

**Council Meeting  
Town of Nutter Fort  
7/23/2019**

Mayor Maxson called the meeting to order in council chambers at 6:33 pm.

Attendance: Mayor Sam Maxson, Recorder Rezin Hudkins, Councilors William Benincosa, Natalie Haddix, Charlene Louk and Donald "Duck" Webster, Natalie Haddix, Karen Phillips, Leslie Cummings, (PW) Taylor Keith, Police Chief Ron Godwin, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, Code Enforcer Keith Kesling

Absent: Treasurer Julia Foley.

Guests: Jim & Charlotte Link, Brenda Riley, Kathy Powell, Shirley Sheets, Linda Blake, J.B Forinash, Jody Forinash

**Minutes:** Minutes of the July 9<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting (attached) were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Charlene Louk and second by Karen Phillips.

**Treasurer's Report**

Leslie stated they received this in the mail today about the Ethics and Open Meeting act Training offered in Clarksburg. All public officials and employees are encouraged to attend. The Ethics commission will present the training on the Ethics Act and the open meeting act on Tuesday, August 20 @ 1:00pm at the Harrison County Parks and Recreation Cent at 43 Recreation Drive in Clarksburg. Leslie spoke with Julia and she is doing very well with the treatment.

Accounts payable (attached) were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Karen Phillips and second by Charlene Louk.

**Unfinished Business: N\A**

**New Business:**

Yard of the Month presentation to Shirley Sheets of 117 Indiana Ave.

1<sup>st</sup> reading on the wage table for all departments: Natalie stated please let it be known she is excusing herself from the room, this discussion and voting, due to her relationship with the Fire Chief. Sam stated we have been discussing the wage table for employees. We had 2 employees with 34 years of service that's why the initial jump is so large for those employees. Duck stated he wants to include in the reading that we revisit this next year and every year thereafter. Leslie stated that we need to include this in the budget process. Charlene move to accept the new wage table for the next fiscal year 2019-2020 with a review and evaluation before the end of the next fiscal year with edits to the police chief's hourly rate to \$27.85 and Treasurer to \$24.03, and the remaining employee wage increases as reflected in the new wage table.

Approved by unanimous vote after motion by Charlene Louk and a second by Rezin Hudkins

**Committee Reports:**

**Police Dept:** Chief Godwin stated he is still working on the new ticket stub machine, had some issue but has since taken care of that. He is working on finishing up the year end paperwork. The dept has been hitting a few places hard in town and the problem should be taken care of by the end of the week. The 2 old police cars will be auctioned off this Saturday.

**Fire Dept:** Chief stated he has been in and out while off work for his injury and surgery. He stated between the guys at the station and the Public Works dept everything has been covered.

**Public Works (PW):** Taylor stated they have been working on blacktop patching. They have had several sewer issues in town they have been dealing with and taking care of.

**Code Enforcement:** Keith stated the new house going up in Bagwell edition. BJ asked about all the houses in the edition being brick. Leslie stated they check and there was nothing like that in the ordinance. Keith stated he went to meet with him to discuss the build, but no one was present. Karen asked about the house on WV Ave. Keith stated he hasn't heard anything yet.

**Public Comment:** Charlotte link asked about someone for the Library board. Sam will see what he can do to get someone on the board to replace Brenda. Sam is going to check and see if Brenda can still do it. Karen would like us to look into doing something better with our island for our veterans like a kneeling soldier or anything to make it stand out.

Meeting adjourned by acclamation at 6: 58 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Rezin Davis Hudkins IV, Recorder

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Sam Maxson, Mayor