

Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, March 6, 2018 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Marlin Vest gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Connie Vice
Council members Donna Hanby, Greg Posey, Sid Nelson and Ramzi Malek
Absent: Council member Chase Moore

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also in attendance.

February 6, 2018 Work Session Minutes – Posey made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

February 6, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Financial Report – Council member Donna Hanby gave the monthly financial report. Posey made a motion to accept the report, as presented. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Buildings & Grounds – Chairman Posey reported the committee met February 22 and mainly discussed the type of lights to purchase for the park with the \$4300.00 grant. Also, the Anchor carpet has been replaced and the Anchor deck is complete.

Lake – Chairman Nelson reported the committee did not meet. The Fish Study is scheduled for March 13 and March 14.

Dredging – Chairman Malek stated no new information to report.

OFFICER REPORT

Chief Kon reported the police boat was serviced, approximately \$140.00. Chief Kon is looking for a used four-stroke boat. Also, a new windshield is needed in the police pickup, approximately \$200.00.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance HL-18-01 – Adopt the 2015 International Building Code – Malek made a motion to approve. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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Ordinance HL-18-02 – Manage and control vegetation and flora on and/or within community owned or controlled property. Hanby made a motion to approve. Nelson seconded. Roll call. Posey, Nelson, Hanby and Vice voted yes. Malek abstained. Motion carried.

Lights for the Park - \$4300.00 Grant – Nelson made a motion for the Buildings & Grounds Committee to move forward with their recommendations and purchase additional lights for the park with the \$4300.00 grant. Hanby seconded. Roll call. Malek, Hanby, Nelson and Vice voted yes. Posey abstained. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution HL-18-01 – Blount County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan – Hanby made a motion to adopt the 2016 Blount County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Marlene Nelms – Replace Boathouse Roof due to hail damage – Hanby made a motion to approve plans. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

William Melvin – Replace Boathouse Roof due to hail damage – Posey made a motion to approve plans. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Ramzi Malek – add roof and boat lift to existing slip – Posey made a motion to approve plans. Nelson seconded. Roll call. Hanby, Nelson, Posey and Vice voted yes. Malek abstained. Motion carried.

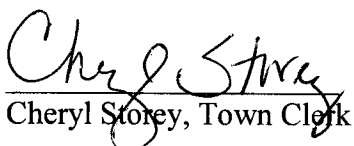
Request to Vacate Sunset Circle – a public hearing was held prior to the regular council meeting. Hanby made a motion to approve the request to vacate Sunset Circle based on the condition the property owners, Jon and Rebecca Doss, resurvey the land to include the existing road and to ensure all lots have road access to Sunset Blvd. There should be no land locked lots. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried. The survey should be provided to the council to finalize the road vacation and needs to be recorded at the court house.

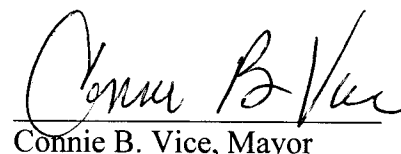
Laura Parenteau – Swimming – Ms. Parenteau stated she checked out two places to enter the lake for swimming and found them both to be unsuitable. Ms. Parenteau stated at the Brasher Creek berm, you sink down to your knees and it's difficult getting out of the lake. The area by the town boat launch is unsuitable because you're in a boat lane. Since we are a lake community, everyone should be able to use the lake as recreation. Homes that are off water will devalue if access to the lake is not available. Ms. Parenteau asked the council to reconsider building a dock off of Brasher Creek berm for lake access/swimming.

The Mayor opened the meeting to the public - No questions or comments from the public.

With no other business to come before the council, Posey made a motion to adjourn. Hanby seconded. All said I. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted:


Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk


Connie B. Vice, Mayor