



OFFICE OF
CITY MANAGER

CITY OF CLARKSBURG

WEST VIRGINIA

City Manager's Report
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Manager's Office

1. Six new cameras were installed outside of City Hall and our entire camera system was upgraded so that additional cameras can be placed throughout the City and monitored from the Police Department.
2. The Clarksburg Beautification Committee will hold a virtual meeting next Tuesday evening at 7:00pm. Please see our website or call for details on how to attend. Thus far the group has been instrumental with the future beautification of the triangle in the west end of town. Three flag poles have been ordered and public works will be installing those in the coming weeks. There are also many projects getting lined up for the spring so please join the committee and beautify Clarksburg.

Police Department

1. Members of the Police Department obtained Grand Jury Indictments on several Felony cases this week that include the following: Two shooting cases, kidnapping, multiple counts of sexual assault and sexual abuse, felon in possession of a firearm, breaking and entering, grand larceny, 1st degree robbery, wanton endangerment, burglary, felony domestic battery (strangulation), multiple counts of possession of narcotics with intent to deliver, and malicious assault.
2. Multiple officers will also be receiving their second COVID 19 vaccination.

Fire Department

1. Interviews for new recruits were completed. Jeffrey Wright and Andrew Reynolds were selected and will be sworn in on February 3, 2021 in front of City Hall at 9:00a.m.
2. The posting and test dates were selected for promotions for the rank of Chief, Captain, and Lieutenant. Civil Service testing will be completed by the end of March.
3. The Department assisted the County with two mass COVID-19 vaccination clinics that were conducted at the Nathan Goff Armory.
4. Firefighter Justin Blake has successfully completed his Journey Firefighter exam and will be promoted to Firefighter 1st Class.
5. The Department is currently working on grant applications for the replacement of mobile and portable radios, SCBA's and assistance with the purchase of the new Ladder Truck.

Finance Department

1. The department has distributed the second round of Ring Cameras. A total of 125 Ring Doorbell Cameras were distributed throughout the City.
2. The department is also preparing for their annual audit and we will begin meeting with Department Directors next week for budget preparations.

City Parks

1. The Department is working on the WV Division of Culture & History Grant for the following: upgrade of lighting & sound systems, grandstand improvements for sound boards & spotlights, staining of amphitheater roof, installation of permanent air conditioning in dressing rooms and possible construction of additional deck.

2. Salem University has begun their practice on the Frank Loria Field for their upcoming season.
3. Applications are being accepted for summer help. Please visit the website for additional details.

Robinson Grand Performing Arts Center

1. In February, the RGPAC is presenting the second season of *The Ghostlight Series* with the theme of: *A Broadway Valentine*, which will air every Friday in February at 7pm, in addition to a bonus episode on Valentine's Day. The series is an ode to musical theatre which pays homage to Broadway during these dark times and features local artists performing classic hits. All episodes can be viewed on the Robinson Grand's Facebook page or YouTube channel.

Code Enforcement

1. The Department issued 46 building permits for the total project cost of \$2.3 million dollars. Seventeen Notice of Violations and 19 citations were issued. Three structures were condemned and 11 were ordered for reboarding. Thirteen residential and 8 commercial inspections were performed.
2. Staff began training this week for GeoPlan. All inspectors are now certified in Stormwater Inspection under the MS4 requirements.
3. The demo program is moving along very fast. A pre-bid conference was held this morning for the next round of demolitions consisting of 40 structures. The bid opening will take place on February 3rd.

Public Works

1. The Department has installed 340 feet of new sanitary sewer pipe and responded to 14 sewer complaints.
2. Fourteen Notice of Violations calls were completed along with four tons of yard waste collected.
3. The Bob Wilson sign was installed, and a dedication ceremony is currently being organized. We will inform everyone of the date and time.

Wastewater Treatment Plant

1. Work continues on the septage receiving station.
2. A new F-250 was recently purchased for the collection system crew at a cost of \$33,415.

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