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Town of North High Shoals

Jeff D. Thomas
Mayor

Office of the Mayor

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Minutes
December 10, 2001

Members Present:

Mayor Jeff Thomas
Councilman Wade Thomas
Councilwoman Violet Dawe
Councilman Curtis Carter
Councilman Eddie Cape
Councilman David MacIntosh

Town Clerk: Sherry Bales

City Attorney: Donald Hansford

Others Present:

J. Ritzler	Press
J.M. Queen	Resident
B.J. Ivie	Resident
Douglas Northrop	Resident
Tammy Gilland	Resident
Billy Cullison	Resident
John Posey	Resident
Bobby Thomas	Resident
Fred Johnson	Resident

Public Hearing:

The Public Hearing was held for the second reading of two proposed ordinances.

The first reading was to amend the zoning ordinance for the town to be able to refer back to the Oconee County Zoning Regulations when the town's own ordinances did not cover particular issues.

The first reading for the second ordinance was to adopt a Telecommunications Antennae and Tower Standards for the town.

Councilwoman Dawe stated that an amendment was needed to change the Cell Tower Ordinance where it refers to the Oconee County Board of Commissioners to state the Mayor and Council for North High Shoals.

After some discussion the meeting was adjourned.

Monthly Business:

1. Don Briscoe, Auditor for the town reported that the town had broke even for the year and that the town was financially strong.
2. Approval of the **November** Financial Statement. Motion to approve by Councilman Carter. A second to the motion by Councilman MacIntosh. All Councilmembers present approved the motion.
2. Approval of the **Draft Copy** of the **November** minutes. Motion to approve with corrections by Councilman Cape. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Carter. All Councilmembers present approved the motion.

Old Business:

1. **City Park:** Mayor Thomas reported that the paving company had not yet started on the walking trail. The Mayor went on to report that the sign of rules for the park is ready to be put up.
2. **Heater:** Mayor Thomas reported that the new heater was installed and hooked up to the natural gas line. The Mayor also noted that there had not been a charge for the meter.
3. **Cell Tower:** Mayor Thomas entertained a motion to adopt the county cell tower ordinance. A motion was made by Councilman Carter to adopt the county ordinance. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Cape. All council members present approved the motion.

The question was asked about possible Franchise Fees.

4. **Oconee County Zoning Ordinance:** Mayor Thomas entertained a motion to replace last years ordinance where the town would refer back to the county zoning ordinance when the town did not carry a specific ordinance that applied.

After discussing the need to change the ordinance to state the Mayor and Council rather than Oconee County Board of Commissioners, it was agreed that a public hearing would be held in January for these changes.

At this time, Councilman Cape made a motion to adopt the Oconee County Zoning Ordinance when needed by the town. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Carter. All council members present approved the motion.

5. **Sidewalks:** Mayor Thomas stated that public funds could not be applied to development on private land. Therefore we would not be able to go through the woods from Hickory Ridge to the park. The Mayor went on to note that with a sidewalk the area would be open to any citizen of the town and that could cause problem with traffic in Hickory Ridge.

The Mayor did note that the county would be putting up signs on Elder Road for the crosswalk.

Mayor Thomas stated that a sit down meeting was needed to discuss the feasibility of the sidewalks with representatives from both Hickory Ridge and Hickory Lake. The Mayor went on to note that the town could not afford to put sidewalks in the entire town therefore, there needed to be some overall strategy and also a budget for the project. The Mayor reminded everyone that if too much money is spent, taxes would increase.

Mayor Thomas also stated that special tax districts could be set up for the purpose of putting in sidewalks.

It was again noted that the walkway in the park that should be completed by next year, would offer safety for the public and off road parking.

Former Mayor, Joe Queen noted that there was not enough right of way on Plantation road for a sidewalk but the right of way on Hillsboro Road would be OK. Mr. Queen also noted that there was a 40' right of way of Jefferson Road.

Tammy Gilland, representative from Hickory Ridge thanked the Mayor and Council for their consideration in the matter and noted that Hickory Ridge would like to be on the list for a sidewalk.

John Posey, representative from Hickory Lake also noted that Hickory Lake Subdivision would also like to be on the sidewalk list as well.

After some discussion, Mayor Thomas set up a public hearing to discuss the overall strategy and budget considerations for sidewalks in the town. It was decided that the public hearing will be held on Monday, January 7, 2002 at 7:00pm.

6. Gun Discharge Ordinance: At this time no ordinance has been developed and the Mayor asked that the discussion be tabled until next month when the discussion could be held as part of a public hearing.

7. Speed Limits: Hickory Lake representative asked that speed limits be set for the subdivision. Mayor Thomas stated that a public hearing would have to be held before a speed limit could be set. The Mayor stated that discussion of the speed limits could be held during the public hearing prior to next months meeting.

New Business:

1. Ms. Christine Dietz submitted a request to consider the possibility of her redoing the layouts of 4 lots on Ray's Church Road.

The Mayor asked the Council to consider these changes and get back to him with their thoughts.

Mayor's Update:

1. Mayor Thomas took this time to thank Curtis Carter and David MacIntosh for the time they gave as Councilmembers to the town.

Both Councilman Carter and MacIntosh took a moment to share their thoughts and good-byes.

2. Councilman Cape reported that he had gotten the banners for the town and noted that he and Councilman Carter would get the poles set and the banner hung prior to the next meeting.

3. Councilwoman Dawe expressed her concern over Walton County pushing for the reservoir and she also noted that Oconee County also had a permit to draw water from the river.

Councilman Dawe noted that she had not heard anything about the rock quarry at this time.

4. Councilwoman Dawe asked about putting on next months agenda the possibility of planting trees at the park for former councilmembers and former mayors.

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

Respectfully;

Sherry Bales
Town Clerk

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT TELECOMMUNICATIONS ANTENNAE & TOWER
STANDARDS FOR CITY OF NORTH HIGH SHOALS**

AN ORDINANCE pursuant to Section 1700 of the Zoning Regulations of The City of North High Shoals, Georgia, dated March 12, 1990 to adopt Telecommunications Antennae and Tower Standards for the City of North High Shoals, Georgia;

Section 1. Title. An Ordinance regulating Telecommunications Antennae and Towers located within the corporate limits of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia.

Section 2. Enactment Clause. For the purpose of promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia and to further the purposes set forth herein, the Mayor and Council of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia does hereby ordain and enact into law the following Telecommunications Antennae and Tower Standards.

Section 3. The Oconee County, Georgia Telecommunications Antennae & Tower Standards Ordinance dated September 1, 1998, first amended by an Ordinance Amending the Telecommunications Antennae & Tower Standards Ordinance of Oconee County, Georgia dated December 5, 2000, and last amended by an Ordinance Amending the Telecommunications Antennae & Tower Standards Ordinance of Oconee County, Georgia dated September 4, 2001, is hereby adopted as the Telecommunications Antennae & Tower Standards of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia.

Section 4. All regulations and parts of regulations in conflict with this Amendment are hereby repealed.

Section 5. A Public Hearing having been held at least fifteen (15) days but no more than forty-five (45) days prior to the adoption of this Ordinance, the same is hereby offered as proper for adoption.

Section 6. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective on Dec. 10, 2001.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED under the authority granted by the Constitution and Laws of the State of Georgia by the Mayor and City Council of The City of North High Shoals the day and year set forth below.

ADOPTED this 10 day of December, 2001.

APPROVED:

By: Jeff D. Thomas
Jeff D. Thomas, Mayor

MaDe THOMAS
Member of Council

Diobert H. Dawe
Member of Council

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Date of Public Hearing

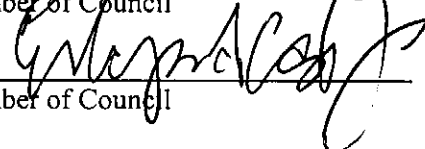
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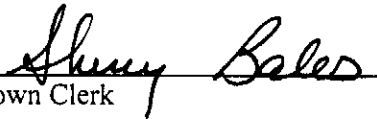


Member of Council



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ATTEST:



Town Clerk

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR
THE TOWN OF NORTH HIGH SHOALS**

AN ORDINANCE pursuant to Section 1700 of the Zoning Regulations of The City of North High Shoals, Georgia, dated March 12, 1990 to amend said Zoning Regulations to adopt as zoning regulations for the City of North High Shoals, Georgia, such zoning regulations of Oconee County, Georgia that regulate all zoning issues not already regulated by the Zoning Regulations of The City of North High Shoals;

Section 1. Title. *Article XIX Additional Regulations* to Zoning Regulations of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia.

Section 2. Enactment Clause. For the purpose of promoting the health, safety and general welfare of the present and future inhabitants of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia and to further the purposes set forth herein, the Mayor and Council of the City of North High Shoals, Georgia does hereby ordain and enact into law this Ordinance.

Section 3. The Zoning Regulations of Oconee County, Georgia, as amended, dated December 7, 1999, are hereby adopted as Article XIX Additional Regulations to the Zoning Regulations of the City of North High Shoals to regulate those zoning issues that arise within the City of North High Shoals, Georgia, where the Zoning Regulations of the City of North High Shoals, dated March 12, 1990, as amended, are otherwise silent and fail to provide for regulation.

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By: Jeff D. Thomas
Jeff D. Thomas, Mayor

Wade Thomas
Member of Council

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Date of Public Hearing

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Thicket H. Dawe

Member of Council

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Member of Council

ATTEST:

Sherry Beles

Town Clerk



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November 13, 2000

The Public good demanding it, the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals do hereby ordain and establish the following procedure:

Whereas the Town of North High Shoals is sometimes faced with a zoning request for which the Town's Zoning Ordinances have made no allowance

Or where such allowance falls exceedingly short of the provisions of Oconee County (the term short being defined as less strict or stringent than),

The Mayor and Council may, at their discretion, refer to the Zoning Ordinances of Oconee County as a replacement or in addition to the Zoning Ordinances of the Town for said particular zoning request.

Adopted this 13th day of November, 2000 by the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals.

Jeff D. Thomas

Mayor

David H. Dawe

Council Member

Council Member

Wanda Thomas

Council Member

D. Smith

Council Member

Council Member

Sherry Bales
My Commission Expires
4-4-2004

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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. J. M. Queen P.O. Box 14 High Shoals, Ga	
2. B. J. Ivic P.O. Box 241 High Shoals GA	
3. Tammy Gilland 1010 Ma-dwood ct. Bishop, Ga. 30621	
4. Duglas Northrop 1211 Arborwood Ridge Bishop GA 30621	
5. Billy Collison 139 platon rd High Shoals GA	
6. John Posey 1061 Lakeside Dr Bishop, GA 30621	
7. Bobby THOMAS 1090 Ridgetfield way Bishop, GA. 30621	
8. J. Ritzler Dawn BRISCOE	Oconee Enterprise 4107 Auditor

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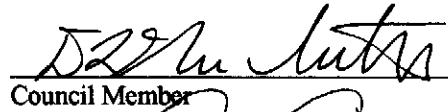
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The draft copy minutes of November 12, 2001 regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Town of North High Shoals are hereby officially approved as of December 10, 2001.

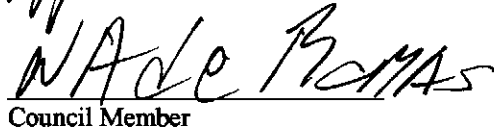
Signed:



Mayor



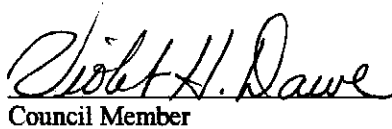
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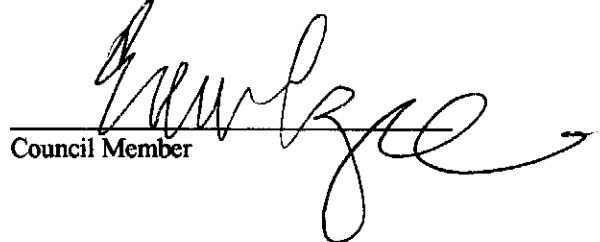
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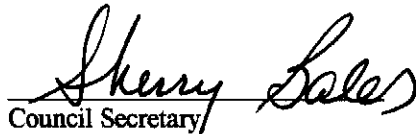
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FINANCIAL STATEMENT
Nov-01

	MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	GENERAL ACCOUNT
BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD	\$19,115.59	\$19,704.31
INCOME		
INTEREST - GENERAL		\$6.74
INTEREST - MONEY MARKET	\$28.17	
Ad Valorem Tax		\$249.63
Intangibles		\$17.22
Business License		\$60.00
2001 Taxes		\$3,778.16
TOTAL INCOME	\$28.17	\$4,111.75
EXPENSES		
UGA Training		\$30.00
GE Capital Copier Lease		\$91.50
Cingular Cell Phone		\$51.14
Bell South Phone		\$68.44
Walton EMC Street Lights		\$51.00
Georgia Power City Hall		\$26.79
Jeff Thomas Building Inspection		\$109.00
Straw Boss Fencing		\$1,000.00
Straw Boss Fencing		\$2,654.00
Tailored Business Sys. Tax Bill Notices		\$152.36
Georgia Power Street Lights		\$568.71
Oconee Enterprise Advertising		\$47.55
Sherry Bales Salary		\$373.95
Melanie Morgan Election		\$97.50
Joe Queen Election		\$101.25
Baldwin Engineering Surveying		\$150.00
Donald Hansford Retainer		\$150.00
Sherry Bales Salary		\$247.57
Oconee State Bank Loan Payment	\$1,201.99	
Total Expenses	\$1,201.99	\$5,970.76
GRAND TOTAL	\$17,941.77	\$17,845.30

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Agenda

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Monthly Business:

1. Presentation of *Financial Statement* for month of *November*.
2. Presentation of *Draft Minutes* for the month of *November*.
3. Presentation of *Public Hearing Minutes* for the month of *November*

Old Business:

1. City Park
2. Cell Tower Ordinance
3. Oconee County Zoning Ordinance
4. Sidewalks
5. Gun Discharge Ordinance
6. Audit

Mayor's Update:

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