

Town of North High Shoals

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Minutes March 8, 2004

Present:

Mayor Jeff Thomas
Councilman Wade Thomas
Councilwoman Violet Dawe
Councilman Eddie Cape
Councilman Fred Johnson
Councilman BJ Ivie

City Clerk

Sherry Bales

Others Present:

Don DeColaines	Resident
Felicia Kantz	Resident
Suzanne Beall	Resident

Monthly Business:

1. Approval of the **Financial Statement** for the month of February. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Cape. A second to the motion was made by Councilman Thomas. All councilmembers present approved the motion.
2. Approval of the **Draft Copy of the February minutes**. Motion to approve with corrections made by Councilman Cape. A second to the motion made by Councilman Johnson. All councilmembers present approved the motion.

Old Business:

1. **City Park:** Mayor Thomas reported that there had been some success at the clean up day at the park. There were two individuals and Fred and Jeff available for the clean up day. The Mayor noted that Fred had also worked the day before.

Mayor Thomas reported that the trash had been hauled off, the deed stand had been brought down, there had been work done on the ball field and there had been some spray put around the ball field.

Mayor Thomas also discussed the fence the fence to go on both sides of the drive way. The length would be 350'. The cost would be \$2462. And there would be a 17 percent increase by next week. After some discussion, a motion was made by Councilwoman Dawe and was seconded by Councilman Cape to go ahead and purchase the fencing. All members present approved the motion.

There was some discussion of the sign for the rules in a secondary location. Councilman Johnson feels that the rules need to be revisited before the sign is reprinted.

Councilman Cape suggested that if you have any suggestions for the rules, please state by April.

Councilman Cape apologized for not being at the park clean-up due to illness.

2. **Speed Break:** Mayor Thomas stated that Carpool had been contacted and they will get to the project sometime this month. They will also patch a couple of places to help.

3. **Mayor Pro-Tem:** Mayor Thomas stated that Councilwoman Dawe had been Mayor Pro-Tem for the last 6 years and it was time to nominate as this should be done each year.

Councilman Johnson nominated Councilwoman Dawe.

There were no other nominations

Mayor closed the nominations.

Councilwoman Dawe will hold the position of Mayor Pro-Tem for another year.

4. **EMS:** Mayor Thomas stated that he was hoping to be able to add a 1 to everyone address in order to comply with the 911 system.

5. **Building Repairs:** Councilwoman Dawe requested that the following repairs be done in the near future.

1. Complete Window Downstairs
2. Light on the Outside
3. Back of building lower boards rotting
4. Door
5. Clear out plants growing inside
6. Replace shade

Will need to hire someone to do this.

Mayor's Update:

1. Councilman Cape will help at city hall.

2. Councilwoman Dawe reported that children were playing at the fire house. She also reported that packs of dogs were running at night. Councilwoman Dawe also noticed tremendous increased traffic on Gober Road.

Councilwoman Dawe asked that Mirrors for Shadyfield and Gober Road be put on the agenda.

Councilwoman Dawe reported that puppies had been left on the side of the road.

Councilwoman Dawe also reported that our fire rating had gone down.

3. Mayor Thomas reported that he has sold a piece of property in residential zone, R-2. He went on to explain that years ago that the town had agreed to go by Oconee County regulations

According to Oconee County Mobile Home Regulations the structure meets the square footage regulations. The structure is 2100 sq.ft. It meets HUD standards and is Septic tank approved.

Don DeColaines asked if a variance was given and noted that he feels as if there is a conflict of interest. And he wants to get rid of the trailer.

Felicia Kautz wants to know why zoning regulations aren't right.

Suzanne Beall is just confused about the trailer.

Don DeColaines ask council to rescind the permit until legal issue is given.

Mayor Thomas stated that he would call the attorney tomorrow.

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Councilman Johnson to conclude the March meeting. A second was made to the motion by Councilman Cape. All councilmembers present approved the motion.

Respectfully;

Sherry Bales
City Clerk