

## CITY OF CLARKSBURG

#### WEST VIRGINIA

# Manager's Report

May 1, 2014 Submitted by Martin G. Howe

### **General Updates**

1. Paving Schedule – This is the final year of the seventeen (17) year paving plan. There are streets and alleys that have been passed over throughout the years for various reasons. We will be putting together a plan for the other streets in the near future. The following is the bid schedule for this year:

Advertising

Non-Mandatory Pre-bid Meeting

Bid Opening

Award Bid

Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> Wednesday, May 21st at 10am at MSES

Wednesday, May 28th at 2pm in City Hall

Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at Council Meeting

- Sidewalk Program Applications became available today, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014. As of the end of business the Code Office distributed forty-six (46) applications, of which five (5) have already been completed and turned-in for consideration. Applications will continue to be made available until funds are expended.
- 3. First Energy Mon Power has notified the City they have filed with the Public Service Commission a request for an increase for 9.3% in base rates. "This increase is to ensure continued safe and reliable electric generation," in addition to new jobs and additional tree trimming which will reduce the number and length of service interruptions. We do not anticipate the new rates going into effect until February 2015, as they will need to be authorized by the PSC.
- Cable As per the merger agreement between Time Warner and Comcast, our service will be going to Charter Cable Service. Charter Communications is the fourth largest cable operator in the United States. This acquisition/transfer can take up to a year more pending FCC approval.

## **Economic Development**

- Rose Garden Theatre Request for Proposals (RFP) Architectural and Engineering Services was advertised in April with a deadline of Wednesday, April 30 for submittal. Twelve (12) Firms submitted proposals. The selection committee will begin to review the information and interview selected firms. A recommendation will then be made to Council for which firm we should negotiate a contract with for approval.
- Chestnut Street Received an executed agreement back from the Division of Highways.
- Highland Hospital Dedication Ceremony will be held at the Hospital Saturday, May 17th at 5pm. The Gala will immediately follow at the Village Square Conference Center.

#### **Events**

1. 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual 5K Run for Open Hearts – Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. Registration and the Award Ceremony will be at Jackson Square and the Run will start at 8:30am.