



HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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Olan Kelley, Mayor

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FY 2025-2026 Budget

- The Board of Aldermen adopted the FY25-26 budget on August 13 after hearing public input on August 5 and August 12. Many thanks to The Board of Aldermen and City Staff for their diligent work developing this budget. Andy Adams, City Administrator, has developed a great guide that explains our budget. Please take time to review this guide at [the City's Financial Transparency Webpage \(click here\)](#)

Water Bond

- The Board of Alderman also passed an ordinance to order a bond election, scheduled for November 4, 2025. This proposed general obligation bond is for the purchase of 8.36 acres of property that includes 2 of the city's water wells and to address critical water system repairs and upgrades.
- The proposed bond will not require any increases to property tax rates or water rates.
- Here is a link to our website with more information about the proposed bond project.
<https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Fiscal-Year-2025-2026-2.mp4>
- For more information attend the Board of Aldermen meetings, check out our website, or contact City Hall and we will meet with you to answer any questions.

City Meetings

- **Board of Aldermen:** The BOA is continuing work on the budget for next year at each Board meeting. Next BOA meeting is September 2nd, 7pm, Highland Haven Community Center.
- **Planning & Zoning:** The P&Z is continuing work on a new Comprehensive Plan and is planning several Townhall Meetings to gather more information from citizens. The first Townhall Meeting is scheduled for September 25th at 6:00 PM at the Community Center.
- Our current Comprehensive Plan was developed in 2004 and received some minor updates in 2014.
- Next Regular Meeting: September 11, at 6:00 PM at Highland Haven Community Center.
- **Check out our website to review BOA and P&Z meeting [agendas and minutes](#).**

Legislative Updates

- The Texas Legislature opened their 2nd Special Session on August 15th. So far, over 500 House and Senate bills have been filed. Here is a website to track and look up bills. <https://capitol.texas.gov/Reports/General.aspx> .
- Many bills have been filed that, if passed, will have an impact on our community. Please take time to review these bills and email Rep. Troxclair and Sen. Flores to express your views.
- **As we receive more information about specific bills that may affect municipalities, we will post that information on our website at <https://highlandhaventx.com/legislative-issues/> .**

Highland Haven Utilities

- Water customers should have received their annual Customer Confidence Report. Our drinking water is safe and meets Texas Commission on Environmental Quality water quality requirements. Should have any questions, please contact City Hall.

Drought Update

- The City of Highland Haven is required to have a drought contingency plan and we are now at Stage 2; please review our webpage for more details.
 - [Highland Haven Drought-Contingency Plan](#)
- Our water system is permitted by the Central Texas Groundwater District and the District issued Stage 2 drought status effective July 28 at their monthly board meeting.
- CTGCD meets monthly and the Board of Directors consider aquifer levels and determine the drought status for groundwater use in Burnet County.
- Property owners and residents are encouraged to schedule your sprinkler system to once a week using the recommended days below.
 - Odd addresses water lawns on Saturday
 - Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight.
 - Even addresses water lawns on Sunday
 - Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. to midnight.

Mowing

- The recent rains have caused grass to grow, and many lots and homes are in need to be mowing. We are receiving complaints about overgrown yards causing mosquito and mice issues. Please check your property and help us keep Highland Haven beautiful and safe.
- Please review our lot maintenance ordinance at <https://ecode360.com/45254360#45254360>

Trailer Parking

- We have been receiving complaints regarding trailers parked in vacant lots and lawn areas. Trailers must be parked in driveways or behind a privacy fence on a hard surface.
- Please review our parking ordinance at <https://ecode360.com/45256718#45256738>

City Services & Resources

- Trash & Recycling Schedule: [Waste Services](#)
- Building Permits: Contact **Tom Weaver** at (830) 265-4366 or buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com
- City Website: [Subscribe for alerts & updates!](#)

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Mary Chase, President

September is here, summer is winding down, school has started and it's time for the Ladies Club to get back to business. We have new officers starting for 2025-26: myself, **Mary Chase as President**, **Sally Cooper as Treasurer**, **Brenda Filla as Secretary** and **Marie Bass** starting her **second term as Vice President**. **Angela Whitley** is also gracing us with her fun, enthusiastic, social skills. She is a wonderful asset!

Our first meetings under the new leadership are **Wednesday, September 10th at 1:00 and 6:00** in the Community Center. Join us at whichever time works best for your schedule. We will be brainstorming about events and services you would like to see the Club provide for our community in the coming year. As a woman in Highland Haven, you are a member of the Ladies Club. Bring your great ideas and enthusiasm! Hope to see you there!

Please contact me if you have any questions, comments or concerns.

If you can't make the meeting and have something you want to share please contact me.

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PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Johnny Farris, Secretary

Summary of the Bi-Annual Board Meeting

The HHPOA Bi-Annual Board Meeting was held on August 9th, providing an overview of the association's progress and ongoing initiatives. The board expressed appreciation to all attendees for their valuable feedback and questions, which contributed to the clarity and effectiveness of the meeting.

Board Membership Updates

The board welcomed **Nancy Crumley** as the newest member, who has taken on the role of overseeing Parks and Grounds. Nancy fills the position previously held by **Terri Harmon**, who stepped down earlier this year. Nancy has already made a positive impact, bringing new ideas and enthusiasm to the team.

Recognition of Service

The HHPOA extends a heartfelt thank you to **Terri Harmon** in recognition of her more than four years of dedicated service as the Parks and Grounds manager. Terri's leadership proved invaluable during significant management transitions and in leading the efforts to control aquatic growth around Dove Park. Her commitment and hard work are deeply appreciated by the board and the community. ***Congratulations and well done, Terri!***

POTLUCK DINNERS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

Tuesday, September 30th

@ Community Center

6:00 Social ... 6:30 Dinner

(bring a covered dish or dessert to share)

Monthly Potluck Dinners will begin again in September. For those new to our community, Potluck Dinners are held the last Tuesday of every month except for November, December & the summer months. Make plans to attend & meet your neighbors. The evening begins at 6:00pm ... this is the perfect time to mingle, introduce yourself & tell everyone which bird street you live on. Better yet, give us the previous homeowner's name and we'll know exactly where you live! Dinner is served at 6:30pm. Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU CAMP CHAMPIONS!

Let's give a **BIG THANK YOU** to Camp Champions
for this summer's fabulous firework shows.

If you were unable to attend at least one of these, you truly missed out.

There's nothing like watching the gorgeous colors burst overhead
and hearing the "oohs", "aahs", "gasps", from the crowd,
as the unique sound of each firework explodes overhead.



REMINDER

Stay in touch with community updates, events & monthly newsletters.

Don't forget to send your updated email & HH Address to:

highlandhavennews@gmail.com

HIGHLAND HAVEN COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Labor Day Quilting -10 am Bridge 7 pm	2 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 ~~~ BOA meeting 7:00 pm	3	4 Trash & Recycle	5 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	6 Read A Book Day
7	8 Bridge 7 pm	9 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45	10 Ladies Club Meeting 1:00pm or 6:00pm	11 Patriot Day (911) P&Z Mtg 6:00 Trash	12 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	13
14	15 Quilting -10 am Bridge 7 pm	16 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 ~~~ BOA meeting 7:00 pm	17 Constitution Day & Citizenship Day	18 HHPOA Mtg 5:30 Trash & Recycle	19 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45 Newsletter article deadline Talk Like A Pirate Day	20
21	22 Start of Fall Bridge 7 pm	23 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45	24 Bingo 1:00 pm Game Night 7:00pm	25 Town Hall Meeting 6pm Trash	26 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	27
28	29 Bridge 7 pm	30 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 POTLUCK 6pm Social 6:30 Dinner	October 1	October 2 Trash & Recycle	October 3 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	October 3

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