

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, May 4th, 2026.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron had a meeting held on May 4th, 2026. Sherry Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present Sarah Burge, Joseph Wendt, Hunter Chambers, and Devin Starcher.

Councilperson Stephanie Neely and Betty Kinney were absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Led by Councilperson Sarah Burge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve the Minutes for April 21st, 2026, with corrections to i) and j) and add old business all tabled, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 4 YES.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Mr. Larry Hartley assisted in position of concrete pad for the new town clock.
- Landmarks Committee is gathering bids to redo deck around depot. When quotes are gathered might approach city council for assistance with cost.
- Has the city ever thought about hiring an outside company to sweep streets?

NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of Mayor Sherry Johnson signing Notice of Award to Raze International for all service, labor, material, and equipment necessary to demolish seven vacant dilapidated structures in the City of Cameron, Marshall County, WV. BID submitted on April 23rd, 2026, in the amount of \$145,925.00.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve Mayor Sherry Johnson signing Notice of Award to Raze International for all service, labor, material, and equipment necessary to demolish seven vacant dilapidated structures in the City of Cameron, Marshall County, WV. BID submitted on April 23rd, 2026, in the amount of \$145,925.00, seconded by Councilperson Hunter Chambers. Motion passed, 4 YES.
- b) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of the second, and final reading of ordinance authorizing the acquisition and construction of certain improvements and extensions to the existing public sewerage facilities of the City of Cameron, and the financing of the cost thereof, not otherwise proved, through the acceptance by the city of sewer funding assistance, series 2026 A in the aggregate principal amount to exceed \$2,000,000 through the West Virginia SRF Program; authorizing execution and delivery of all documents relating to acceptance of such funding; approving, ratifying and confirming the funding assistance agreement relating to such sewer funding assistance, series 2026 A.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve the above statement, seconded by Councilperson Devin Starcher. Motion passed, 4 YES.
- c) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of Mayor Sherry Johnson, City Clerk Nichole M. Bryan, and Assistant City Clerk Stephanie Neely to sign the Management representation letter and return to CPA David Howell.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve Mayor Sherry Johnson, City

Clerk Nichole M. Bryan, and Assistant City Clerk Stephanie Neely to sign the Management representation letter and return to CPA David Howell, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 4 YES.

- d) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of hiring Summer Part – Time help city street crew at \$12.00 an hour.** Councilperson Devin Starcher moved to approve hiring Summer Part – Time city street crew at \$12.00 an hour, seconded by Councilperson Hunter Chambers. Motion passed, 4 YES.
- e) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **of paying bills for May 4th, 2026.** Councilperson Sarah Burge made the motion to approve the paying bills for May 4th, 2026, Seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt, motion passed, 4 Yes.
- f) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to table going into executive session to discuss personnel issues.** Councilperson Sarah made the motion to bring back to the table going into executive session to discuss personnel issues, Seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt, motion passed. 4 Yes.
- g) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to go into executive session to discuss personnel issues.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve going into executive session at 7:30 PM, seconded by Councilperson Devin Starcher. Motion passed, 4 YES.
- h) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to come out of executive session.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve coming out of executive session at 9:20 PM, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 4 YES.
- i) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to table giving Jeff Gardner a raise. He has passed all testing and is officially Class II Water Operator and Wastewater Operator.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to table giving Jeff Gardner a raise. He has passed all testing and is officially Class II Water Operator and Wastewater Operator, seconded by Devin Starcher, motion passed, 4 Yes.

1. Old Business

- a) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval **to table bringing back to the table keeping a contract with Aaron Foster and Luke Foster as back up operators for the City of Cameron. This will allow Jeffrey Gardner vacation, sick leave, ect. To retain Foster’s services as needed they are requesting \$800.00 a month.** Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to bringing back to the table keeping a contract with Aaron Foster and Luke Foster as back up operators for the City of Cameron. This will allow Jeffrey Gardner vacation, sick leave, ect. To retain Foster’s services as needed they are requesting \$800.00 a month, Seconded by Councilperson Devin Starcher, motion passed, 4 Yes.

- b) Discussion and Approval / or Disapprove keeping a contract with Aaron Foster and Luke Foster as back up operators for Water and Wastewater plants for the City of Cameron. This will allow Jeffrey Gardner vacation, sick leave, ect. To retain Foster’s services as needed they are requesting \$800.00 a month. Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to approve keeping a contract with Aaron Foster and Luke Foster as back up operators for Water and Wastewater plants for the City of Cameron. This will allow Jeffrey Gardner vacation, sick leave, ect. To retain Foster’s services as needed they are requesting \$800.00 a month, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion passed, 4 YES.

City & Community Reports

- FINANCE REPORT

COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS

Sarah Burge – Potholes at bottom of North Avenue.
Joseph Wendt— Dam needs to be patrolled more in evenings and at night. Lots of activity.
Stephanie Neely – ABSENT
Hunter Chambers— NA
Betty Kinney -- ABSENT
Devin Starcher – NA

POLICE COMMENTS Dufford property cleaned up. Flood Dam information is out to the public. Parking issue on North Avenue has been addressed. If talking to residents doesn’t work, city will have to put signs and paint curb bottom of North Avenue.

WATER COMMENTS

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

We have caught and taken in 11 cats so far.
Dead end sign for Hillcrest Avenue.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilperson Stephanie Neely moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, all in favor.

Sherry Johnson, Mayor

Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk