

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, NOVEMBER 4, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session on November 4, 2013 in council chambers of the Benedum Community Building. Mayor Beresford called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present: Rock Guzek, Wayne Simmons, Ron Walker and Jack Hart, Sr. Absent were Helen McMasters and Tom Hart.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led Ron Walker.

SCHEDULED ON AGENDA: 1) BB&T Representatives

FINANCE REPORT: Wayne Simmons read the Finance Report – General Fund \$236,463.61, Water Fund - \$22,534.98, and Sewer Fund - (\$1,876.28).

POLICE REPORT: None.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE: Mayor Beresford reported that there were no issues with any of the city vehicles.

STREETS/ALLEYS/LIGHTING: It was reported that there was a street light out on Maple Avenue. Mayor Beresford advised a work order would be issued to the city crew.

WATER/SEWER: Mayor Beresford advised that the backwash pump had been rebuilt and was being reinstalled this evening.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve minutes as presented was made by Wayne Simmons, seconded by Ron Walker.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: Zia Sirabella from ADP, and Lynn Koski from BB&T were present and advised that they partnered with each other regarding payroll processing and preparation of various employee payroll and tax forms. Zia provided the City with a brochure outlining the services that her company could provide to the City. Mayor Beresford advised that the information would be reviewed and decided upon at a later date.

Eric Fecat from Belomar was present and presented a Resolution and an Addendum to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Grant Administration Services on the Small Cities Block Grant Project for signature by Mayor Beresford and City Clerk, Sheila Cottrell. This was regarding remaining funds for the water plant upgrades and would extend the agreement to March, 2014. Eric also suggested that the City upgrade to radio read meters. Eric advised that there was approximately \$61,000 in the account. Wayne Simmons moved to approve the resolution, Ron Walker seconded.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Cameron Small-Fry Wrestling Coach, Allen Hager, was present and requested that his club be permitted to use the gymnasium at the old high school for their practice sessions. He stated that there were too many kids in his organization to

continue practicing in the locker room located at the football field. He also advised that his organization would be having a Night at the Races fundraiser in the cafeteria at the old high school. With the proceeds raised at this fundraiser, as well as money raised through a future tournament, he pledged to assist the Cameron Events Center Committee with paying the utility bills at the old high school in exchange for using the gym for his practice sessions approximately three nights per week. Mayor Beresford advised that the utility bills were a concern to the City, and that the City was not looking to make a profit from rentals, rather they were simply trying to make sure utilities would be taken care of. Mr. Hager also advised that the club had their own liability insurance and Mayor Beresford advised that the city would require them to sign a waiver. In addition, he stated that the wrestling coach at West Liberty University was interested in holding a wrestling camp at the old gym. This would also help raise funds to pay the utilities. In addition, he stated that Waynesburg University had a used wrestling mat for sale for \$750.00 and requested that the city purchase the mat for the club. Rocky Guzek moved to purchase the mat, Jack Hart, Sr., seconded. In addition, the City will provide mops, brooms, buckets, etc., so that Mr. Hager can mop the floor prior to putting the mats down.

Mary Leichter was present and advised that there is still a problem with water flowing down the hill in the turn on Howard Street. In the winter this water freezes making the road treacherous. She presented pictures of the problem area to council to review. Mayor Beresford advised that she would send the city crew out to see what could be done.

Dave Evans was present and indicated that since the new paving which took place on Green Valley Road, the manhole covers are sunken and need to be raised flush with the sidewalk. Mayor Beresford advised she would have Terry Springer order adapters to raise the manhole covers up.

Larry Hartley inquired as to whether the City was ignoring Trans-Energy's offer regarding leasing property at the recreation park. Mayor Beresford advised that she was not ignoring Trans-Energy, and that the lease had been sent to the City's attorney, Rosemary Humway-Warmuth for review, and that Ms. Humway-Warmuth requested that we also forward it to Attorney David Hook for his review. Mayor Beresford advised that Attorney Hook was on vacation, and that as soon as he reviewed it she would be getting back to Trans-Energy regarding his recommendations.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Beresford advised that she had called Dave Bojtas at Consol regarding tearing down the Consol owned uninhabitable houses and has received no call back. She will continue to follow-up with Consol over this issue.

COUNCIL COMMUNITY ITEM REPORTS: Ron Walker felt that the City needed to ticket Anderson Nursing Home and, as well, some of the Consol owned properties. Ron Walker

made a motion that we begin ticketing for the uninhabitable structures, Rocky Guzek seconded.

INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

Tom Hart – Absent.

Helen McMasters – Absent.

Rock Guzek – None.

Ron Walker – None.

Wayne Simmons – Wayne Simmons suggested that we look into Advantage Payroll Systems to do our payroll. He said they are located on Park View Lane near National Road in Wheeling. His company has used them with a lot of success.

Jack Hart, Sr. – Jack Hart, Sr. advised that the water lays in the road in front of his house and in the winter freezes, making the entire road treacherous. He said this is because the Department of Highways keeps ditching an area which is not supposed to be ditched. Jack indicated he would be speaking with Kevin Cottrell of the Dept. of Highways regarding this problem.

ADJOURNMENT: Rocky Guzek made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Ron Walker seconded.

Sheila A. Cottrell, City Clerk

Julie Beresford, Mayor