

**TOWN OF VASS  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 11, 2012**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Matthew Callahan at 7:35 p.m. Commissioners in attendance were: Blackwell, Bridgers, Callahan, Cirone and Kellis. Mayor Callahan was absent.

**A. Approval of Agenda**

Commissioner Kellis wanted to add item J. – 9-11 Observance. Commissioner Cirone pointed out typing corrections to be made to the minutes of the meeting of May 14 and May 21. Blackwell made a motion to approve the agenda and consent agenda with the additions and corrections as noted. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Consent Agenda**

Items approved by motion above were:

1. Minutes of May 14, 2012 Regular Meeting
2. Minutes of May 21, 2012 Reconvened Meeting
3. Minutes of June 4, 2012 Special Meeting
4. Police Department Report

**C. Public Comments**

Lois Key of 122 Highland Avenue asked if a sign could be put up on her street that says “Children at Play” to try to slow down some of the drivers who cut through there on their way to US 1 and 690. The Town Administrator pointed out that when asked for these signs in other areas of town, she asked other towns what they do and it was noted that some police departments do not like to put up such signs as it gives the parents and children the impression that it is ok to play in or near the street. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to table any further discussion until Chief Deel had a chance to monitor the traffic situation on that street and the usefulness of such signs. Motion carried unanimously.

**New Business:**

**D. Discussion and approval of Memorandum of Agreement for Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan with Moore, Lee, Chatham and Harnett Counties.**

FEMA now would like states to have Regional Hazard Mitigation Plans rather than each municipality or county having separate ones. The Memorandum of Agreement would authorize the state Emergency Management office to prepare an application for grant funds to cover the cost of preparing such a plan. Commissioner Cirone made a motion to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

**E. Approve resolutions to accept transfer rights of watershed in our ETJ from Moore County.**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the resolution to accept transfer rights for the Little River (Vass) watershed from Moore County. Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Callahan made a motion to approve the resolution to accept transfer rights for the Little River (Intake No. 2) watershed from Moore County. Motion carried unanimously.

**F. Award \$100 to First Bank for entering Most Improved Business contest.**

Town Administrator reported that First Bank was the only business to enter the contest and had planted flower beds around their sign, in front of the entrance and at the rear entrance to the building. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to award the \$100 to First Bank. Motion carried unanimously.

**G. Approve 2011-2012 Budget Amendments.**

Town Administrator explained that the amendments were necessary to cover the increased cost of fuel used by the police department and the need to purchase new computers, monitors and backup/surge protectors for the police department after a recent storm damaged them. The revenue for the computer equipment will come from the Unauthorized Substance Abuse funds designated for the police department and the remainder of the revenue necessary will come from reductions in expenses in the Transportation budget and from the Beer and Wine tax received from the state which was \$2,000 more than originally budgeted. Commissioner Cirone made a motion to approve the \$3,542 increase in revenue and expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

**H. Report of meeting with Waste Management regarding possible extension of contract.**

Solid Waste Commissioner Cirone reported that she and the Town Administrator had met with a representative of Waste Management at the request of Waste Management regarding the possibility of extending their contract which will expire on June 30, 2013. Nothing was in writing, but it was suggested that they might forego the CPI increase of 2.9% for this fiscal year and possibly reduce the fuel surcharge from 13% to possibly 10%. There was also the discussion of possibly supplying the recycling container for free. Waste Management is to put their offer of concessions in writing for review at our July meeting. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to table further discussion until the July meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

**I. Discussion and approval of 2012-13 Budget Ordinance.**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the 2012-13 Budget Ordinance as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

At this time Commissioner Kellis also approved a resolution to unrestrict fund balance previously earmarked for future Separation Allowance Payments and place them in the unrestricted fund balance for the year ending June 30, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

**J. 9-11 Ceremony**

Commissioner Kellis asked board members if they wanted to do another 9-11 ceremony this year and what date it would be held on. Since last year's ceremony was on the tenth anniversary it was thought that we might not get as much participation for a ceremony this year and perhaps we can do a remembrance that would not be quite as big as last year's. Commissioners wanted more time to think about it and Commissioner Kellis said he would bring back more information at the July meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Commissioner Kellis made a motion to adjourn at 8:20 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

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Matthew Callahan, Mayor Pro Tem

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