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**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, May 17th, 2021.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from the Benedum Community Building. Mayor Greg Galentine called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present Sarah Burge, Joseph Wendt, Kenny Richmond, Terri Galentine, John "PZ" Winters, Sherry Johnson, Chief Michael Dougherty, and City Attorney Cristian Turak

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Led by Sarah Burge.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 1) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021 meeting, seconded by Councilperson John "PZ" Winters. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.  
Sarah Burge abstained from voting. She was not in attendance on May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 2) Resident Jarrod Brown read a letter concerning police matters.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Matt with The Thrasher Group, LLC presented to council progress regarding the Sewer Plant Project. Went over the timeline. Took questions from anyone present. Baden with Belomar presented to council pay out amounts for the pay period 04/30/2021 – 05/05/2021.  
Total amount funded for this pay period = \$109,211.07.  
The Thrasher Group, Inc. = \$25,441.31 / Belomar Regional Council=\$10,486.71  
Mason Dixon Energy Services, LLC=\$73,283.05
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval for the Mayor to sign Pay Request Resolution to submit funding for Sewer Plant Project. Pay period 04/30/2021 – 05/05/2021.  
Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve Mayor to sign Pay Request Resolution to approve funding for Sewer Project, seconded by Terri Galentine. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.
- 3) Discussion of resurfacing various streets within City limits. Mayor explained to council the City is seeking funding for water, sewer projects, and street resurfacing. If approved for any of those projects would mean digging and uprooting surfaces of the area the work would be completed. It is known our City streets need attention badly. Mayor explained to council as we learn more information about funding. We would work

diligently together to put together lists. Mayor also explained if approved for water or sewer project improvements that resurfacing in that work area would be included in that price quote. More discussion as more information is gathered. Mayor also contacted House Delegate Charlie Reynolds requesting assistance with resurfacing City streets. Charlie Reynolds sent an individual down to meet with Mayor and take measurements. When information is received will forward to council for review.

- 4) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of sharing the cost of Demolition with the VFD of the house located next to the City Building. Q & M Construction gave a quote in the amount of \$5,000.00. VFD would pay \$2,500.00. City of Cameron will pay \$2,500.00. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve sharing the cost of Demolition with the VFD of the house located next to the City Building, seconded by John "PZ" Winters. Motion carried, vote of 5 Yes / 1 No
- 5) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Hiring a new police officer under current Cop Grant the City currently has. Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to table discussion of hiring a new police officer under current Cop Grant City currently has until after meeting in executive session, seconded by Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 Yes.
- 6) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of adopting WV STATE CODE § 17F-1-1, Acts prohibited by operator, penalties for violations. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to table discussion of adopting, WV STATE CODE § 17F-1-1, Acts prohibited by operator, penalties for violations, seconded by Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 Yes.
- 7) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to request to rescind the motion of adopting WV STATE CODE § 17-1-1, Acts prohibited by operator, penalties for violations, seconded by Sarah Burge. Motion carried, vote of 6 Yes.
- 8) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Amending the ATV - UTV ordinance the City of Cameron currently has in effect. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve amending the ATV-UTV ordinance the City of Cameron currently has in effect, seconded by Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 Yes.
- 9) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Bills to be paid from May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve paying bills as presented, seconded by Sarah Burge. Motioned carried, vote 6 YES.
- 10) Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to go into executive session at 8:10 P.M., seconded by Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, 6 Yes.
- 11) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to come out of executive session at 8:35 P.M., seconded by Sarah Burge. Motion carried, 6 Yes.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Cameron Recreational Park – None

**FINANCE REPORT:**

- 1) Councilperson Sarah Burge read the Finance Report – General Fund \$572,202.92, Coal Severance Tax Fund 0, Water Fund \$69,016.51, and Sewer Fund \$25,583.62 total \$666,803.05.

**GREATER CAMERON AREA LANDMARKS:**

- 1) None

**CAMERON POOL:**

- 1) Raffle tickets still available to purchase for a chance to with Kayak with paddle. All benefits to help with pool expenses. Drawing will be held on May 29, 2021.

**COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:**

**Sarah Burge:**

- 1) Thank you to The City of Cameron for the monetary donation given to the pool. Williams is scheduled to come out a second time and volunteer assistance with finishing up pool

**Joseph Wendt:**

- 2) NA

**Kenny Richmond:**

- 3) Pole light on Gable Avenue is blinking. Need to call and request for replacement. Kenny is going to call in with Pole number.

**Terri Galentine:**

- 4) City needs to contact a couple residents about mowing their yards. Terri has volunteered her time to power wash the City Building Sign located out front. Then give a nice new coat of paint. Also going to work on benches out front. Request for City Crew to repair broken piece on hand railing located on the steps coming and going from Main Street to Fleming Avenue.

**JOHN "PZ" WINTERS**

- 5) Compiled a list of residents who need to maintain the property. Mowing, picking up debris let has fallen off homes, etc. Mr. Winters also requests for gravel or something to be brought into complete patching.

**Sherry Johnson**

- 6) Is West Street a State-owned street or/ a city street?

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

- 1) Went over with council about areas The City has applied for additional assistance with our road surfaces, water infrastructure, Sewer infrastructure, and sidewalks. The City has applied for assistance in many different directions. We will update council and residents as more information starts to come in.
- 2) Discussed information that has been gathered concerning Dilapidated Homes and the steps that can be taken to resolve the abandoned homes / property. The Mayor is working with Christian Turak, (City Attorney) on finalizing next steps.
- 3) Reminder Dumpster Day is June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Located at Cameron Elementary School from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 P.M., seconded by Councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion passed vote of 6 YES.

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H. Greg Galentine, Mayor

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Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk