

INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
November 18, 2014

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met Tuesday, November 18, 2014. Mayor Bell-Guercio called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The Town Clerk called the roll and all council members were present.

The minutes of November 3, 2014 were reviewed and accepted as written.

Bell-Guercio introduced Katie Guerin from North Shelby Library. Ms. Guerin presented the Council with art made by the children of the summer reading program in appreciation for ISV's contribution and support. She outlined future events at the library. ISV will send out an E-Blast informing residents of Breakfast with Santa in December.

Councilman Robins reported that Outdoor Lighting Perspectives replaced the timer on the lights. Also, due to the cold weather, Robins cut the outside water off and bled the lines. He also reported the town sign on Valleydale had been hit by a car and was not repairable. He is getting prices on replacing the sign and also on painting some of the entry signs that are faded. He does not recommend any repair and maintenance be done on street signs due to the Federal requirements and mandates on signs that will go into effect in 2018.

Councilman Mendel presented the financial statements for October 31, 2014, the first month in the fiscal year. Financials were reviewed and noted that a deposit from Shelby County Commission had been miscoded. Mendel made a motion that the financials be endorsed as presented with the exception of the coding error. Councilperson Harrington seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Harrington presented and reviewed three bids received to print, fold, tab, and postage and mail *The Village Voice*. Harrington added that the goal of

The Village Voice is to communicate with residents. Since going on-line, it does not appear that the residents are being reached. Therefore, it is the desire to try mailing for six months and then measure whether there is a positive result. Harrington made a motion that Pete's Print be awarded the bid to publish *The Village Voice*. Stauss seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Bell-Guercio outlined the details of the Pelham Council work session that she and Harrington attended. Alex Dudcock and Greg Lein spoke and it is their intent to announce that The City of Pelham is partnering with the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and Shelby County to update the Oak Mountain State Park Master Plan. A representative of the county indicated that ISV's representation at the meeting was not needed since they are not believed to be stakeholders. As the recipients of increased traffic, increased water runoff and overall changing the landscape and character of the park, ISV is a stakeholder due to the possible negative impact it could have in the valley. The county has a web-based survey available for public input. The address for this page is <http://PlanOMSP.DiscoverShelby.com>. The Mayor advocates participation in this survey and careful thought to pros and cons.

Additionally, Bell-Guercio informed the Council the county has contracted with a firm to prepare an inundation study of the Oak Mountain Dams.

The Council re-addressed the issue of charging a small fee for reserving the Town Hall. In order to maintain the integrity of a house that is over 100 years old, it is the consensus of the Council that cleaning on a more frequent basis is required. Therefore, in order to defray increased expenses, Councilman Stauss made a motion that a \$50 rental fee be assessed effective January 2015, excluding the ISV Garden club and Boy Scout meetings. All existing rules will remain in effect. Harrington seconded the motion. The vote was five yeas and one nay. The motion carried.

It was also discussed that welcome letters to new residents be instituted in an attempt to promote increased interest in ISV.

The Christmas party will be held December 16th at 7:00 following a short council meeting. All residents are invited to attend and bring an appetizer or dessert. Heavy hors d'oeuvre will be served.

Gib Walsh from troop 828 introduced himself and informed the council he was in attendance to earn his citizenship and community badge.

Mayor Bell Guercio adjourned the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Downs, Town Clerk