

**Council:**  
Mayor – Toby P. Bradberry  
Post 1 – Eric Carlson  
Post 2 – Jason Presley  
Post 3 – Ann Evans  
Post 4 – Paul Dotterweich  
Post 5 – Violet Dawe

# Town of North High Shoals

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OFFICIAL MINUTES  
TOWN OF NORTH HIGH SHOALS, GEORGIA  
COUNCIL MEETING  
October 15, 2018

Council Present: Toby P. Bradberry                      Violet Dawe  
Paul Dotterweich    Ann Evans    Eric Carlson

Visitor: Ryan M. Heron (RAC Properties of Athens, Inc.)    Lee Moody

Mayor Bradberry declared a quorum and began the regular meeting. Council Member Evans made the motion to adjust the agenda, moving the land division item closer to the beginning of the meeting. Council Member Carlson made the second, and the motion passed 3/1 (Council Member Dawe abstaining). Council Member Evans made the motion to accept the adjusted agenda. Council Member Carlson made the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Carlson made the motion to accept the meeting minutes of the October 1 called meeting with a clarification on the water fountain topic. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss items for the new facility on Hillsboro Road. Council Member Dotterweich made the second, and the motion passed, with Council Member Evans abstaining due to absence.

Council Member Carlson made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 8 work session regarding the new facility, and Council Member Evans made the second. The motion passed, with Council Members Dotterweich and Dawe abstaining due to absence.

Council Member Dotterweich made the motion to approve the September council meeting minutes with amendments, and Council Member Carlson made the second, and the vote was unanimous.

Council Member Dawe made the motion to accept the financial statement with a correction, and Council Member Evans made the second. The vote was unanimous.

## **Item 1. Land Division**

A request has been made by RAC Properties of Athens, Inc. to divide a 5-acre tract (2300 Ray's Church Road) in order to place a second house on this tract. However, this property is zoned for five-acre tracts. Mr. Ryan Heron stated that there are other parcels on that road that are smaller than the required five acres. Mayor Bradberry will check with the city attorney, Joe Reitman, to see if these were grandfathered in, as well as the correct and legal procedure for a possible rezone request.

## **Item 2. Town Hall Update**

Mayor Bradberry had met with a representative of Athens Micro to discuss computer cabling and other technical issues, etc. for the new building, and he shared a cost estimate for cabling. Council Member Presley expressed some ideas to council via telephone. Mayor Bradberry tabled the matter until the called meeting on Monday (10/22) or until more information can be obtained.

Mayor Bradberry discussed porch anchors for furniture and electrical needs for a park entrance sign and for wireless door locks. He also discussed electrical needs for the pavilion and for providing lighting for the flagpole, as well as placement of the flagpole. Council Member Dawe made the motion to relocate the flagpole nearer to the new building. Council Member Evans made the second, and the motion passed unanimously.

Project Manager Lee Moody had several other topics to address, including kitchen placement for dishwasher, flooring, cabinetry and counter tops, retaining wall brick costs, drain in front office, bathroom windows, etc. He reported that the sheetrock is almost finished and council discussed paint colors.

Council Member Dotterweich made the motion to eliminate the small windows on the outside of the inside bathrooms, and instead to install transom windows over the interior doors. Council Member Carlson made the second, and the motion passed, with Council Member Dawe voting against the motion. Council Member Carlson made the motion to contract with N.G. Cabinets for the kitchen cabinets at a cost of \$4600. Council Member Evans made the second, and the motion passed 3/1, with Council Member Dawe placing an opposing vote due to color. Council Member Evans made the motion to extend the decided flooring to all areas of the building except the utility area, if this flooring is workable (re: drains) and waterproof. Council Member Carlson made the second, and the vote passed unanimously. Council Member Evans made the motion to relocate the dishwasher to a more convenient location. Council Member Dawe made the second, and the vote passed unanimously.

### **Item 3. Street Update**

Mayor Bradberry reported that two signs had been knocked over, but have been repaired, and he asked council to alert him when they notice something similar.

Council discussed an idea by Council Member Dawe for the LMIG grant. She has talked to a representative from All About Asphalt about placing a small traffic island on Hillsboro Road near the park. Discussion followed. A contact will be made with Mr. Emil Beshara (Oconee County Public Works Director) for his input.

Council discussed leaf vacuuming in the ditches for better drainage and work that is needed for Speedway Road.

### **Item 4. Park Update; Christmas**

Mayor Bradberry reminded council that a park work day is scheduled for October 27. Discussion followed.

Council also agreed to purchase and place 4 additional Christmas lights at various locations around the town, and agreed to participate in the Watkinsville Christmas parade on Saturday, December 1 (11:00 a.m.).

**Item 5. Community Center Management**

Council reviewed several sample agreements concerning community center management (from Statham, Bishop and Bogart). Discussion included access (citizens vs. non-citizens), reservation hours, and fees. Furniture options were also discussed, but no decisions were made.

**Item 6. Meeting Concerning Possible Grant**

Council Member Dawe reported on a meeting with the NE Georgia Regional Commission regarding possible assistance on a grant. The grant could be used for a mountain bike trail using part of the park property, if the Oconee County school system would allow the back section of their property adjoining the park to be used for this purpose. She also met with Dr. Branch, Oconee County School Superintendent, and he suggested that perhaps the town could possibly purchase an easement or a small section of the back property, thereby relieving the school system of any liability. This information might be used at a later date.

**Mayor's Update**

Mayor Bradberry mentioned several upcoming events to council members, including:

- GMA meeting in Commerce on October 23
- Service Delivery Plan Meeting on October 26
- Eagle Scout program on October 27

There was no other business, and Council Member Dotterweich made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Dawe made the second, and the vote was unanimous.

Carolyn Pritchett, Clerk