

Town of North High Shoals

Jeff D. Thomas
Mayor

Office of the Mayor

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Minutes OCTOBER 11, 1999

Members Present:

Mayor Jeff Thomas
Councilman Sosebee
Councilman Thomas
Councilwoman Dawe
Councilman MacIntosh

Sherry Bales - Clerk
Patrick Beall - Attorney

Others Present:

Ms. Ginger Dakin	Hickory Lake
Mr. Bal Feldman	Hickory Lake
Ms. Vinnie Williams	Oconee Enterprise
Mr. Joe Queen	Former Mayor
Mr. Paul Poninski	Concerned Citizen
Mr. Gaynor Bracewell	High Shoals Resident

Mayor Thomas issued Oath of Office to new Councilman David MacIntosh.

Monthly Business:

1. Approval of the **September** Financial Statement. Motion to approve by Councilman Sosebee. A second to the motion by Councilman Thomas. All other Council Members present approved the motion.
2. Approval of **Draft Copy** of the **September** Minutes. Motion to approve with corrections by Councilman Thomas. A second to the motion by Councilman MacIntosh. All other Council members present approved the motion.

Old Business:

1. The first item on the agenda was **Rumble Strips**. Mayor Thomas turned the floor over to Ms. Ginger Dakin who introduced Mr. Bal Feldman, another concerned citizen from Hickory Lake.

Ms. Dakin reported that she had been in touch with the Mayor and asked that no measures be taken prior to the October meeting on the rumble strips because the Homeowners association was working on some proposals and information for the Mayor and Council to consider.

Ms. Dakin again, expressed her concern (as the spokesperson for the Hickory Lake Homeowners Association) over the issues concerning the rumble strips on Elder Road. Ms. Dakin also expressed her concern over the rumble strips on New High Shoals Road at Highway 186.

Ms. Dakin reported that she had been in contact with several professional services and found that the prohibitive cost that the Mayor and Council were concerned about as far as flashing signs were concerned may not be the correct information. Ms. Dakin presented the Mayor and Council with some more reasonable costs. These costs were however just quotes by phone.

After much discussion about safety issues and other possible suggestions to relieve the problem for both the Town, and the concern of the Hickory Lake Homeowners Association, Mayor Thomas asked Ms. Dakin to set up an appointment with Mr. Meehan, with Meehan Electrical, to give some on site price quotes.

2. Mayor Thomas again reminded the Council of the upcoming election. The election will be held on November 2, 1999, between the hours of 7:00am and 7:00pm. The Mayor also reminded the Council that there would be a county election held the same day at the Christian Church next door.

Mayor Thomas reported that in the past the election equipment that was used was borrowed from the county, but this year we would need to purchase the equipment for the Town. The Mayor noted that the town would have to purchase polling booths and lock boxes.

At this time, the Mayor noted the necessity to amend the budget to cover the expenses for the additional purchases. The Mayor asked that the Council approve an amendment of \$1000.00 which would be taken from the contingency fund in the budget. A motion was made by Councilwoman Dawe to approve the amendment to the budget. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Sosebee. All other Councilmembers present approved the motion.

3. Mayor Thomas handed out information sheets concerning business license fees for the surrounding areas. The Mayor asked that the Council look over the information collected and be prepared to discuss the issue at the next meeting.

4. Mayor Thomas reminded the Council that Shadyfield Lane was to be resurfaced through the LARP program this year. The Mayor went on to note that prior to resurfacing, the road would need to be patched in at least 17 areas. The company that would be doing the resurfacing for the LARP program has given an estimate for the patch work to be \$7000.00, therefore, the Mayor has a couple of other people looking into this to give their estimates for the job. Mayor Thomas noted that he will give an update at the November meeting.

New Business:

1. Mayor Thomas reminded the Council that in November the meeting time will change from 7:30pm to 7:00pm. The Mayor noted that this would be from November until March.

A motion was made by Councilman Sosebee to continue this time schedule. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Thomas. Councilman MacIntosh approved the motion and Councilwoman Dawe opposed the motion. Motion carried.

2. Mayor Thomas reported that a meeting had been held by concerned citizens of the Town concerning the proposed Walton County Reservoir Project. At that time a petition had been gathered.

The Mayor stated that the official position of the Town was that the town has informed the proper authorities of their opposition to the proposed project and that the Town had also asked for a Public Hearing concerning the proposed project.

Mr. Paul Poninski who is a concerned resident of Oconee County and also opposed to the proposed project presented another petition that had been gathered from the residents from the southern end of the river.

After much discussion, from the Mayor and Council and also the public, Mayor Thomas recommended that the Council vote by resolution to get involved and to use what resources possible from the Town.

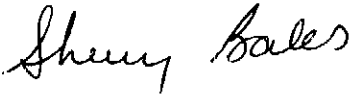
A motion was made by Councilman MacIntosh to have a resolution for the Town to become involved in the opposition of the proposed Walton County Reservoir Project. A second was made to the motion by Councilwoman Dawe. All other Councilmembers present approved the motion.

3. Councilwoman Dawe requested some extra speed limit signs for Shadyfield Lane. She reported that some of the residents on that road were going too fast.

Councilwoman Dawe also reported that they were continuing to have a problem with dogs on Shadyfield Lane. Councilwoman Dawe went on to reported some illegal hunting being done within the Town.

Having no further business to discuss, Councilman Sosebee made a motion to adjourn. Councilman MacIntosh made a second to the motion. The motion was approved by all other Councilmembers present.

Respectfully;

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sherry Bales".

Sherry Bales
Clerk

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The Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals welcome you to the regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council. Please sign your name in the space provided. If you wish to address the Mayor and Council concerning a specific issue on the agenda, please indicate this in the space provided. In accordance with the standard practices of this governing body, we desire to give every individual an opportunity to speak; however, in the interest of effective government, we ask that individual speakers avoid repetition of comments. The Mayor reserves the right to establish time limits as needed.

Name and Address	Agenda Item to Address (if any)
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3. Jimmie Williams	Ike O. E.
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The draft copy minutes of October 11, 1999 regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals are hereby officially approved as of November 8, 1999.


Signed:



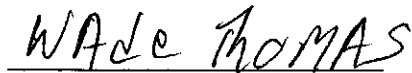
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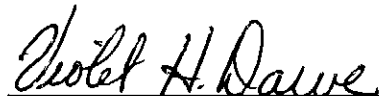
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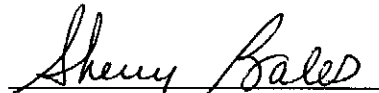
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Resolution

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Section 1:

The Public Good Demanding It:

The Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals do hereby resolve to express their opposition to the withdrawal of water from the Apalachee River by the Walton County Water Authority and/or any other government entities as currently proposed.

The Mayor and Council do further resolve to make every effort necessary to insure that properly advertised public hearings be held concerning this issue, and that at least one such public hearing be held in Oconee County.

The Mayor and Council do further resolve to insure that options to the current water withdrawal proposal be entertained.

Adopted this 8 day of November, 1999.

Jeff D Thomas
Mayor

Wade THOMAS
Council Member

Violet H Dawe
Council Member

Sherry Bales
Clerk

D. A. Hutchins
Council Member

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