

## Jay officials reflect on 2014, look onward to 2015



Town of Jay Mayor Kurvin Qualls

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Officials in the Town of Jay , including Mayor Kurvin Qualls, Town Clerk Linda Carden and several of council members, are looking forward to 2015 in hopes of revitalizing the rural community through projects already set in motion. Council member Maxine Ivy was unavailable for comment at press time.

This past year, Jay received a grant from the Northwest Florida Water Management District worth more than \$600,000. The funds will be used to upgrade waterlines within Jay. In email responses, both Qualls and Councilmember Shon Owens listed the grant as a major accomplishment from 2014.

Owens said many of the water lines in the town are “extremely” old and in need of being replaced.

Council member Maxine Ivy was also pleased to see the town receive the water grant which would upgrade the waterlines. Ivy is also happy to see the upcoming construction to Commerce Street .

“I have been looking forward to adding more lights to Commerce (street) for some time,” she said.

For 2015, Ivy anticipates the renovating Old Livestock Market.

“It has just deteriorated over the years,” she said. “We feel like we can do a lot with it.”