

HIGHLAND HAVEN NEWS



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Next HHPOA meeting:

June 11, 2019  
7:00 PM

Community Center

## HHPOA UPDATE

*Betty Ward, President*

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Thank you to everyone who came out to the POA meeting on April 9<sup>th</sup>!

**Glen French** gave us an update on Dove Park. He will have a structural engineer evaluate the pier and then get bids. We will have to meet ADA standards. The membership will have to approve the cost of replacement. It is currently safe to use but declining. This expensive project is something we must plan and prepare for. Also, a big shout out to the volunteers this month, 53 and ½ hours of donated time given to keep our community maintained.

**David Langford** said all uncovered spaces and storage lockers are rented. If interested in a space, call him and he will add your name to a waiting list.

A By-laws committee has been formed: **Sally Cooper, Linda Enderlin and Judy Kelley**. They will be reviewing the changes suggested from the February vote. Redlined and original copies of Bylaws were available for everyone. They will present their recommendations to the POA Board and will share at our **June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting** for discussion.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to call any of your POA Board members!

## CITY UPDATE

*Olan Kelley, Mayor*

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## Board of Alderman

- Aldermen **Alvin Kahanek** and **Bill Passmore** will be finishing their terms by the end of May. Please take time to thank them for their dedicated service to our community. Both have worked hard during their tenure. Alvin as Building Permit Officer helped organize and redefine this position. His leadership was critical managing the aftermath of the October 16<sup>th</sup> flood. Bill has been our "Street Superintendent" and has done a fantastic job of cataloging and managing

our street improvement processes and overseeing street repairs. On any given day - rain, shine, cold or during the summer heat - both could be found in the community working hard diligently carrying out their duties.

- We are still looking for another Alderman and we need someone to help us with Building Permits. If you or someone you know is interested in either of these positions, please contact City Hall. Contact the Mayor or any member of the Board of Aldermen to get more information.
- Next BOA Meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, May 7, 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, May 13, 6pm**.
- These meetings are open to the public, residents and property owners are encouraged to attend.

### **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.

### **Texas Legislature is in session!**

- Please take time to review the various bills the Legislature is considering. There a number of bills that, if passed, will impact all Texas cities. Some of these bills will impact funding for city operations and some will mandate requirements that will increase annual operating costs.
- Express your comments and concerns by contacting our **Senator Dawn Buckingham** and our **Representative Terry Wilson**. Unlike large cities with sales tax revenues, we are a small community with only property tax revenue to fund city operations and some of these bills, if passed, will have a significant impact on our community.

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

- We have received complaints from residents about vehicles parked 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 fences and floating Jet Ski docks).
- 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 contact **Alvin Kahanek**, Building Permit Officer (830) 637-0869, [Buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:Buildingpermits@highlandhaventx.com), or City Hall at (830) 265-4366.
- Remind your contractors that construction activity is restricted to Monday-Saturday 7am-7pm.

### **Solid Waste Service**

- Free signup for this service will end on May 2. After May 2, there will be a \$50 service application fee. If you have not already done so, please sign up for this service at Highland Haven City Hall.
- Check out the Highland Haven website to view the Trash and Recycling Calendar. Trash pickup is every Thursday and Recycling is every other Thursday.
- Thanks to everyone for your assistance with getting this program up and running! We are approaching 300 accounts now and the transition has been very smooth. Special thanks to **Alderman Don Hagans**, **City Secretary Jeannie Gruetzner** and volunteer **Judy Kelley** for their efforts.

### **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.

### **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](mailto:domesticwateruse@lcra.org)
- Property owners who want to participate in our Vacant Lot Maintenance Program must sign up this month at City Hall for this service.
- 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.

### **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.
- 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 by text, email and/or phone for any location in the 10 county CAPCOG region.
- To register go to <http://www.warncentraltexas.org/> or call 866-939-0911

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

- To register go to <http://www.lcra.org/water/floods/floodgate-operations-notification-system/pages/application.aspx> or call 512-578-3246 or 800-776-5272, Ext. 3246

### **LADIES CLUB**

***Karen Berry, Vice President***

[hhladiesclub@highlandhaventx.com](mailto:hhladiesclub@highlandhaventx.com)

The Ladies Club meeting in April was an important meeting with 21 ladies attending. We had several items of business (past and future) to cover.

- The new 2019 Telephone Community Directories have arrived and have been distributed. If you had photos made and have not picked up your directory, please call **Karen Berry** (830-220-2333) to arrange to pick up your directory. Additional copies are available at \$7.50 from Karen or HHLC officers.

- The March Rummage Sale's final net income for the Ladies Club was \$7,845.99. Special thanks to ALL the men and women who worked so tirelessly to make this happen (it does take a village)! This is the only fund raiser that the HHLC has each year and we depend on it (along with your generous donations at the potlucks) to fund all the activities we sponsor for the community each year. Heartfelt thanks go to Chairwomen, **Pat Koehn, Laura Stubblefield**, and **Mary Kay Lawrence** for their expertise and organizational skills that made this such a successful sale!

- Voting on the charitable donations to be made by the Ladies Club: While many fine suggestions were offered, the Club ultimately wanted to stay as close to home as possible and chose the following donations:

\$500 Marble Falls Boys & Girls Club  
\$500 Granite Shoals Volunteer Fire Dept.  
\$300 Marble Falls EMS  
\$250 Kingsland Boys & Girls Club  
\$250 (was paid in Feb.) 100 Club

- The **Highland Haven Christmas Dinner** is scheduled for **December 7, 2019** – a Saturday. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend. There may be a few surprises coming!! Watch for more information coming in the fall.

- Nominating committee called many ladies asking them to be a Ladies Club officer. It proved a difficult task. We thank **Gayle Kahanek** who was the only person who stepped up and agreed to help out for next year. We also thank the current officers who have served this year and agreed to stay on. Your giving is much appreciated! A special thank you to **Patsy Craven**, who has served as treasurer for three consecutive years! Job well done!!!

- The New Ladies Club Officers for the 2019-2020 year:

**Karen Berry, President**  
**Stacey Leal, Vice-President**  
**Gayle Kahanek, Secretary**  
**Pat Koehn, Treasurer**

- 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade and Ice Cream Social is on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> (obviously). Organizers are **Judith Prince, Laura Stubblefield** and **Judy Kelley**. Start planning your floats, decorations and costumes! More announcements coming soon!

- POTLUCK is on April 30<sup>th</sup>. We are blessed with some awesome cooks in the neighborhood. Come share your best recipes with us!

### **LAKE LBJ WARNINGS**

Lake LBJ has changed significantly since the October flood. Take time to refamiliarize yourself with the lake. The sandbar located at the confluence of the Llano and Colorado Rivers is much larger than it was prior to the flood. The sandbar is now known by some as "Shipwreck Island" due to its massive size. LCRA has placed lighted hazard buoys marking the shallows of that island. Sandy Creek is also noticeably shallower due to sand that washed down during the flood. As you travel the lake, be aware of red & green channel markers that LCRA placed to designate the "new" river channel. Again, use caution when navigating Lake LBJ.

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## MAY 2019

| Sunday                | Monday                | Tuesday                             | Wednesday                                                | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|
|                       |                       | April 30<br>Potluck<br>6:00         | 1                                                        | 2        | 3      | 4        |
| 5                     | 6                     | 7<br>BOA<br>Work session<br>7:00 pm | 8<br>Ladies Club<br>1:00                                 | 9        | 10     | 11       |
| 12<br>Mother's<br>Day | 13<br>P & Z<br>6:00   | 14                                  | 15                                                       | 16       | 17     | 18       |
| 19                    | 20                    | 21<br>BOA Board<br>Mtg<br>7:00 pm   | 22<br>Newsletter<br>Article/Photo<br>deadline<br>12 noon | 23       | 24     | 25       |
| 26                    | 27<br>Memorial<br>Day | 28<br>Potluck Dinner<br>6:00        | 29                                                       | 30       | 31     |          |

Yoga classes every Tuesday & Thursday @ Community Center, 9:30 – 10:30; cost \$5  
 Submit newsletter articles & photos to: [highlandhavennews@gmail.com](mailto:highlandhavennews@gmail.com)