

**Town of Nutter Fort  
Council Meeting  
August 11th, 2015**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mayor Sam Maxson in council chambers with Mayor Maxson asking prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Recorder Charlene Louk, Councilors Natalie Haddix, Karen Phillips and Ryan Roberts. Also present: Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, Maintenance Supervisor Jim Wolfe and Julia Foley, Treasurer. Guests: Dave Garvin, Donald Sinclair, Jim Link, Charlotte Link.

- As unfinished business, council reviewed information presented prior to the 7/28/15 Council meeting by Library representatives. After discussion, Karen Phillips motioned to give the library the additional \$250.00 per quarter for this fiscal year beginning with the next quarter, with a review of library finances in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Second by Natalie Haddix. Passed by unanimous vote.
- Council reviewed email from the attorney regarding transfer of 1405 Buckhannon Pike to the building commission and determining fair market value. See attached email. After much discussion, there are still unanswered questions regarding selling price and parameters that can be set prior to turning the property over to the building commission. A motion was made by Ryan Roberts, second by Karen Phillips to table item until the next meeting, requesting a workshop with the attorney at 6:30pm on 8/25/15 to discuss these issues. Passed by unanimous vote.
- General consensus was the date for Trick-or-Treat should be the same as Clarksburg, A motion was made by Karen Phillips, second by Ryan Roberts to table until Clarksburg makes a decision on their date and time. Passed by unanimous vote.
- There was discussion regarding benefits of appointing a council member to serve on the Nutter Fort Library Board of Directors. A motion to appoint Ryan Roberts was made by Natalie Haddix, second by Karen Phillips. Accepted by unanimous vote.
- A draft Leak Adjustment Policy was reviewed by council. Adjustments are currently made following these guidelines, but this provides a written policy. A motion to accept the proposed Leak Adjustment Policy was made by Charlene Louk, second by Karen Phillips. Passed by unanimous vote.
- Mayor Maxson recommends tabling discussion to rescind Ordinance 745.18 in relation to Exemptions on B&O tax until Councilor Kidd is present. He has worked on this item in the past and has expertise in this area. (Documents attached) A motion was made by Natalie Haddix, second by Ryan Roberts to table the item until the next meeting. Passed by unanimous vote.
- A motion to approve the building permits was made by Karen Phillips, second Natalie Haddix. Approved by unanimous vote.

- Accounts payable were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Karen Phillips, second by Natalie Haddix.
- Minutes of the 7/28/15 meeting were accepted by unanimous vote following a motion by Natalie Haddix, second by Ryan Roberts.

**Old Business:** Mayor Maxson reported the Blackberry Festival went well. The maintenance, police and fire departments were a great help. It appeared attendance was up with the good weather.

**New Business:** Don Sinclair noted that there's a lot of speeding on Michigan Ave. Chief Godwin stated there are speed limits on each end of the street. Council noted there are consistent police patrols in the area.

**Police Dept.:** Chief Godwin reported that the dept has been preparing for the start of the school year. He has secured a price from the company on the tasers. He is making sure he doesn't need to put this out for bid before making the purchase.

**Fire Dept. Report:** Chief Haddix reported the pump on the ladder truck has been repaired with a cost close to \$8000.00. The dept. was recently certified by the St. Fire Marshall with 100% compliance and no deficiencies. The dept. is working on a few projects such as adding a hydrant at Franklin and Pennsylvania Ave. in preparation for an ISO audit. Current rating is 4/5. Chief Haddix is hoping that after the ISO audit our rating will drop to 3/4 or 2/3. This would lower insurance rates for residents. Hydrant testing will begin again soon.

**Maintenance Dept. Report:** Crosswalks have been painted in preparation for new school year.

**Treasurer's Report:** Julie would like a photo and short biography from council members, especially new council members, to update the website.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25pm after a motion by Ryan Roberts, second by Natalie Haddix.

Respectfully submitted,

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Charlene Louk, Recorder

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Sam Maxson, Mayor

