

TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE, ALABAMA

Work Session

MINUTES of the MEETING of Town of Highland Lake Town Council, November 10, 2020 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location:
The Anchor - 612 Lakeshore Dr. Highland Lake, AL 35121

The Highland Lake Town Council held its work session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020. Mayor Donna Hanby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and presented the following items for review.

1. A review of November 10, 2020 Council Meeting Agenda was directed by Mayor Hanby.
2. All Committee Chairs presented committee member list.
3. Message board installation update.
4. Remaining pieces of poles still need to be discarded. Will be announced to residents in newsletter, who may be interested.
5. The tree has been removed from the property of Karen Nicholes 242 Lakeshore Dr.
6. There was a discussion on whether to keep or table possible speed breaker installation on Lakeshore Dr, Vista and West Lakeshore. It was suggested that it be tabled for the present.
7. Boat launch minimal repairs made, still needs work.
8. Stepping stones to bridge will be addressed in the near future.
9. Cutting grass and trees on roadsides is still an issue.
10. Discussed double-axle utility trailer purchase and Greg Posey will bring a trailer he has located to see if it fits all of the maintenance needs of Ashlee Miller.
11. Short discussion on Ad Valorem Tax.
12. Bill Rush – Lake Preservation Committee Chair, spoke concerning Lake Committee rotating positions. Skip Davis and Ramzi Malek will be removed from the one year position and Ramzi Malek has agreed to take on the three year position along with Jake Smith. He also mentioned that our current Dredging permit expires November 2021. Also discussed in the work session was the dam and spillway plan for future viability and the need for planned inspections.
13. The problem with culvert on Martin Drive was inspected and deemed to be fine. For better drainage, the homeowner needs to have pipe under driveway cleaned out.
14. Ordinance – Lake Use Fee 14-05 – Collection of fines – To be voted on.

15. Resolution HL 11-01 Adopting Public Record Policy – sign.
16. Ordinance HL 2020-05 Rooms, Lodging or Accommodations within Town – Vote.
17. Ordinance HL 2020-06 Gasoline and Liquid Motor Fuel Tax within Town– Vote.
18. Ordinance HL 2020-07 Sales Tax for within Town Limits – within Town – Vote.

Carl Randall made an impassioned objection to imposing the Sales Tax within the Town and not in the jurisdiction. He objected to free police protection in the jurisdiction without being taxed the same as the Town residents.

Respectfully submitted:

Joan Shirley, Town Clerk

Donna Hanby, Mayor