



# HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS

February 2022

Sponsor – City of Highland Haven



## CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

*Olan Kelley, Mayor*

### Elections

- February 18<sup>th</sup> was the deadline for candidates to apply for the mayor and 2 alderman positions.
  - o Only the three incumbents applied.
    - **Don Hagans, Alderman**
    - **Terry Nuss, Alderman**
    - **Olan Kelley, Mayor**
- Please take time to cast your vote at all elections.
- Candidates know that a high percentage of Highland Haven voters exercise their right to vote. This helps our collective voice to be heard.
- The Burnet County Elections Office has a new website, <https://burnetcountyelections.com/>
- Visit this website for information regarding:
  - o Voter Registration
  - o Upcoming election dates
  - o Polling locations
- Visit our website for more election information. <https://highlandhaventx.com/election-information/>
- Political signs can be no more than 24"x36" and must be on private property, not on city right of way. Only one sign per candidate can be placed on a lot. <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/ORDINANCE-056-210720-REV-13.pdf>

### Fire Safety

- Even though we have recently received some precipitation it has not been enough. Burnet County remains in drought status so be careful with any outdoor fires of any type. Recently the National Weather Service issued "Red Flag Warnings" due to high winds and lower humidity. During such conditions everyone should follow the safeguards below:
  - o Do not throw lit cigarettes/matches out of a moving vehicle. They may ignite dry grass.
  - o Properly extinguish all outdoor fires. Drown fires with plenty of water and safely mix it until it is cool to the touch.
  - o Dunk charcoal in water until it is cold.
  - o Never leave live charcoal on the ground.
  - o Do not leave a fire unattended. Sparks or embers can blow into leaves or grass, ignite a fire, and quickly spread.
- Piles of brush, limbs, leaves and lawn clippings should be removed as soon as possible to lower the risk of an accidental fire around our homes.

### Solid Waste Service

- Citywide Document Shredding is scheduled for April 22 from 10:00 a.m. till noon, at Roscoe L. Holt City Hall.
- Trash and Recycling Schedule can be found at:  
<https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/01/Highland-Haven-Recycle-2022.pdf>

### **Plant a Fruit Tree**

- We have received suggestions that Highland Haven residents should consider planting fruit trees so fresh fruit is available after the trees mature. Now is the time to plant them!
- Here is a website that provides more information about selecting, planting, and caring for fruit trees. <https://agrilifetoday.tamu.edu/2020/10/23/plant-fruit-trees-the-agrilife-extension-way/>
- Be sure you know where your underground utilities are located and be mindful of any structures or overhead utilities that might be impacted by a fully grown tree.
- Another website to search is the Texas A&M Forest Service program called Community Forestry <https://tfsweb.tamu.edu/content/landing.aspx?id=19849>

### **Board of Alderman**

- At the February 15<sup>th</sup> Board of Alderman meeting, our auditors, Neffendorf & Blocker, presented our annual audit report (FY 20-21). Their report indicated that the City's financial position is good and adequate financial controls are in place. The full audit is posted on our website at <https://highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/02/Audit-2021.pdf> and a printed copy is available for review at City Hall.
- The next BOA Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup> 7pm** at the City Hall building due to elections being held in the Community Center.
- BOA meetings are open to the public. Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- BOA meetings are held in the Community Center or City Hall.

### **Building Permits**

- If you have questions regarding the permitting process or whether your project requires a permit, contact us at [buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com) or (830) 265-4366 office or (210)710-8739.
- Tom Weaver is our Building Permit Official and can help you with the permit.

### **Planning and Zoning Commission**

- The next P&Z Meeting will be held on **February 24<sup>th</sup>**, 6pm.
- Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- P&Z meetings are held in the Community Center or City Hall.

### **Trees and Shrubs**

- Let's be safe! Many trees were damaged by the February 2021 winter storm. Property owners need to monitor their trees over this spring to determine if their trees need dead limbs removed or removal of the entire tree. Weekly we see tree services working in Highland Haven cutting out dead limbs or removing dead trees.
- Contact Pedernales Electric Cooperative if you have limbs that could damage powerlines.
- Please check and make sure your tree limbs are trimmed back to provide a minimum clearance of 15' above streets to accommodate emergency vehicles, trash trucks and RV's.

### **Public Safety**

- Contact the Burnet County Sheriff's Office immediately should you be concerned about you or a neighbor's safety.
- **Let's keep our streets safe for everyone!**

### **Visit our Website**

- Please visit our website, <https://highlandhaventx.com/>, and subscribe to receive emails and texts when items are posted to the website. You can also receive documents, such as official meeting agendas, and minutes. Most importantly - **You can subscribe to receive emergency alerts from the City via text, email, or both.**

- We encourage you to use our website to find information about our Board of Alderman and Planning & Zoning meetings; water and solid waste services (including pay online options), agendas, forms, permits, community activities, news, notices **AND MORE!**
- To receive notices when updates are made to the site – navigate to the Home page - <https://highlandhaventx.com/> - and click on “**SUBSCRIBE TO UPDATES**”. You can then select the topics you want to receive notifications about.
- Our website also has community information including the Highland Haven Property Owners Assn. and the Highland Haven Ladies Club meetings, as well as community activities.

### **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/>

## **HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB**

*Pat Koehn, President*

Our one and only fundraiser of the Highland Haven Ladies Club is the annual Rummage Sale coming up on April 1 and 2. Income from the fun sale supports the various Social activities enjoyed by all in Highland Haven such as the July 4th Parade and Ice Cream Social; Veterans Day Celebration; the Christmas Dinner Potluck celebration with free (caterer provided) turkey, gravy, dressing and mashed potatoes; monthly Potluck Dinners; and monthly club meetings to plan our activities. Please join us at our next meeting on March 9 at 1 pm for refreshments and meeting at 1:30pm for about an hour. We need the support of the ladies in Highland Haven. Please call me for any questions.

Pat Koehn, President  
512-217-6943 call or text  
[patnkoehn@gmail.com](mailto:patnkoehn@gmail.com)

### **IN SYMPATHY**



Please keep **Jim Lawrence** and family in your prayers. His wife and our dear friend and neighbor **Mary Kay Lawrence** passed away February 17, 2022. **Mary Kay** was a dedicated member of our Ladies Club and could always be found helping with our monthly Potluck Dinners. Every year she contributed her time, volunteering to help organize and work during our Annual Rummage & Bake Sale. **Mary Kay** and her beautiful smile will be greatly missed. A memorial service was held on February 22, 2022. <https://www.putnamcares.com/obituary/mary-lawrence-7882515>

## PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

*Greg Rabaey, President*

### Biannual Meeting Update

Thank you to everyone in our community who took the time to attend the February Biannual Meeting, for the Highland Haven Property Owner Association (POA). You have a voice in our POA, and the biannual meeting is a great place to provide feedback and engage in our community.

### Summary Financial Statement (as of December 31, 2021)

Funds	Balance
Reserve	\$35,000
Operating	\$37,083
Capital Improvement	\$28,060
Total Cash on Hand	\$100,143

### Summary of Budgeted Income vs Expenses (as of December 31, 2021)

	2021 Budgeted	Actual as of December 31, 2021
Income	\$28,426	\$28,046
Expenses	(\$28,450)	(\$13,454)
Operating Income/Loss	(\$24)	\$14,592
Transfer to Capital Improvement		\$14,592
Net Income/Loss	\$0	\$0

The Storage & Trailer facilities waiting lists have shortened up. There may be some spots available. If you're interested in a storage locker or a trailer storage spot, please contact Johnnie Farris; 512-809-6964.

**Our next regular POA Working meeting is March 17<sup>th</sup>. We hope to see you there!**

Please take minute this week to THANK our volunteer POA Board Members. Please join me in welcoming our new 2022 board members

2022		
Director Place	Office	Director
#1	President	Greg Rabaey
#2	Vice-President / Community Center	Kellie Coppenger
#3	Parks & Grounds	Terri Harmon
#4	Secretary	Tammie Hieb
#5	Trailer & Storage	Johnnie Farris
#6	Treasurer	Teresa Smith

THANK YOU to all our POA volunteers!



**Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> 8:00 – 4:00**  
**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> 8:00 – Noon**

Our **Annual Rummage** is just around the corner, and we need your donations. We will take just about everything! Donations of gently used clothing, books, furniture, exercise equipment, baby items, kitchen utensils, dishes, linens, tools, pictures, fishing and yard equipment, water skis, coffee pots, toasters, pots and pans, plants, etc. are greatly appreciated. *The only items not accepted are old TV's, computer equipment, monitors, refrigerators, or sofa beds.* Contact **Pat Koehn** if you need additional information.

In addition to donated items ... please drop-off any extra plastic bags you may not need.

### **Important Dates & Times**

#### **Room Setup - Sunday March 27<sup>th</sup> @ 1:00 – 4:00**

Men and women are needed to help a little or a lot, as you are able. Set up involves removing chairs, removing or covering pictures on the walls, covering library bookcases with sheets or white paper/plastic, setting up tables, and bringing clothing racks from the HHLC Garage to the Community Center Library. All boxes, bins, bags of clothing and household items will be removed from the back storeroom for unwrapping and sorting.

#### **Organize/price donated items - Monday, March 28 - Thursday, March 31<sup>st</sup> @ 8 - 4**

Lots of muscle and any help will be appreciated. Men & women of all ages can help. Come join us for an hour or for as long as you can any time during setup week. This is a perfect time to get to know your neighbors and have fun too!

#### **Rummage Sale donations accepted - Monday, March 28<sup>th</sup> (8-4) – Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup> (8-4)**

Furniture donations will be picked up by arrangement.

#### **Bake Sale donations accepted**

**Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup> or Friday morning, April 1<sup>st</sup>**

#### **Rummage Sale Workers are needed:**

**Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8:00 – 4:00**

**Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:00 – 12:00**

For questions about the sale, contact **Pat Koehn** 512-217-6943 OR **Laura Stubblefield** 512-431-9967.

### **COMING SOON ... DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT**

The City of Highland Haven is sponsoring a document shredding event for the residents of Highland Haven, Nobles and Shady Acres only.

Date: *Friday, April 22, 2022*

Time: *10 am to 12 noon*

Cost: \$10.00 per car for up to eight (8) cardboard boxes, plastic bags, or paper containers no larger than 24" X 18" X 8" and weigh less than 50 lbs. Additional details next month.



# CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

## March 2022



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 <i>Primary Election</i>  <b>BOA meeting 7:00 pm @ City Hall</b>	2	3  <i>Trash</i>	4	5
6	7  Quilting 10 am  Bridge 7 pm	8	9  Ladies Club 1:00 pm	10  <b>P&amp;Z meeting 6:00 pm</b>  <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	11	12
13 <i>Daylight Savings Time begins 2:00 AM</i>  <i>Move those clocks forward</i>	14  Quilting 10 am  Bridge 7 pm	15  <b>BOA meeting 7:00 pm</b>	16  HH Newsletter article/photo deadline 5:00 pm	17 <i>St Patrick's Day</i>  HHPOA work mtg 5:30 pm  <i>Trash</i>	18	19
20  <i>Spring Equinox Day</i>	21  Quilting 10 am  Bridge 7 pm	22	23	24  <b>P&amp;Z meeting 6:00 pm</b>  <i>Trash &amp; Recycle</i>	25	26
27  Rummage Sale room setup 1-4 pm	28 No Quilting or Bridge  <div>Rummage &amp; Bake Sale setup/price March 28-31</div> <div>Donations accepted March 28-30</div>	29 NO Potluck Dinner	30	31	April 1  Rummage Sale 8-4	April 2  Rummage Sale 8-12