

**Council Meeting
Town of Nutter Fort
2/23/2016**

Mayor Maxson invited attendees to join in prayer offered by Councillor Benincosa, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Sam Maxson called the meeting to order in council chambers at 7:30 pm.
Attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Recorder Charlene Louk, Councilors William Benincosa, Natalie Haddix, Bruce Kidd, Karen Phillips and Ryan Roberts. Absent: Code Enforcer Warren Gregory. Also present: Treasurer Julia Foley, Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix and Maintenance Supervisor Jim Wolfe.

Minutes: Bruce Kidd made a motion to approve the February 9, 2016 minutes after one correction: to change "YWCA to YMCA". Motion approved by unanimous vote after a second by Karen Phillips.

Treasurer's Report: Mrs. Foley advised bids for the sidewalk project will go out on March 17th. Also, we have been asked by Clarksburg Exponent/Telegram to place an ad to promote shopping in Nutter Fort. A sample from last year was reviewed by council. The cost is \$100.00 for a color ad that will run twice. Natalie Haddix moved to purchase the ad, seconded by Bruce Kidd. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Bruce Kidd moved to approve accounts payable (attached). Motion approved by unanimous vote after a second by Karen Phillips.

Unfinished Business:

- There was no new discussion regarding the ordinance (attached) concerning additional compensation for department personnel related to certifications and duties enhancing job performance. Bruce Kidd moved to accept the second reading of the ordinance. Motion seconded by Karen Phillips and passed with Councillor Haddix abstaining.
- Mayor Maxson reviewed information on Harrison County's Comprehensive Plan that was shared at the last council meeting. He completed and returned the questionnaire as requested. This will benefit the town, since we do not have a comprehensive plan. It would be costly to implement a plan on our own. They are hoping to have something in place no later than the end of the year.

New Business:

- Mayor Maxson suggested council discuss possible candidates to fill the vacancy for Councillor Roberts who will be moving out of Nutter Fort. Some names were suggested. Mayor Maxson asked council to think of others by the next meeting.

- Mayor Maxson discussed the proposed C.S. SB522 which would allow the Public Service Commission to order consolidation of water and sewer utilities (enclosed). Council is in favor of emailing and/or sending a letter opposing the bill to our senators and delegates. The Mayor and Mrs. Foley will check to see if there is a sample letter available.

Committee reports:

Police Dept: No report

Fire Dept: Councillor Haddix reported:

- 1) Ultimate giveaway ticket sales are going very well. 1700 have already been sold.
- 2) An elimination dinner is scheduled for Sat. April 16th. Tickets are available.

Maintenance Dept: Mayor Maxson reported he and Treasurer Foley met with EMS Director, Paul Bump last week for a conference call with FEMA. We may get reimbursed for expenses for the snow storm between the dates of January 22-25, if it is determined this was a state of emergency. Minimum expenses to qualify must be at least \$3050.00. Preliminary figures indicate we meet this minimum. Another meeting will be scheduled to follow-up on this.

Code Enforcement: Council reviewed the Feb. 23rd Code Enforcement Report distributed this evening. Several properties were discussed. Mayor Maxson will follow up with Mr. Gregory.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm by unanimous vote after a motion by Bruce Kidd, and second by Karen Phillips.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Louk, Recorder

Sam Maxson, Mayor