

# Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 3, 2018 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chase Moore gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Connie Vice  
Council members Chase Moore, Donna Hanby, Greg Posey, Sid Nelson and Ramzi Malek  
Absent: None

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also in attendance.

**March 6, 2018 Work Session Minutes** – Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**March 6, 2018 Public Hearing Minutes** – Posey made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**March 6, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes** – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Financial Report** – Council member Donna Hanby gave the monthly financial report. Moore made a motion to accept the report, as presented. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Certificate of Deposit (CD) Maturing in April** – Moore made a motion to move this CD when it matures (that is currently at Hometown Bank) to Cadence Bank for 1.75% APY – 12 month term. The APY at Hometown Bank is 1.00% APY. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Ordinance** – Chairman Hanby reported the committee met March 26 and discussed updating the Business License Fee Schedule (HL-07-03). A draft of the updated fee schedule was presented at the work session and Hanby asked the council to review and provide feedback.

**Buildings & Grounds** – Chairman Posey reported the committee did not meet. A date needs to be scheduled in May to remove the town boat slips and for park clean-up. Park clean-up will also be done on April 21 during the lake clean-up day.

**Lake** – Chairman Nelson reported the fish study is complete. A written report will be presented at the next council meeting and posted on the town web site.

**Dredging** – Chairman Malek stated no new information to report.

**Roads** – Chairman Moore reported complaints were received regarding the road condition of Lakeshore Loop. Mayor Vice stated she discussed Lakeshore Loop with Commissioner Calvert, and the county does plan to re-ditch to help with drainage. Mayor Vice also mentioned the work done at Vista Drive (Jacob Hembree request) is still an open item.

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## OFFICER REPORT

Chief Kon reported the police department obtained equipment from the 1033 program, approximately valued at \$4500.00. Kon is looking for additional equipment through this program.

The Police boat has been serviced and is ready to go for the spring/summer. Kon mentioned that a four-stroke motor for the police boat would be approximately \$6500.00. Kon will work on a proposal to fund this item.

Mayor Vice questioned having the Marine Police conduct a boating safety/vessel license class. Chief Kon stated the Marine Police are requiring at least 20 class attendees and conduct the class on Monday through Fridays. The Marine Police no longer conduct many classes since the vessel license course is online.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

## NEW BUSINESS

**Tom Gattiker – Replace Boathouse Roof due to hail damage** – this item not addressed due to lack of supporting documentation from the contractor.

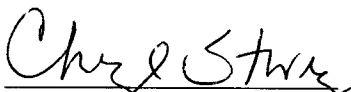
**James Chapman – Candidate for Sheriff** – Mr. James Chapman introduced himself and wife Shirley. Mr. Chapman has more than 38 years of experience in public safety, crime prevention, officer training/management, and program leadership, including 19 years as Chief of Police. Mr. Chapman thanked the council and asked for their vote in the upcoming election.

## **The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.**

Steve Poer questioned if there was a long range plan for the town roads. Mr. Poer stated the roads need to be wider and Lakeshore Loop is in the worse condition it's ever been since 1996. Mr. Poer also questioned if there was enough right-of-way to widen the roads on West Lakeshore and Lakeshore Loop. Mayor Vice stated the county does plan to re-ditch on Lakeshore Loop. Discussion took place regarding the cost of paving roads per mile.

With no other business to come before the council, Hanby made a motion to adjourn. Moore seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

  
Connie B. Vice, Mayor