

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, December 4th, 2023.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session December 4th, 2023, from the Benedum Community Building. City Clerk Nichole Bryan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present Sarah Burge, Stephanie Neely, John “PZ” Winters, and Sherry Johnson, Joseph Wendt, and Chief of Police Shawn Allman.

Councilperson Terri Galentine, Absent

City Attorney Christian Turak, Absent

Major H. Greg Galentine, Absent

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by councilperson Sarah Burge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- 1) Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve the minutes as presented for November 6th, 2023, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 4 yes, 1 abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) Steve Hayes, from Thrasher spoke on some upcoming projects. Brought Christmas packs for the city. Will be getting DOH permits together and easements. They also thought the Christmas decorations looked nice.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval for the City of Cameron to accept bid for ERB Electric to install 100KW Cummins generator at the Cameron Water Plant in the amount of \$80,000.00. Project to be funded by ARPA Funds. The councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval to approve blue and gold as the colors for the playground at the recreation park. The councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Sarah Burge. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 3) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval to give all city employees a \$100.00 Christmas bonus. The councilperson Sara Burge moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 4 YES, 1 ABSTAINED

- 4) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of the creation of a governmental fund named Fund 026-Opioid Settlement. The councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 5) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of opening governmental interest-bearing checking account with Truist Bank named Fund 026-Opioid Settlement. The councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 6) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign WV DEP Rehabilitation Environmental Action Program (REAP) Dilapidated Properties Program (DLAP) Application. The councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 7) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Mayor H. Greg Galentine to sign certification regarding Drug Free Workplace requirements form to submit with WV DEP (REAP) (DLAP) Application. The councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Stephanie Neely. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 8) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of hiring Bel O Mar Regional Council to assist with submission of WV DEP (REAP) (DLAP) Application and completion of requirements The price is \$7,500.00 for their service but can be paid out of award if City of Cameron receives the award. The councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 9) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of City of Cameron taking ownership of all city /state streets within the city limits. After completion of paving all / repairs. The councilperson Sarah Burge motioned to table discussion, seconded by Councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 10) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of the purchase of 2021 Ford Utility Police Interceptor in the amount of \$43,000.00 from Whiteside. To be purchased with the ARPA Funds. The councilperson Sara Burge moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion passed 5 YES.
- 11) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of paying bills from November 20th and December 4th, 2023. The councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson John “PZ” Winters. Motion passed 5 YES.

OLD BUSINESS:

City & Community Reports

- 1) **FINANCE REPORT** – General Fund \$763,079.97 Coal Severance Tax Fund \$0, Water Fund \$43,431.23, Sewer Fund \$9,525.36. Totals \$816,036.56.

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:

Sarah Burge: Asked where the city was at on buying the old hardware.
Joseph Wendt: No comment
Stephanie Neely: Great Job on the decorating Nicole and City Guys
Terri Galentine ABSENT
John "PZ" WINTERS City Crew is doing a great job.
Sherry Johnson Asked about the bids on the demo homes and had concerns about the water in front of her house.

City Clerk's COMMENTS

Thanked the City Crew and everyone who helped with the Christmas decorations, and the parade.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 PM, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.

Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk

Stephanie Neely, Assistant City Clerk