

Mayor –Robert M. Beall
Post 1 –Eric Carlson
Post 2 – Jason Presley
Post 3 – Ann Evans
Post 4 – Paul Dotterweich
Post 5 – Violet Dawe

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FINAL MINUTES
TOWN OF NORTH HIGH SHOALS, GEORGIA
COUNCIL MEETING
February 15, 2016

Council Present: Paul Dotterweich Eric Carlson Jason Presley
Ann Evans Mike Beall Violet Dawe

Visitors: Toby Bradberry

Mayor Beall called the meeting to order, declared a quorum and presented the agenda.

Council Member Evans made the motion to accept the agenda. Second was by Council Member Dawe, followed by a unanimous vote.

Council Member Dotterweich made the motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting, and Council Member Carlson made the second. The vote to accept was unanimous. Council Member Evans made the motion to accept the financial statement, and Council Member Presley made the second. The vote was unanimous.

Item 1. Street Update

Mayor Beall discussed the LMIG program and the resurfacing of Shadyfield Lane. He then stated that there is a separate LMIG application for a street safety need, and council discussed several ideas, including new pull-to lines at stop signs, speed hump markings, and markings at the crosswalk on Elder Road.

Mayor Beall stated that he had called the company about the radar sign repair, but they had not returned his call. Discussion followed.

There has been a comment about loose dogs bothering walkers. Mayor Beall stated that Oconee County Animal Control has requested that photos be made in these cases, preferably with date/time stamp, and emailed to Animal Control for the report.

Item 2. Park Update

Mayor Beall gave several park updates:

- Benches are at the park.
- Fence has been repaired on the school side. Barbed wire was left for additional stability.
- Tops Tree Service has done some work along the fence and trail, but could not get the chipper very close to the location.

-The volley ball sand court needs additional sand. He stated that delivery and smoothing were the issues to consider. Mayor Beall will call the same company that originally worked on the sand.

-The paths to the fit trail stations need to be as clean and safe as possible and some areas need additional work. Possibly Tops Tree Service can work on this as well as other areas at the park.

-Mayor Beall went to the park and marked trees that he felt should be removed, as well as the trees that he felt should remain. Trees that were to be removed were marked with paint, while those that should remain were marked with flags. He stated that within a day, the flags had been removed, and Tops Tree Service was unsure what to do.

-Chip maintenance was discussed.

-A trail around the existing blackberry area was discussed, and Mayor Beall reminded council that if a trail is prepared, and is to be maintained by the landscape company, the trail needs to be the same width as their mowers, and the town would incur increased monthly lawn maintenance costs.

-Mayor Beall stated that council should visit the park to ascertain the tree and trail needs.

-He stated that the Tony Serrano bike ride will take place in April at the park, and that a ball team has made ball field reservations into the spring. The ball team has volunteered to assist with field maintenance.

Item 3. Town Hall Update

Mayor Beall stated that since neither David Riddle nor Cole Tucker (Structural Resources, Inc.) were present, the approximate figure might have to wait. He asked council how they would like to proceed, and Council Member Dawe stated that she would like to first learn of the approximate cost of the current plan. Discussion followed on plans, drainage, and parking lot.

Item 4. Mayor's Special Election

Mayor Beall called council's attention to the Mayor's position. He stated that the next election is scheduled for May 24, and that qualifying is scheduled for March 7, 8, and 9. He stated that he had talked to Election Superintendent Pat Hayes, who discussed the special election with the Oconee County Election Board. Then, she sent the official call to the Oconee Enterprise, and the clerk had sent in the Qualifying advertisement to be published.

Item 5. Budget Update

Mayor Beall stated that it's almost time to work on the next year's budget, and he asked council to be considering items of importance to be addressed at the meetings and public hearings.

There was no other business or comments, and Council Member Evans made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Presley made the second, and the vote was unanimous.



Carolyn Pritchett, Clerk