

**AGENDA
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
BLUEFIELD, WV
December 9, 2014
12:00 noon**

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Board of Directors Minutes for November 18, 2014

PRESENTATION:

Lori Mills – 2014 Ridge Runner

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- City Wide Updates
- Financial Update
- Parsons Brinkerhoff Final Report
- Take Home Vehicles
- Collections
- New City Logo Recommendation

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

ACTION ITEMS:

- Approval of New City Logo.
- Approval to send Delinquent Accounts to collections.
- First reading of AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BLUEFEILD, BY MAYOR THOMAS J. COLE, TO EXECUTE A DEED GRANTING ABBS VALLEY PIPELINE, LLC TWO PARCELS OF REAL ESTATE CONTAINING A TOTAL OF 2.65 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, SITUATED IN BEAVER POND DISTRICT, MERCER COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA FOR A PRICE OF \$75,000.00.
- Executive Session

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARD AND STANDING COMMITTEES:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- The City Board of Directors is interested in hearing from the residents, business owners, employees and visitors to Bluefield. To hear directly from you in a casual setting, "Lunch with the Mayor" was established by Mayor Tom Cole. Mayor Cole or a City Board of Directors member will meet with four individuals at a local establishment on Mondays at noon for lunch and general conversation. Individuals may request to be added to the list by completing the form on the City website. For additional questions, please call Joshua Cline at 304.327.5568.
- The Bluefield Christmas parade will be December 13 at 1:00 p.m. The theme this year will be *Christmas in Bluefield*. The Bluefield Preservation Society will

be hosting *Blue Holly Days* the same day. Santa Claus will be in the parade and in the basement of the Granada Theater. The Preservation Society will have an ice skating rink. The Grand Marshall is Oretta Hubbard.

- Holiday of Lights Lotito City Park in Bluefield, West Virginia has once again been transformed into a showcase of holiday themes during its annual Holiday of Lights Festival. Tour the beautiful park ablaze with a stretch of 600,000 lights and wonderful scenes. Special weekend events include, a scenic evening walk through the park, music, a live nativity scene, and more will highlight the season. The Holiday of Lights is open 6:00-9:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday and from 6:00-10:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday nights. In case of severe inclement weather, the park may be closed. There is no admission fee, but monetary donations and donations of canned food will be accepted at the end of the tour. For more information, please call 304.327.2449.
- The Summit Players proudly welcomes back the return of one of their classic Christmas Celebrations, "Songs of the Season 2014." This favorite Summit revue features some of the area's most talented musicians and singers. Enjoy the Holiday Season with the Summit Players as we share some of our most beloved songs and some new favorites. For more information and reservations, call 304.325.8000.
- Snow Removal - If snow removal becomes necessary, city crews will work around the clock to improve travel conditions on major transportation routes to a point that emergency services will continue. Residents should understand that snow removal is a public safety initiative. The program is not designed to provide convenient road conditions for everyone to travel anywhere within the City of Bluefield. The Department of Public Works will clear city streets, as quickly as possible during and immediately after snowfall, in the following order: (1) bridges, (2) major roadways, (3) major arterial streets and (4) secondary roads.

Secondary roads will take longer periods of time, especially in storms with large amounts of accumulating snow, high winds or extremely cold temperatures. Parked cars can be both a hazard and a hindrance to snow removal efforts. To allow the crews to do the best job possible, owners should move their cars off the street before the snowplows arrive when at all possible. Private property owners should not clear snow from their driveways or parking lots into the City Streets. The additional snow hampers the City's ability to clear roadways and could become a public safety hazard.

What should you do during a major snowstorm?

- Limit travel so as not to interfere with removal crews.
- Keep parked cars off main streets to speed up removal.
- Clear the snow on sidewalks adjacent to your property within three hours of snow stopping. You can be held liable for any injuries sustained on your property.