Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 6, 2016 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ramzi Malek gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present:

Mayor Connie Vice

Council members Chase Moore, Donna Hanby, Sid Nelson and Ramzi Malek

Absent:

None

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also in attendance.

November 7, 2016 Organizational & Regular Meeting Minutes – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report —Council member 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.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Lake – Chairman Sid Nelson reported he is working on committee membership.

Dredging – Chairman Ramzi Malek reported no meeting has been held yet. He is asking previous committee members to stay on.

Ordinances - Chairman Donna Hanby - no report.

Roads – Chairman Chase Moore reported he and Mayor Vice will meet with Commissioner Dean Calvert in January.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dredging items will be addressed later in the agenda.

OFFICER REPORT

Chief Kon discussed the condition of the two town pontoon boats. Kon reported the flooring and steering is gone in the old pontoon boat (the pontoon with the police light), and the intent was to replace this pontoon with the recently donated 1988 pontoon boat. The 1988 pontoon boat that was donated is in bad shape too. The transom is gone and the motor needs maintenance. Kon recommended that both pontoons be surplused because of liability and not being cost effective to maintain. Nelson made a motion to surplus both pontoon boats. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Chief Kon also reported maintenance on the police truck will be done this week. There is a steering pump leak and maintenance that needs to be done to bring the truck back up to 100%.

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Chief Kon also reminded everyone to call 911 if you see anything suspicious this holiday season.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Fill Council Vacancy – Moore made a motion for Greg Posey to fill the council vacancy. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

The town clerk administered the oath of office to Greg Posey. Mr. Posey then signed the oath.

Ordinance HL-00-11 Amendment – Section 2 – Section 2 states that regular council meetings will be held the first Tuesday of each month (changed from first Monday). Moore made a motion to immediately consider the amendment. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried. Moore made a motion to approve the amendment. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Remove dead pine tree in park – Mayor Vice reported two estimates were obtained to remove a dead pine tree in the park: \$1,150.00 and \$1,500.00. Nelson made a motion to approve the \$1,150.00 estimate. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Clean out town boat slip area – 275 x 100 feet area – Hanby made a motion to approve the \$12,100.00 estimate to clean out the town boat slip area, weather permitting. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Mayor Vice reported the Brasher Creek berm is almost complete. The council addressed additional work to stabilize the berm and build for the future.

Build two cofferdams to Brasher Creek / berm area - \$4000.00 – Nelson made a motion to approve the \$4,000.00 estimate to build two cofferdams to Brasher Creek / berm area. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Add 120 feet of riprap around end and approximately 100 feet of berm bay side - \$5,000.00. Moore made a motion to approve the \$5,000.00 to add 120 feet of riprap. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Seed & mat top and bay side of berm to prevent erosion - \$2,100.00 - Nelson made a motion to approve the \$2,100.00 estimate to seed and mat berm. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Winter storage options for town vehicle/boat – Moore made a motion to table the garage lean-to estimate of \$9,000.00. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Phil Campbell – 50 x 10 concrete boat ramp and driveway – Hanby made a motion to approve plans. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Russell Irwin – walkway addition around existing metal structure – Moore made a motion to approve. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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January council meeting date – due to the holidays, Moore made a motion to reschedule the January meeting date to Tuesday, January 10 at 7:00 PM, with a work session at 6:30 PM. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Planning Work Session – Moore made a motion to schedule a planning work session for Thursday, January 5 at 6:00 PM. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.

Joe Hayden reported on the work that was recently completed at the dam. Mayor Vice thanked Joe for his efforts.

Tim Moore stated he regularly checks the dam and photos are on record.

Mayor Vice and Joe Hayden will do a walkthrough of the dam.

With no other business to come before the council, Hanby made a motion to adjourn. Nelson seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

Connie B. Vice, Mayor