

Around the 'Ville

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Welcome to Granville

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YOUR ELECTED OFFICIALS FEEL IT IS IMPORTANT TO KEEP THE CITIZENS OF GRANVILLE INFORMED OF EVENTS, PROGRAMS AND NEWS OCCURRING IN GRANVILLE.

WE ARE IMPLEMENTING A QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER THAT WILL BE MAILED OUT TO EACH RESIDENT. WE HAVE CALLED IT "AROUND THE VILLE" IT WILL CONTAIN INFORMATION ON TOWN DEPARTMENTS, COMMUNITY EVENTS, AND REPORTS FROM TOWN OFFICIALS AND WILL FEATURE A SPOT LIGHT ON A TOWN EMPLOYEE. THIS FIRST EDITION WILL FEATURE ROY WILSON SR. HE HAS BEEN EMPLOYED BY THE TOWN FOR 35 YEARS.

IT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE COMMUNITY SO ISSUES CAN BE ADDRESSED AND CORRECTED. WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO KNOW IF YOU FEEL THIS NEWSLETTER IS AN EFFECTIVE METHOD OF KEEPING YOU INFORMED OF EVENTS THAT AFFECT THE COMMUNITY. IT IS ALSO A MEANS TO GET TO KNOW YOUR COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND OTHER TOWN OFFICIALS.

IN 2010, GRANVILLE TOWN COUNCIL ELECTED TO CREATE A MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR POSITION. THE TOWN'S DAY TO DAY OPERATIONS HAD GROWN TO WHERE THERE NEEDED TO BE SOMEONE ON STAFF TO MAKE DECISIONS AND MAINTAIN THE CONTINUITY OF OPERATIONS IN THE ABSENCE OF THE ELECTED OFFICIALS. THIS WAS NEW TERRITORY FOR THE TOWN; THERE HAD NEVER BEEN A NEED FOR THIS IN THE PAST.

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Shoppe talk with the Mayor

Mayor Patricia A. Lewis

I FEEL PRIVILEGED TO BE WRITING MY FIRST ARTICLE FOR OUR "FIRST EDITION" NEWSLETTER TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE.

FIRST, LET ME SAY THAT WE HAVE BEEN THROUGH A HUGE TRANSITION OVER THE LAST FIVE YEARS. I COMMEND ALL OF OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR STAYING FOCUSED ON WHAT WE NEEDED TO ACCOMPLISH ON A LONG-TERM BASIS. WE HAVE GROWN IN LEAPS AND BOUNDS FROM THE ADDITION OF ABOUT TWO DOZEN EMPLOYEES TO NEEDING ADDITIONAL STREET DEPARTMENT/SANITATION DEPARTMENT VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT AND A FLEET OF POLICE CRUISERS. AS A RESULT, OUR RESIDENTS HAVE BENEFITED WHILE WE ARE MEETING OUR OBLIGATIONS TO THE UTC.

OUR OFFICE IS NOW OPEN DAILY AND OUR FULL-TIME STAFF CAN ADDRESS AND CATER TO ALL YOUR NEEDS AND CONCERNS AND WE HAVE 24/7 POLICE COVERAGE.

I AM PROUD OF WHAT WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED SO FAR AND I APPLAUD OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THEIR DEDICATION, OUR POLICE DEPARTMENT, OUR OFFICE STAFF AND MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR, OUR FLEET MANAGER AND STREET/SANITATION DEPARTMENT WORKERS FOR A JOB WELL DONE!!



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THE COUNCIL OFFERED THE POSITION TO RON SNYDER. HE WAS THE CHIEF OF POLICE AT THE TIME. THE CHIEFS POSITION WAS OFFERED TO CRAIG CORKREAN. IN OCTOBER THE CHANGES WERE IMPLEMENTED, AND HISTORY WAS MADE IN GRANVILLE. OTHER SMALLER MUNICIPALITIES HAVE BEEN WATCHING TO SEE IF THE PROCESS WAS SUCCESSFUL AND HAVE REQUESTED INFORMATION ON THE PROCEDURE. THE TRANSITION WENT VERY SMOOTH AND EVERYONE IS WORKING TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE OUR SHORT AND LONG TERM GOALS.

THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR'S HOURS ARE FROM 7:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM MON-FRI. PROBLEMS AND CONCERNS CAN BE ADDRESSED BY CALLING 304-599-5080.

THE ADMINISTRATOR'S MINUTE by Ron Snyder

IN 2010 THE TOWN COUNCIL REALIZED THE BUSINESS OF THE TOWN HAD REACHED A POINT THERE NEEDED TO BE SOMEONE THERE ON A FULL TIME BASIS TO TAKE CARE OF IT. THEY CREATED THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR POSITION AND ASKED ME IF I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ASSUMING THE DUTY.

I HAD BEEN A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER FOR 32 YEARS HAVING RETIRED FROM THE MORGANTOWN POLICE DEPT. IN 2006. I FIGURED IT MIGHT BE TIME FOR A NEW CHALLENGE AND I ACCEPTED THE POSITION. I WAS NOT DISAPPOINTED IN THE CHALLENGE PART OF IT BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN A NEW EXPERIENCE FOR ME. I HAVE BEEN ON A LEARNING SPREE EVER SINCE. I HAVE RELIED HEAVILY ON MAYOR PATTY LEWIS AND RECORDER MICHELLE BOYERS MANY YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO GUIDE ME IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

WHEN I WAS THE CHIEF I HAD AN OPEN DOOR POLICY AND NOTHING HAS CHANGED. MY DOOR IS ALWAYS OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY IF YOU NEED MY HELP TO WORK ON A PROBLEM. I AM NOW WELL VERSED IN THE OPERATIONS OF TRASH PICKUP, PURCHASING, AND SEWER LINES. THERE IS A LOT MORE TO KNOW ABOUT THE SEWER LINES THEN IT FLOWS DOWNHILL!

WE ARE HOPING TO BREAK GROUND ON THE NEW RIVER FRONT PARK SOMETIME IN THE NEAR FUTURE. CONSOL ENERGY GAVE THE TOWN A LONG TERM LEASE ON THE PROPERTY NEXT TO THE TIPPLE. THE PLAN IS TO BUILD A FISHING PIER, PICNIC AREA, AND HOPEFULLY A BOAT RAMP. WE ARE HOPING TO SECURE GRANT FUNDING TO ASSIST IN THE CONSTRUCTION.

WE ARE ALSO TRYING TO GET GRANT FUNDING TO HELP UPGRADE THE SANITARY SEWER LINES. THIS SEEMS LIKE IT IS A LONG PROCESS WITH A LOT OF WORK AND NO GUARANTEE OF SUCCESS. KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED.

WE COULD USE YOUR HELP BY CONTACTING OUR SENATORS AND DELEGATES AND ASKING FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN THESE PROJECTS.

NEW TOWN HALL

AS YOU KNOW THE TOWN PURCHASED THE THOUGHTFULNESS BUILDING FROM TOM RODGERS. IN ORDER TO SAVE MONEY WE HAVE BEEN DOING THE WORK OURSELVES AS FUNDS BECOME AVAILABLE. WE RECENTLY DECIDED TO ADD SOME SUPPORT COLUMNS TO THE BASEMENT. WE ARE ADDING PYLONS AND INSTALLING SOME ADDITIONAL POSTS. WE FELT IT WAS BETTER TO BE SAFE. WE WOULD LIKE HAVE AN OPEN HOUSE BY MID-SUMMER. EVERYONE'S INVITED!

ANNEXATION

I AM SURE YOU HAVE READ OUR ATTEMPTS TO ANNEX MYLAN PARK SCHOOL AND THE COMPANY 17 FIRE HALL WERE DENIED BY THE MONONGALIA COMMISSION. THE COMMISSIONERS STATED THAT IT WOULD NOT BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY TO ALLOW THE PROCESS TO BE COMPLETED. UNDER WV STATE LAW THERE ARE THREE WAYS TO ANNEX. ONE IS BY THE REQUEST OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS AND THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN DONE BY A MINOR BOUNDARY ADJUSTMENT. THIS WAS THE METHOD WE ATTEMPTED TO USE. WE WERE DISAPPOINTED BUT ACCEPTED THE END RESULT. WE WANTED YOU TO KNOW WHAT ACTUALLY HAD HAPPENED. THERE WAS A LOT OF INCORRECT INFORMATION BEING CIRCULATED.

POLICE DEPARTMENT with Chief Corkrean

CHIEF CRAIG CORKREAN ASSUMED HIS DUTIES IN OCTOBER 2010 AFTER RON SNYDER WAS APPOINTED TO THE ADMINISTRATORS POSITION. CHIEF CORKREAN IS CURRENTLY WORKING TOWARD HIS PHD DEGREE IN PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.

THE POLICE DEPARTMENT WAS VERY BUSY LAST YEAR. THEY RESPONDED TO 8,000 CALLS FOR SERVICE, RESPONDED TO 230 VEHICLE CRASHES, AND MADE 350 ARRESTS. THE DEPARTMENT ALSO RESPONDED TO 300 CALLS FOR ASSISTANCE FROM OTHER POLICE AGENCIES.

IN 2010 THE DEPARTMENT ESTABLISHED A BICYCLE PATROL AS PART OF THE ONGOING COMMUNITY POLICING PROGRAM. THE PATROL WAS WELL RECEIVED AND SURPRISED A LOT OF THE TOWN'S RESIDENTS. PTL. JOHN GROVES VOLUNTEERED TO RIDE THE BIKE, TOOK THE TRAINING AND WAS CERTIFIED IN BIKE PATROL OPERATION. YOU WILL SEE HIM IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS AS SOON AS THE WEATHER GETS NICE.

CHIEF CORKREAN IS WORKING ON GETTING THE DEPARTMENT CALEA CERTIFIED. THIS CERTIFICATION IS A NATIONAL ACCREDITATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT DEPARTMENTS. IT IS A VERY DIFFICULT AND LABOR INTENSIVE PROCESS. THERE IS ONLY ONE OTHER DEPARTMENT IN THE STATE OF WV CERTIFIED AND THAT IS PARKERSBURG PD. THIS CERTIFICATION IS VERY PRESTIGIOUS AND WILL HELP IN FUTURE LIABILITY INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR THE TOWN. WE WISH HIM LUCK IN THIS ENDEAVOR

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- TOWN ELECTIONS JUNE 14, 2011
- SPRING CLEANUP WILL BE ANNOUNCED. WATCH THE NEWSPAPER FOR MORE INFORMATION.
- COUNCIL MEETINGS ARE HELD THE 2ND AND 4TH TUESDAYS OF THE MONTH AT 7 P.M. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND.
- SEWER BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH AT 6 P.M.
- GIRLS' SOFTBALL SIGNUPS HAVE BEGUN REGISTRATIONS CAN BE DONE ONLINE BY:
- MONCOUNTYGIRLSSOFTBALL.COM



PARK COMISSION

PRESIDENT: DAVID W. BEAN SR., COUNCIL REP. NICKY BOYERS, FIRE DEPT REP. BUTCH RENNER, TOWN RESIDENT REP. CHIP BUZZO AND HOWARD THURMAN

WE DISCUSSED MOVING THE CURRENT BASKETBALL COURT TO THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF THE TENNIS COURTS. MOVING THE COURT WILL ALLOW MORE PARKING SPACES TO OPEN UP. DURING PRIME TIME SOFTBALL SEASON THE PARKING LOT FILLS UP QUICKLY AND HOPEFULLY THIS WILL ALEVIATE SOME OF THOSE ISSUES.

THE WALKING TRAIL IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC DAILY DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS. THE PARK OFFICIALLY CLOSSES AT DARK. REMEMBER THAT BICYCLES, TRICYCLES, SKATEBOARDS, ROLLERSKATES, DIRT BIKES, SCOOTERS, TODDLER TOYS, BATTERY OPERATED CARS ETC... ARE ALL **NOT ALLOWED** ON THE TRAIL. STROLLERS AND WHEELCHAIRS ARE THE EXCEPTION TO THOSE RULES. PLEASE REMEMBER TO BE COURTIOS TO OTHER WALKERS AND STEP TO THE RIGHT TO ALLOW FASTER WALKERS TO PASS SAFELY.

PLEASE DO NOT FEED THE GEESE, DUCKS OR OTHER WILDLIFE.



NEW FACES IN THE "VILLE"



THERE ARE 3 NEW FACES IN THE VILLE. SINCE THE WORLD RUNS ON COMPUTERS AND WE ARE NO EXCEPTION, AND WHEN THESE SYSTEMS GO DOWN WE CAN'T CONDUCT TOWN BUSINESS. IN THE PAST WE HAVE HAD TO CONTACT PRIVATE COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICES WHICH ARE VERY EXPENSIVE.

LT. DAN SHANE FROM THE WESTOVER POLICE DEPT. ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT FROM THE DEPT. AFTER A DISTINGUISHED 25 YEARS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS RETIREMENT WHICH LASTED ABOUT TEN MINUTES BEFORE WE WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HIRE HIM TO DO OUR COMPUTER WORK. DURING HIS TENURE WITH THE WOPD HIS DUTIES INCLUDED OPERATIONS OF COMPUTER SYSTEM. HE HAS BEEN TO NUMEROUS CLASSES AND HAS SELF-TAUGHT HIMSELF TO BE VERY PROFICIENT IN COMPUTER SYSTEMS AND NETWORKING. HE ALREADY HAS OUR SYSTEM OPERATING MUCH BETTER, AND PLANS TO MAKE IT MUCH MORE EFFICIENT AS TIME GOES ON. LT. SHANE IS ALSO HELPING THE POLICE DEPT. WITH THE CALEA CERTIFICATION. HE WILL BE WRITING THE NUMEROUS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT ARE REQUIRED FOR THE CERTIFICATION.

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ADDRESS CORRECTION REQUESTED

OUR SECOND NEW FACE IS LATINA PARISH. SHE WILL ASSISTING IN THE OFFICE ON A PART-TIME BASIS, AND WILL FILL IN FOR VACATIONS AND SICK DAYS. SHE IS COMPLETING HER DEGREE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE AND GRADUATES IN MAY. SHE DID AN EXTENSIVE INTERNSHIP WITH THE POLICE DEPT. AND IS FAMILIAR WITH HOW THE DEPT. OPERATES. SHE WILL BE A WELCOMED ADDITION TO OUR BUSY STAFF.

THE THIRD AND FINAL NEW FACE IS PTL. DOUG MONTAGUE. HE IS CURRENTLY A MORGANTOWN POLICE OFFICER AND WILL BE FILLING IN FOR VACATIONS, MILITARY LEAVE AND SICK DAYS. HE BRINGS 10 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE TO THE DEPT.

GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN

SGT. ROGER CUNNINGHAM RESIGNED FROM THE DEPT. IN JAN. TO ASSUME HIS NEW POSITION WITH THE MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. HE HAD BEEN WITH THE GRANVILLE POLICE FOR 4 YEARS. WE WISH HIM THE BEST WITH HIS NEW JOB.



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CHIEF CORKREAN APPOINTED SGT. MATT AS THE COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER. HIS DUTIES INCLUDE PRESENTING CRIME PREVENTION PROGRAMS, MEETING WITH LOCAL BUSINESS OWNER, AND WILL DEAL WITH PROBLEMS IN THE COMMUNITIES. HE CAN BE REACHED BY CALLING THE POLICE DEPT.

IN 2010 GRANVILLE POLICE OFFICERS CONDUCTED SHOP WITH A COP PROGRAM. THEY ADDED A NEW SPIN TO THE CONVENTIONAL PROGRAM. THEY INVITED GRANVILLE FIREFIGHTERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS, AND OFFICERS FROM OTHER AGENCIES TO HELP. THE DEPT. RECEIVED \$9,000 DOLLARS IN DONATIONS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES. EMPLOYEES FROM AKER CONSTRUCTION DONATED \$5,000 DOLLARS TOWARD THE EFFORT. WE HELPED 90 KIDS ENJOY A CHRISTMAS THEY MIGHT HAVE NOT HAD. THANK YOU TO ALL THAT HELPED.

THE DEPARTMENT IS CURRENTLY IN THE PROCESS OF PRODUCING A SERIES OF PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS. THESE PSA WILL AIR ON LOCAL RADIO STATIONS. THEY WILL ADDRESS ISSUES RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY, INTOXICATED DRIVING, WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE A CRIME OCCURRING OR SEE SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY. SO STAY TUNED.

THE STREET DEPARTMENT

WITH ROY WILSON SR.

THE STREET DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN PRETTY BUSY THIS YEAR KEEPING THE STREETS OF GRANVILLE CLEAR FOR YOUR MORNING COMMUTE. THESE GUYS ARE CALLED OUT AT ALL HOURS OF THE NIGHT TO INSURE YOU GET TO WHERE YOU'RE GOING AT LEAST THROUGH GVILLE.

THE TOWN HAS THREE SPREADER TRUCKS READY TO PLOW AND TREAT THE ROADS AT A MOMENT'S NOTICE. LAST FALL THEY POURED A LARGE PAD BEHIND THE TOWN GARAGE TO STORE ROADWAY SALT. WE RECEIVED 400 TONS FROM A PIGGYBACK CONTRACT WE HAVE WITH MORGANTOWN. THIS CONTRACT ALLOWS TO US TO PURCHASE SALT AT A MUCH CHEAPER PRICE. IT APPEARS THIS WILL BE ENOUGH TO CARRY US THROUGH THIS WINTER AND A GOOD PART OF NEXT WINTER.

THE STREET DEPT. HAS ALSO BEEN WORKING TO INSTALL THE PYLONS IN THE NEW TOWN HALL BUILDING WHEN TIME PERMITS. THEY HAVE BEEN POURING CONCRETE TO INSTALL ADDITIONAL SUPPORT JACKS. THIS WAS DONE AS A PRECAUTION BECAUSE OF THE ADDITIONAL WEIGHT THAT WILL BE ADDED TO THE BUILDING WHEN WE MOVE IN.

WE ALSO HAVE A FLEET MANAGER, CHAD LASKODY; IT IS HIS JOB TO KEEP ALL OF THE CARS, TRUCKS, SALT SPREADERS, AND EQUIPMENT RUNNING IN TIP TOP CONDITION. HE STAYS PRETTY BUSY. HE HAS ALSO HAS BEEN INSTALLING ALL OF THE EMERGENCY LIGHTS, SIRENS, AND RADIOS IN THE POLICE CARS. BY HAVING OUR OWN MECHANIC IT HAS SAVED A LOT OF MONEY BY NOT HAVING TO CONTRACT WITH OUTSIDE GARAGES. HE IS ALSO SUBJECT TO CALL OUT AT ALL HOURS OF THE NIGHT.

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Mike Stone, David Bean Jr. & Tammy Michael.

WHEN YOU NEED BUILDING PERMIT OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT A CODE ISSUE THESE ARE THE THREE PEOPLE THAT CAN HELP. MIKE STONE IS MORGANTOWN'S CHIEF BUILDING CODE EXPERT, AND HAS BEEN MENTORING TAMMY AND DAVE.

IN 2010 THEY BEGAN TO WORK ON THE FIRST EVER TOWN ISO RATING. THIS IS SCALE THE INSURANCE COMPANIES USE TO SET INSURANCE RATES AND PREMIUMS. IT WAS A VERY DETAILED AND INTENSIVE PROCESS. AFTER A LENGTHY REVIEW PROCESS OF OUR PROCEDURES WE RECEIVED AN EXCELLENT RATING. WE RECEIVED A (3) THREE IN RESIDENTIAL AND A (4) FOUR IN COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE. THE LOWER THE NUMBERS THE BETTER THE RATING. THIS WAS THE SAME RATING AS THE CITY OF MORGANTOWN RECEIVED. CONGRATULATIONS ON A GREAT FIRST RATING.

LAST YEAR THE CODE DEPT. WANTED TO MAKE THE PUBLIC AWARE OF THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING FUNCTIONING SMOKE DETECTORS, AND HOUSE NUMBERS INSTALLED ON YOUR HOUSE. WE WROTE AND RECEIVED A GRANT FROM WAL MART TO SUPPLY FREE SMOKE DETECTORS AND HOUSE NUMBERS AT NO CHARGE TO TOWN RESIDENTS. WE HAD HOPED FOR MORE PARTICIPATION BECAUSE WE KNOW THERE STILL HOUSES WITHOUT NUMBERS. REMEMBER IF WE CAN'T FIND YOU WE CAN'T HELP YOU IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY! (BESIDES IT'S THE LAW)

THE CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WILL BEGIN TO DO RENTAL REGISTRATION THIS SPRING. WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF HAVING A PAMPHLET MADE THAT WILL HELP EXPLAIN THE PROCESS. THEY WILL BE AVAILABLE LATER THIS SPRING. THIS WILL HELP EXPLAIN THE PROCESS TO THE TENANTS AS WELL AS THE LANDLORDS. ALL LANDLORDS MUST REGISTER THEIR PROPERTY WITH THE TOWN AND THE PLACES INSPECTED FOR CODE COMPLIANCE. THIS PROCESS WILL NOT ONLY INSURE THE SAFETY OF THE TENANTS, BUT WILL ALSO HELP PROTECT THE LANDLORD'S PROPERTY.

LOOK FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT IN THE NEWSPAPER LATER THIS SPRING. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE PROCESS YOUR ANSWERS ARE JUST A PHONE CALL AWAY.



“HOT STUFF” FROM THE GVFD CHIEF BUTCH RENNER

CHARLES “BUTCH” RENNER KNOWN AS “SPYDER” TO HIS FELLOW FIRE FIGHTERS IS THE CHIEF OF THE CREW KNOWN AS THE “RIVER RATS” COMPANY 17.

COMPANY 17 IS THE 2ND BUSIEST VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT IN MONONGALIA COUNTY. THEY RESPONDED TO 900 CALLS FOR SERVICE IN 2010. THE AVERAGE TIME FROM WHEN THE FIRE WHISTLE BLOWS TILL THE FIRST TRUCK IS ON THE ROAD IS APPROX... 5 MINUTES THAT’S PRETTY IMPRESSIVE.

THE DEPT. HAS EARNED AN ISO FIRE RATING OF (4) FOUR WHICH IS OUTSTANDING FOR A VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT. THE CITY OF MORGANTOWN’S PAID FIRE DEPT. IS RATED AT A (3) THREE. THIS RATING HELPS SAVES YOU MONEY ON YOUR FIRE INSURANCE EACH YEAR.

THE DEPARTMENT HAS ABOUT 30 ACTIVE MEMBERS WHICH ARE HIGHLY TRAINED. CHIEF RENNER MAINTAINS A RIGOROUS TRAINING SCHEDULE AND KNOWS TRAINING IS THE KEY TO PREVENTING INJURIES TO THE FIREFIGHTERS.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS

BINGO - MON AND TUES DOORS OPEN 4:30 BINGO STARTS 6:00

MARKET: SUNDAYS - 6:00 A.M. INDOOR/OUTDOOR VENDORS

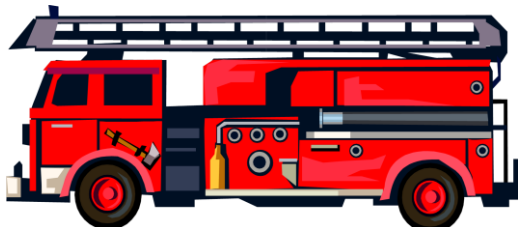
APRIL 2ND ELIMINATION DINNER TICKETS \$40/COUPLE

APRIL 9TH SUPER BINGO 2 P.M.

GUN BASH SCHEDULED FOR OCT 2011 - (NO DAY SET YET) TICKETS \$30

MONTHLY CASH TICKET \$5000 TOTAL GIVE AWAY 1,000 TICKETS SOLD COST \$10 FOR THE MONTH OF AUG 2011

THEY ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF GRANVILLE’S FINEST CONTACT CHIEF RENNER.



RECORDERS RECORDS

Michelle L. Boyers

DID YOU KNOW THAT GRANVILLE REQUIRES ANYONE OPERATING A BUSINESS, RENTAL PROPERTY OR DOOR TO DOOR SALES PERSONS TO PAY B&O TAXES?

DID YOU KNOW THAT GRANVILLE REQUIRES BUSINESSES TO OBTAIN A BUSINESS LICENSE EVERY YEAR? AND CONTRACTORS TO GET A CONTRACTOR’S LICENSE EVERY YEAR?

THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE RELIES ON B&O TAXES TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO INFRASTRUCTURE WITHIN THE TOWN. IT HELPS PAY FOR PLOW TRUCKS, SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT, STREET PAVING, EMPLOYEE WAGES & BENEFITS AND MUCH MORE.

IN 2005 THE UNIVERSITY TOWN CENTRE OPENED ITS FIRST STORE AND HAS BEEN GROWING LEAPS AND BOUNDS EVER SINCE. THE TAXES GENERATED FROM THE CENTRE HAS ENABLED THE TOWN TO ADD ADDITIONAL EMPLOYEES AS WELL AS SERVICES THAT ULTIMATELY BENEFIT THE RESIDENTS. HOWEVER, THE CENTRE HAS ALSO BROUGHT WITH IT A WHOLE NEW LEVEL OF SITUATIONS FOR THE TOWN. UPON OPENING THE POLICE PROTECTION AND STREET SERVICES HAD TO BE INCREASED. THUS ADDING MANY NEW EMPLOYEES TO THE TOWN OPERATIONS.

UP UNTIL A YEAR AGO ALL FINANCIAL ASPECTS FELL ONTO THE RECORDER INCLUDING PAYROLL, ACCOUNTS PAYABLE/RECEIVABLE, B&O TAXES, LICENSES, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS ETC.. HOWEVER, WITH THE ADDITION OF THE MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATOR MOST OF THE OVERWHELMING BURDEN HAS BEEN SHIFTED TO THAT POSITION. THE RECORDER STILL HANDLES ALL DEPOSITS AS WELL AS B&O TAXES AND LICENSES AND VARIOUS OTHER DUTIES WHICH INCLUDE MAINTAINING THE WEBSITE, NEWSLETTER AND BI-MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.

12 YEARS AGO THE TOWN WAS JUST GETTING BY ON A \$175,000 YEARLY BUDGET. BUT IN THE LAST 5 YEARS IT HAS GROWN TO A \$2.8 MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET.

ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING B&O TAXES AND BUSINESS LICENSE CAN BE SENT TO GVRECORDER@COMCAST.NET

PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT:
WWW.GRANVILLEWV.COM





ELECTION TIME!!!!

NOTE FROM THE MAYOR

AS ALWAYS, I WOULD ENCOURAGE ALL REGISTERED VOTERS IN THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE TO VOTE ON JUNE 14TH. EVEN THOUGH A COUPLE OF POSITIONS ONLY HAVE ONE CANDIDATE, BY MARKING AN "X" NEXT TO A CANDIDATE'S NAME SHOWS SUPPORT IN OUR EFFORTS TO CONTINUE IMPROVING OUR TOWN. ALL THOSE WHO HAVE FILED AS A CANDIDATE HAVE MADE A COMMITMENT TO SERVE YOU IF ELECTED SO PLEASE COME AND CAST YOUR VOTE ON JUNE 14TH.

THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE MUNICIPAL ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY JUNE 14, 2011 AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AT TOWN HALL. WATCH THE PAPERS FOR EARLY VOTING TIMES.

THE MAYOR AND RECORDER OFFICES ARE BOTH UNOPPOSED IN THIS YEAR'S ELECTION.

THERE ARE SIX CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE FIVE OPEN COUNCIL SEATS. THE FIVE CURRENT COUNCIL MEMBERS ARE ALL RUNNING AGAIN.

EACH OF THEM SUBMITTED A SMALL LITTLE BIT ABOUT THEMSELVES AND WHY THEY WANT TO SERVE THE TOWN.



MEET THE COUNCIL CANDIDATES

NICKY BOYERS

MY NAME IS NICKY BOYERS AND I HAVE LIVED IN GRANVILLE SINCE 1995. I HAVE SERVED ON COUNCIL FOR THE LAST 14 YEARS. DURING MY TIME I HAVE SEEN MANY CHANGES. I AM PROUD TO SAY THAT I WAS A PART OF THE ORIGINAL COUNCIL THAT HELPED SEE THE UNIVERSITY TOWN CENTRE PROJECT FROM ITS VERY BEGINNING. THE REVENUE THAT WAS CREATED FROM THAT PROJECT HELPED TO ADD OVER \$50,000 TO PARK IMPROVEMENTS. THE PARK IS A PASSION OF MINE AND I CURRENTLY SERVE ON THE BOARD OF PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION AS THE COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE.

MY GOAL FOR THE NEXT TERM IS SIMPLE, I WANT TO CONTINUE TO SERVE THE RESIDENTS AND BUSINESSES OF THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE TO THE BEST OF MY ABILITIES. I AM ALWAYS AVAILABLE TO ANYONE FOR COMPLAINTS OR COMPLIMENTS.

MARY BETH RENNER

I HAVE BEEN WITH THE TOWN AS RECORDER AND COUNCIL, RESPECTFULLY SINCE 1991. I HAVE SEEN THE TOWN AT ITS LOWEST POINT. I WAS FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO HELP AND WATCH IT COME ALIVE WITH THE UNIVERSITY TOWNE CENTER. I WORKED DILIGENTLY FOR YEARS AND WAS SUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING A PERMANENT LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CONSOL TO BUILD A RIVERFRONT PARK WITH ACCESS TO PUBLIC FISHING AS WELL AS A BOAT RAMP TO HANDLE SMALL CRAFTS. THIS PROJECT WILL BE STARTING SOON. I ALSO WORKED VERY HARD WITH THE MAYOR TO OBTAIN THE TE GRANT GIVING US OUR NEW SIDEWALKS. I ASK THAT YOU VOTE FOR ME TO ALLOW ME TO SEE THROUGH THE PROJECTS I HELPED TO START. I FEEL MY EXPERIENCE AND WITH THE PERSONS I HAVE COME IN CONTACT WITH WILL GREATLY BENEFIT THE TOWN IN ANY PROJECT WE SET OUT TO ACCOMPLISH. I VERY MUCH ENJOY WORKING TO BETTER THE TOWN AND WILL CONTINUE TO SEE TO IT THAT THE RESIDENTS BENEFIT AS THE TOWN GROWS.

LINDA TOMAGO

MY NAME IS LINDA TOMAGO AND I HAVE BEEN ON THE TOWN COUNCIL FOR 12 YEARS. I HAVE BEEN A RESIDENT OF THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE FOR MOST OF MY LIFE. MY GOALS ARE TO SERVE THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE AND THE CITIZENS BY HELPING TO MAKE POSITIVE AND CONSERVATIVE CHANGES AND PROGRESS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I WAS IN OFFICE WHEN THE UNIVERSITY TOWN CENTER WAS PROPOSED TO THE TOWN AND HAVE BEEN A PART OF THE PROGRESS THE TOWN HAS MADE AND THE WISE DECISIONS ON CONSERVATIVE FINANCIAL INITIATIVES THE TOWN HAS BEEN THROUGH. I AM HAPPY TO SAY I HAVE ALWAYS AND WILL ALWAYS HAVE THE RESIDENTS AND TOWN'S BEST INTEREST AT HEART.

JEREMY SICKLES

MY NAME IS JEREMY SICKLES; I AM 34 YRS. OLD AND MARRIED TO CRYSTAL SICKLES WITH ONE DAUGHTER NAMED RAEANN. I AM AN HONORABLY DISCHARGED VETERAN, AND AM CURRENTLY EMPLOYED WITH MORGANTOWN UTILITY BOARD. I HOPE TO BRING YOUTHFUL YET CONSERVATIVE IDEA'S TO THE TOWN OF GRANVILLE, AS WELL AS HELP GRANVILLE GROW WITHOUT LOSING THE SMALL TOWN FEELING THAT MAKES GRANVILLE HOME TO MANY.

WILBUR ENGLAND

MY NAME IS WILBUR ENGLAND; I HAVE LIVED IN GRANVILLE SINCE 1971. I HAVE SERVED AS ONE OF YOUR COUNCILMEN FOR A TOTAL OF TEN YEARS. I AM 64 YEARS OLD AND HAVE SEEN MANY THINGS COME ABOUT IN OUR TOWN. I WAS ON THE COUNCIL WHEN WE DECIDED TO ANNEX THE CONSOL PROPERTY, WHERE THE TOWN CENTER IS TODAY. I HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN MANY PROJECTS. I AM PRESENTLY WORKING ON UPDATING THE TOWN HONOR ROLL. THIS SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY MEMORIAL DAY.

THE TOWN AND THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE HERE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN VERY IMPORTANT TO ME AND SHALL CONTINUE TO BE. THERE ARE GOING TO BE MORE THINGS COME ABOUT IN OUR TOWN AND I HOPE TO REMAIN ON COUNCIL TO SEE SOME OF THEM COMPLETED. I SHALL CONTINUE TO WORK FOR IMPROVEMENTS FOR OUR TOWN AND ITS RESIDENTS

DAVID BEAN SR.

MY NAME IS DAVID BEAN SR. I HAVE LIVED IN GRANVILLE FOR MOST OF MY LIFE. I HAVE SERVED ON COUNCIL FOR THE PAST 5 YEARS. I HAVE BEEN A MEMBER OF THE GRANVILLE VOLUNTEER FIREMAN FOR 52 YEARS AND HAVE SERVED AS PARK COMMISSION PRESIDENT FOR THE LAST 12 YEARS. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE SIDEWALK PROJECT FINISHED, THE RIVERFRONT PARK STARTED AND THE CONTINUED WORK ON THE UPGRADING THE SEWER SYSTEM AND STREET PAVING.

