

*Mayor –Robert M. Beall
Post 1 –Jason Wisniewski
Post 2 – Steve Holzman
Post 3 – Ann Evans
Post 4 – Paul Dotterweich
Post 5 – Violet Dawe*

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OFFICIAL MINUTES

TOWN OF NORTH HIGH SHOALS, GEORGIA

COUNCIL MEETING

January 12, 2015

Council Present:

Mike Beall	Jason Wisniewski	Ann Evans
Steve Holzman	Violet Dawe	Paul Dotterweich

Citizens/Visitors:

Robin Dotterweich Joe Reitman

Mayor Beall called the meeting to order and declared a quorum. He welcomed Paul Dotterweich as a new member of council.

Council Member Holzman made the motion to accept the agenda as edited and Council Member Evans made the second. The vote was unanimous. Council Member Holzman made the motion to accept the December, 2014 minutes and Council Member Wisniewski made the second. The vote was 3/2, with Council Member Dotterweich abstaining, as he was not serving and Council Member Dawe abstaining, as she was absent. Council Member Holzman made the motion to accept the financial statement, and Council Member Wisniewski made the second. The vote was unanimous.

Item 1. Adult Entertainment Ordinance

The town's attorney, Joe Reitman, explained the procedures that are needed to structure this ordinance. Discussion followed on other local ordinances; a specified radius to protect qualified home and business locations; zoning; safety and welfare; infrastructure; possible restrictions, legalities and regulations; public hearing possibility; etc. Mr. Reitman suggested inviting Sheriff Berry to an advertised public hearing to discuss possible potential adverse secondary events. Council Member Holzman made the motion to table this discussion until the April council meeting. Council Member Dawe made the second, and the vote was unanimous.

Item 2. Town Hall Update

Mayor Beall stated that \$20,000 was mentioned as a possible offer for the Congregational Holiness Church, but the church refused. Mayor Beall then told how the council had asked engineer Mark Campbell to help select a possible site at the park for a new Town Hall, and he stated that council could form a plan or could hire a contractor to furnish a design and work. Mr. Reitman stated that council could find assistance through citizen input, GMA, etc., and that the project and RFP would need to be advertised. Council will advertise the date of the meeting or public hearing when the new Town Hall

will be on the agenda. Topics discussed included ceiling height, a second story, multi-functional desires, kitchen, storage, a restroom for park, etc. No action was taken.

Item 3. Street Update

Street items included:

- LMIG application. Mayor Beall stated that he had contacted Garrett Paving for resurfacing Shadyfield Lane, but has not heard when work can begin.
- Mayor Beall stated that he would ask a paving contractor to check the other roads in the town, including Jefferson Road, for cracks that need to be filled, etc.
- He thanked those that had cleaned litter from the highway and stated that a community service worker might be able to help.
- A possible additional street light for Gober Road was discussed.

Item 4. Park Update

- Mayor Beall stated that the SPLOST referendum had passed, which will generate more funds for the park.
- Council Member Dawe stated that she had planted bulbs at the park.
- Mayor Beall stated that the water is off at the park, and that the water lines should be checked for leaks when the water is turned back on in the spring.
- Council Member Evans stated that the park's youth swing is cracked and should be replaced.
- Council Member Dawe asked about the status of the fit-trail equipment.

Item 5. Business License Letter

Mayor Beall passed around a draft letter to go to businesses, along with an updated form, reminding them that business license renewals are due.

Item 6. Appointments

Council discussed the code appointments and voted on the following:

- Council Member Evans made the motion to renew the Code of Conduct for next year. Council Member Dotterweich made the second. Motion passed unanimously.
- Council Member Holzman made the motion to reappoint Karl Berg to serve on the Planning Commission for the town. Council Member Wisniewski made the second. Motion passed 4/1, with Council Member Dawe abstaining.
- Council Member Evans made the motion to retain Joe Reitman as town attorney, and Council Member Wisniewski made the second. Motion passed unanimously.
- Council Member Holzman made the motion to reappoint Carolyn Pritchett as city clerk and treasurer. Council Member Evans made the second. Motion passed unanimously.
- Council Member Evans made the motion to reappoint Carolyn Pritchett as qualifying clerk. Council Member Dotterweich made the second. Motion passed unanimously.
- Council Member Dawe made the motion to appoint Steve Holzman as Mayor Pro Tem. Council Member Wisniewski made the second, and the motion passed 4/1 (Council Member Holzman abstaining).

- Council Member Dawe made the motion to appoint Ann Evans as Presiding Officer. Council Member Dotterweich made the second, and the motion passed 4/1 (Council Member Evans abstaining).
- Council Member Wisniewski made the motion to retain Morgan Wheeler as Building Inspector. Council Member Evans made the second, and the vote passed unanimously.
- Code Enforcement Officer – not filled.
- Council Member Holzman voted to reappoint the director and officers of the Oconee County Animal Control Department as the town's Animal Control Director/Officers. Council Member Evans made the second, and the vote was unanimous.
- Urban Forest Board – not filled.
- Ethics Committee – not filled
- Civil Defense – not filled
- Meeting Dates – Council Member Wisniewski made the motion to change the February meeting date to accommodate the Presidents Day holiday. The meeting will be on February 9, but all other 2015 meetings will be on the third Monday of each month at 7:30. Council Member Dawe made the second, and the vote was unanimous.

Mayor's Update

- Mayor Beall stated that a swimming pool had been installed at a residence off of Gober Road. However, the owner does not want to install the fence. Discussions are ongoing.
- GMA Cities Week poster contest information for 6th graders was taken to Malcolm Bridge Middle School.
- Mayor Beall went over information from the Election Superintendent about the November election.
- Council discussed extra patrols from the Sheriff's Office. No action taken.
- Council discussed the radar speed sign.

There was no further business, and Council Member Holzman made the motion to adjourn. Council Member Wisniewski made the second, and the vote was unanimous.



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