

**STATE OF ALABAMA
COUNTY OF BLOUNT
TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE**

ORDINANCE NO. HL 14-01

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A LAKE PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF HIGHLAND LAKE, ALABAMA,
AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1: Committee Purpose

The Town of Highland Lake, Alabama, (hereinafter referred to as “Highland Lake”) hereby establishes a Lake Preservation Committee (hereinafter referred to as “Committee”) for the purpose of monitoring the condition of the lake and dam at Highland Lake (hereinafter referred to as “Lake”) and to make recommendations to the Highland Lake Town Council for such repairs and maintenance needed to insure the integrity of the lake and dam.

Committee responsibilities shall include, but be not limited to the following:

1. Quarterly inspections of the lake and dam. An inspection report shall be provided by the Committee to the Town Council on at least a quarterly basis and the inspection report shall be filed in the office of the Highland Lake Town Clerk.
2. Provide oversight for maintenance of the lake and dam.
3. Provide coordination with all state and federal agencies which have oversight responsibilities concerning the dam and the lake.
4. Provide regular communication of Committee activities to the Mayor and Town Council to include attendance at a Town Council meeting at least once a quarter to report on Committee activities.

SECTION 2: Composition of Committee

The Committee shall consist of five members. All committee members must own property within the town limits of Highland Lake. The Committee members shall be appointed by the Mayor and Town Council of Highland Lake and shall serve a four year term. The initial Committee shall have staggered terms. One member serving a one year term, one member serving a two year term, one member serving a three year term and two members serving four year terms, so as to insure continuity on the Committee. Once appointed, the Committee shall make recommendations to the Town Council for appointment of a Committee member to fill the expired term of any Committee member. Committee membership shall not entitle or vest any Committee member with any property rights having a monetary value of any kind. All Committee members shall serve on a Committee without compensation.

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SECTION 3: Operation of the Committee

All Committee members should use their best effort to attend all meetings of the Committee. Any member who cannot attend a meeting must contact the Committee chairman so the Committee chairman can determine whether or not a Committee meeting will have a quorum. Any Committee member who misses three consecutive regular meetings shall have his appointment to the Committee terminated and the Committee shall recommend to the Mayor and Town Council someone to fill the unexpired term of such member.

The Committee shall have a chairman who shall be elected by simple majority vote of the Committee members at the first meeting of the Committee each year. The Chairman shall serve a one year term or until a successor is elected.

The Chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Committee and shall form subcommittees and appoint subcommittee chairpersons as needed.

The Committee shall not have the authority to contract for the expenditure of any funds for Highland Lake. The expenditure of all funds for maintenance of the lake and dam must be approved by the Mayor and Town Council of Highland Lake.

SECTION 4: Committee Meetings

The Committee shall schedule its meetings by agreement of the Committee, but shall meet at least once a quarter to conduct Committee business. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Chairman. A quorum of the Committee shall consist of a majority of the Committee membership. Once a quorum is established, the Committee shall be entitled to vote on any issue pending before the Committee.

Upon passage of this ordinance, Ordinance HL-09-02 is hereby repealed.
Adopted this 3rd day of March 2014.

Signatures on file

Gail S. Bailey, Mayor

Leland "Skip" Davis, Council

Donna Hanby, Council

Shani Ort, Council

Tim Peek, Council

Jane Lamb, Council

ATTEST:

Town Clerk