

**TOWN OF VASS  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
February 11, 2013**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem M. Callahan at 7:30 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were: Blackwell, Bridgers, Callahan, Cirone and Kellis. Mayor Callahan was absent.

**A. Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Consent Agenda**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the consent agenda minus the January Police report which was not included in the packet. Motion carried unanimously.

1. Minutes of December 10, 2012 Regular Meeting

**C. Public Comments**

Paulette Elliott of Lincoln Ave. informed the board that the Sellars Family is going to be holding their Family Reunion in Vass in July and hope to use the Sandy Ramey Keith Park. There are several items that need to be discussed prior to the event and Mrs. Elliott is to get with the Town Administrator in April to discuss what items might need board approval.

**Old Business:**

**D. Status of Klingenschmidt Conditional Use Permit.**

Commissioner Cirone said she had spoken over the phone several times with Mrs. Klingenschmidt and relayed again that the property was to have been cleaned up and burned by February 1 according to the Conditional Use Permit. Mrs. Klingenschmidt presented a copy of her contract with the logger Mr. Alan Williams, which states that he will prepare the land for a control burn and reforestation process. Mrs. Klingenschmidt says she never wanted to reforest this land, but return it to pasture land. After much discussion it was again reiterated to Mrs. Klingenschmidt that she is the one with the contract with Mr. Williams and if she cannot get him to clean up the land per the contract, then it is her responsibility to pay someone to come in and do it or be subject to a civil penalty for not adhering to the terms of the conditional use permit. She then has the option of taking Mr. Williams to court. Commissioner Kellis made a motion that the board foregoes any further action against Mrs. Klingenschmidt until March 31 giving her additional time to get the land cleared and burned. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. Discuss and possible approval of audit contract for 6/30/2013 audit.**

Commissioner Bridgers made a motion to approve the contract for \$9,490. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Discuss possible participation in NCLM Joint Action Program re Progress Energy/Duke Power Rate Case.**

Commissioner Cirone made a motion to participate in the NCLM Joint Action Program with the one time fee of \$100.00. Motion carried unanimously.

**G. Approve Ordinance Directing Town Administrator to Demolish condemned buildings known as 105 and 111 Lincoln Ave.**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the ordinance. Motion carried unanimously. Town Administrator is to solicit bids for the demolition of the buildings and bring quotes before the board for review.

**H. Appoint Al Mosley to the Planning Board to replace Butch Moore who resigned.**

Commissioner Cirone made a motion to appoint Mr. Mosley to the Planning Board for a three year term. Motion carried unanimously.

**I. Discuss Zoning Ordinance violations of the building containing the Family Dollar and Design Granite and Stone.**

Town Administrator passed around proposed letters and pictures of the businesses and the zoning violations. Commissioner Cirone made a motion that the Administrator be directed to send the letters as soon as possible. Motion carried unanimously.

**J. Discuss proposal of Chief Deel.**

Chief Deel discussed his written proposal to purchase 4 rifles to be placed in the police cars in case a situation occurs where there might be need for their use rather than the shotguns or the service revolver. He said he would like at least 3 if they felt they could not afford four at this time. Under the current budget monies for this purchase would have to come from fund balance. Commissioner Bridgers said he would like more time to study the proposal and made a motion to table any action until the March meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**K. Review and approve budget amendment ordinance for 2012-2013 budget.**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the budget amendments as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**L. Discuss possible purchase of new Christmas lights while on sale.**

Commissioners reviewed some sales flyers with sample lights. We have 10 plugs on poles and only have 6 snowflakes. The snowflake bulbs seem to burn out easily, therefore it was suggested that we slowly replace the snowflakes. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to purchase two LED angel decorations and get one free. Motion carried unanimously.

**M. Discuss a date for a Board Retreat.**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to table any action until the March meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Matthew Callahan, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Josephine E. Smith, CMC  
Town Clerk