

Town of North High Shoals

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Minutes

August 14, 2006

Present: Councilman Wade Thomas
Councilman Eddie Cape
Councilman B.J. Ivie
Councilman Fred Johnson
Councilwoman Dawe

Others present:

Karl Berg	307 Jefferson Road
Perry Glass	1020 Richards Court
Jeff Tyler	1201 Wildflower Way
Wesley Donegan	202 Plantation Rd
Sarah Donegan	202 Plantation Rd
Jeff Deloach	440 College Ave
Matthew Barrick	address not provided
Steve Holtzman	349 Jefferson Rd
Donald L Dawe	address not provided
Pansy River	310 Crystal St
Jeff Campbell	1140 Arborwood Ridge
Beth Schneider	231 Shadyfield Lane
A.C. Campomacchia	2320 Elder Rd
Karin Dietz	354 Rays Church Rd
Horest Klien	1150 Falcon Ridge Dr
Kate George	1080 Arborwood Ridge
Heike Muller	Falcons Ridge Drive
Judy Cantrell	2371 Rays Church Rd
Kim Kraeling	2401 Rays Church Rd
Walter George	1080 Arborwood Ridge

Monthly Business:

1. Presentation of the financial statement for the months of June & July, 2006.
Motion to approve: BJ Ivie; second: Eddie Cape. All approved.
2. Presentation/approval of the July 06 Draft Minutes. Motion to approve: B.J;
Second Eddie (three approved: B.J Ivie, Eddie Cape, Wade Thomas-two
abstained {not present for July meeting}: Violet Dawe and Fred Johnson).

Old Business:

City Park

1. The Mayor and Council discussed the following topic(s) concerning the park:
 - a. Councilman Johnson stated that his discussions with Joe Dele Torre concerning prices for new playground equipment were currently “on hold”
 - b. Councilman Johnson also stated that he continued to receive “good feedback” on the park and its condition and that the woodchips were good to have.
 - c. Councilwoman Dawe inquired that limbs along the walking path, and Councilman Ivie stated that they had already been removed
 - d. Councilwoman Dawe also inquired that a comment made by an Oconee County School Board employee’s comment of possible use of the park by the proposed school to be located within the city. Mayor Thomas stated that while he thought that such a proposal might be a good idea, he had not been contacted n this issue.

Law Enforcement Update:

Mayor Thomas reported that Sgt. Brooks continues to patrol our city streets: performing license checks and enforcing No Thru Truck procedures in accordance with the Oconee County Sheriff’s Department regulations. Sgt. Brooks also had the speed limit machine placed within the city during the month.

Councilwoman Dawe identified Power Building Products trucks traveling through the city in violation of the No Thru Truck ordinance. Mayor Thomas will refer the matter to Sgt. Brooks.

Planning Commission Representative:

Mayor Thomas and Council discussed the need to begin advertising for a Planning Commission representative to serve for the city. Mayor Thomas pointed out the need for the council to consider criteria for the position. Among the ideas offered:

Willing to attend meetings

Experience

Representing the city ideals rather than own views

Mayor Thomas will begin running the advertisement in the Oconee Enterprise before next months meeting.

New Business

Electrical Permit:

Mr. Matthew Barrick requested permission from the city to receive an electrical permit allowing Georgia Power to provide electricity to a small building located within the city limits (387 Gober Road address). After discussion, Councilman Ivie made a motion to allow the issuing of the permit, Councilman Cape seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Swimming Pool & Garage:

Sara & Wesley Donegan, 202 Plantation Road, requested permission to proceed with their plans for the construction of a garage and swimming pool. Due to the close proximity of the addition of the creek and the extreme slope of the land, Mayor Thomas stated that he would seek guidance from the Oconee Code Enforcement Department before issuing any permits, etc. Councilman Cape made the motion to allow the project to proceed, Councilman Johnson seconded the motion, and all members were in favor.

Sidewalks:

No discussion of this item.

Preliminary Plat:

Mayor Thomas, after initial comments, presented the proposed preliminary plat for the Bella Rosa subdivision. Discussion of the issue included the following:

Jeff Deloach, representing the developer, described the project, recognized an omission in the identification of a road name and stated that he would be happy to entertain questions.

Councilman Johnson offered the following:

- A. would like to see sidewalks indicated on the preliminary plat
- B. suggested the entrance on Elder Road rather than New High Shoals Road
- C. questioned width of buffer area adjacent to Dawe's farm
- D. questioned any increase in drainage on to Dawe's farm
- E. will development be in phases

Perry Glass, the developer responded to Councilman Johnson's concerns:

- A. would adhere to city's sidewalks ordinance
- B. the distance required for a decel lane probably prohibits an entrance off of Elder Road noting that a 300' distance is required from a stop sign to a development entrance.

- C. Final Drainage plans will be a part of final plat with drainage caught (as required) and/or dumped directly into creek (this part of the answer met with
- D. The development will be in one phase

Councilman Cape offered the following:

- A. sidewalk ordinance would need to be enforced
- B. likes the drive way entrance as is
- C. likes the idea of a perpetual & dedicated greenspace
- D. believes the plan to be well thought out

Councilman Thomas offered the following:

- A. has no problems with the development as proposed