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A special thank you from Mayor Shawn Fugate II

Another great Kentucky Mountain Laurel Festival in the books. When you are in my position you get a lot of credit that is probably undeserved when things look like they just fall into place. I just want to thank the people behind the scenes that have absolutely worked their tails off to get our city ready for this Festival.

Our Street Department- They were under the gun with all the bad weather over the last month leading up to KMLF. I have no doubt that I have driven them crazy. They've had to work when the weather allowed. Evenings, nights or weekends they were there to get the job done.

Our Fire department- Those guys are always there when we need them. They coordinate and work most of the events during the festival. I'm not sure they have a true job description because they'll do

anything to help when you need it.

Our Police Department- These guys work around the clock to keep things running smoothly. They've got their hands full during our busiest time of year and they handle it seamlessly. They have to put up with the worst of situations and never complain about it.

Pineville Utilities- Our downtown revitalization project would not be where it is without them. They've tackled everything I've thrown at them even when they already had plenty on their plate. They never complained just put their heads down and went to work.

Our Admin., Main Street & Bell Theatre- They pick up all my slack and keep me in line. They make my life easy by going above and beyond. They make sure that all the T's are crossed and I's are

dotted. Their effort allowed me to be out of the office and more hands on with our downtown project and KMLF preparations.

It's been a challenge juggling the downtown project timeline and preparations for KMLF. We are a small city by personnel numbers but we make up for it with quality. It's more like a family than a workforce and they really come together to get the job done when you need it most. I couldn't be more appreciative of what they've accomplished and their effort to make our city the best that it can be.

Special thanks to Pineville City Council, Bell County Forestry Camp, Bell County Jail, Bell County Fiscal Court and Bell County Sheriff's Office For support during and leading up to the KMLF.



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Mayor Shawn Fugate II, City Council members and city employees would like to thank everyone who attended the KMLF

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