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## **Morgantown Moves Forward with Woodburn School Acquisition Planning**

*City Council met with the Monongalia County Board of Education on Wednesday, March 13, 2012 to discuss due diligence, possibilities*



MORGANTOWN – After a recent meeting with the Monongalia County Board of Education, city administrators and engineers are ready to assess possibilities for the Woodburn Elementary School Facility.

Woodburn Elementary School, more than a hundred years old, is set to close after the new Eastwood Elementary School is completed on the Mileground. Eastwood will be a consolidation between Woodburn Elementary and Easton Elementary.

City Council is interested in the building and the possibility that it may be an ideal community center for the Woodburn neighborhood, but the final use for the building has not yet been decided.

At the March 13 meeting, the two groups discussed the due diligence process and short and long term acquisition and maintenance costs. An architect is working to study the building and determine what will need to happen to bring the building up to compliance and how much it could cost.

City Manager Terrence Moore has announced that the results of this study will be presented at the May 29, 2012 Committee of the Whole Meeting, and will also include city administration analysis of monthly utility costs.

The City and School Board will meet again in June.

*If you have questions, please contact the City Manager's office Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. The number there is (304) 284-7405.*

