

City of Christopher

**208 North Thomas
Christopher, Illinois 62822**

**Office of the Mayor
Gary Bartolotti, Mayor**

January 10, 2022

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Report of financial state of the city.
2. Need a motion to raise water and sewer deposit \$20.00.
3. Central Dispatch by the end of January will be dispatching police and fire for the city of Benton.
4. Authorize the Mayor to set out bids on 118 West Market.
5. Authorize city attorney to start demolition notice on 211-213 West Market. The back side of the roof has fell.
6. The city received word that we can apply for over \$4500.00 from the Cures Grant. Shari has sent in request for the additional funds.
7. The city has started replacing the sewer line on Washington Street between Hillcrest and Safford. The total cost to replace sewer line and drainage is over \$119,000.00. The control panel was installed at Belleville lift station for \$25,475.00.



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STATE OF CITY

It is the responsibility of the Mayor each January, to report the financial condition of the municipality.

Christopher is financially stable with no debt. The City of Christopher future financially is uncertain. There are many determining factors. (1) The spread of Covid 19. (2) Hundred of thousands of dollars for demolition projects, unsafe houses and commercial buildings. (3) Business investment and residential spending.

I believe as a council and city we can work through our many financial problems in the future. Christopher is one of the few towns with a balanced budget.

The council deserves credit for their sound financial decisions. I would like to thank our Treasurer and City Clerk for keeping the Mayor and Council abreast of our financial condition. Our employees deserves thanks for saving the city thousands of dollars. I would like to thank the many volunteers, who work with no pay to make our community a better place to live.

I can report to the council and our citizens, that Christopher is financially sound. I pray 2022 will be a better year for our city.

God Bless the City of Christopher and our residents.

Gary Bartolotti



Mayor



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