

## **Town of North High Shoals**

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### **Minutes**

March 13, 2006

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

Others:

#### **Monthly Business:**

1. Presentation of the financial statement for the month of February, 2006. Motion to approve: B.J.; second: Eddie.; all in favor
2. Presentation of the financial statement for the month of January, 2006. Motion to approve: B.J.; second: Eddie.; all in favor
3. Presentation/approval of the February 06 Draft Minutes (Fred, Eddie; all in favor).

#### **Old Business:**

#### **City Park**

1. The Mayor and Council discussed the following topic(s) concerning the park:
  - a. Mayor Thomas reminded Council that the 24' x 24' Pavilion and play ground area has been reserved by the High Shoals Christian Church for Sunday, April 16<sup>th</sup> for the purpose of an Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 2:00. The Mayor added that the Church invites all community youth to the event.
  - b. Mayor Thomas reported that the park area within the paved walkway has been treated with Fire-ant bait. Councilwoman Dawe suggested that a sign notifying the public of future treatments might be advisable.
  - c. Mayor Thomas and Council agreed that parking lines should be painted on the overflow grass areas adjacent to the gravel parking.
  - d. Mayor Thomas asked Councilman Cape to make one last attempt to have Athens Sign repair the park sign before an official letter was prepared.

- e. Councilman Cape suggested that a work-crew from the detention center might be able to help clean-up the barn area..
- f. Councilman Ivie established the fact that part of the park maintenance program includes removal of trash from appropriate containers.

### **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.

Mayor Thomas and Council continued discussion on the speed platform issue, and Mayor Thomas suggested that Council revisit the idea of platforms (and there placement, number, etc) along Rays Church Road at the conclusion of the regular May meeting (day-light savings time being in effect by this time).

### **Work Session:**

Mayor Thomas asked the Council to determine the top two or three issues brought forth at the February work session for further discussion/action by the council. The items discussed were: (1) roads, (2) erosion control, (3) tree ordinance, (4) annexation, (5) museum, (6) Green space, (7) Historical signs, (8) local postal delivery, (9) establishment of a business center, (10) town center, (11) air-monitoring, (12) speed limits, (13) drainage, (14) zoning/subdivision regulations. The main items for concentration (as agreed upon by council) are: roads (and all this topic encompasses), annexation and zoning.

### **New Business:**

1. Mayor Thomas reported that a bicycle riding group will be passing through the Town (via Highway 186) on Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
2. Mayor Thomas informed Council that the new waterline project along Highway 186 is now ongoing with an expected completion during the next sixty days..

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

Mayor Thomas requested that the Council change the beginning meeting time of the April meeting to 7:00 to accommodate other calendar events by some members. Councilman Johnson asked that a reminder phone call be provided to all members. Councilman Cape made the motion; Councilman Johnson seconded and all approved.

Mayor Thomas informed the Council of the DOT plan to approve paving a short portion of Elder Road in the coming year.

**Council Concerns/Requests for Next Months Meeting:**

Councilwoman Dawe requested that Georgia Forestry Research be placed on the April agenda.

**The meeting was adjourned: by a unanimous vote (Eddie; B.J. all in favor)**

Respectfully submitted,

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Jeff D. Thomas - Mayor