

Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, January 5, 2015 at the Anchor. Mayor Bailey called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Skip Davis gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Gail Bailey
Council members Skip Davis, Donna Hanby, Shani Ort, Tim Peek and Connie Vice

Absent:

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also present.

December 1, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Ort seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report – Council member Vice gave the monthly financial report. Hanby made a motion to accept the monthly financial report. Ort seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Audit for year ending September 30, 2014 – Mrs. Lori Criswell stated the town received a clean opinion on our financial audit. Mrs. Criswell reviewed the audit results with the council. An estimate of \$100,000.00 is reflected in the audit as a current liability for tornado damage. Davis made a motion to accept the audit. Vice seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Lake – Chairman Davis reported the December lake test results were received today and appear to all be in normal range. The Lake committee will meet next on Monday, January 19.

Ordinances – Chairman Ort reported the committee will meet Thursday, January 22 at 5:00 PM.

Buildings & Grounds – Chairman Donna Hanby reported the committee will meet Thursday, January 8 at 10:00 AM.

Roads – Chairman Peek – no report.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

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OFFICER REPORT

Police Chief Scott Kon presented offense information for the year 2014 for the Highland Lake Police Department. This report included the number and types of offenses. Other information presented includes:

	<u>2014</u>	<u>2013</u>
Number of traffic stops	198	121
Number of arrests	45	41

These reports are presented by month and reason for traffic stop/arrest.

2126 total hours worked in 2014 (includes tornado and drowning).

- 150 administrative
- 100 arrest paperwork
- 150 court time
- 60 training
- 460 total other time
- 1666 total patrol hours (estimated)
- Police officers made, on average, one contact per hour

Kon also provided an update on Officer Joe Franklin. Franklin's next doctor's appointment is January 20. Franklin was injured while trying to make an arrest while working as a SRO at Hayden High School. He is recovering from surgery and is doing well.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Weed control proposal from NaturChem for the dam – The Mayor stated this proposal includes follow up applications, as needed. Davis made a motion to approve the \$2000.00 proposal from NaturChem to spray the dam for weed control in May 2015. Ort seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Alabama Municipal Insurance policy renewal – discussion took place. Everyone was in agreement to keep the liability limit at \$2 million. Hanby made a motion to renew the insurance policy for a three year policy. Roll call. Hanby, Ort, Vice and Bailey voted yes. Davis and Peek voted no. Motion carried.

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Surplus two bathroom vanities and two toilets – these items were surplused August 4, 2014, and were posted for bids. No bids were received. An offer was received on 12/30/14 for \$30.00. Peek made a motion to accept the offer of \$30.00 for both bathroom vanities and toilets. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Blount County Sav-A-Life 5K Run – Davis stated Sav-A-Life would like to hold their annual 5K run at Highland Lake on Saturday, April 18, 2015. Davis made a motion to approve the 5K run for April 18, 2015. Vice seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Cake & Coffee at the Courthouse – the Mayor mentioned the town council had been invited to cake & coffee at the courthouse on Friday, January 9 to meet and welcome our Blount County Legislators and Elected Officers.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.

Marlin Vest questioned the status of police officer Joe Franklin. Officer Franklin is currently on workers compensation from his county job.

Bill Rush commented that debris is being dumped on the town property at Sand Creek. The Mayor responded we will look into this.

With no other business to come before the council, Vice made a motion to adjourn. Peek seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Submitted 2-2-15

Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

Approved 2-2-15

Gail S. Bailey, Mayor