

## KANAWHA IN REVIEW

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The following Metro West-related news and feature items were among those published in recent editions of The Charleston Gazette, Charleston Daily Mail, Saturday Gazette-Mail and Sunday Gazette-Mail:

### **Nitro** ends fiscal year with surplus

**Nitro** City Treasurer John Young announced Tuesday, June 1, that the city of **Nitro** will end the 2009 fiscal year with a \$200,000 surplus.

Young said that each department was to be commended for actively trying to stay under budget with each expense.

"Thanks, John," councilman Bill Javins said.

Javins also said that the street committee found 17 places that need to be improved, including three roads that have never been paved. **Council** members will be making decisions about which roads will be completed with the budgeted \$80,000 at the next meeting.

In other business, **Nitro** City **Council** members decided not to issue a quit-claim deed to the Summers family in order to resolve the disputed 23-foot right-of-way at the end of Easter Drive.

Janet Zickafoose-Ellis was in attendance, representing her elderly mother's interest in the drive.

The Summers family wanted the city to relinquish all rights and interest it had in the property so the family could own it and call it a private driveway, preventing people from turning around.

Attorney David Karr and the Summers family were not present. City Attorney Richie Robb said the city could not relinquish their interest to the Summers family.

Mayor Rusty Casto said that the matter will most likely have to be decided in court.

**Council** members also decided to move the next **council** meeting from June 15 to June 22 to accommodate Councilman Craig Matthews and Robb who are going to England.