

Regular Meeting of the Town of Highland Lake, Alabama

The Highland Lake Town Council held its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 2017 at the Anchor. Mayor Vice called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Tim Moore gave the invocation. The Mayor led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

Town Attorney Alex Smith was also in attendance.

April 4, 2017 Work Session Minutes – Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

April 4, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes – Hanby made a motion to approve the minutes, as written. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Roads – Chairman Moore reported that he and Commissioner Calvert investigated the drainage problem reported on Vista Drive. The resident is requesting a culvert be installed to allow proper drainage. The county will clean out the ditches to help with this problem. A surveyor is needed to mark the corners on the lots that will be affected by water flow. Once the lot corners are marked, the county engineer would then determine the best location for the culvert to be placed. A meeting with the affected property owners may be necessary to discuss impacts and best solution to resolve this issue.

Dredging – Chairman Malek reported the committee is discussing scope of work for Brasher Creek dredging. Tetra Tech recently sent proposal of work documents that the committee will review.

Lake – Chairman Nelson – nothing to report.

Buildings & Grounds – Chairman Posey reported the committee held its first meeting and discussed many projects. The committee decided to first focus on the additional riprap that is needed on the berm. The second project is to complete the generator installation and third, Anchor landscape project. The committee meets the third Thursday of each month.

Ordinances – Chairman Hanby reported no updates are needed at this time to the ordinances.

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OFFICER REPORT

Chief Kon introduced William Ferry, new police officer. Officer Joe Franklin has not been cleared to return back to work yet.

The buoys have been installed at Brasher Creek/cofferdam stating to keep out of that area.

Kon stated he needs to complete the spillway marker. We have the buoys. He and Officer Ferry will work on this. The truck needs to be serviced, problem with power steering pump. V-hull boat is good to go.

Blount 9-1-1 donated a Phantom2 drone to the town.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Road Form – Jacob Hembree-Vista Drive – Nelson made a motion for the town to hire a surveyor to set the corners on the lots affected by drainage. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Landscape Project for Anchor – two quotes were obtained and reviewed/discussed. Nelson made a motion to accept the lowest quote, which was from Distinctive Landscaping for \$2,665.00. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Caleb Branch – 911 Center – Blount County 911 Director Caleb Branch addressed the council and requested support for a proposed Ambulance Advisory Committee (ACC) for Blount County. The 911 board has legislative responsibility for monitoring ambulance service. The plan calls for a nine-member county-wide board to write specifications for acceptable service, award an exclusive contract to one provider, and hold that provider responsible for meeting the requirements. The AAC will be responsible for the day-to-day oversight and review of the Blount County ambulance contractor, its standards of performance and the contractor's compliance with the ambulance contract. The ACC will review and report contractor's performance standards with the goal of an increase in accountability from the ambulance service provider.

Resolution HL-17-03 – Support Blount County 911 Board Ambulance Advisory Board – Malek made a motion to approve. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Resolution HL-17-04 – Tax Levy – Municipalities that impose ad valorem taxes are to levy such taxes by resolution each year during the month of May and certify such levy to the tax assessor on or before June 1st. Taxes levied in May 2017 will go into effect October 1, 2017. Hanby made a motion to approve. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Paul Schabaker – add 3 x 5 storage building on existing pier – Posey made a motion to approve plans. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Greg Long – replace rotten boards on boathouse – Hanby made a motion to approve. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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Quote for additional riprap at berm – a quote was obtained from C & C Contracting. The maximum cost would be \$6,720.00. If a second machine is not needed, the cost would be \$1,000.00 less. If all rip rap not needed, another deduction will be made. Posey made a motion to approve the quote contingent the work can be done within the next two weeks. Nelson seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Quotes for permanent lighting at Gazebo & surrounding area – Posey made a motion to table and re-write the criteria for contractors to bid from. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Quotes to install transfer switches for generator – Moore made a motion to table and re-write the criterial for contractors to bid from. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Install Water line to park fountain – Moore made a motion to approve up to \$500.00 to install a water line from Town Hall to the park. The primary reason is to service the park fountain. Posey seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Yoga in the Park – Lady Lakers to facilitate and host a free Yoga in the Park Session on Saturday, May 20. The class will be taught by a certified instructor. Moore made a motion to approve. Hanby seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried.

Moore made a motion to suspend the rules to amend the agenda to add request from Charles Gilbert. Malek seconded. Roll call. All voted yes.

Charles Gilbert – Irrigation System to water lawn – Hanby made a motion to approve plans. Moore seconded. Roll call. All voted yes. Motion carried. Tim Moore indicated one inspection would be required.

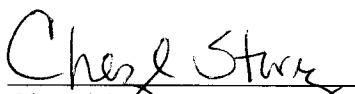
The Mayor opened the meeting to the public.

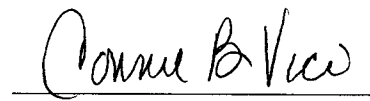
Officer William Ferry thanked the council and Chief Kon for giving him this opportunity to work for the town.

Charles Gilbert reported the culvert in the curve on West Lakeshore Drive is stopped up.

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

Respectfully submitted:


Cheryl Storey, Town Clerk


Connie B. Vice, Mayor