

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, February 22nd, 2023.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session February 22nd, 2023, from the Benedum Community Building. Mayor H. Greg Galentine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present Joseph Wendt, Stephanie Neely, John "PZ" Winters, and Sherry Johnson. Chief of Police Shawn Allman, Present
City Attorney Christian Turak, Absent
Councilperson Sarah Burge and Terri Galentine were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by councilperson Sherry Johnson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented for January 4th, 2023, seconded by Councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion carried, vote of 4 YES.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) Bruce Whipkey came to speak with council and request a donation from the city for the Pool in the amount of \$5,000.00. With the rising costs of operations, utilities, and upkeep. The cost keeps increasing each year. The pool members would also like to pay their life guards a decent wage. They are very lucky with the young adults they hire each year and want to keep them wanting to come back. More work is scheduled to be completed here soon. The pool committee will bring request in front of council for approval at next meeting. To pay for pipe and supplies from the Carol Ann Neimes donation that was given to the pool last year.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution allowing the mayor to sign all documents related to the IJDC Critical Need Green Valley Water Extension Grant. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution allowing the mayor to sign all documents related to the IJDC Critical Need Green Valley Water Extension Grant, seconded by councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Audit Engagement Letter with David L. Howell CPA. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Audit Engagement Letter with David L. Howell CPA, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 3) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval for the city to abate nuisance property located at 56 High Street Cameron, WV 26033, quote from Doty Salvage in the amount of \$5,000.00. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to table discussion until March 6th

council meeting allowing the city and city attorney to gather more information on property, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 4 YES.

- 4) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of purchasing new air conditioner unit for Chief Allmans office. Quote proposal received from Johnson Boiler Works Inc in the amount of \$3,100.00. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve the purchase of new air conditioner unit for Chief Allmans office from Johnsons Boiler Works in the amount of \$3,100.00, seconded by councilperson Stephanie Neely. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 5) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution for budget revision of the Levy Estimate (Coal Severance Budget) of the City of Cameron. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution for budget revision of the Levy Estimate (Coal Severance Budget), seconded by councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 6) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution for budget revision of the Levy Estimate (General Budget) of the City of Cameron. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign Resolution for budget revision of the Levy Estimate (General Budget, seconded by councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 7) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign the executed West Virginia Local Government Election and Release Form for the Walgreens Settlement terms. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign the executed West Virginia Local Government Election and Release Form for the Walgreens Settlement terms, seconded by John "PZ" Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 8) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of publication of legal ad in Moundsville Echo accepting written bids for mowing properties owned by the City of Cameron which include Cameron Cemetery and Cameron Dam. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve running publication of legal ad in Moundsville Echo accepting written bids for mowing properties owned by the City of Cameron which include Cameron Cemetery and Cameron Dam, seconded by councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 9) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval for the City of Cameron to advertise for bids for paving Hillcrest Avenue and Highland Avenue. Invoice to be paid by the city. Council approved to request quotes for paving Hillcrest Avenue and Highland Avenue. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to table discussion until next council meeting on March 6th, 2023 to review quotes, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 4 YES.
- 10) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of the purchase of (2) E1 grinder pumps from Trombold Equipment Company. New Core discounted municipal price is \$3,500.00 (each) pump. City will pay for pumps out of American Rescue Plan Funds. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve the purchase of (2) E1 grinder

pumps from Trombold Equipment Company for the price of \$3,500.00 (each) pump, and to pay for pumps out of the American Rescue Plan Funds, seconded by Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 4 YES.

11) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of City of Cameron to seek pricing to purchase an AED system for softball fields. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to table discussion until next council meeting on March 6th, 2023, seconded by councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 4 YES.

12) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of a \$2.00 raise for one part-time city employee. Councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to approve a \$2.00 raise for one part-time city employee, seconded by Stephanie Neely. Motion passed 4 YES.

13) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of paying bills from January 18th, February 6th, and February 22nd, 2023. Councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to approve paying bills for all dates listed above, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 4 YES.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Cameron Recreational Park

City & Community Reports

1) **FINANCE REPORT** – General Fund \$660,623.20, Coal Severance Tax Fund \$0, Water Fund \$67,097.73, Sewer Fund \$6,759.74. Totaling 734,480.67.

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:

Sarah Burge: ABSENT

Joseph Wendt:

- Warn residents to keep an eye out. There are still individuals trying to break into homes.

Stephanie Neely:

- When is Dumpster Day held?
- Answer is Fall and Spring will be announced thru the county.

Terri Galentine ABSENT

John "PZ" WINTERS

- Wanted to know if the City Crew had a valve schedule, they followed to keep water valves maintained and working properly.
- Went over property maintenance ordinance together came up with a plan to get ordinance off the ground.

Sherry Johnson

- Nothing currently.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Completed a walk thru with all individuals involved in the upcoming Sidewalk project. Another project has come to light for the City of Cameron. In the downtown area all sidewalks will be made handicapped assessable. Meetings with DOH regarding the sink hole located on Bridge Street. When both are completely resolved, then the sidewalk project will get underway. Should be started Summer of 2023.
- March 9th, 2023, Pre-Construction meeting for the Green Valley Water Extension Project.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Stephanie Neely moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 PM, seconded by Councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion carried, vote of 4 YES.

Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk

Lisa Warren, Assistant City Clerk