

CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN

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Municipal Elections

- Municipal Elections are scheduled for May 6th. See flyer re: early voting locations and hours posted on our website.
 - o https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/2023-May-Local-EV-locations-hours.pdf
- 3 Alderman positions are scheduled for election. The incumbents are **Lynn Smith**, **Lorinda Peters**, and **Terry Smith**.
- Four people have filed for a place on the ballot, including **Bruce Robertson**, **Donna Lollar Green**, **Lynn Watts Smith**, and **Terry W. Smith**.

Water Conservation

- Burnet County is STILL experiencing an EXTREME DROUGHT. <u>All property owners should</u> be reducing outdoor watering to a minimum.
- Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District has implemented 15% MANDATORY Drought Water Reductions effective for all exempt and non-exempt water wells. The MANDATORY reductions are effective January 1 through December 31, 2023.
- The City of Highland Haven groundwater permit has been reduced from 82-acre feet to 69-acre feet; therefore, all Highland Haven water customers are required to reduce water use immediately.

Water System

- Our water wells are in good shape; however, we must reduce our monthly water use.
- Check your irrigation controller and make sure you are watering on the correct days of the week and within these posted hours. (This includes private wells and lake water irrigation.)
 - o Wednesdays and Saturdays for addresses ending in odd numbers.
 - o Thursdays and Sundays for addresses ending in even numbers.
 - O Hours: Midnight to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to Midnight.
- Turn your irrigation system off during rainy periods.

Solid Waste Services

- Highland Haven Trash and Recycling Schedule can be found at
 - o https://highlandhaventx.com/waste-services/

Lawn Maintenance

- Spring has Sprung! Lawns and vacant lots are growing! We are starting to receive complaints about high grass and weeds on <u>vacant lots and around vacant houses</u>. Please mow your property as soon as possible.

- Please make plans to remove this brush as soon as possible to reduce fire hazards and breeding areas for rodents and snakes. Many area tree services have brush chippers that can make short work of disposing of brush piles.
- For several years now, we have experienced burn bans as early as May that have extended throughout the summer. If you are planning to burn the brush, please plan to do so ASAP and follow the burning requirements in Ordinance #27 re: outdoor burning and Ordinance #58 re: lawn and lot maintenance.

 - o https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/ORDINANCE-058-230124-REV-6-Adopted.pdf
 - o Contact Granite Shoals Fire Department prior to starting any outdoor fires at 830-596-8110.

Building Permits

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

Board of Alderman

- Next BOA meeting is 7pm, May 2nd.
- BOA meetings are open to the public. Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- BOA meetings are held in the Community Center.
- Agendas are posted to our website, https://highlandhaventx.com/agendas-minutes/.

Planning and Zoning Commission

- Next meeting is 6pm, May 11th.
- Residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.
- P&Z meetings are held in the Community Center.
- Agendas are posted to our website, https://highlandhaventx.com/agendas-minutes/.

Trees and Shrubs

- Contact Pedernales Electric Cooperative if you have limbs that could fall and damage powerlines.
 - o https://www.pec.coop/safety/yard/#:~:text=Tree%20Trimming&text=If%20you%20see%20trees%2 Ogrowing,to%20safely%20clear%20the%20vegetation.
- 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.

Fire Safety

- Please take this opportunity to dispose of all brush and lawn trimmings stacked on your property.
- Be sure to follow the requirements in our ordinances regarding outdoor burning.
 - https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/ORDINANCE-027-210504-REV-3.-DOC.pdf
 - https://cdn.townweb.com/highlandhaventx.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/ORDINANCE-058-210504-REV-5.pdf
 - o Contact Granite Shoals Fire Department prior to starting any outdoor fires at 830-596-8110.

Check out our updated website!

- Visit our website, https://highlandhaventx.com/, and subscribe to receive emails and texts when items are posted to the website.
- You can subscribe to receive emergency alerts from the City via text, email, or both.
 - o https://highlandhaventx.com/subscribe-to-updates/

- 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!**

Emergency Preparedness / FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plans

- **It is never too early to s**ign up for emergency early warning notices. You can now click on this link and sign up for the following. https://highlandhaventx.com/emergency-resources/
 - **o Warn Central Texas**
 - **o** LCRA Floodgate Operations Notification Service (FONS)
 - o LCRA Flood Operations Report
 - o LCRA Hydromet

PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Greg Rabaey, President

Community Center

The community center is a convenient place to rent for your next family gathering or private party – book your Memorial Weekend OR your Fourth of July Weekend event now! Residents may rent the WHOLE facility for \$200 or rent the Library room with Kitchen for a small party for \$60. Non-Residents may rent the WHOLE facility for \$350 and Library room with Kitchen for \$100. Contact *Kellie Coppenger* for more information; kelliebcoppenger@gmail.com or 409-504-5666.

Park Parking Sticker

If anyone does not have a Park sticker for their vehicle, please contact *Kellie Coppenger* 409-504-5666.

Thanks to our Volunteers!

Please take a few minutes this week to THANK ALL our volunteers. We'd like to give a shout out to our volunteers who help with maintenance, mowing and upkeep of our Parks:

Terry Neans, Swan Park Jimmie Felps, Oriole Park Kevin Crumley, Highland Park East

THANK YOU to all our POA volunteers!

HIGHLAND HAVEN LADIES CLUB

Sherry Hume, President

Did you know...? Almost all things in Highland Haven are run by volunteers. The Ladies Club is no exception. However, what the Ladies Club provides to this neighborhood is exceptional! I know that many of you already know about the importance of the Ladies Club in Highland Haven. But for those new to Highland Haven, or those who have not yet been involved... Highland Haven is this wonderful place where people feel like they are more than just a neighbor on a street.

Borrowing some words from John Lennon, "Imagine there's no"... Ladies Club... "It isn't hard to do"...Without volunteers among us... Let me take you to a dark place for a moment.... Without your support... Without the Ladies Club in Highland Haven... Highland Haven would become just a regular small city with a City Hall and a Community Center used mainly for business meetings & rentals.

But... the "Community" aspect of breaking bread together, sharing stories at community Potlucks, BBQs, & Christmas dinners, having nametags at gatherings, HH phonebooks, HH welcome packets & street reps to welcome

newcomers to our neighborhood, lending library, game nights, bingo, Bosseln, bridge club, quilting club, flying flags on holidays, 4th of July parades & ice cream socials, Veterans Day appreciation gatherings, decorating the bridge & community center for the holidays, Christmas lighting contests, wine socials, rummage sales, supporting bereaved families with food during their time of great need, sending cards to those needing our support, organized groups helping people get to/from doctor appointments, and the list goes on.... these would be missing.

The Ladies Club wants to continue existing, but like all things, it needs your help, support, & enthusiasm.

We are currently looking for volunteers as new Board Members, a Nametag Chairperson, and a 4th of July Parade & Ice Cream Social Chairperson. We could always use more help... if you'd like to sign up to be a street repwelcoming newcomers, help bring food to bereaved families, be available to give a ride to a neighbor in need or get groceries when they're sick, lead an event, &/or be a host & hostess for our meetings or potlucks.

The board is willing to make accommodations for you if you would like to volunteer but require different hours for meetings. Please don't be a stranger in our wonderful city. Instead, surround yourself by others who want to see the Community of Highland Haven flourish & continue to succeed into the future. Thank You!

Dates to Remember:

- LC Meeting: Wednesday, May 10th 2023 @ 1 pm (Social) & 1:30 pm (Meeting) ***Election of New Board Members for 2023-2024***
- Game Night: Wednesday, May 10th 2023 @ 7 pm
- Bingo: Wednesday, May 24th 2023 @ 1pm
- Game Night: Wednesday, May 24th 2023 @ 7 pm
- Potluck: Tuesday, May 30th 2023 @ 6pm (Social) & 6:30pm (Meal)
- Currently, without volunteers, we will not have potlucks in June, July & August.

But if volunteers would like to step forward, we can make the potlucks happen.



Our friend & neighbor **Bob Deets** passed away Wednesday, April 26th. Since retirement from the U.S Air Force, Bob and his wife *Millie* enjoyed many adventures during their camping trips over a span of 25 years. Bob was an avid antique car admirer. His favorite was his 1937 Mercury, which was proudly displayed at car shows. *Celebration of life arrangements will be posted on the city marquee when they become available.*

CAMP CHAMPIONS FIREWORK SCHEDULE

Fireworks will be on Friday evenings at dark!

If we are under a burn ban during the summer,
this can affect whether we are allowed to have fireworks.

Friday, June 16 Friday, June 30

Tuesday, July 4 - special for the holiday!

Friday, July 14 Friday, July 28 Friday, August 11



CITY OF HIGHLAND HAVEN **May 2023**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	I Quilting 10 am Bridge 7 pm	2 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 BOA meeting 7:00 pm	3	4 Int'l Firefighters Day Trash & Recycle	5 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45 Cinco De Mayo	6 ELECTION DAY Vote @ HH Community Center
7	8 Bridge 7 pm	9 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45	10 Ladies Club Mtg 1:00/social 1:30/meeting Game Night @7pm	P&Z meeting 6:00 pm Trash	12 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	13
14 Mother's Day	15 Quilting 10 am Bridge 7 pm	16 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 BOA meeting 7:00 pm	17	18 HHPOA meeting 5:30pm Trash & Recycle	19 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	20 Armed Forces Day
21	22 Bridge 7 pm	23 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45	24 Bingo @ 1pm Game Night @7pm	25 Trash	26 Circuit Class 11:45 – 12:45	27
28	29 Memorial Day	30 Silver Sneakers 11:45 – 12:45 Potluck Dinner 6:00/social 6:30/dinner served	31		Hav reduce water u 15%	ye you ed your sage by 6?

Send newsletter articles & photos to highlandhavennews@gmail.com
If you would like to receive the newsletter, send your name, email & Highland Haven address to the email address above.