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**TOWN OF VASS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
August 12, 2019**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Callahan at 6:05 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were Blackwell, Kosem, Mosley, Callahan, and Kellis. Kathy Liles was also present.

Commissioner Kosem made a motion to go into Closed Session pursuant to G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6) personnel matters. All were in favor.

The regular meeting resumed at 6:45 p.m.

A. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Callahan asked for a motion to approve the agenda and consent agenda with the addition of items H, I, and J. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve. All were in favor.

B. Consent Agenda

Items approved by above motion were:

1. Minutes of July 8, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
2. Minutes of July 12, 2019 Special Meeting
3. Financial Report for November 2018

C. Police Report

Chief Blakeley informed the board that the house next to the water treatment plant was sold and stated Mr. Seagraves was in jail.

D. Public Comments

David Core asked if the police could do a better job patrolling Hwy 690. He said he sees people doing 60 mph in 45 mph areas. Chief Blakeley stated the road is a state road and that they work closely with the Highway Patrol and will continue to do so.

Angela Vacek spoke on behalf of the Vass Methodist Church. She said the churches are coordinating a trunk or treat for the Saturday October 26th. The local churches and possibly the fire department will participate. The fire department will let them know if they will participate after their meeting on August 13th. Discussion was held regarding location of the event on Seaboard Street, the police departments need to close roads, parking and if the fire department would hold their Halloween event or participate in the trunk or treat. Mayor Callahan stated his only concern was with parking. The board of commissioners were in favor as long as everyone involved coordinated the event together. No motion was required.

Matt Garrick from Bynum court expressed his appreciation to Mayor Callahan and the Board of Commissioners for meeting with the residents of Bynum Court and Winder Way on July 12, 2019. He stated he had Duke Energy inspect and mark utility lines in the drainage swale next to his house. Power lines run under the swale; he is concerned the line is not up to code. Duke Energy will send

someone out to inspect and to verify the lines are at the proper depth. He and his neighbors presented the board with photos from the last rainstorm.

The neighbors received a letter from Caviness Land's attorney which Mr. Garrick sent to the NC Attorney General. Mr. Garrick said he would copy the town on any letters he sends to the attorney for Caviness Land. Commissioner Callahan talked about the fact that changes were made to the development after the development was initially developed. The board agreed the town should have the full construction drawings from Wes Caddell.

Angela Clough and Matt Garrick asked about the process. Approval was given to Wolf Ram to develop the land, anything done after they developed the land was between the developer and builders.

Commissioner Callahan asked if they had a HOA. Mr. Garrick said there is not an HOA, he said he saw covenants for the development filed by Wolf Ram with the Register of Deeds. Ms. Clough said people do not want the added expense of an HOA.

Ms. Clough plans to have a landscaper she works with for her job review the drainage for recommendations on how to correct the issues. She will share his findings with the town.

Mayor Callahan asked if there could be 2-3 people from Bynum Court and Winder Way to work together on behalf of all parties on a plan for submission to the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Clough said she thought the residents trust Ron Atkinson and Red Line Engineering; and they would want approval from the town before doing anything. Mr. Garrick said he believes some neighbors may only be looking out for themselves.

Old Business: None

New Business:

E. Motion to accept NC DOT ADA Ramp Construction Agreement R-5788HB, WBS 44918.3.13: (Agreement to upgrade pedestrian cube ramps to current ADA standards at the intersection of East Maple Street at Seaboard Street and Seaboard Street at Bank Street) was made by Commissioner Blackwell. All were in favor.

F. Commissioner Mosley made a motion to revise the fee section of the Sandy Ramey Keith Memorial Park Sign Sponsorship form to state \$100.00 renewal fee after the first year and every year thereafter and to move current signs to the outfield. All were in favor.

G. Commissioner Kosem made a motion to approve Resolution authorizing the acceptance of NCDEQ Division of Water Infrastructure CDBG Infrastructure Grant. All were in favor.

H. This matter was discussed under item F.

I. Mayor Callahan asked the Commissioners to consider imposing a usage tax limit for preexisting and future gaming establishments. The board agreed to have this matter reviewed by the planning board at their next scheduled meeting.

J. Commissioner Kosem stated culverts on Bynum Court and Cameron Avenue need to be replaced and made a motion for RFP for both projects. All were in favor.

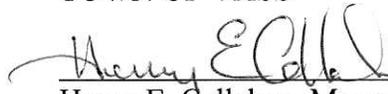
K. Wes Caddell requested permission lay an initial layer of pavement for Phase 2A. His request was to do this section without a Surety Bond. Kathy Liles stated the board approved Phase 2A without construction drawings. She said the board should not accept any future projects unless the drawings are approved. Kathy is concerned if the Surety Bond requirement is waived and the project is not completed the town could be left with an incomplete project.

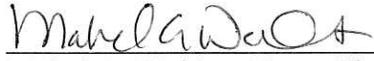
Discussion Topics: Commissioner Kosem asked if engineering fees have been added to the town fee schedule. Kathy Liles and Mabel Walden will continue research of fees.

Adjournment

Mayor Callahan asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Callahan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

TOWN OF VASS


Henry E. Callahan, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Mabel A. Walden, Town Clerk