

STATE OF ALABAMA  
COUNTY OF BLOUNT  
TOWN OF HIGHLAND LAKE

**ORDINANCE NO. HL-19-03**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH A PERMANENT  
PUBLIC SAFETY 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 Permanent Public Safety Committee (hereinafter referred to as "Committee") for the purpose of enabling the Town of Highland Lake to have an ongoing public safety vision and plan to ensure continuity and sustainability of the Town's public safety for the future to make recommendations to the Highland Lake Town Council to assure the longevity and integrity of the Town's public safety as it relates to the Town's police department as well as any other entity of Highland Lake.

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

1. Develop and maintain a 5 year plan for operation of any department that effects the public's safety.
2. Explore availability of grants, or other sources of income for Public Safety purposes.
3. Oversee and prioritize capital improvements for Public Safety impacting Highland Lake.
4. Listen to concerns and ideas from town residents on public safety, investigate various needs and report those needs as the committee sees fit to the town leadership.
5. Provide regular communication of Committee activities as well as recommendations to the Mayor and Town Council, to include attendance at a Town Council meeting at least once a quarter to report on Committee activities.

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**Section 2: Composition of Committee**

The Committee shall consist of six members. All committee members must own property within the town limits of Highland Lake or reside within the Town's Police jurisdiction. The Committee members shall be appointed by the Town Council of Highland Lake for three years terms. The initial Committee shall have staggered terms with two members serving a 1-year term, two members serving a 2-year term, and two members serving a 3-year term, so as to ensure continuity on the Committee.

In addition to the above members, a current council member will also serve on this committee for their 4-year term. This member should not be the Chairman, but will serve to ensure the council is always aware of ongoing efforts of 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. Appointed members may be removed for cause by the Town Council of Highland Lake, upon written charges and after a public hearing.

**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 may have his/her 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 Town Council shall appoint the original Chairman. After that appointment, the chairman will 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, as Chairman, 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.

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**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 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.

Adopted this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019

Signatures on file

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Donna Hanby, Mayor

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Chase Moore, Council

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Sharon Duke, Council

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Carl Randall, Council

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Sid Nelson, Council

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Ramzi Malek, Council

**ATTEST:**

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Karen Murphy, Town Clerk

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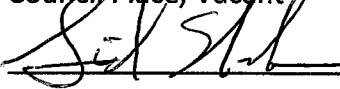
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Donna Hanby, Mayor



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Council Place, Vacant



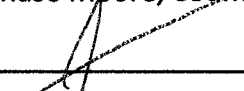
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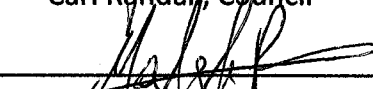
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