

Town of North High Shoals

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Minutes

August 13, 2007

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

Others Present:

Karl Berg
David Lawrence
Steve Holzman

Monthly Business:

1. Presentation of the financial statement for the month of July, 2007. Motion to approve: Councilman Cape; Second by Councilman Johnson. All in favor.
2. Presentation of the July Draft Minutes. Motion to approve with minor corrections: Councilman Cape and a second by Councilman Ivey. All in Favor

Old Business:

City Park

1. Councilman Cape provided the Council with information for a flag pole. The Mayor suggested that Councilman Cape provide pictures of this for the Council to discuss. Councilman Johnson was in favor of the flag pole but, wished to discuss when it should fly and was opposed to the lighting of the flag pole. Steve Holtzman, a resident of the city, voiced his opposition to street lights in general. Councilman Cape again suggested a community day in the fall and felt this would be the perfect time for a ‘flagpole dedication.’
2. Councilman Johnson advised the Council that four new tables would be constructed by the MAHS with the price of \$80 each and asked if the Council would like additional tables for the park. Mayor Thomas said he would like to add 2 more tables. Councilman Johnson advised he would inquire as to availability and Council will discuss and vote on the purchase – if available - during the September meeting.
3. Councilwoman Dawe advised the Council that she has not ordered the flowers at this point. Mayor Thomas advised he would provide her with this check when she was ready.

Law Enforcement Update:

1. 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.
2. Councilwoman Dawe asked the Council about the need for STOP signs at the intersection of Gober and Frazier Hill Road now that it was a Three-way intersection and indicated that several individuals had asked for their removal. After discussion, Council voted on a motion by Councilwoman Dawe (second by Councilman Johnson) to remove the STOP signs at the intersection in question. The vote was four in favor and one opposed (Councilman Ivie).
3. Mayor Thomas led a discussion about the need to reduce speed limits on narrow city streets and Councilman Johnson, Councilman Cape and Councilwoman Dawe combined a motion to reduce the speed limit to 20 MPH on Jefferson Road and Dickens Lane and to have STOP AHEAD signs painted in the roadbed at the intersections of Rays Church And Hillsboro Road and Gober Road and Hopping Road. The official motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Cape. All council members were in favor of the motion.

Web Site:

The Mayor advised the website, courtesy of Steve Holtzman, is up and running. The address of the site is www.northhighshoals.org.

HSES:

Mayor Thomas advised the Council that construction of the new school is underway.

Comprehensive Plan:

Karl Berg advised the Council that he was unable to attend the last meeting. Mayor Thomas stated that a community meeting is scheduled.

New Business:

Mayor Thomas advised the Council that qualifying dates and times for the Mayors Post, Post 1 and Post 2 were being advertised in the Oconee enterprise as follows:

Monday August 27, 2007 - 8am until 5pm

Wednesday August 29, 2007 - 8am until 12pm and

Friday August 31, 2007 - 8 am until 5pm

Mayor's Update/Council concerns & request for next months meeting:

The proposed Community Day will be added to the agenda for the September meeting for more discussion. The Council would like to discuss the speed platform and a time frame for Hillsboro Road and Gober Road. Councilwoman Dawe will have a rough draft diagram for the flower layout.

The meeting was adjourned: by a unanimous vote after a motion by Councilman Ivie and a second by Councilman Cape.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff D. Thomas - Mayor