

Council Meeting
Town of Nutter Fort
8/25/2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Mayor Sam Maxson in council chambers with Councilor Benincosa asking prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Recorder Charlene Louk, Councilors William Benincosa, Natalie Haddix, Bruce Kidd, Karen Phillips and Ryan Roberts. Also present: Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, Assistant Maintenance Supervisor Thurman Wolfe and Julia Foley, Treasurer. Guests: Donald Sinclair, Jim Link, Charlotte Link, Peg Holmes, Linda Blake, Alyssa Weekley, Paula Weekley, Sam Weekley and Delegate Terry Waxman.

- Mayor Maxson announced that Rod and Gloria Mazzie of 123 Pennsylvania Ave. were selected for August Yard of the Month. Linda Blake from the Beautification Committee will present their certificate and gift, since they were unable to attend this evening.
- Mayor Maxson read a proclamation (attached) honoring Childhood Cancer Awareness Month for September. He presented a plaque to 11 year old Alyssa Weekley and acknowledged her long time fight with cancer. Alyssa's parents and local news media were also present.
- Council met with Town Attorney, Keith Gamble as well as Joanne Davis and Shirley Sheets from Nutter Fort Building Commission at 6:30pm to answer questions about the transfer and pending sale of 1405 Buckhannon Pike. Delegates Terry Waxman and Patsy Trecost were also present. Mayor Maxson provided an overview of the work session. There was general consensus to discuss this further at an open meeting at 6:30pm on 9/8/15 prior to the next Council meeting.
- Mayor Maxson reviewed attached information from the City of Bridgeport and the City of Clarksburg regarding business tax incentives offered. Council decided to discuss this further at an open meeting at 6:30pm on 9/8/15.
- A motion to approve the building permits was made by Karen Phillips, second by Bruce Kidd. Approved by unanimous vote.
- Accounts payable were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Karen Phillips, second by Ryan Roberts.
- Minutes of the 8/11/15 meeting were accepted by unanimous vote following a motion by Ryan Roberts, second by Natalie Haddix.

Old Business: Mayor Maxson noted Council will meet in executive session at a later date to discuss Ordinance 745.18 and exemptions on B&O tax, as this is a confidential tax matter.

New Business: The business license for Not Too Shabby Boutique at 407 Buckhannon Pike was approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Bruce Kidd, second by Karen Phillips.

Police Dept.: No report

Fire Dept. : Chief Haddix reported they have spent a lot of money this year completing all needed repairs, including the ladder truck. They have a bid, not to exceed \$4000.00 to install the old siren. It has been down four years since the building remodel and should be re-installed, especially for public service alerts. The siren can also be used for verbal announcements. Chief Haddix would like to have this on the next agenda, requesting monetary assistance for the installation.

Maintenance Dept.: No report

Treasurer's Report: Cohen law group is continuing their audit on Time Warner. There should be a report available next month.

Comments: Linda Blake asked why minutes from the previous meeting are not read aloud. Council replied this is not a requirement and all minutes are available on the website, by mail or in person at town hall. Minutes are reviewed prior to the meeting by council members as a time savings at meetings.

Mayor Maxson reported on electrical upgrades are near completion at the maintenance shop due to faulty wiring and inadequate service. New lights have been installed in the green maintenance building. Work on catch basins continues. All non-functioning street lights have been repaired. Street signs in poor condition have been identified and will be repaired as time allows. The welcome sign entering from Clarksburg is in poor condition and will be repaired or replaced. There is already a new sign in the maintenance shop that can be used.

Mayor Maxson acknowledged Delegate Terry Waxman in attendance this evening. He thanked her for assistance in contacting the state DOH regarding the drainage issue at Maryland Ave. and Rt. 20. Delegate Waxman gave a brief legislative update.

Councilor Kidd thanked the Mayor for sending out updates to council on issues going on in the town.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm after a motion by Bruce Kidd, second by William Benincosa.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Louk, Recorder

Sam Maxson, Mayor

