



TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE

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**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
WORK SESSION**

Tuesday, November 12, 2024
6:00 PM
The Anchor

Mayor Chase Moore called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Chase Moore, Carl Randall, Sam Pearson, Bobby Rhodes, Ramzi Malek, Sid Nelson

ABSENT: None

OTHER ATTENDEES: Chief Scott Kon
Tim Moore – Building Inspector
Mary Ann Allen-Town Clerk

1. Lisa Baker

Lisa was present to give an update on the grant writing. She is presently working on a JAG grant for the police department. She is still searching for money for work on the Anchor.

She explained that CAWACO is going to begin requiring a “thank you” video showing the community using what was purchased. She said to remember that when using public money, you have to show public benefit.

2. Maintenance

The position is still open.

3. Discuss Blount County 911 Contract

Chief Kon went over the areas that still concern him. He expressed his concerns about it still being generic, and that one of his biggest concerns is that there is no negotiating when it comes to the equipment that you have to use.

4. Invoices to discuss

- **AMIC**
\$626 - additional year for public officials bond
- **Blount County Commission**
\$18,904 - Labor plus machinery for trimming limbs and brush

- **Blount County 911**
\$1,267.95 – Year Contract
- **Blount County Economic Development Council**
\$836 - dues

5. Discuss Insurance Renewal

Councilman Sid Nelson is going to review over the paperwork

6. Discuss lowering of the Lake September 2025

There was discussion about needing to go on and plan so that it can be announced in time for residents to make plans for repairs needed. Need to plan early so there is time to decide what the Town needs to do and plan for the costs of projects.

At this time Council decided to discuss the other items during the regular session

7. Lady Lakers Requests

- **Food Drive Box for Bridging the Gap**
- **5K Run and Barks in the Park April 19, 2025**

8. Todd Barlock's request to rebuild dock

9. Dr. Malek's request to widen pier

10. Alabama Master Gardeners request to use Anchor September 17, 2025 for Lunch and Learn

11. Finance Committee Items:

- **FY-24 Financial Closeout**
- **Transfer Residual Funds to Raymond James**
- **Discuss unpaid Lake Use Fees**
- **Discuss Auditor estimate**
- **Recommend expenditure to resurface metal picnic tables**

12. Other business items as determined by the Council

The meeting adjourned at 6:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ann Allen – Town Clerk

Dr. Ramzi Malek - Mayor Pro-Tem