## Work Session of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held a work session on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the work session to order at 6:10 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Connie Vice

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

ABSENT: None

## ITEMS DISCUSSED:

Review and discussion of the January 23 regular meeting agenda items took place.

## **Committee reports:**

**Lake** – Councilmember Nelson reported an estimate was obtained from Southern Pond Professionals for conducting a fish study/evaluation. The study would include an evaluation from five different areas of the lake. Final report would be presented with recommendations.

The Lake Committee will meet Tuesday, January 30 @ 6:00 PM.

**Buildings & Grounds** – Councilmember Posey reported the following items: (1) Anchor re-decking project is going well and thanked all of those involved, (2) two solar lights were purchased to trial in the park (associated with the Lights in the Park grant), (3) carpet samples obtained for Anchor, (4) work day will be scheduled for the spring to remove the town boat slips, (5) Amphitheater in park (Eagle Scout Project-long term), and (6) complete generator project. Also, the quote to change from aerial to underground power at the Anchor/Town Hall/Parking lot was discussed. Another option to investigate would be to re-route the aerial power lines.

**Roads** – Councilmember Moore reported he discussed with Commissioner Calvert the possibility of placing reflectors on West Lakeshore Drive (intersecting with County Road 29) to help with visibility as requested on a Road Form by Fran Campbell. Moore explained the county cannot do this due to county right-of-way. This would also set a precedent. An option is for the property owner to purchase a street light and pay the monthly fee. The property owner does not wish to do this. Moore will look for grant opportunities and other possible solutions for this request.

**Dredging** – Councilmember Malek reported the committee needs to meet to review the entire dredging process. Mayor Vice stated she talked with Curt of C & C Contracting regarding the status of the approved project to enlarge the pond area in the park and about Sand Creek dredging. Curt agreed to meet with us to discuss further.

**Financial Audit for Year Ending September 30, 2017** – Lori Criswell, CPA reviewed the audit results with the council. The town received a clean opinion. Mrs. Criswell stated the town records are in good shape.

Work session adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

Connie B. Vice, Mayor

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