

## **Message from the Mayor**

### **July 2014 City Chatter Newsletter**

The City will begin billing for water and sewer based on actual usage starting with the October bill (based on July, August, and September usage). Usage based billing is more equitable than a flat fee because residents pay for what they use, and a resident is able to control their bill more by limiting consumption. There is a Water Saving Tips brochure available in City Hall and on the City's website. Although sewer rates have increased, water rates have decreased to reflect the costs of each system. The City's goal is to have fair and adequate rates to sustain our system.

Council Members Stubbs and Bivans were sworn in for new terms on June 2. The FY 2014 Revised Operating Budget and FY 2015 Operating Budget have been adopted by Council (Resolution 14-R-04). Freedom Park landscaping is complete. Keep an eye out for construction workers as several streets are currently being paved. Have a fun and safe summer and don't forget to visit downtown on August 23 for Heritage Day!

- Mayor Anthony R. Moyer