

**STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA, COUNTY OF MARSHALL, CITY OF CAMERON,  
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR SESSION, August 16, 2021.**

The City Council of the City of Cameron met in Regular Session August 16th, 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, John "PZ" Winters, Christian Turak and Chief Dougherty. Councilperson Sherry Johnson, absent.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Led by councilperson John "PZ" Winters.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 1) Councilperson Terri Galentine moved to approve the minutes as presented August 16th, 2021, meeting, seconded by Councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

- 1) Baden Powell from Belomar Region Council attended council meeting to read, **RESOLUTION BY THE CAMERON CITY COUNCIL AUTHORIZING THE ACCEPTANCE OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) WITH THE STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA.**  
Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of RESOLUTION to authorize and direct Greg Galentine, City Mayor to be the official representative to act on and sign on behalf of the City of Cameron all grant related actions as they relate to the Cameron (CDBG) Demolition Project. Adopted by the Cameron City Council on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of August 2021. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve the RESOLUTION to authorize and direct Greg Galentine, City Mayor to be the official representative to act on and Sign on behalf of the City of Cameron all grant related actions as they relate to the Cameron (CDBG) Demolition Project, seconded by councilperson Kenny Richmond. Councilperson Sarah Burge abstained from vote. Motion carried, vote of 4 YES.
- 2) Sheila Strawn resident on Church Street approached council with a few concerns. Someone in the city limits has a rooster which crows at all hours of the night and day. When it starts to crow then a dog neighboring the roosters residence barks uncontrollably. There are individuals who work for a living and NEED sleep. Questioned if this concern falls under the city's nuisance ordinance and if something could be done? Another concern is the dirt bike and four-wheeler traffic flying around elementary school/ Church Street / tracks areas. Again, all hours of the day and night. These areas of concern need addressed.

- 3) Dee & Steve Raddie approached council with questions and concerns regarding a possible amending of current ATV ordinance. Residents explained that requesting a permit from residents is not fair. All the individuals who are already following the laws/rules are the ones being punished. If council votes for this Change many residents will be very upset. They don't feel these changes are going to sway the ones causing problems to change. Feelings are if you vote to amend current ordinance to include an annual permit your taking money from the individuals who use their ATV correctly and use them regarding fundraising for the community. For example, The Moose put on a ride to raise funds for the Cameron Pool. All the support for this ride ended up in a donation in the amount of \$3,000.00. Please don't penalize the ones who ride with sense, safety, carry insurance, etc. on their ATV.
- 4) Officer Brittany Carr approached council with questions concerning pay raises and becoming the code enforcement officer. Officer Carr requested to discuss the above in executive session. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters made a motion to go into executive session at 7:42 PM, seconded by councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval for council to go into Executive Session to discuss with Officer Carr pay raises and becoming the code enforcement officer. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters made a motion to go into executive session at 7:42 PM, seconded by councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.
- 2) Councilperson Kenny Richmond made a motion to exit Executive Session at 8:37, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motion carried, vote of 5 YES.
- 3) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of using funds received from insurance company regarding the vehicles (GMC 2020 Dump Truck and Ford 2012) determined total loss from the flood in June 2021, towards the purchase of the new 2021 GMC Dump Truck. Councilperson John "PZ" Winters moved to approve using funds received from insurance company regarding the vehicles (GMC 2020 Dump Truck and Ford 2012) determined total loss from the flood in June 2021, towards the purchase of the new 2021 GMC Sierra K3500 dump truck for the City of Cameron at a cost of \$47,230.00, seconded by councilperson Kenny Richmond. Mayor H. Greg Galentine polled each individual councilperson. Motioned carried, vote of 5 YES.
- 4) Discussion of hiring an OIT (Operator in Training) for Water Treatment Plant. The mayor explained to council the steps needed to hire an OIT. The time frame and duties that can be carried out during timeframe to obtain an Operator's License.
- 5) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of Bills to be paid from September 8, council meeting, 2021. Councilperson Kenny Richmond moved to approve paying bills as presented, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motioned carried, vote 5 YES.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1) Cameron Recreational Park – NONE
- 2) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of first reading regarding amending City of Cameron §505.14, titled “KEEPING HOGS,” is hereby repealed in its entirety and shall be replaced with the following:
  - §505.14 KEEPING LIVESTOCK  
No person shall keep or permit to be kept on a premises withing the City any cattle, horses, swine, sheep, goats, or any other animal of the bovine, equine, porcine, ovine, or caprine species. Councilperson Kenny Richmond moved to approve the first reading regarding amending City of Cameron §505.14, titled “KEEPING HOGS,” is hereby repealed in its entirety and shall be replaced with the following:
    - §505.14 KEEPING LIVESTOCK  
Seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motioned carried, vote of 5 YES.
- 3) Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of the City of Cameron repealing, and reenacting Bill No. 05-001 relating to all-terrain vehicles. Councilperson John “PZ” Winters moved to TABLE Discussion and Approval / or Disapproval of the City of Cameron repealing, and reenacting Bill No. 05-001 relating to all-terrain vehicles, seconded by councilperson Joseph Wendt. Motioned carried, vote 5 YES.

**FINANCE REPORT**

- 1) Councilperson Sarah Burge read the Finance Report – General Fund \$610,745.70, Coal Severance Tax Fund 0, Water Fund \$55,159.63, and Sewer Fund \$9,203.01 total \$675,108.34.

**GREATER CAMERON AREA LANDMARKS:**

- 1) None

**CAMERON POOL:**

- 1) Staying open until August 15, 2021. Water looks excellent. Tell Aaron (water plant operator). BIG THANK YOU TO AARON!!

**COUNCILPERSON COMMENTS:**

**Sarah Burge:**

- 1) Potholes Highland Avenue Area.

**Joseph Wendt:**

- 2) None

**Kenny Richmond:**

- 3) Light pole by Brandi Masons resident on Gable Avenue burnt out.

**Terri Galentine:**

**4) None**

**John "PZ" WINTERS**

**5) When is house next door to City building going to get tore down?**

**Sherry Johnson**

**6) None**

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

**7) Two dump trucks are being delivered this week.**

**8) Sewer I & I research camera team from Thrasher Engineering, LLC. They have located two major issues as of now. Smoke testing to be completed next in areas.**

**9) Thank you to The Pool Committee and Councilperson Sarah Burge for your endless commitment to Cameron Pool.**

**10) Thank you, Chief Dougherty, for all the diligent work continued to make our community safer for our residents.**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Councilperson Sarah Burge moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm, seconded by Councilperson Kenny Richmond. Motion passed vote of 5 YES.**

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**H. Greg Galentine, Mayor**

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**Nichole M. Bryan, City Clerk**