

HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

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Next BOA Work Session

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

7:00 pm

Next BOA Meeting

Tuesday, June 18, 2019

7:00 pm

P&Z Meeting

Monday, June 10, 2019

6:00 pm

CITY UPDATE

Olan Kelley, Mayor

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Board of Alderman

- Aldermen **Alvin Kahanek** and **Bill Passmore** finished their terms on May 21. Please take time to thank them for their dedicated service to our community.
- Two Aldermen and one Alderwoman were sworn in at the May 21st Board of Alderman meeting. **Lonnie Ball** (incumbent) and **Lorinda Peters** were sworn in as elected officials and will serve 2 year terms. Also sworn in was **Terry Smith** who was appointed by the Board of Alderman to fill a vacant Alderman position. **Terry** will serve 1 year until the next elections in May 2020.
- We need someone to help with Building Permits at City Hall. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact City Hall. Until we find someone to help, please be patient with the Mayor as he picks up these duties. It may take us a little longer to get permits issued.
- Next BOA Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 4, 7pm**.
- These meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

Planning and Zoning

- Next P&Z Meeting is **Monday, June 10, 6pm**.
- These meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

Annexation News

- The **City of Granite Shoals** has posted an agenda item for their next **City Council** meeting on **Tuesday, May 28, 6pm** to discuss and consider approving Resolution # 614 to annex property along and north of Hwy 1431, across from the City of Highland Haven. You can read the proposed ordinance and review the maps of the areas proposed for annexation at: <https://www.graniteshoals.org/AgendaCenter/ViewFile/Agenda/05282019-839>.
- HB 347 was signed into law by the Governor on May 24 which prohibits a city from forced annexation of an area. Shady Acres and Nobles residents and property owners worked hard to get this bill passed and signed by the Governor to avoid future annexation attempts. For more information about this bill you can go to: <https://capitol.texas.gov/BillLookup/Text.aspx?LegSess=86R&Bill=HB347>.

Community Security

- Recently a car and other items were stolen from a residence. The Sheriff's Office asked us to advise residents to be vigilant and immediately report any suspicious people and vehicles. Quote from the Sheriff's Office: **"We stand a MUCH better chance of being able to catch bad guys when residents call as things are happening."**
- Residents should take measures to protect their homes and property.
 - o Do not leave garage doors open and unattended, especially at night.
 - o Do not leave keys in your vehicle and lock vehicle doors.
 - o Do not leave valuables visible in vehicles.
 - o Call 911 if you see something suspicious.
- We expect much more traffic and many visitors during the summer months, so please take time to get to know your neighbors and spread the word to be security conscious.

Floodplain Administration

- Property owners with property in a floodplain should take time to understand the FEMA requirements for managing and maintaining their homes in a designated floodplain area.
- Ordinance #51 is a FEMA required and approved ordinance that cities must have in order for property owners to participate in the flood insurance program. Please take time to review this ordinance and consider how it might impact your property.
 - o <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/Ord051.pdf>
- Property owners with property in a FEMA designated floodplain are encouraged to get an Elevation Certificate and maintain flood insurance on their homes.

Highland Haven Ordinances - <http://www.highlandhaventx.com/>

- We have received complaints from residents about vehicles parking on yards. Vehicles must be parked on driveways. Review Ord. #59 Vehicle Parking and Storage
- Please review our ordinances before starting **any** additions or construction projects on land or water (including floating Jet Ski docks and fences).
- See Ordinances #20 and #56 for more information.
- Starting a project before receiving a building permit will result in a "Stop Work Order", higher permit fees and possible removal of your project.
- If you have building permit questions, please call City Hall at (830) 265-4366.
- Remind your contractors that construction activity is restricted to Monday-Saturday 7am-7pm.

Solid Waste Service

- **"Residents should contact Highland Haven City Hall regarding any trash service issues, questions or changes. Do not contact Waste Management directly."**
- There have been a number of questions about what is and is not recyclable, as well as the schedule for recycling. Check out the Highland Haven website to view the Trash and Recycling Calendar. <https://www.highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/Trash-and-Recycling-Calendar-2019-4.pdf>
- Lawn clippings, leaves, tree branches and construction materials are not recycling materials
- Any containers or other materials with food on them cannot be recycled.
- Ladies Club is still collecting and recycling aluminum cans next to City Hall.

Yard and Lot Maintenance

- LCRA has published their annual lawn watering schedule. Residents using lake water or City water should follow this schedule. It can be viewed at domesticwateruse@lcra.org
- Please cleanup any brush and leaf piles to reduce fire hazards.
- Warmer weather also means snakes and other pests are starting to move about and brush piles provide great nesting areas.
- Do not use the lake for dumping anything, including leaves and grass clippings.

- Notify your lawn maintenance company and tell them that leaves and grass clippings cannot be raked, blown or dumped into the lake or channels.

HH Water System

If you see a water leak report it immediately by calling City Hall at 830-265-4366. This phone number is answered 24 hours a day. If after normal business hours, tell the answering service attendant that it is an emergency and they will immediately relay this information to our water system operator.

- Protecting our drinking water is everyone's responsibility. TCEQ requires municipal water systems to monitor and guard against any cross connection with other water sources such as wells and lake irrigation systems. Please help us keep our water safe by checking your water systems to make sure there are no cross connections. If you need assistance call City Hall.
- Please help our meter readers by trimming shrubs and grass from around water meters.

Fire Safety/Yard Cleanup

- **All homes need house numbers that are visible from the street to assist first responders.**
- Contact the Burnet County Sheriff's Office and the Granite Shoals Fire Dept. **before starting any outdoor fires.** Phone numbers can found on page 2 of the new Highland Haven Directory.
- We had two fire issues this past month. The fire dept. responded to both incidents.
 - o A partially burned pile of leaves was started next to a house; the burn pile was not properly extinguished and the leaves eventually rekindled; the homeowner was not home at the time.
 - o An unauthorized trash burn caused a large canister to explode.
 - o Luckily no one was hurt and there was no property damage in either incident.
- Construction materials such as boards and plywood cannot be disposed of by burning.
- Granite Shoals Fire Dept. needs volunteer firefighters and non-emergency staff. Call Chief Austin Stanphill at 830-596-8110 for more information.

Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans

WarnCentralTexas.org (Emergency Notification System)

- Get emergency alerts/warnings for any location in the 10 county CAPCOG region.
- Register at <http://www.warncentraltexas.org/> or call 866-939-0911

LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)

- Register at <http://www.lcra.org/water/floods/floodgate-operations-notification-system/pages/application.aspx> or call 512-578-3246 or 800-776-5272, Ext. 3246
- Use the LCRA Hydromet to get the latest information in the Highland Lakes area including rainfall amounts, rainfall radar images and river flow data. <https://hydromet.lcra.org/>

Boat Smart. Boat Safe.

More than 6,000 people were cited for boating safety violations in the past year.

Follow these 5 tips to boat safe and avoid citations this summer:

1. Wear a life jacket
2. Avoid alcohol
3. Supervise children
4. Use the safety switch

Boating Rules & Regulations

Get the most up-to-date boating rules and regulations at your fingertips at OutdoorAnnual.com or with

the [Texas Outdoor Annual mobile app](#), available free on iOS and Android.

HHPOA UPDATE

Betty Ward, President

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Please mark your calendars for **June 11th** for our next POA meeting. It will be held at **7:00 pm at the Community Center**. The Bylaws Committee will be presenting their recommendations at that time and we will be discussing the proposed changes.

Once again, thank you to all who volunteer in our community to help maintain our parks. We appreciate you! If you want to volunteer, or if you have input for HHPOA Board, please don't hesitate to contact us. Together, we make our community one of the best places to live!

Betty Ward, President 979-777-2088

Glen French, Parks Coordinator 830-265-7046

David Langford, Trailer & Storage Coordinator 512-698-9205

LADIES CLUB

Karen Berry, Vice President

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It is hard to believe that summer is upon us! While the Ladies Club isn't meeting during the summer months of June, July and August, we still host the Pot Luck each month. Please join us **Tuesday, May 28th** for the next **POT LUCK**. We need host/hostesses for the summer potlucks. Please call **Karen Berry** (830) 220-2333 to volunteer.

CAN COLLECTION

HELP the Ladies Club with collecting aluminum drink cans. Drop off all your aluminum cans to the collection closet at the north end of the storage building. Donations have decreased since we got the recycle bins. We ask that you keep your cans separate from your recycle and donate them to the Ladies Club. We need everyone's help! (It takes a village!) So, bag up those rinsed out cans and bring them to the drop off. Your efforts help fund our local events and Pot Lucks. **THANK YOU!!**

EARLY 4TH OF JULY REMINDER

Remember our upcoming **4th of July Parade and Ice Cream Social**. Be preparing your costumes, rides, bikes, and wagons! The prizes for the 1st Place, 2nd Place & 3rd Place are ready. We look forward to a great turnout on July 4th with lots of ice cream!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 9th, 1:00 – 4:00 pm 2nd Annual Veterans Appreciation Day

December 7th, 6:00 pm Highland Haven Christmas Dinner

CARE COMMITTEE

If you are **IN NEED of ASSISTANCE or HELP**, please call someone on the CARE COMMITTEE. We are here to help you with rides for doctors' appointments, picking up prescriptions, getting your groceries, or even providing food. If you are interested in assisting our neighbors, please call **Irene Dauphin** (254-498-6009), and you will be added to the list in next month's newsletter. See the list of CARE Volunteers on the next page.

CARE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

The following residents of Highland Haven have volunteered, with chairwoman Irene Dauphin, to assist neighbors.

* **These will provide rides, pick up groceries, provide food**

- * Sylvia and Bill Passmore 830-596-9102 h. 830-385-9238 c
- * Sally and Kent Cooper 830-598-7019 h. 575-494-1121 c
- * Irene and Ron Dauphin 254-498-6009 c
- * Vicki Jones 210-488-8336 c
- * Pete Freehill 512-588-7812
- * John Parker 512-755-2332

** **These will provide rides and/or pick up groceries**

- ** Kitty Palmer catpalmer1143@gmail.com
- ** Don Hughes 325-370-5534
- ** Gale Chenoweth 713-502-2779
- ** Brenda Weems 713-410-0236

*** **These will provide food**

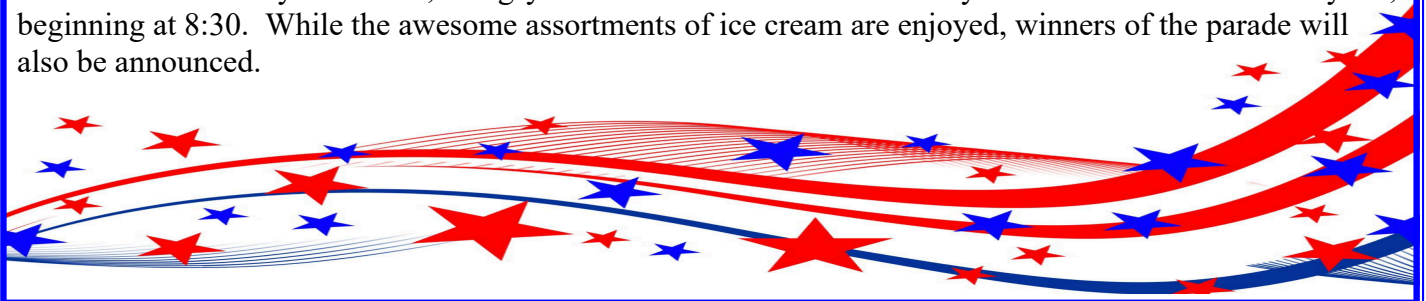
- *** Andi Ball 512-750-5870

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ANNUAL HIGHLAND HAVEN JULY 4TH PARADE & ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Sponsored by the Highland Haven Ladies Club


Come one and all – come young and old - join in on the fun! It's time to make plans to decorate your bike, golf cart, wagon, antique car, or *whatever*, to make our 4th of July parade the best in 2019! Also come prepared with a unique name for your parade entry creation. Parade participants are asked to meet at the Community Center beginning at 8:30 a.m. on July 4th. When you arrive, check-in with a “line-up” volunteer and be prepared to give your original & unique name for your parade entry number. The parade begins at 9:00 a.m. The parade route will lead everyone to Dove Park (the judging area) ultimately returning to the Community Center.

Immediately following the parade, the Ladies Club will host an Ice Cream Social at the Community Center. Pull out your ice cream freezer and make your favorite homemade recipe OR bring your favorite store-bought flavor. Whichever you choose, bring your ice cream to the Community Center to share with everyone, beginning at 8:30. While the awesome assortments of ice cream are enjoyed, winners of the parade will also be announced.



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JUNE 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4 BOA Work session 7:00 pm	5	6 Recycle Day 	7	8
9	10 P & Z 6:00	11 HHPOA Meeting 7:00	12 NO Ladies Club Meeting	13	14	15
16	17	18 BOA Board Mtg 7:00 pm	19 Newsletter Article/Photo Deadline @12	20 Recycle Day 	21	22
23	24	25 Potluck Dinner 6:00	26	27	28	29
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Yoga classes every Tuesday & Thursday @ Community Center, 9:30 – 10:30; cost \$5
Submit newsletter articles & photos to: highlandhavennews@gmail.com