

**Council Meeting
Nutter Fort
January 22, 2013**

The regular meeting of Nutter Fort Council was held, Tuesday, January 22, 2013 in Council Chambers with the following members present: Stephen Korn, William Benincosa, Karen Phillips, Robin Newhouse, and Mayor Nathan Rohrbough. Absent were: Councilors Barbara Gorby and Recorder Sam Maxson. Also present were Treasurer Julia Foley, Supervisor Jim Wolfe, Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, and Code Enforcement Officer Adam Barberio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30PM by Mayor Rohrbough.

Code Enforcement Officer Adam Barberio, updated council on the property at 418 Washington St. and the improvements that are taking place by the new owner. Barberio told council that Mr. Steele (see November 27, 2012 minutes) has accepted a letter from the city in regards to the sink hole on his property. Mr. Barberio was questioned about the condition of Mr. Steele's property at 427 Buckhannon Pike. He said he would look into it. He also reported that Mr. Cruz's property on Michigan Ave is being improved, however very slowly.

- A motion to table a decision on security doors for town hall was tabled until the February 12, 2013 meeting, after a motion by Robin Newhouse and a second by Karen Phillips.

Discussion was held about filling the 2 vacancies on the Board of Zoning Appeals, due to Curtis Harris moving out of state and Sammie Cottrill soon moving to Stonewood. Council was asked to bring suggestions for replacements to the next meeting.

- Robin Newhouse motioned approval of the building permits (attached), and, following a second by Karen Phillips, they were approved by unanimous vote.
- The bills (attached) were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Karen Phillips and a second by William Benincosa.
- The minutes of the January 8, 2013 meeting were approved by unanimous vote following a motion by William Benincosa and a second by Stephen Korn.

Old Business

A letter from Bonnie Belle's owner, Linda Fowler, was read by Stephen Korn, thanking council for the replacement of the sidewalk in front of her business on Buckhannon Pike.

New Business

The water loss report will be presented to council monthly. Permission was also granted to report the account registers monthly, rather than at each meeting.

In a work session held prior to this meeting, those attending agreed to follow the recorder's recommendation to compensate the election workers \$150 each for working, plus \$20 for attending the required training.

In a discussion as to official's pay, it was recommended that the mayor's pay would increase to \$900 per month beginning, July 1, 2013. The pay for recorder would increase to \$325, and that of council members to \$175, all beginning July 1, 2013. Sanitary board members would receive \$50 per month beginning July 1, 2013.

Ordinances will be presented in relation to these changes.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Godwin reports that the 2 new police officers are in week 3 of their training at the academy. Councilor Phillips questioned if it was necessary for the strobe lights to remain on during a traffic stop as these lights disturb the children. The Chief advised her that the lights will remain on to prevent an officer from being struck and they are for safety and high visibility.

Fire Chief's Report

Fire Chief Haddix reported that the Summit Park VFD has for sale safety equipment at a very reasonable price. Air monitors, safety harnesses, and other vital equipment will be purchased from them at a cost of \$2,200. The cost and the equipment will be shared between the maintenance department and the fire department.

Chief Haddix also advised council of his desire for the fire department to purchase a "state bid" pick-up truck. The department intends to sell one of its existing fleet. The proceeds from this sale, along with their portion of the FEMA monies that were recently received will be used toward the purchase of the new truck. The truck will also be equipped to handle a snow plow and be utilized to assist in clearing of streets.

Maintenance Supervisor's Report

Supervisor Jim Wolfe reported that he had a meeting scheduled with Thrasher Engineering on Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 10:00AM. The purpose of this meeting is to inquire about the feasibility of extending water service to outlying areas of Nutter Run Road.

Discussion was held about excessive garbage pick-ups. He stated that this is affecting the waste account and will need to be addressed in the near future.

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Julia Foley advised anyone wishing to attend the WVML mid-winter conference or the state Auditor's Office seminars to let her know, so arrangements can be made.

- The meeting was adorned at 8:17PM after a motion by Robin Newhouse and a second by Karen Phillips.

(Mayor)

(Recorder)