

**Council Meeting  
Nutter Fort  
June 10, 2014**

The regular meeting of Nutter Fort Council, was held, Tuesday, June 10, 2014, in council chambers with the following members present: William Benincosa, Stephen Korn, Karen Phillips, Bruce Kidd, and Recorder Sam Maxson. Absent were Mayor Nathan Rohrbough and Councilor Donald Webster. Also present were Maintenance Supervisor Jim Wolfe, Treasurer Julia Foley and Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix. Guests were Jim Link, Charlotte Link, Jamie Pyle, Bertis McCarty, Pam McCarty, Janet Conrad, Mike Love, and Alden Butcher.

The meeting was called to order by Recorder Maxson, with Councilor Benincosa asking prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Agenda item #1 was to set a minimum bid acceptance for the property at 1405 Buckhannon Pike, to be sold at auction, June 11, 2014. The amount was previously set by council at the April 15, 2014 meeting is \$79,000 for the property and \$1000 for the Dodge "water truck". Real estate broker Mike Love and auctioneer Alden Butcher answered questions and were not sure if the minimum bid would be obtained for the property. Love told council that in the event the minimum bid was not obtained, the highest bidder might be willing to "hold" the his bid until council could decide if that bid would be accepted.

Discussion was held concerning the possibility of "staggered" terms for official. The letter from the attorney (attached) regarding this, and a possible street paving levy, had been given to each member earlier. Staggering the terms would be a long process, according to Recorder Maxson. Council would need to pass an ordinance calling for this and then have the voters approve at the 2015 election. If approved, half of the members would be elected for 4 years and the other half elected to 2 year terms in the 2017 election. The in the 2019 election, the half elected for 2 year terms would run for a 4 year term. Julia will check for further clarification and prepare an ordinance for our consideration at a later meeting.

- The general account budget revision (attached) was approved by unanimous vote following a motion by Stephen Korn and a second by Bruce Kidd.
- The coal severance budget (attached) was approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Bruce Kidd and a second by Karen Phillips.
- Bruce Kidd motioned approval of the building permits (attached) and, after a second by Stephen Korn, they were approved by unanimous vote.
- The accounts payable (attached) were approved by unanimous vote following a motion by Karen Phillips and a second by Bruce Kidd.
- Stephen Korn motioned approval of both May 27, 2014 regular meeting minutes and the June 3, 2014 special meeting minutes. After a second by Karen Phillips, the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

**Maintenance Supervisor's Report** Supervisor Wolfe reported that Dodd Construction may begin our paving project the middle of next week and should complete it in 2 or 3 days. Notices will be posted a couple days in advance that no parking will be allowed on Ohio Ave due to paving.

**Fire Chief's Report** No Report

**Police Chief's Report** No Report

**Treasurer's Report** A reminder of the special meeting on Monday, June 16

**Public's Comments** Beautification Committee chairman Janet Conrad reported they will be planting flowers on the island.

**Old Business** William Benincosa reported he has met with Mike Book of the Harrison County Parks and Recreation and toured Newhouse Park on Michigan Ave. Book told Benincosa that due to the possible dangerous condition of the equipment and shelter, we should close the park., until we could obtain new equipment on the adjacent lot which is level with the street. Questions arose from council if we are allowed to close it due to the original funding agreement for the park. Jim Wolfe suggested we expand the park into the adjacent lot, put the new equipment on the adjacent lot, then remove the old equipment and level that portion for playing, etc.

**New Business** None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:07PM after a motion by Bruce Kidd and a second by Karen Phillips.