

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF
CAMERON, CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION JANUARY 9, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session on January 9, 2012 in council chambers of the Benedum Community Building. Mayor Mark Frazier called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present: Rocky Guzek, Tom Hart, Chris Hartley, and Wayne Simmons. Absent – Helen McMasters, Ron Walker.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Tom Hart.

SCHEDULED ON AGENDA: Randy Watson, Thrasher Engineering, was present and gave an update on the water line project. No pay estimate was presented for the January 9, 2012 meeting. They do not have to cut the trench on each side the extra foot out Green Valley as originally thought. It is cheaper to lay the overlay in the spring and Kevin Kaufman agreed to let the project proceed as such. They are going up Isiminger Lane and crossing over Big Grave creek and on up Green Valley to tie back into the 4 inch line. There may be residual funding available to contribute toward upgrades at the current water plant.

Chris Hartley queried as to if this was acceptable. Randy replied yes, since it involves the water system that it should get approved but they may not want to contribute a great deal of funding to it. Randy will write a request to the Regional Council for approval of the change request to include the upgrades.

Chris Hartley asked if there was a completion report that gets submitted. Randy replied that a Substantial Completion report gets done but nothing that he submits.

Randy presented Change Order #2 to reflect the reduced rate of \$77.00 per foot, which was originally presented at a higher rate. Anderson was not available to bring the change order to Council. Randy brought one copy with him for review. Revised Change Order #2 with the increase of \$95,742.95 was presented for approval.

Motion to approve the Revised Change Order #2 was made by Wayne Simmons. Seconded by Tom Hart. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve minutes of December 5, 2011 with noted corrections was made by Tom Hart. Seconded by Rocky Guzek. Motion carried.

FINANCE REPORT: Not Available

STREETS/ALLEYS/LIGHTING: Flag light is out and needs replacing.

POLICE: A police report was available for the month of December.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE: Mayor Frazier reported that all vehicles are running fine.

WATER: The impact of the water line project has reduced the over-time at the water plant and the water supply has increased tremendously.

Chris Hartley suggested that we do some work on the water tank. The outside needs to be painted.

Mayor Frazier suggested that the inside needs to be clean but may not be feasible with it being the only water tank in town. This type of project would take several days.

Rocky Guzek added that the aerator needs to be fixed. Mayor Frazier added that PZ says we have an In-Line Mixer and that it is already being mixed.

SEWER:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

MAYOR'S COMMENTS: Mayor Frazier thanked everyone for helping out during his absence. He appreciated everyone's help. Rocky Guzek was thanked for his hands on help with the water line project. Wayne Simmons was thanked for carrying out the Council Meetings.

An Arts and Crafts Show is being planned to be carried out in conjunction with the Landmark Commission and the CCDA. April is the projected date for the show.

Mayor Frazier is going to call the school board to get the City of Cameron on the agenda for the Marshall County School Board Meeting regarding the City of Cameron obtaining the old Cameron High School Building.

COMMUNITY ITEM REPORTS:

Finace – Wayne Simmons – Mayor Frazier indicated that he would like to remove the Finance portion from this section, as it is redundant. Wayne and Rock agreed.

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Emergency Services/Publicity – Tom Hart – advised that the design was complete and once the invoice is received, a check will be cut and the steel for the tower should be ordered later this week. The steel will take 8-10 weeks to get in. Construction should start no earlier than the first of April. Premier Construction will do the construction of the tower. All agreements have been signed with AT&T. The tower should be up and functional by September.

Rocky Guzek inquired if the EPA tests were completed and Tom Hart replied that they were done. Everything was complete.

Community Clean Up Issues: - Ron Walker

Rocky Guzek mentioned that the Maple Avenue house has not improved.

Mayor Frazier stated that Henry Burge came in and said that he did not feel there was anything wrong with his building. Mayor Frazier advised Henry that he could come to Council to present his case to Council for determination on his building. The building is used for storage. 1st Sgt. Mull stated that the building was leaning and Rocky Guzek mentioned that the foundation has shifted.

INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

Tom Hart – none

Helen McMasters – absent

Rocky Guzek – Did not approve of the ad for the Part-time Clerical position. He felt it should not be spread over the entire 5 days.

Mayor Frazier stated that we would be flexible and that it would be worked out between Cindy Minton and the candidate.

Rock also did not approve of the city crew un-decorating the Christmas tree. He felt that the CCDA should have taken on the task since they were the ones who decorated the tree. Tom Hart agreed.

Mayor Frazier reminded everyone that it was a volunteer effort and that he did not have a problem with it, but may be something to review for next year.

Ron Walker – absent

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Wayne Simmons – Asked about the Pine Avenue “slip” paperwork. An estimate was created for submission for funding for repairs.

He will be able to attend the State Auditor’s Budget Workshop.

Wayne will be absent from the first Council Meeting in February, as he will be out of town.

Chris Hartley – He heard a lot of good things about the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. He also asked that the minutes be read/reviewed at the Council Meetings going forward.

Mayor Frazier responded that we could have minutes available for public review. He also advised that the minutes would be read, starting at the January 23rd Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by Chris Hartley. Seconded by Tom Hart. Motion carried.

Cindy L. Minton, City Clerk

Mark Frazier, Mayor