

Council Meeting
Nutter Fort
April 24, 2013

The regular Nutter Fort Council meeting was held, Tuesday, April 24, 2013, in council chambers with the following members present: Barbara Gorby, William Benincosa, Karen Phillips, Robin Newhouse, Mayor Nathan Rohrbough, and Recorder Sam Maxson. Absent, due to the death of his father was member Stephen Korn. Also present were Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, and Maintenance Supervisor Jim Wolfe. Guests were Leanna Spornak, Rick Bennett, and Jayson Heflin.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 by Mayor Rohrbough with Councilor Newhouse asking prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

- Barbara Gorby motioned we approve, on the first reading an ordinance (attached), authorizing purchase of the property at 1405 Buckhannon Pike. After a second by Sam Maxson, the motion was passed by unanimous vote. It was explained that after the property is purchased, the 2 structures on it will be razed and the property advertised for bid for sale.
- A motion authorizing a \$50 donation to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society (see attached letter) was made by William Benincosa, seconded by Robin Newhouse and passed by unanimous vote.

Eleven (11) bids for the sale of the 1998 Dodge pick-up truck with snow plow were opened. Bids were as follows: \$2520.10 from MBC Contracting, \$1,250 from Tommy Fury, \$860 from Ronald Fragman, \$6,800 from Jayson Heflin, \$4,500 from Reynoldsville VFD, \$4,250 from Roger Cottrill, \$1,552 from Kirtner Construction, \$700 from Randy Crutchfield, \$2,500 from Matthew Keith, \$1,955 from George Sandy, and \$601.50 from Christopher Messenger.

- A motion to accept the highest bid from Jayson Heflin of \$6,800 was made by Robin Newhouse. After a second by Karen Phillips, the motion was approved by unanimous vote.
- Karen Phillips motioned approval of the building permits (attached) and, after a second by Barbara Gorby, they were approved by unanimous vote.

- The bills (attached) were approved by unanimous vote following a motion by Karen Phillips and a second by Barbara Gorby.
- The minutes of the special council meeting, held, April 16, 2013, were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Robin Newhouse and a second by Barbara Gorby.
- The minutes of the regular council meeting, held, April 9, 2013, were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Barbara Gorby and a second by Karen Phillips.

Old Business None

New Business Jimmy Crutchfield, a graduate of Roosevelt Wilson High School has been recognized nationally as the basketball coach at West Liberty. William Benincosa will head up a project to honor Mr. Crutchfield.

The Mayor reported new businesses have opened in town, Sign of the Fish, a new barber shop, and a Graphics shop, all on Buckhannon Pike.

Police Chief's Report Chief Godwin reports the 2 new police officers will graduate Friday, April, 26, from the academy. He and Grant Writer Dr. Nicholson are working on a grant for new bullet proof vests. He also reports that they are having problems obtaining ammo and that they use about 3000 rounds each year for mandatory re-qualification. He advised council that he plans on seeking budget funds to order 15,000 rounds of ammo at state bid prices and that there is about a 6 to 8 month wait on the ammo.

Fire Chief's Report Chief Haddix reports that he, along with 4 other firefighters will be traveling to Indianapolis, Wednesday, April 24 to attend a firefighting convention, returning Saturday. On Tuesday he and 5 other will be going to Pierce in Appleton, WI to do the final inspection on the new fire truck.

He also reports that the fire department made \$7,200 on the elimination dinner. Reported also was that they have received the \$45,000 grant for the purchase of a new brush truck.

Plans are underway for the Ultimate Giveaway in October, but, there is a shortage of firearms available, so there may be fewer guns and more cash listed as prizes.

At the 9-1-1 banquet, held Friday, April 19, Chief Haddix and Jack Healey were awarded the coveted Kevin Hall award for their work at the mine disaster at Robinson Run. Haddix pointed out that this is the first time this has been awarded for a few years. At the banquet, Nutter Fort Firefighter Frank Ferrari was awarded EMT of the year. Ferrari is now in school to become a paramedic. The Nutter Fort Fire Department was awarded the Ben Franklin award for training, with 2,048 hours recorded.

The Fire Department was given a round of applause by council for their excellence.

Maintenance Supervisor's Report None

Treasurer's Report Treasurer Foley was on vacation

Rick Bennett, owner of Feline Construction, who did the demolition of 2 houses recently asked council when he could expect payment. The mayor told him the check should arrive soon. He will be called when the check from FEMA arrives.

Leanna Spornak, beautification committee, asked the maintenance department remove the yucca plants from the island on Buckhannon Pike.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04PM after a motion by Robin Newhouse and a second by Barbara Gorby.

(Mayor)

(Recorder)