

Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Monday, December 7, 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.

November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Vice seconded. Roll call. Hanby, Ort, Peek, Vice and Bailey voted yes. Davis abstained. Motion carried.

November 5, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes – Davis made a motion to approve the minutes, as written with one correction of adding him to the attendees present. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

November 9, 2015 Town Meeting Minutes – The Town Clerk read the minutes. Vice made a motion to approve the minutes, as read. Ort seconded. Roll call. Hanby, Ort, Peek, Vice and Bailey voted yes. Davis abstained. Motion carried.

November 16, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes – The Town Clerk read the minutes. Peek made a motion to approve the minutes, as read with the following corrections: add Councilmember Davis as an attendee, add “ing” to Understanding, and correct total acreage from .034 to 0.34. Davis seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report –Vice gave the monthly financial report. Hanby made a motion to accept the report, as presented. Peek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Audit for year ending September 30, 2015 – Mrs. Lori Criswell stated the town received a clean opinion on our financial audit. Mrs. Criswell reviewed the audit results with the council. The town has no debt. Mrs. Criswell encouraged the council to stay involved in the controls that we have in place to provide oversight and independent review functions of the financials. Davis made a motion to accept the audit. Vice seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Ordinances – Chairman Shani Ort reported the committee did not meet in November and will not meet in December due to the holidays. A Zoning Ordinance work session was scheduled for Monday, January 18, 2016 at 5:00 PM to review/discuss the working draft.

Buildings & Grounds – Chairman Donna Hanby reported the committee met November 12 and decided it would be best to work on the River Road/Lakeshore Drive entrance sign in the spring when it's easier to dig. Hanby added we are still waiting to receive an estimate for an awning for the Library door. The committee will not meet in December.

Roads – Chairman Tim Peek stated he had no report.

Lake – Chairman Skip Davis stated he had no report and the committee will not meet in December.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Dredging – Chairman Bill Rush stated a date has not been set for a January committee meeting.

Mayor Bailey stated that a Zoning Board of Adjustment is being established and the members will be voted on at the January council meeting. The proposed members that have agreed to serve are: Sandra Vinsori, Carl Randall, Steve Poer, Ramzi Malek, Sid Nelson and Olivia Brodock. The members must be full time residents, no council or employees can serve on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Mayor asked Attorney Alex Smith to verify the terms the members must serve on this board.

OFFICER REPORT

Chief Kon reported the police are looking for two vehicles: (1) a beat up white sedan with a black male driver and (2) a black Ford Ranger pickup with a white male driver. These vehicles are together. The police need their tag number to determine who they are. They have not done anything wrong, the police just need additional information about them.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

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NEW BUSINESS

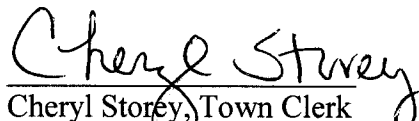
Connie Vice – Extend Boardwalk – Vice requested approval for the entire length of the boardwalk, which will be 150 feet. At the previous meeting, Vice obtained approval for Phase 1, which was for 60 feet. The distance end (opposite boathouse) will attach to previously approved deck, deck width to be determined by builder based on bank elevation. Total for boardwalk - 150 feet long and 4 feet wide. Peek made a motion to approve plans. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Davis, Hanby, Ort, Peek and Bailey voted yes. Vice abstained.

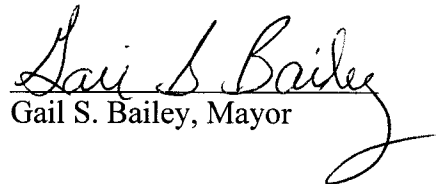
The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.

There were no questions or comments.

With no other business to come before the council, Vice made a motion to adjourn. Ort seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk


Gail S. Bailey, Mayor