



## TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE

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## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, March 7, 2023  
6:30 PM  
The Anchor

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Chase Moore at 6:46 PM.

### ROLL CALL:

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mayor Chase Moore, Sam Pearson, Sid Nelson, Ramzi Malek,  
Carl Randall

**OTHER ATTENDEES:** Tim Moore-Building Inspector, Mary Ann Allen-Town Clerk

Invocation was given by Sam Pearson

Pledge of Allegiance was led by the council

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Approval of February 7, 2023 Work Session Minutes: Ramzi Malek made the motion to accept and Sam Pearson seconded. Motion passed unanimously
- Approval of February 7, 2023 Regular Session Minutes: Sid Nelson made the motion to accept and Ramzi Malek seconded. Motion passed unanimously

### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### **Building and Grounds - Carl Randall**

Carl stated that various types of trees and bushes had been purchased which included pecan, blueberry, blackberry, fig and willow. The planting will be on Saturday, March 11, 2023, beginning at 9:00 am.

#### **Lake Preservation Committee – Bill Rush**

No addition to the items discussed in the Work Session

#### **Ordinance Committee – Sid Nelson**

No addition to the items discussed in the Work Session

**Public Safety Committee – Jonathan Sims and Greg Posey**

No Updates

**Roads Committee – Josh Beck and Sam Pearson**

Same as discussed in Work Session but Josh Beck also talked about two residents that had concerns with drainage issues and stated that he will go look at the concerns and talk with them.

**Finance Committee – Bobby Rhodes and Carl Randall**

No addition to the items discussed in the Work Session

Bobby Rhodes did say that the committee is now meeting monthly and invited people to attend.

**OFFICER REPORT – Chief of Police - Scott Kon**

No update since Chief Kon was not present

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**1. Pontoon repair status:**

Jay has not had a chance to look at it, but has suggested that maybe someone could bring it to the shop.

**2. Status on HL 14-05 verbiage on bladder boats**

The Ordinance Committee is still working on this and hope to have an idea of wording by the next meeting.

**3. Discuss and potential vote on amendment HL 16-01**

Tabled since Alex Smith, Attorney is not present

**4. Christmas in the Park and Searching for Grants**

Mayor Moore talked about wanting to look for grants to help cover the cost of this event and wanted permission from the council to search for and possibly acquire grants.

Carl Randall made the motion to allow Mayor Moore to look for grants and obtain them to help with the Christmas event and Sam Pearson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**5. Alexander Anderson request to build a dock**

Carl Randall made the motion to postpone until past due lake fees are made current and Sam Pearson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**6. Josh Beck request to build a boat house on his neighbor's property**

Attorney Alex Smith is researching this but was not present to discuss.

**7. Discuss and potentially vote and swear in for vacant Council Place 2**

Carl Randall made the motion to fill Council Place 2 with Bobby Rhodes and Sam Pearson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

At this time Bobby Rhodes accepted the position, but verbally resigned from the Zoning Board.

Carl Randall made the motion to accept Bobby Rhode's resignation from the Zoning Board and Sam Pearson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Bobby Rhodes was sworn in by Mary Ann Allen, Town Clerk.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

### **8. Lady Lakers use of The Anchor for Community Yard Sale**

**April 28-29, 2023**

Carl Randall made the motion for the Lady Lakers to use The Anchor for the Community Yard Sale April 28-29, 2023, and Sid Nelson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **9. Lady Lakers use of The Anchor for Annual Boston Butt Sale**

**May 26-27, 2023**

Carl Randall made the motion for the Lady Lakers to use The Anchor for the Annual Boston Butt Sale May 26-27, 2023, and Sid Nelson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **10. Lady Lakers use of The Anchor for First Responders Event**

**September 10, 2023.**

Carl Randall made the motion for the Lady Lakers to use The Anchor for The First Responders Event September 10, 2023, and Sid Nelson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **11. Lady Lakers use of The Anchor for Christmas Decoration the weekend of November 18-19, 2023**

Carl Randall made the motion for the Lady Lakers to use The Anchor to decorate For Christmas the weekend of November 18-19, 2023, and Sid Nelson seconded.

Motion passed unanimously.

### **12. Discuss and potential vote to replace pest control services from Sand Mountain Pest Management to Quality Creative Pest Services (QCP) and saving money**

Carl Randall made the motion to change to QCP for pest control services and Bobby Rhodes seconded. Sam Pearson, Bobby Rhodes, Carl Randall, and Sid Nelson voted yes, and Mayor Moore and Ramzi Malek abstained. Motion passed

### **13. Update Budget**

Bobby Rhodes discussed and answered questions about the following handouts: Possible FY-23 Budget, Revamped FY-23 Budget, and Accounting Information Ending 31 Jan 2023. (See attached documents)

After discussing, Bobby Rhodes made the motion to adopt the Revamped FY-23 Budget and Sam Pearson seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

**Other:**

Carl Randall made the motion to amend the agenda to allow Mayor Moore to search for any grants, not just for the Christmas event, that would be beneficial to the town. Sam Pearson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

After brief discussion, Carl Randall made the motion to allow Mayor Moore to take advantage of all grants that he can find to bring forth to the Council and Sid Nelson seconded. Mayor Moore abstained, all others voted yes and motion passed.

Sid Nelson made the motion to adjourn and Carl Randall seconded the motion and all approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

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Mary Ann Allen – Town Clerk

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Chase Moore - Mayor