

# **TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE, ALABAMA**

## **MINUTES of the MEETING Town of Highland Lake Town Council April 07, 2020**

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

### **Regular Session**

The Highland Lake Town Council held its Regular Session on Tuesday, April 07, 2020. Due to the Covid-19 virus, the meeting was held remotely using Zoom to facilitate the Council's attendance. Mayor Donna Hanby called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. The Mayor gave the invocation. The Council led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **Roll Call**

Council Members Attending: Mayor Donna Hanby, Carl Randall, Sid Nelson, Ramzi Malek, Sharon Duke, Chase Moore.

Others Present: Police Chief Scott Kon, Building Inspector Tim Moore, Town Clerk Joan Shirley

Ramzi Malek made the motion to approve the March 10, 2020 Work Session minutes as written, Carl Randall seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Chase Moore made the motion to approve the March 10, 2020 Regular Session minutes as written, Sid Nelson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Sid Nelson made the motion to approve the March 10, 2020 Financial Report and Carl Randall seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

### **Committee Reports**

**Dredging:** Ramzi Malek discussed possibly sodding the berm which has suffered erosion from the recent storms. It was mentioned that the Town of Highland Lake was not eligible for FEMA funds to recoup lost revenue from flooding, due to the overall Blount County lack of participation in the reporting efforts.

**Building & Grounds:** Carl Randall - No report

**Roads:** Chase Moore: It was noted that a hole running under the road on Lakeshore was repaired by Dean Calvert's crew.

**Public Safety:** Sharon Duke - No report

**Lake:** Sid Nelson – No report

**Officer Report:**

Chief Scott Kon reported that he had spent extra time touching base with members of the Community to make sure of their needs during this time. He also brought up the need for a boat motor before summer. The cost for purchasing and installing a 140 hp motor will be \$8,500. He noted that there were several expected donations that would be applied to the cost. Sid Nelson made the motion to suspend the rules in order to take an immediate vote on the purchase, Carl Randall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Unfinished Business:**

Sharon Duke will work to set definitions and fines for yard trash and Attorney Alex Smith will be consulted on verbiage for new Ordinance.

Sources of revenue regarding current Lake Use fees, and a possible lake maintenance fee was discussed, along with other possibilities.

The land donation efforts have been completed.

**New Business:**

Voting machine resolution was discussed and Carl Randall made the motion to accept, with Sid Nelson seconding. The ensuing vote was unanimous. The Resolution will be sent to the Secretary of State.

The Zoning Board vacancy was discussed with no one yet confirmed.

Mayor Hanby addressed qualification fees for the upcoming elections and shared amounts other towns in the surrounding area charge. Towns including Rosa, Cleveland and Allgood charge \$50.00. Carl Randall made the motion to adopt those fees, and Ramzi Malek seconded. A vote was taken, with Sharon Duke, Chase Moore and Sid Nelson voting no and Mayor Hanby voting yes. Motion denied. After more discussion, it was decided with unanimous vote that the fee for Mayor would be \$50.00 and Council positions would be \$25.00.

A decision to use the Town's current trailer for asphalt repairs and purchase a new trailer for utility purposes was reached. Carl Randall made the motion to approve up to \$300.00 for the purchase and Chase Moore seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Carl Randall made the motion to adjourn and Sid Nelson seconded. Motion approved unanimously and Mayor Hanby adjourned meeting at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

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Joan Shirley, Town Clerk

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Donna Hanby, Mayor