

# Town of North High Shoals

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## Minutes APRIL 9, 2001

### ORIGINAL

#### Members Present:

Mayor Jeff Thomas  
Councilman Wade Thomas  
Councilman David MacIntosh  
Councilwoman Violet Dawe

Town Clerk: Sherry Bales

Town Attorney: Donald Hansford

#### Others Present:

J. Ritzler	Press
Douglas Northrop	Hickory Ridge
Karen Dietz	Resident

#### Monthly Business:

1. Approval of the *March* Financial Statement. Motion to approve by Councilman MacIntosh. A second to the motion by Councilman Thomas. All other Council Members present approved the motion.
2. Approval of Draft Copy of the *March* minutes. Motion to approve with corrections by Councilman MacIntosh. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Thomas. All other council members present approved the motion.

#### Old Business:

1. **Gunter Property:** Mayor Thomas reported that a letter had been received from Mr. Gunter's attorney discussing several issues. Some of the issues are...Mr. Gunter does not feel that he is in violation of any ordinance or business and zoning regulations, also Mr. Gunter even questioned as to whether his property

in question is in the city limits. Mr. Gunter requested a meeting between himself, his attorney, Mayor Thomas and the Town's attorney.

Mayor Thomas discussed the fact that the property in question is in the Flood Plain and also discussed what was and was not allowable within the Flood Plain.

Mayor Thomas also noted that a business was not allowed in A-1 zoning.

Mayor Thomas asked the Town's attorney, Mr. Hansford to continue to pursue the issue and to relay to Mr. Gunter and his attorney that he and the council would like the letter of agreement to be adhered to and at this time does not wish to have any change to the letter.

2. Mayor Thomas reported that a public hearing would need to be set prior to the May meeting to discuss the 2001/2002 budget. Mayor Thomas passed out copies of a preliminary budget that he proposed for the upcoming year.

3. Mayor Thomas reported that at the request for a cell tower in North High Shoals would be presented at this month's Planning Commission meeting. The Mayor went on to note that the proposal for the cell tower should be up for public discussion at the next meeting. The Mayor stated that this would be requested under a Conditional Use Permit and that a variance would be required.

4. Mayor Thomas reported that some more plowing had been done at the park. The Mayor went on to report that not all the bids were back for the fencing. The Mayor also noted that he had had the lot surveyed, along with city hall. The Mayor also reported that some of the Eagle Scouts would be working at the park in the near future. The Mayor stated that there would be some gravel delivered this next month for the parking area.

### **New Business:**

1. Mayor Thomas reported that a member of the Cox family would like to be put on the agenda to discuss what she can do with her property in town.

2. Mayor Thomas ask that a motion be made to make several amendments to the current budget. (See attached). A motion was made by Councilwoman Dawe and was seconded by Councilman MacIntosh to approve the proposed amendments. All council members present approved the motion.

3. Mayor Thomas reported that there would be an election in November this year. The Mayor went on to state that the positions that would be up for re-election would be those being held by Councilwoman Dawe, Councilman Carter and Councilman MacIntosh. Those positions would be Posts 3,4, and 5.

### **Mayor's Update:**

1. Councilman MacIntosh reported that he had spoken with the Forest Service and that the day that the smoke was so bad in town, there was a controlled burn going on but the Forest Service did not expect the burn to cause so much smoke.

2. Councilwoman Dawe reported that a state law had been passed and as of 05/01/01 there could be no burning going on.

Councilwoman Dawe again noted her concern with the erosion going on within the town, especially in the new Steeple Chase subdivision.

Councilwoman Dawe reported that it seemed that some residents on Shadyfield Lane had moved out of town and were leaving a lot of junk behind. Councilwoman Dawe will see what can be done about this.

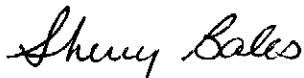
Councilwoman Dawe reported that a disk could be obtained from the county for an aerial photo of North High Shoals and that she would see about getting the disk.

Councilwoman Dawe asked that "Buffers for primary streams" be put on a future agenda.

3. Mayor Thomas asked a resident, Douglas Northrop, from Hickory Ridge if there were any concerns in the subdivision with dogs running. The Mayor went on to note that we do have a leash law within the town. Mayor Thomas also discussed placing a speed limit sign within the subdivision.

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Councilman MacIntosh to conclude the April meeting. A second was made to the motion by Councilman Thomas. All council members present approved the motion.

Respectfully,

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

Sherry Bales  
Town 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)
1. Douglas Northrop P.O. Box 2 High Shoals 30645	
2. Karin Seitz	
3. J. Ritzler (Ocoree Enterprise)	
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# Agenda

March 12, 2001

### **Monthly Business:**

1. Presentation of *Financial Statement* for month of *March*.
2. Presentation of *Draft Minutes* for the month of *March*.

### **Old Business:**

1. City Park
2. Gunter Property
3. Budget Discussion
4. Cell Tower

### **New Business:**

### **Mayor's Update:**

The Mayor and Council encourage all persons interested to attend this meeting.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
Mar-01

	MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	GENERAL ACCOUNT
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$28,199.30	\$9,186.71
<b>INCOME</b>		
INTEREST - GENERAL		\$14.95
INTEREST - MONEY MARKET	\$84.72	
Business License-Regular		\$50.00
Franchise Tax		\$8,471.97
Ad Valorem Tax		\$124.53
Intangible Tax		\$22.71
Building Permit		\$830.48
2000 Taxes		\$1,488.32
1999 Taxes		\$1,199.94
1998 Taxes		\$183.01
1997 Taxes		\$189.64
TOTAL INCOME	\$84.72	\$12,575.55
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Maxey Brothers	Road work	\$2,400.00
Sam's	New Card	\$15.00
Ferrellgas	City Hall (Heat)	\$283.04
Cingular	Cell Phone	\$47.68
Bell South	Phone	\$62.13
Georgia Power	City Hall	\$33.34
Walton EMC	Street Lights	\$51.00
Oconee Enterprise	Advertising	\$42.00
Sherry Bales	Salary	\$265.62
Mellon Leasing	Copier	\$80.25
Georgia Power	Street Lights	\$584.85
U.S. Postmaster	Stamps	\$68.00
Angela Watson	Remove FIFA'S	\$10.00
Sherry Bales	Salary	\$352.38
Sherry Bales	Petty Cash	\$50.00
Jeff Thomas	Building Inspection	\$123.00
Jeff Thomas	Building Inspection	\$205.95
Donald Hansford	Retainer	\$150.00
Oconee State Bank	Loan Payment	\$1,201.99
Total Expenses		\$4,824.24
GRAND TOTAL	\$27,082.03	\$16,938.02