

# Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Chase Moore gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

## **ROLL CALL:**

Present: Mayor Connie Vice  
Council members Chase Moore, Donna Hanby, Greg Posey, Sid Nelson and Ramzi Malek  
Absent: None

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also in attendance.

**April 3, 2018 Work Session Minutes** – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**April 3, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes** – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Malik seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Financial Report** – Council member Donna Hanby gave the monthly financial report. Posey made a motion to accept the report, as presented. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

## **STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Buildings & Grounds** – Chairman Posey reported the committee did not meet. The town boat slips will be removed Saturday, May 12.

**Lake** – Chairman Nelson reported a lake clean-up day was held April 21 with a good turnout of volunteers. The volunteers made it around the entire lake and the amount of debris found was not that bad. The fish study is complete. A town meeting will be held Tuesday, May 8, 2018 to present the findings.

**Ordinance** – Chairman Hanby reported the committee met to discuss the business license fee schedule. A final copy of the fee schedule will be introduced at the June meeting.

**Dredging** – Chairman Malek stated no new information to report. The project is on hold to find a more cost effective way to dredge.

**Roads** – Chairman Moore reported that on Lakeshore Loop, the Commissioner stated the rock needs to settle. Ditches will be cut back and repairs made as needed. The reflectors for entrances will be installed soon.

## **OFFICER REPORT**

Chief Kon reported delivery of a Chevrolet Impala and two boats were accepted through the 1033 government surplus program. Kon is working on obtaining power for the boats. Generators were also obtained through the 1033 program to service the town buildings. The generators will be picked up next week. Councilmember Posey has volunteered to install the generators.

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Kon also commented on the recent Fish Study and suggested that tagged fish be reported to Town Hall. Fishermen also need to be educated to harvest instead of catch and release.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**Resolution HL-18-03 Vacate Town Road Sunset Circle** – Posey made a motion to table until June meeting. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Resolution HL-18-02 – Tax Levy** – Hanby made a motion to approve. Malik seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Resolution HL-18-04 – Non-resident employee discount for lake use** – Hanby made a motion to approve. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Spillway erosion – cost of riprap to repair** – The same size rock is recommended that we have on the face of the dam. The cost of the rock and cost to haul is \$500 per load. A load will cover approximately 16 feet of shoreline, and there is roughly 150 feet to repair. Estimated cost is \$5000. The skid steer work will be donated. Nelson made a motion to approve this expense. Moore seconded. Hanby, Posey, Malik, Moore and Nelson voted yes. Vice abstained.

**Tom Gattiker – Replace Boathouse Roof due to hail damage** – Malik made a motion to approve. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Bobby Barnes – Replace Boathouse Roof** – Posey made a motion to approve. Malik seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Eddy Dunn – Replace Boathouse Roof** – Hanby made a motion to approve. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Greg Posey – new boathouse on Echo Lane** – Posey mentioned that the boathouse will be built closer to NeSmith's boathouse to allow the other neighbors access. Nelson made a motion to approve plans subject to Building Inspector's review. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Moore, Hanby, Nelson, Malik and Vice voted yes. Posey abstained. Motion carried.

**Reschedule June Meeting Date due to June 5 Election** – Moore made a motion to reschedule June meeting to Tuesday, June 12. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Lady Lakers host a Blood Drive** – Posey made a motion for the Lady Lakers to host a Blood Drive for the community at the Anchor. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

**Suspend rules to amend meeting agenda.** Hanby made a motion to amend the meeting agenda. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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**Request from Mr. Jon Doss for town to pay one-half of attorney fees associated with vacating town road Sunset Circle. Request died due to lack of motion.**

**The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.**

Joe Hayden stated there are two issues at the dam:

1 – Vegetation on backside of dam needs to be poisoned. Hayden volunteered to point out which trees need to poison.

2 - Spillway – water flow direction has diverted and now is eroding roadbed used to access back of dam. Recommendation for heavy equipment project to reroute water by moving boulders.

Hayden stated it would cost approximately \$50,000 to fix the issue now. He suggested moving the rocks and building a berm. Hayden said he would work with the council to review.

With no other business to come before the council, Hanby made a motion to adjourn. Moore seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

  
Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk

  
Connie B. Vice, Mayor