

**Town of North High Shoals**

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Mayor

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**Minutes**  
**February 8, 1999**

**Draft Copy**

**Members Present:**

Mayor Thomas  
Councilwoman Dawe  
Councilman Carter  
Councilman Sosebee  
Councilman Thomas

**Others Present:**

Ms. Vinnie Williams	Oconee Enterprise
Ralph Milo	Hickory Ridge Subdivision
Holly Prescott	Hickory Ridge Subdivision
Gary Acletewieier	Hickory Lake Subdivision

**Monthly Business:**

1. Approval of **January** Financial Statement. Motion to approve by Councilman Carter. A second to the motion by Councilman Sosebee. All members present approved.
2. Approval of **Draft Copy** of the January Minutes. Motion to approve by Councilman Sosebee. Second to the motion by Councilman Thomas. All members present approved.

**Old Business:**

1. Mayor Thomas presented the signature copy of the **Aquifer Recharge Protection Ordinance**. Motion to approve by Councilman Carter. A second to the motion by Councilwoman Dawe. All members present voted in favor.

2. The first reading of the *EPD Resolution Addendum* (Dec. 14, 1998) was presented to Council by Mayor Thomas. Each member of council received a copy of the resolution. A copy of this resolution will be attached to the official minutes.
3. The Mayor presented Council with a resolution for the **proper procedure** to follow in maintenance and use of audio recording of council meetings. A copy of this resolution to be attached to the official minutes. A motion was made by Councilman Carter to adopt this resolution as presented. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion. All members present were in favor of the motion.
4. The Mayor provided an update of the progress being made by Georgia Power concerning the **placement of lights** in the Hickory Ridge Street Light District.
5. The Mayor and Council addressed the concern of Hickory Lake Subdivision pertaining to street lights located in this subdivision. A representative of the Hickory Lake Homeowners Association presented council with a bill from EMC. After discussion, Mayor Thomas agreed to speak with representatives of the County and EMC and determine what **options** might be available to the Town and the Homeowners Association.
6. During a public portion of the meeting, residents of the Hickory Ridge Subdivision ask questions pertaining to street maintenance in the subdivision. Residents also expressed some concern about the concrete cracking at some of the storm water drain openings. One resident ask a question pertaining to the amount of tax her tax bill for 1998. Councilman Carter agreed to research this matter.
7. Mayor Thomas informed Council that tax money continues to be received. The due date for 1998 property tax was December 20, 1998.
8. Mayor Thomas informed Council that a **public hearing** is scheduled for March 9 to review the County/Cities Land Use Plan. This meeting will be advertised in the Oconee Enterprise.
9. Councilwoman Dawe provided a brief update of the census.
10. Councilman Carter addressed the Council concerning **street numbers**. Councilman Carter relayed information from Mr. Jack Carter, County Tax assessor. Councilman Carter recommended that mayor and council consider a resolution authorizing Mr. Jack Carter to issue street addresses in the future. This item will be included in the March agenda. Mayor Thomas also provided Councilman Carter with the names of two other individuals involved in the street numbering system for the county emergency management system.
11. Mayor Thomas offered a brief overview on the efforts of the *Historic High Shoals* committee that met recently at city hall. Councilwoman Dawe advised council of the future plans and meeting dates for the committee. Mayor Thomas requested that Council

establish a \$300.00 fund to assist the committee with startup cost. The funds will be drawn from the contingency account. Mayor and Council agreed that the efforts of this committee were to the benefit of the city, and for the public good. A motion was made by Councilman Carter to establish this fund. Councilman Thomas made a second to the motion. All council members present voted in favor of the motion.

12. Mayor Thomas provided an update of the January Planning Commission. At the January meeting, the P.C. voted to deny a request by developers desiring a rezone at Lane Creek.

**New Business:**

1. Mayor Thomas ask the council to consider the necessity of **drilling a well** to obtain city water. Council authorized the mayor to contact a well drilling company in order to obtain a cost estimate for a water system.

2. Mayor Thomas informed council of complaints received by the city concerning animals (dogs) running loose in the city. Mayor Thomas requested that Ms. Vinnie Williams, publisher of the Oconee Enterprise, include a request from the Mayor and Council concerning **adherence to the leash law** by all of its' citizens.

3. Mayor Thomas informed council that Oconee County is now considering the possibility of a **new zoning classification** which would require two (2) acre lot sizes.

4. Mayor Thomas ask council to consider establishing a place for pictures of all past council members. Councilwoman Dawe felt that his action would be inappropriate. Councilman Carter stated that pictures should be of past council members only. Mayor Thomas proposed writing a letter requesting pictures from former members. Councilman Carter made a motion to prepare a letter. Councilman Thomas made a second to the motion. Three members of council voted in favor of the motion. Councilwoman Dawe abstained (Councilwoman Taylor was not present for the meeting). Councilwoman Dawe also suggested the idea of a scrapbook.

5. Mayor Thomas informed council that he has requested **Galaxy Cable** review the possibility of providing cable to Hickory Ridge and Hickory Lake Subdivisions.

6. Mayor Thomas informed council that he is in the process of having twenty (20) new copies of the city ordinances and zoning regulations prepared.

7. Mayor Thomas provided members of Council with a copy of the Georgia Legislative Update.

8. Mayor Thomas informed Council that the Oconee Board of Education has determined that a home valued at **\$295,669.00** provides the county with the revenues necessary to educate **one child**.

9. Mayor Thomas informed the Council of the dates set aside by the State of Georgia for voting on referendums, special elections, etc. for the 1999 year.
10. Councilman Sosebee requested an update on the Hillsboro/Rays Church roads. Mayor Thomas informed Council that the company in charge of the painting would be back to finish the job. They have experienced trouble with both of their machines.
11. Mayor Thomas informed Council that he was checking on the possibility/feasibility of placing "noise-makers" at the intersection of Elder and New High Shoals Road.
12. Councilwoman Dawe offered comments on information concerning local plan implementation (Northeast Georgia Update), Urban Sprawl, the Wisconsin Ordinance protecting agricultural areas (Councilwoman Dawe will provide copies for members), and enforcement of covenants.

Having no further business to discuss, Councilman Carter made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Sosebee made a second to the motion. All members present were in favor of the motion.

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The draft copy minutes of the February 8, 1999 regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals are hereby officially approved as of March 8, 1999.

Signed:

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Mayor

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Council Member

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March 8, 1999

**Resolution**

Be it resolved by the Town Council and Mayor of the Town of North High Shoals, that the updated Short Term Work Program of the Northeast Georgia Regional Solid Waste management Plan be submitted to the Northeast Georgia Regional Development Center for review and approval this 8th day of March, 1999. It is also resolved that the minimum public participation requirements have been met.

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March 8, 1999

**Resolution**

Be it resolved by the Town Council and Mayor of the Town of North High Shoals, that all future street address designations be assigned by the Oconee County Tax Assessor's office, and that this resolution shall be submitted to the Oconee Tax Assessor's office for review and approval this 8th day of March, 1999. It is also resolved that the minimum public participation requirements have been met.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
Feb-99

	MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	GENERAL ACCOUNT
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$29,336.09	\$24,386.61
 INCOME		
INTEREST - GENERAL		\$12.50
INTEREST - MONEY MARKET	\$102.94	
98 Taxes		\$284.01
Business Licenses		\$370.00
Ad Valorem		\$181.86
Franchise Tax		\$10,518.77
Georgia Power		\$349.14
Transfer of Funds	\$16,000.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$16,102.94	\$11,716.28
 EXPENSES		
Trans. to Money Market		\$16,000.00
SDB Transfer		\$40.00
Jennifer Kurish	Payroll	\$34.39
Cash	Petty Cash	\$25.00
BellSouth	Phone	\$50.90
Georgia Power	Town Hall	\$33.64
Walton EMC	Street Light	\$12.75
AT&T	Long Distance	\$8.53
Georgia Power	Street Light	\$480.48
BellSouth Mobility	Mobile Phone	\$110.29
J&M Limited	Office Supplies	\$104.51
Jeff Thomas	Planning Commission	\$134.00
Mellon 1st Leasing	Copier	\$58.23
Jeff Thomas	Building Inspection	\$133.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$0.00	\$17,225.72
GRAND TOTAL	\$45,439.03	\$18,877.17



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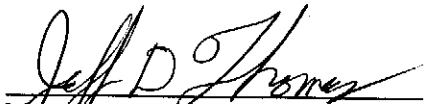
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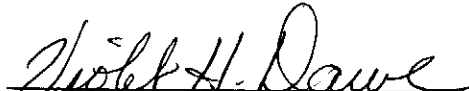
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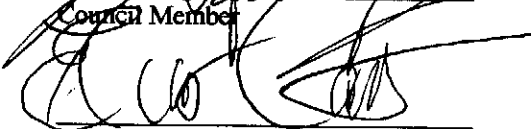
The draft copy minutes of the January 11, 1999 regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals are hereby officially approved as of February 8, 1999.

Signed:

  
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