

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, June 1, 2020 via Conference Call**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session June 1, 2020, via Conference Call from the Benedum Community Building. Mayor Betty Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The following council members were present: Sarah Burge, Greg Galentine, Kenny Richmond, Sherry Johnson, and Terri Galentine. Absent: Wayne Simmons.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Led by Mayor Betty Scott

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Councilperson Greg Galentine moved to approve the minutes as presented for May 18, 2020 meeting, seconded by Councilperson Sherry Johnson. Motion carried, vote of 5 yes

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- a) None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a) Discussion and Approval of Hiring Chad Bromelow to fulfill the Cops Grant.
  - Councilperson Kenny Richmond moved to Table until next regular Council meeting June 15, 2020, seconded by Councilperson Greg Galentine. Motion carried, vote of 5 yes.
- b) Discussion and Approval of Bills to be paid from June 1, 2020.
  - Councilperson Greg Galentine moved to pay bills as presented, seconded by Councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion carried, vote of 5 yes

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a) Cameron Recreational Park - Update
  - 1) Governor is announcing the latest guidelines for youth activities for softball and baseball. When that is done the Health Department will send the guidelines to follow.
  - 2) ICR crew notified Larry by text that they were going to begin removal of the attic insulation so the electrician could get access to correct the NEC Code.
  - 3) No other work has been started or completed

**FINANCE REPORT:**

City Clerk Debbie Hall read the Finance Report – General Fund \$322,506.76, Water Fund \$47,853.30, and Sewer Fund \$-1,204.29 total \$369,155.77.

**POLICE REPORT:**

- 1) Bromelow has completed his employment packet.
- 2) Bromelow – awaiting a date from Dr. V. Cera for psychological evaluation

- 3) Part-time officers and I will be working more hours beginning June 2<sup>nd</sup> because we have returned to normal hours at Sherriff's office
- 4) NIBRS reporting is still ongoing and is approximately 50% completed
- 5) Air conditioning units have been replaced in Police Department
- 6) Red abandoned vehicle that was reported by Councilman Galentine has been researched and tagged with a tow date of June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**VEHICLE MAINTENANCE:**

- 1) Councilperson Greg Galentine asked why Police Cruiser (Impala) was at Marling's garage.
  - City Clerk told him it was there to get inspected.

**STREETS/ALLEYS/LIGHTING:**

- 1) Garbage removal
- 2) Normal meter ons & offs
- 3) Read meters
- 4) Mowed sewer plant/weed eat
- 5) Mowed easements/weed eat
- 6) Ditched Hillcrest
- 7) Hot patched High Street
- 8) Graveled West Street
- 9) Worked on automatic water dispenser
- 10) Fixed leak on main @ S. Marling
- 11) Put a berm @ T. Neely's on Howard Street
- 12) Graveled water plant
- 13) Fixed manhole lid on 250 by C. Stern

**WATER:**

- 1) With sunnier days have begun to grow a little algae at reservoir, but we are treating it often
- 2) Have not gotten an opportunity to do a full flushing for the City water system but we have gotten some flushing in certain areas completed
- 3) Water quality has improved to the point the state is reducing some of our testing requirements which will ultimately save money.

**SEWER:**

- 1) #1 SBR blower removed and delivered to D & G Machine for repairs
- 2) Excess sludge removed from digester
- 3) Awaiting start date from Thrasher
- 4) Had a visit from Steve Cook DEP he was very pleased with the new outfall boxes a thank you to Tim and Logan for designing and installing them

**CAMERON POOL:**

- 1) Councilperson Sarah Burge stated that Cindy Cunningham is staying in touch with Tom from the Marshall County Health Department. And Sarah has been in touch with Benwood Pool to see how they are doing it.
  - Councilperson Burge stated – Pool will be open on June 6, 2020 daily from 12 pm to 6 pm. Fire Department is having a teen swim dance on July 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7-10 with a DJ and admission is free. Pool is supplying the life guards.

- Mayor Scott asked about hand sanitizer – Councilperson Burge said they have been able to find some, but not the big bottles they would like.

**GREATER CAMERON AREA LANDMARKS:**

- 1) None

**COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:**

**Sarah Burge**

- 1) I would like to encourage Councilmembers to come and look at the Pool. I am so glad we are able to do this every year.
  - o Mayor Scott stated that the Pool Committee does an outstanding job every year on.
- Mayor Scott stated that Animal Control is supposed to be out patrolling for stray/loose dogs.

**Greg Galentine**

- 1) Would like to thank the Pool Committee for what they offer to our community and kids.
- 2) 24 Columbia Avenue – needs mowed, and property needs secured.

**Kenny Richmond**

- 1) Have we heard about putting no Trespassing signs on the CONSOL property?
  - o Mayor Scott a letter has been sent to CONSOL.
- 2) Also, we have a homeless guy named Sky living up there. I called Sherriff Department.
- 3) Hot patch – Gable Avenue has a hole that needs patched.

**Terri Galentine**

- 1) Last day to call and get on list for Dumpster pick up.
  - o City Clerk said Thursday June 4, 2020.

**Wayne Simmons**

- 1) Absent - Sick

**Sherry Johnson**

- 1) Complaints about Crawford Avenue and the drug activity.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

- 1) Spoke with Art Lightner (DOH); he has been very helpful, talked to him last week and the plan he submitted to work on roads out here is not going to happen now. Funding is on hold and he has 7 people to hire and he cannot even do that. He will let us know immediately if anything changes. It will be all up to Tim and Logan to work on the roads, so please bear with them. They will do their best to get it all done.
- 2) Playground is opened and a sign is posted that the playground will be sanitized once a day and to please bring your own wipes and hand sanitizer.

- 3) House on High Street that Councilperson Terri Galentine asked about. The owner is C. Anderson, which has just passed away about 2 weeks ago. So, we will have to see what happens with it and keep checking on it.
- 4) Placed an Ad in the Moundsville Echo for bids on D. Hunt's house and Kisner's house in the bottom that has fallen. We have 3 Contractor's to inquire about it, the bids are to be turned in by June 8<sup>th</sup>. It will be on the next Agenda for consideration.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Councilperson Kenny Richmond moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 pm, seconded by Councilperson Terri Galentine. Motion passed vote of 5 yes.

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Debbie Hall, City Clerk

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Betty Scott, Mayor