



Town of Nutter Fort Minutes Council Meeting – August 26, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

Called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Rezin Hudkins, IV

Attendance – Mayor Rezin Hudkins, IV, Councilor Rick Lafferty, Councilor Karen Phillips, Councilor Sam Maxson, Councilor Charlene Louk, Councilor Shawn Spurlock

Department Heads – Treasurer Leslie Cummings, Fire Chief Jeremy Haddix, PW Supervisor Travis Yost, PT Code Enforcement Officer Robert Leonard

Guests – Detective Justin Hetherington, Jennifer Robinson, Mark Hays, Shirley Sheets, Kathy Powell, Cynthia Lafferty, Lexi Ryan, Linda Exline, Kenneth Johnson, Steve Pill, Tom Rohrbough, Vickie Kerns, Mike Curran

Minutes:

- *Approval of minutes:* Minutes for the 8/12/2025 Council Meeting were approved by unanimous vote after a motion was made by Charlene Louk to approve the minutes and seconded by Sam Maxson.

Treasurer's Report:

- There will be another Halloween Fall Festival meeting on 8/27/2025 at 2:00pm in Council Chambers.
- Sanitary Board Meeting was held today. There were no project requisitions on the agenda for approval.
- BowSel was in Nutter Fort over the past couple of weeks looking for any leaks and testing hydrants.
- Some repairs have been completed at Town Hall. The stairs at the back exit were redone along with placing a new drain to help alleviate the flooding that has been occurring. Soon, repairs to the outside of the building will occur where the chimney was repaired a few years ago, along with new flooring to the top floor.

Approval of Accounts Payable:

- Accounts payable items were review and discussed. Items were approved by unanimous vote after a motion by Sam Maxson, seconded by Karen Phillips.

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business:

- *Review-Discuss-Consider – Thrasher Engineering – Task Order #7 Nutter Run Water Line Permitting -* A motion was made by Charlene Louk to approve, which was seconded by Sam Maxson. A roll call was performed for each council member's action on the motion. The results were as follows:
 - *Councilor Rick Lafferty – Yes*
 - *Councilor Karen Phillips – Yes*
 - *Councilor Charlene Louk – Yes*
 - *Councilor Sam Maxson – Yes*
 - *Councilor Shawn Spurlock – Yes*
 - *Recorder Natalie Haddix - Absent*

Motion passed unanimously.

- *Review-Discuss-Consider – Purchasing/Bidding Requirements – Article 109 Revisions and Further Discussions on Additional Ordinances(s).* – Discussions were held on reducing the bidding requirements and spending limits for employees and supervisors. Ordinances will be presented to legal and brought back to council for consideration.
- *Review-Discuss-Consider – Personnel Matter & Legal Matter*
 - *If Matters Arise: Enter into Executive Session to discuss matters relating to personnel matters, the sale, lease or purchase of real property, economic development issues to disclosing competitive issues, to confer with legal counsel regarding matters that which, if made public would be detrimental to the interest of the Town and for any other lawful purpose.*

Committee Reports:

- Chief of Police Report:
 - None
- Fire Chief Report:
 - Ultimate Giveaway tickets are on sale and going well.
- EMS/Ambulance Report:
 - New ambulance is 99% ready to go. Has passed inspection. Windshield was broken and repaired already as well.
- Public Works Supervisor Report:
 - 3 drop inlets placed in Bagwell Addition. RW & Nutter drop inlets completed.
 - New curb from Edison to Romano
 - Property at Library was cleaned up for school pedestrians
- Engineer Report:
 - Phase 1 AMD
 - Finishing pay application comments. Should be ready to be drawn down at September meeting
 - Phase 2 AMD
 - 20/34 ROW's in hand
 - Waiting on environmental assessment clearance from OSM
 - Should be out to bid by the end of the year
 - Chub Run
 - Still on hold. Potential 10/1 start.
 - Presented RPR resumes for discussion.
 - Discussed rates being adjusted to cover debt service requirements in going level adjustments.
 - Phase IV
 - Waiting on environmental clearance from DEP for Sandy's hardware forcemain work
 - Nutter Run
 - Task order 7 Permitting complete
- Code Enforcement Report:
 - Nothing new.

Public Comment:

- Councilwoman Charlene Louk asked for suggestions from the audience on how to get more people to recycle to keep waste costs down. Bigger totes, more frequent recycling pickups, and enforcing the mandate were suggested.

The meeting adjourned by acclamation at 7:26 p.m.

Natalie K. Haddix, Recorder

Rezin D. Hudkins, IV, Mayor