

# HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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## PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

*Betty Ward, President*

The POA will continue to follow the state and Burnet County guidelines for coronavirus protection. **We will continue to withhold all activities in our community center until May 31<sup>st</sup>.** We will monitor the situation on a month to month basis. It is our goal to keep everyone safe during this time!

**We need a few more volunteers to mow our parks.** Unfortunately, with people moving away, and aging residents, our volunteers have dwindled. We will have to explore ways to pay for these services in the near future if we don't get volunteers. If you are interested, please give Glen a call.

We still plan to repair the Dove Park Dock and Swimming area. Unfortunately, Chapman's Docks has informed us that due to the extremely high demand for dock repairs, it may be the early part of next year before the repairs to Dove Park are completed. This is disappointing news, but all of the quality dock builders have a long backlog. Chapman does great work and it is the committee's recommendation to stay with Chapman's Docks. If you attended the biannual meeting on February 8th, we did vote on Chapman's Dock's to make the repairs. We will remain confident and patient that we will soon have a new dock at Dove Park for all to enjoy.

In early May, new xeriscape landscaping will be planted at the community center. It will give the building a fresh new look! Our rental parking spaces are full, with the exception of one large uncovered space. If you would like to get on the waiting list for other spots, please contact David Langford. Your POA board is here to help you! **Let's all work together to continue to make this a great community!**

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## CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

*Olan Kelley, Mayor*

### **COVID-19**

- Burnet County Judge James Oakley rescinded his “Stay in Place, Stay Safe” order effective April 2, when Governor Abbott issued Executive Order GA-13. For more info visit these websites, <http://www.burnetcountytexas.org/upload/page/0271/Order%20rescinding.pdf>
- The following websites are updated regularly with COVID-19 related info.
  - o <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/coronavirus/>
  - o <https://txdshs.maps.arcgis.com/apps/opsdashboard/index.html#/ed483ecd702b4298ab01e8b9cafc8b83>
  - o <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-nCoV/index.html>
  - o <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-updates/cases-in-us.html>
  - o <https://gov.texas.gov/news/post/governor-abbott-issues-executive-order-implements-statewide-essential-services-and-activities-protocols>
  - o <https://highlandhaventx.com/>
- The Mayor has daily contact with the Texas Division of Emergency Management and has been sending out updated information as it is received. We receive 25+ email updates daily along with regular conference calls with State health and governmental officials regarding the pandemic.
- Residents have found unique ways to keep in touch and still “practice social distancing”.
  - o Email, Facebook, Next Door and other computer programs
  - o Zoom, Google, Skype and other electronic video meeting formats
  - o One small group met in Dove Park on golf carts - maintaining 6’ spacing.
  - o Another small group was chatting with neighbors while seated in lawn chairs in a driveway - maintaining 6’ spacing.
- “Thanks” to the many residents that have been busy assisting with meals for those in need and sewing masks for first responders and residents.
- Should you or your neighbors need any special assistance or support there are 2 non-profit organizations available for help.
  - o Community Resource Center - 830-693-0700
    - <http://www.crcctx.org/>
  - o Highland Lakes Crisis Network - 325-423-3662,
    - <https://www.highlandlakescrisisnetwork.com/>
- **Slow the Spread of the Coronavirus**
  - o Practice “social distancing”, avoid gatherings and keep 6’ space between people, even while walking and jogging.
  - o Wash hands for 20 seconds frequently and encourage others to do the same.
  - o Cover coughs and sneezes with tissue and dispose of it properly to avoid spreading virus.
  - o Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
  - o Disinfect surfaces, buttons, handles, knobs and other places touched often.
  - o Avoid contact with sick people.
  - o Stay at home if you are sick and contact your health provider by phone for advice.
  - o CDC recommends using simple cloth face coverings in public to help slow the spread of the virus, especially at grocery stores and pharmacies.

### **U.S. Census**

- Census forms have been mailed out, please take time to complete them. An accurate Census will assist our community, Burnet County and Texas with national legislative representation and distribution of federal funds for projects such as highway improvements, hospital funding and other vital programs.

### **Public Safety**

- Several residents recently posted on Next Door that there was vandalism and the possible theft of packages from a front porch over the Easter weekend. I sent a report of what I found on Next Door to the Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office will increase patrols in our community.
- The Sheriff's Office asked that in the future, residents should immediately report to them any suspicious vehicles, vandalism and especially theft activity so they can investigate.

### **Board of Alderman**

- The April 21<sup>st</sup>, BOA Work Meeting has been cancelled due to COVID-19 public gathering restrictions.
- The BOA may be required to schedule special meetings to respond to COVID-19 issues.
- The next BOA Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 7pm, however this meeting is tentative depending any COVID-19 restrictions at that time.**
- BOA meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

### **Planning and Zoning**

- The April 27<sup>th</sup> meeting has been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- The next P&Z Meeting is scheduled for **Monday, May 11th, 6pm, however this meeting is tentative depending any COVID-19 restrictions at that time.**
- These meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

### **Building Permits**

If you have questions regarding the permitting process or whether or not your project requires a permit, contact Terry Smith at [buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com) or (830) 265-4366 or (830) 637-0869.

### **Solid Waste Service**

- Many residents have asked about where to dump bulk trash. Below is info about the transfer station operated by Waste Management in Burnet.
  - o Located at 2411 FM 963
  - o Phone 737-747-6000
  - o Hours of operation 7am-4pm, Monday-Friday
  - o Only Checks or Credit Cards are accepted.
- Recommend you call before making the trip to Burnet to confirm what trash they will accept.
- Trash service customers have been asking where to take bulk recycling items. Hill Country Recycling accepts all scrape metals, cardboard and paper products. They do not accept plastics. For information call them at 830-693-3667. [www.hillcountryrecycling.com](http://www.hillcountryrecycling.com)

### **Traffic/Parking**

- Only golf carts and utility vehicles like a "Mule" are allowed on City streets. ATVs are not allowed on any street.
- Only licensed drivers are allowed to operate motorized vehicles on any street.
- <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Ordinance-59-Vehicle-Operation-Parking-and-Storage-170117.pdf>
- Please help us keep our community safe by observing posted traffic signs.
- Property owners, please pass this message along to guests and any contractors you employ.

### **HH Water System**

- Reminder: all water bills are due at City Hall by 5pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month.
- On-line bank payments are many times received well past the due date. Bank clearinghouses may process your payment before the due date; however, the check is not received at City Hall until after the due date. Please contact your bank and confirm your payments will be mailed in time to reach us by the 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **Home and Yard Maintenance**

- Property owners are required to trim shrubbery, especially at street intersections and on right of ways. There are several intersections where bushes are now blocking the view of on-coming traffic. Please help us improve safety at these intersections by trimming back shrubbery. <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Ord037.pdf>
- Spring has sprung and everything is growing. Please keep your lawn and lots mowed and try to mow around the bluebonnets!

### **Fire Safety**

- Carefully dispose of brush piles that have accumulated in your yard or lot. Review outdoor burning restrictions found in Ordinance #27 and Ordinance #58 before burning. <https://highlandhaventx.com/ordinances-resolutions/>
- Granite Shoals Fire Dept. needs volunteers. Call Chief Austin Stanphill at 830-596-8110 for more information.

### **Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans**

#### **WARN Central Texas**

- Sign up for emergency warnings by voice, text or email at <http://www.warncentraltexas.org/> or call 866-939-0911 to get local alerts.

#### **LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)**

- Register at <https://www.lcra.org/water/floods/floodgate-operations-notification-system/Pages/default.aspx>
- or call 512-578-3246 or 800-776-5272, Ext. 3246

#### **LCRA Flood Operations Report** <https://floodstatus.lcra.org/>

#### **LCRA Hydromet**

- Get the latest information for the Highland Lakes area including rainfall amounts, rainfall radar images and river flow data. <https://hydromet.lcra.org/>

Below is a website to view all of the Executive Orders issued by the Governor of Texas.

<https://lrl.texas.gov/legeLeaders/governors/displayDocs.cfm?govdoctypeID=5&governorID=45>



Amy, our wonderful mail carrier is retiring the end of this month!

Did you know that this dedicated lady has been delivering mail to our community for over 30 years? WOW!!!

Mary Wood has graciously offered to collect cards for Amy.

Please drop-off your card to Mary no later than April 28<sup>th</sup>.

## LADIES CLUB

*Board Members - Stacey Leal, Pat Koehn & Gayle Kahanek*

Ladies Club meetings and monthly Potluck Dinners are temporarily canceled until further notice. Hopefully a summer meeting will be possible. Watch the city marquee for upcoming dates. The Nomination Committee for 2020-2021 officers are: **Betty Ward, Irene Dauphin & Theresa Smith**. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact one of these ladies. New officers will take office in September. Ladies Club is donating money toward Community Center grounds improvement. The final approval for plant selection is pending at this time. *Correction for March newsletter: \$500 donated to Burnet County Sheriff's Department & not to Granite Shoals Police Department.*

## SALE/DONATION

**Liz Hughes** is planning to sell some of her cannas. The cannas are orange/yellow. She states that "they really grow good by water"! Liz is asking for a minimum donation of \$5.00 per can. Money raised will be donated to a building fund at Highland Lakes Baptist Church in Kingsland to help with rock exterior expenses. You may reach Liz @ 3253709821. Please leave message.



## KODAK MOMENTS



Former resident Marge Cooper was recently crowned Queen for the Year! She plays cards a lot and bakes cookies for the Bingo group where she lives. Marge says that she misses her Highland Haven friends.



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## MAY 2020

All dates/times of meetings & events depend upon COVID-19 restrictions from Texas Governor Abbott.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3	4 Bridge 7:00	5 BOA work session 7:00	6	7 <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	8	9
10	11 P&Z Meeting 6:00  Bridge 7:00	12	13  Ladies Club No meeting	14  <i>Trash</i>	15  HH water payments due	16
17	18  Bridge 7:00	19  BOA Meeting 7:00	20  newsletter article/photo deadline	21  <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	22	23
24          31	25	26	27	28  <i>Trash</i>	29	30