

Council Meeting
Town of Nutter Fort
07/12/16

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

Mayor Maxson called the meeting to order in council chambers at 6:30 pm.

Attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Recorder Charlene Louk, Councilors William Benincosa, Bruce Kidd, Karen Phillips and Brenda Riley.

Absent: Councilor Natalie Haddix, Chief Jeremy Haddix and Code Enforcer Warren Gregory.

Also present: Treasurer Julia Foley, Police Chief Ron Godwin, Maintenance Supervisor Jim Wolfe.

Guests: Charlotte Shaffer, Tom Betler, Linda Blake, Connie Dumire, Louise Sommerville, and Don Sinclair.

Minutes: Minutes from the June 28th meeting were approved after a motion by William Benincosa and second by Brenda Riley.

Treasurer's Report: 1) Mrs. Foley reported the town received a check for \$11,856.51 from the state covering the first invoice from L & L Construction, contractor for the sidewalk project. The town paid the invoice since the contractor had not received payment since they began working. In fairness to the contractor, Mrs. Foley recommends the town pay the second invoice in the amount of \$16,554.28 for work completed. The town has funding to cover this amount. We are guaranteed reimbursement and the invoice has already been submitted to the state. This invoice is included in tonight's accounts payable, therefore a separate motion is not needed. The project is near completion with a total cost of \$222,083.00.

- Accounts payable were approved after a motion by Bruce Kidd and second by Karen Phillips.

Unfinished business:

- Council reviewed the Harrison Co. Comprehensive Plan draft prior to the meeting. Charlotte Shaffer was on hand to answer questions. Council found a number of errors in the document. Ms. Shaffer is aware and errors are currently being corrected. Council will have a special meeting on 7/18/16 to finalize the section about Nutter Fort, to meet the 7/29/16 deadline for approval. The office will advertise the meeting and post the agenda.
- The first revision (increase of \$54,930) to the 2016/2017 General Revenue Account for 2016/2017 was approved after a motion by Brenda Riley and second by William Benincosa.

- The first revision (increase of \$723.00) to the 2016/2017 Coal Severance Account was approved after a motion by Brenda Riley second by William Benincosa.
- Revisions of town entrance sign samples were reviewed by council. Signs purchased from Hickman Signs will be on aluminum and composite material. We will check on a warranty. Bruce Kidd moved to accept the green and gold sign, with Mayor Maxson and Recorder Louk making minor adjustments prior to finalizing the order. Motion passed after a second by Karen Phillips.
- Mr. Wolfe is working on the list for paving. Asphalt is \$65.00 a ton. Two years ago it was over \$90.00 a ton. \$100,000.00 is budgeted for paving.

New Business:

- Linda Blake accepted the certificate recognizing Patty Mills of 115 Pennsylvania Ave for July Yard of the Month. Mrs. Mills was not able attend.
- The following re-appointments were approved after a motion by Bruce Kidd and second by Karen Phillips:
 - >Jeremy Haddix to the Traffic Advisory Committee for a 3 year term
 - >James Wolfe to the Traffic Advisory Committee for a 3 year term
 - >Tom Ruziska to the Sanitary Board for a 3 year term
 - >Ron Gilmore to the Parks, Recreation & Wellness Commission for a 3 year term
 - >Charles Leuliette to the Library Board for a 5 year term
 - >Shirley Sheets to the Building Commission for a 5 year term
 - >Bruce Kidd to the Planning Commission for a 3 year term
- Treasurer Foley asked L & L Construction for estimate to replace the broken curb around the island while they are working in the area. The estimate with prevailing wage was \$33,000.00. Mrs. Foley asked for a re-quote without prevailing wage. The contractor will provide it tomorrow. Council discussed several options if the estimate is still high. Mr. Wolfe suggested asking the state to pay half, since it is their responsibility. Council will discuss further on 7/18/16.

Committee Reports:

Police Dept: Chief Godwin reported they have been busy working with the SCAD unit on heroin arrests. He has been going through the process to hire an officer and working on different sources to purchase new vests.

Fire Dept: Mayor Maxson reported several thousand dollars was collected for flood relief. Tents were purchased from local merchants. Numerous trips were made to deliver supplies. They are still accepting supplies and monetary donations.

Maintenance Dept: Mr. Wolfe suggested raising the \$5000.00 limit on purchases. Any purchase over \$5000.00 for a job must go out for bid. Even small jobs go over this out-dated limit with current prices. Council will be address this on 7/18/16.

Code Enforcement: No report. Issues will be addressed at the 7/18/16 meeting.

Public Comment:

- 1) Connie Dumire gave an update on the water issues on her property. A neighbor informed her a drain was installed by Nutter Fort years ago behind a few of the homes above her. A contractor told the property owners causing most of her water problem could connect into this existing drain. She had her property surveyed today. Mayor Maxson told her a curb will be placed in the alley near Kentucky Ave. in the next couple weeks, which should cut down on the water issue.
- 2) Mr. Sinclair brought up the high grass issue near his property. Mayor Maxson assured him this is being addressed.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Louk, Recorder

Sam Maxson, Mayor