

**Council Meeting
Town of Nutter Fort
02/26/19**

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

Mayor Maxson called the meeting to order in council chambers at 6:31 pm.

Attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Councilors William Benincosa, Natalie Haddix, Karen Phillips, Brenda Riley, Donald “Duck” Webster, Treasurer Julia Foley, Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, Public Works Supervisor Taylor Keith and Code Enforcement Officer Keith Kesling.

Absent: Recorder Charlene Louk.

Guests: Raetta Allen, Linda Blake and Janet Conrad.

Minutes: Minutes of the February 12th, 2019 Council meeting (attached) were approved after a motion by Karen Phillips and Natalie Haddix.

Treasurer’s Report: Mrs. Foley advised the open house for Apple House will be April 5th at 11 am. The sewer rate increase was approved by the PSC. It won’t show on the March bill, but will on the April one.

- Accounts payable (attached) were approved after a motion by Karen Phillips and second by Natalie Haddix.

Unfinished Business:

- The 2nd reading on the ordinance amending Chapter One, Article 105 regarding election filing dates and publication notices was passed after a motion by Natalie Haddix and second by Karen Phillips.

New Business:

- The 1st reading on an ordinance amending 145.04 (c) Sanitary Board Composition, which eliminates the requirement for an engineer, passed after a motion by “Duck” Webster and second by Karen Phillips.

Committee Reports:

Police Dept: Chief Godwin reported new cruisers should arrive soon. The junk vehicles and camper at 600 Illinois Ave. should all be removed on 2/27/19.

Fire Dept: Chief Haddix reported ticket sales for the Ultimate Giveaway are going well. The boiler system went down. A temporary repair is providing a little heat. He also mentioned repairs and painting needed on all town buildings to avoid major issues in the future. There was further discussion by Council. Jeremy will get estimates and report back.

Public Works (PW) Dept: Mr. Keith reported things are going well. He will be interviewing soon to fill two of the four PW vacancies. They will be using cold patch to fill potholes, since Greer is not sure when they will be making asphalt for patching.

Code Enforcement: Karen Phillips asked the status of 302 WV Ave. Mr. Maxson stated the proposed buyer turned it back over to the state, due to the cost of demolition. Mr. Kesling advised state law and codes say the responsibility goes back to the last owner on record. He will do some research to verify the last owner and any possibilities for demolition. Keith also reported the asbestos report for 600 Illinois Ave. shows no asbestos. We received a copy of the \$17,000.00 estimate for demolition. The company who did the asbestos report must give a 10 day notification to the State Dept. of Health and DEP. Then the state gives a date 10 days after that when demolition can begin. It may still be a couple of weeks before anything can be done, but we're getting closer.

Beautification: Linda Blake reported they will be decorating the island for St. Patrick's Day. The Community Garden had five boxes last year including two by the Committee.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 6:57 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlene Louk, Recorder

Sam Maxson, Mayor