Work Session of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held a work session on Tuesday, February 5, 2019 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Connie Vice

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

ABSENT: None

County Commissioner Dean Calvert was also in attendance.

Agenda items discussed:

Maintenance of Highland Lake Town Roads – Commissioner Dean Calvert stated he anticipates recommending to the Commission to rescind Resolution 11-02 due to budgetary constraints and a plan for uniformity in Blount County to maintain municipal roadways in a consistent manner. Resolution 11-02 was approved November 14, 2005 where the County assumed responsibility for the maintenance of roads located within the corporate limits of the Town of Highland Lake.

The Town of Highland Lake will need to develop a five year road plan and an annual plan to integrate with the county plan. Commissioner Calvert will serve as a liaison between the town and the county engineer. With the new process, work orders will need to be submitted to request work, similar to what we do now. FEMA rates will be utilized. Our Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for disasters is still valid.

Once this new process goes into effect, the town will no longer submit monthly to the county the gas tax money received from the state (approximately \$7000-\$8000 annual). The town has one cent sales tax money and funds forecasted in the annual budget.

Commissioner Calvert committed to completing the Lakeshore Loop project. To date, the county has spent \$31,540 on the Lakeshore Loop project. The road is holding up real well. The crusher run is causing a small problem with drainage.

It was agreed the town will utilize the current process with the county until the end of fiscal year 2019.

Work session was opened to the public for questions for Commissioner Calvert.

Review of February 5, 2019 Council Meeting Agenda Items – review of items took place.

Discussed projects for when the lake is lowered September 7, 2019 -projects need to be prioritized.

Brasher Creek cofferdam – The Mayor emailed photos to the council earlier of Brasher Creek cofferdam. The berm contains silt buildup and needs to be cleaned out.

Work session opened to the public. Work session adjourned at 6:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Storey, Town Clork

Connie B. Vice, Mayor