

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

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session February 17, 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, PZ Winters, Sherry Johnson, and Chief Dougherty.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by PZ Winters

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilperson PZ Winters moved to approve the minutes as presented on February 01, 2021 meeting, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- 1) None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Discussion and Approval / Disapproval of changing the address of one resident. Requesting for the address 59 W. Howard Street, be changed to 55 Pine Avenue. Emergency vehicles would turn onto Pine Avenue to access the driveway to this residence. This is due to the 911 / Marshall County Emergency / Post Office, and City of Cameron having different information. Councilperson PZ Winters moved to approve, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Bills to be paid from last council meeting February 01, 2021. Councilperson Sherry Johnson moved to approve paying bills as presented, seconded by PZ Winters. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.

OLD BUSINESS:

- 1) Cameron Recreational Park – NONE
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of tabled item from last council meeting. Regarding implementing an amended ordinance for uninhabitable structures requiring the maintenance of property and prohibiting the accumulation of Junk, Garbage, Refuse, Rubbish, Debris, or the dilapidation of property, whether real or personal. Within the city limits of the City of Cameron. To include additional penalties if NON-COMPLIANCE. Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to bring back this tabled item for Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval, seconded councilperson by Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.

- Placed call to City Attorney for some questions to be answered for council.
 - Councilperson Sherry Johnson asked if the City could attach residents' wages or taxes for non – payment? Christian (city attorney) stated that is something that can be processed if needed.
 - Councilperson Sarah Burge questioned definition of “owner”. Christian (city attorney) stated “owner” is any person possessing the property.
Does the City have to place a legal ad in local paper prior to emergency abatement? Christian (city attorney) stated The City does not have to place in local paper.
 - Christian will make a few updates to ordinance then email updated document to Greg for review. Will have copies for Council members at next meeting. Will include copy of repeal also.
- 3) Councilperson Sarah Burge, moved to Table Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval to review updates to uninhabitable structures ordinance to next council meeting on March 01, 2021. Seconded by councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion carried, vote of 6 YES.

FINANCE REPORT

- 1) Councilperson Sarah Burge read the Finance Report – General Fund \$453,668.48, Coal Severance Tax Fund 0, Water Fund \$51,405.73, and Sewer Fund (\$3,417.14) total \$501,657.07.

GREATER CAMERON AREA LANDMARKS:

- 1) None

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:

Sarah Burge:

- 1) None

Joseph Wendt

- 1) Lots of traffic along Fleming Avenue. Late at night and early mornings.

Kenny Richmond

- 1) Questioned electronic water meter readers. Is this something that can be looked into down the line?

Terri Galentine

- 1) None

PZ WINTERS

- 1) Thank you, City Crew, for working on filling potholes around the City.
Thank you for all your hard work on keeping up with the streets during this winter season.
Thank you to Chief Dougherty and all officers for their dedication to The City of Cameron.

Sherry Johnson

- 1) Had questions about water leak on Hillcrest Avenue.
- 2) Thank you to the City Crew for all their hard work keeping up with the roads and walkways.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

- 1) The gray GMC Dump Truck has been officially retired.
- 2) Officer Bromelow will attend physical for the Academy on March 16, 2021. Due to Covid-19 the Academy will be held for 10 straight weeks. This will start on March 22, 2021 thru May 24, 2021. Good Luck Officer Bromelow!
- 3) Will set a date soon to hold a Budget Workshop.
- 4) On APRIL 20, 2021, A Special Meeting will be held to Lay the Levy for the 2021 -2022 Budget.
- 5) The City has received so far \$1,930.00 to be placed toward a sidewalk fund to make improvements.
- 6) Reservoir is coming up nicely. Almost where we need to be.
- 7) City Crew has done a great job keeping up with streets and walkways throughout all this winter weather.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:57 pm, seconded by Councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion passed vote of 6 YES.

H. Greg Galentine, Mayor

Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk