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# CITY OF CLARKSBURG

## Updates from City Manager, Tiffany Fell



### THE MAJOR REPAIR ON W. MAIN ST.

During a recent infrastructure inspection, Clarksburg's Public Works and Thrasher Engineering uncovered a large void beneath a section of W. Main Street, signaling the immediate need for repairs. This void resulted from a structural failure in aging terracotta piping, leading to a collapse that created a substantial void, measuring up to twelve feet deep and fourteen feet wide.



To minimize the inconvenience caused by road closures and detours, Public Works swiftly formulated a plan to excavate and repair the damage, collaborating with the West Virginia Department of Transportation to close the road and provide detours.

Public Works demonstrated a remarkable effort, repairing the drain pipes and back-filling the void with 85 tons of packed gravel and 20 cubic yards of concrete, working late into the night to ensure road resurfacing could be completed and the road reopened the following day. This incident emphasizes the urgent need to continue identifying and promptly addressing aging infrastructure to prevent further potential hazards and safeguard lives and property.

As we navigate the challenges of upgrading Clarksburg's century-old infrastructure, it is crucial to acknowledge that more inconveniences will inevitably arise from significant upcoming work along Pike and Main Streets and the Clarksburg Water Board's \$85 million lead line replacement and supply line upgrades.

We might blame the past for failing to deal with our current problems, but at some point someone has to suffer with the costs, inconveniences and criticisms required to proactively fix the problems. Federal funding, available through recent economic stimulus programs, is making it possible for us to take action, but progress will not be easy or convenient.

### STAY CONNECTED

- **Next City Council Meeting: Thurs, Mar 07 @ 6PM**
- Download the latest City Newsletter and sign up for email notifications on the city website.

### IT'S HAPPENING IN CLARKSBURG:

- **Jazz Night at the Robinson Grand** - Sat, Feb 24, 7PM @ Robinson Grand PAC
- **First Fridays Downtown** - Fri, March 01 (4:30PM-8PM) @ Various Locations Downtown
- **The Fleetwood Mac Experience** - Thu, Mar 14, 7:30PM @ Robinson Grand PAC
- **Turn to Stone: A Tribute to ELO** - Fri, Mar 15, 7PM @ Robinson Grand PAC
- **Jay and the Americans with Special Guest Chris Ruggiero** - Sun, Mar 17, 4PM @ Robinson Grand PAC
- **The Piano Men: The Ultimate Tribute to Billy Joel and Elton John!** - Fri, Mar 22, 7:30PM @ Robinson Grand PAC
- **Born & Bred Concert Series** - Sat, Mar 23, 7PM @ Robinson Grand PAC