

City of the Village of Clarkston
City Managers Report
May 29, 2018

Office Computer Upgrade

The Oakland County IT department is making good progress on the office computer upgrade. The desktop computers donated by Baker College have been fully reconfigured and the two new laptops for remote access have been ordered. In addition to all new software, the IT team is improving the way in which the City will access the Internet, emails and the City website. We're targeting mid to late June to have everything complete.

SEMCOG Grant

I recently applied for a SEMCOG grant to potentially pay for up to 80% of the Road Asset Management Plan (the PASER study) that was approved by Council at the May 14th meeting, for an amount not to exceed of \$5600.

M-15 Light Post Repair

The City has received a quotation from our electrical contractor (Hutchinson Electric) for \$14,092 to replace the M-15 light post destroyed by the truck driver who drove into the Clarkston Dental building. We are working with the Michigan Municipal League to file the insurance claim.

Facilities Invitation to Bid

The City is now fully setup to use the MITN Purchasing Application called BidNet, as previously approved by Council. This web-based application offers a number of tools to help municipalities purchase products and services. Our first use of the new app is already underway: an invitation for contractors to bid on the City's proposed City Hall / DPW Building expansion.

Clarkston Community Celebration and Community Awards

The Clarkston High School Community Celebration recognizing the State Champion Clarkston Wolves basketball team, the State Champion Winter Guard team and the World Champion Team Rush was held in Depot Park on May 17th. An estimated 1000 people turned out to congratulate the teams on their amazing accomplishments. The Clarkston Community Award event was held Tuesday, May 22nd at the Clarkston Community Church, recognizing seven award recipients, including Mayor Steve Percival. I assisted with both events.

Depot Park

A mother duck has chosen a space under the "bumble bee" ride in the Depot Park playground to hatch her ducklings. We have opted to respect her decision and have put signs on the ride asking people to not disturb the nest. Secondly, as a reminder, trespassing is not allowed in the material staging / mulch area of the park. New No Trespassing signage and a gate padlock will be added soon.

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Smith

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