

Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Council member Ramzi Malek gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

August 7, 2018 Work Session Minutes – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

August 7, 2018 Public Hearing-Vacation of Goodner Farm Road Minutes – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

August 7, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

August 7, 2018 Road Plan Work Session Minutes – Moore made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

August 21, 2018 Budget Work Session Minutes – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report – Council member Donna Hanby gave the monthly financial report. Hanby reported the Compass Bank CD matures this month. The CD will be moved to a bank with a better rate. Malek made a motion to accept the report, as presented. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Lake – Chairman Nelson reported the committee met and rode around the lake to identify issues. Several trees were identified that need to be removed when the lake is lowered next.

Dredging – Chairman Malek reported the contract with Tetra Tech can be extended to December 2019 or the project can be closed out. The town would not have to pay the remaining balance of the contract.

Roads – Chairman Moore reported once the Lakeshore Loop project is completed, the county plans to work on Lakeshore Drive from the Brasher Creek Bridge to the Sunset Blvd hill area. Moore also reported a Road Form had been received to connect the culverts under Lakeshore Drive and the Goodner Farm Road area. These culverts cannot be connected without engineered drawings per Commissioner Calvert.

Ordinance – Chairman Hanby reported she will work on the Employee Pay Scales resolution.

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OFFICER REPORT

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nominations for council vacancy – the Mayor stated two residents have expressed interest in filling the council vacancy, Carl Randall and Denise Adams. Mayor Vice thanked both residents for their willingness to serve the community. Moore made a motion to nominate Carl Randall to fill the vacancy. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Nelson, Hanby, and Vice voted no. Moore and Malek voted yes. Motion failed.

Nelson made a motion to nominate Denise Adams to fill the council vacancy. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Hanby, Nelson, Malek and Vice voted yes. Moore voted no. Motion carried.

The Town Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Denise Adams.

NEW BUSINESS

October 2018 – September 2019 Budget – Nelson made a motion to approve the financial budget for fiscal year October 2018 through September 2019. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Appalachian High School Classroom Grant – Blount County Education Foundation Radio-thon - Nelson made a motion to approve a \$750.00 grant to Appalachian High School. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

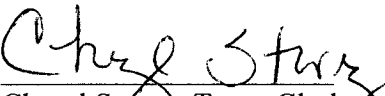
Cameron Adams – Eagle Scout Community Project – Cameron Adams presented to the council four options for the park: (1) Four benches, (2) four park benches, (3) two picnic tables and (4) an arbor. Cameron stated he would raise the funds needed for the project and would do the maintenance. Moore made a motion to approve an arbor for the park. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Nelson, Malek, Hanby, Moore and Vice voted yes. Adams abstained. Motion carried.


The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.

No comments/questions from the public.

With no other business to come before the council, Hanby made a motion to adjourn. Moore seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk


Connie B. Vice, Mayor