Clarksburg, we are very grateful that the Home Rule Board had confidence with our proposal to afford us this excellent opportunity." Howe concluded by stating, "it's great to see our County and Region represented very well; I'm sure that all of the cities will continue to work together to insure that this program remains successful."

Clarksburg, as well as the other cities within the program will be required to enact ordinances based upon their individual written plans. When the cities are prepared to move their respective plans forward the cities will be required to provide at least thirty (30) days' notice prior to a Public Hearing. The Ordinances will also be made available for public inspection thirty (30) days prior to any Public Hearing. Any Ordinances proposed shall also be approved by the Municipal Home Rule Board prior to City Council taking any action.

The City of Clarksburg's Home Rule Application can be viewed on-line at: <http://goo.gl/agiU6C>.

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