

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION AUGUST 19, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session on August 19, 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, Jack Hart, Sr., Wayne Simmons, Helen McMasters, and Ron Walker.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Ron Walker.

SCHEDULED ON AGENDA: Opening sealed bids for equipment at the old high school.

FINANCE REPORT: Wayne Simmons read the Finance Report – General Fund \$201,574.69, Coal Severance Tax Fund - \$3000.00, Water Fund - \$24,779.80, and Sewer Fund - \$14,645.13

POLICE REPORT: None.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE: Mayor Beresford advised that the spreader has now been repaired by the city crew and is in good working order.

STREETS/ALLEYS/LIGHTING: Mayor Beresford advised that speed bumps had been installed on W. High Street, however, we are still waiting to receive the 10 mph sign.

WATER/SEWER: Tim Flint reported that everything was working fine at the water plant and that our water quality is good. We have had some algae issues at the pool, however, it is beginning to clear up. Mayor Beresford also reported that the fencing has been completed around the water plant.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Mayor Beresford presented council with a copy of the sewer budget for 2013-2014. Helen McMasters moved to approve the budget, Rocky Guzek seconded.

Mayor Beresford circulated a letter received by Jack Yost which indicated that Green Valley Road would not be paved. She also circulated the paperwork indicating that we are in the process of obtaining an historical marker to be placed at the pool.

NEW BUSINESS: Mayor Beresford advised that she had received information from the West Virginia Archives and History board that the cost to purchase and install a historical marker at the swimming pool would be \$2,000. There was also some discussion regarding placing one at the depot. No decision was made.

Mayor Beresford indicated that the City had received a check for \$3,360.00 in conjunction with the community block grant. These funds will be used to make repairs to areas of the City Building that are in a state of disrepair.

The sealed bids for the equipment at the old high school were opened. Sheila Cottrell will prepare an itemized list of the bidders/amounts.

Mayor Beresford also advised that she had received the Long Term Control Plan from Thrasher Engineering for the sewer system.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Eric Fecat from Belomar indicated that there were funds available from the Small Communities Block Grant to pay the outstanding invoices from C.I. Thornburg for equipment/supplies purchased for the water plant. Eric also presented the Mayor with paperwork for her signature for the recommended funding package for the Phase III water project.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Beresford advised council that she had recently sent out 20 letters to local businesses and organizations working in our area to solicit donations for the development of a community recreation center at the site of the old high school.

INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

Tom Hart – Absent.

Helen McMasters – None.

Rock Guzek – Rocky Guzek indicated that the trees had been cleared from the property next to Ron Walker's on High Street, however, the debris was left there and they need to finish cleaning up. In addition, he felt that some gravel was needed on Orchard Drive, however, Mayor Beresford felt that the city crew may have already taken care of this issue.

Ron Walker – Ron Walker indicated that a home on Maple Avenue was a nuisance due to the strong odor of cat urine. Mike Younger advised that it was being worked on, and we are currently waiting on the Health Department's input.

Wayne Simmons – None.

Jack Hart, Sr. – None.

Jack Hart made a motion for council to go into executive session, seconded by Rocky Guzek.

Council then proceeded to go into executive session.

Wayne Simmons made a motion to end the executive session and go back into regular session, Jack Hart seconded.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Rocky Guzek. Seconded by Ron Walker.

Sheila A. Cottrell, City Clerk

Julie Beresford, Mayor