

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, SEPTEMBER 18th, 2023.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session September 18<sup>th</sup>, 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 Sarah Burge, Joseph Wendt, Stephanie Neely, John “PZ” Winters, and Sherry Johnson.

Councilperson Terri Galentine

Chief of Police Shawn Allman, Present

City Attorney Christian Turak, Absent

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Led by councilperson Joseph Wendt.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 1) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented for July 17<sup>th</sup>, July 24<sup>th</sup>, and August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023, seconded by Councilperson Stephanie Neely. Motion carried, vote of 4 YES.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 1) Mary Leichter came back to speak with council requesting council to reconsider the approved vote to tear down the stage located at the Recreation Park and Rescind their vote. Mary shared ideas to utilize the stage for live bands, food trucks, etc. Mary has also posted a survey on Facebook asking for feedback from residents, also gathering signatures on a petition asking for an extension on removal of the stage. After discussion the council stayed with the original vote to allow the stage to be torn down. Mayor Greg Galentine stated he was going to speak with Mr. Larry Hartley about the removal of the stage.
- 2) Mr. Chuck Sheedy stopped by to check in with the City of Cameron councilpersons. Councilperson Sarah Burge asked for an update on the Project of Paving 891. Mr. Sheedy explained the project has 3 stages. The first stage has been completed with new culverts being placed along the route. Not sure on the time frame to start the next stage, but the completion date of the project is to be November 2023. Councilperson John “PZ” Winters asked about the Dragon Highway Road Widening Project. Project is still under engineering design then will follow the steps to go out for bidding. Project start time is at least 1 to 2 years out.
- 3) Casey Long with Thrasher spoke to the council about other upcoming projects.
  - The new Sewer project should be ready to be submitted to DEP possibly by the end of this month.
  - Working with accountant on finishing Rule 42 to move forward with application for water project.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign closing documents with Thrasher for the Green Valley Water Extension Project. Documents included are as follows:
  - Change order #1
  - Certificate of Completion of project, this gives a 1-year warranty.
  - Notice of accountability of work and for City to pay final bill.
  - Engineer Amendment for additional inspections for DOH.
  - DOH new form of Certificate of Completion.

Councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to approve Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign closing documents with Thrasher for the Green Valley Water Extension Project, seconded by councilperson Sarah Burge. Motion passed 5 YES.

- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Water Budget for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year of the City of Cameron. Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve the Water Budget for 2023-2024 Fiscal Year of the City of Cameron, seconded by councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 3) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of holding Trick-r-Treat on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve holding Trick-r-Treat on October 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM, seconded by councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 4 YES, 1 NO.
- 4) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of paying bills from August 7<sup>th</sup>, August 21<sup>st</sup>, September 6<sup>th</sup>, and September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve paying all bills listed above, seconded by councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval to bring back to the table Mayor H. Greg Galentine signing Paid Up Oil and Gas Lease.

**City & Community Reports**

- 1) **FINANCE REPORT** – General Fund \$645,768,98, Coal Severance Tax Fund \$0, Water Fund \$57,641.21, Sewer Fund \$29,318.15. Totaling \$732,728.34.

**COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:**

**Sarah Burge:** Could city crew assist winterizing pool? Can they get picnic tables, benches, and garbage cans put away under the back pavilion.

**Joseph Wendt:** NA

**Stephanie Neely:** NA

**Terri Galentine** ABSENT

**John "PZ" WINTERS** NA

**Sherry Johnson** Can Nichole send me the list of Property Maintenance information for the month of August.  
When is the State going to give the City the funds to complete our first Demolition Project.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

NA

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 PM, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.

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H. Greg Galentine, Mayor

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Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk