Work Session-August 10, 2015 Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held a budget work session on Monday, August 10, 2015 at the Town Library. Mayor Bailey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Gail Bailey

Council members Skip Davis, Shani Ort, Tim Peek and Connie Vice

Absent:

Council member Donna Hanby

The purpose of the work session was to discuss and develop the budget for October 2015-September 2016. All income and expense categories were reviewed and a draft budget was created. The draft will be updated by Finance Chairman Connie Vice and re-presented at the August 17 work session.

Notes:

In the next community newsletter, remind residents when renewing their car tags to advise the court house they live at Highland Lake. This will ensure the town receives a percentage of the tag fees paid instead of those fees going to Oneonta.

Check with the Oneonta Utilities Board to ensure we are receiving license tax for natural gas.

Ordinance Committee to review the Anchor & Gazebo rental agreements, and consider increasing the rental fee to include a cleaning fee.

Lake tests – possible reduction to three times a year.

When the lake is lowered next, concrete work is needed at the dam – approximately \$30,000.00 project.

Salary increase of \$1.00 an hour for Chief Scott Kon.

Chief Kon discussed the need for reliable audio/video equipment (body DVR's). A PC is also needed to store the videos. This item will be voted on at the September council meeting. Funds are currently available to purchase some of this equipment now.

Discussion took place on leasing a tractor for cutting the sides of the roads.

Work session adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

Gail S. Bailey, Mayor