

**TOWN OF VASS  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
June 08, 2020**

The Regular Meeting was called to order by Mayor Callahan at 6:24 p.m. In attendance were Mayor Callahan, Commissioners Blackwell, Callahan, Kellis, Kosem and Mosley.

**A. Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Callahan asked if there were any additions to the Agenda. Commissioner Kellis added items I, J, K and L.

Mayor Callahan asked for a motion to approve the agenda and consent agenda. Commissioner Callahan made a motion to approve. All were in favor.

**B. Consent Agenda**

Items approved by above motion were:

1. Minutes of May 18, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

**C. Public Comments:**

**There were two citizens via Zoom. Mayor Callahan moved to have Public comments before the Police Report**

Kellen Odom participated via Zoom. Mr. Odom discussed the pictures and videos of drainage problems at his home on Cameron Avenue. He has not gotten any cooperation from the developers (Casavant & Ascot). He feels he is at an impasse with the developers.

Commissioner Callahan the builder and developer are not doing what they are supposed to be doing to rectify this matter. He asked Mabel Walden to see if attorney Morphis could take a look at the watershed ordinance to see if there is anything the town could require the builder to do. He feels the houses were not constructed in accordance with the watershed ordinance.

Mayor Callahan asked if Mr. Odom had an attorney. Mr. Odom said he did not and feels the fee of \$4,000 that he was quoted would be pretty close to the cost to repair the issues. Mr. Odom said he spoke to Moore County about his problems and they informed him the house was build to code. He also spoke to the warranty company and was not getting any cooperation from them.

Mayor Callahan said the board would try to do what they can do within their power.

Joe and Sadie Melody joined the meeting via Zoom. The Melody's purchased a home on Hampstead Place. They are experiencing flooding in their backyard. Caviness and Cates was the builder. The builder put a French drain on the right side of the house. The builder sent out their landscaper and told them landscaping was not covered under the warranty. They landscaper regraded the property

and the problem has not been rectified. They feel the builder is tap dancing around the issues and they are looking for guidance from the town.

Commissioner Callahan informed the Melody's the problem they are having is a private matter and the town's hands are tied.

Mayor Callahan and Commissioner Callahan agreed to take a look at the property on June 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

Commissioner Callahan feels the town needs to revamp the review process by requiring topography / proposed contours and foundation surveys.

#### **D. Police Report: Officer Haddock**

Chief Beck was not present therefore Officer Haddock gave the monthly report and gave an update on the vehicles. He stated the cost to outfit the cars would be \$6,000 each, with the staff doing the work the cost was reduced to a total of \$2,500 for all three. Officer Miller showed the board the new police patch and decal for the police cars.

#### **Old Business:**

None

#### **New Business:**

E. Commissioner Blackwell made a motion to approve 2020-2021 Budget Ordinance. All were in favor.

F. Commissioner Kellis made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between County of Moore and Town of Vass pertaining to Vass Phase 2 Sewer Project. All were in favor.

G. Commissioner Mosley made a motion to approve the Final Settlement Agreement between Caviness Land Development and Town of Vass regarding Union Place. All were in favor.

#### **Discussion Topics:**

H. On behalf of their client, Zach Ivey from Par Five asked to have the board consider a voluntary annexation on Grant Road. The board asked the police officers if the addition would pose a problem to them. The response was the location would not be a problem. If approved, the property would be used to build a Dollar General store. All board members were open to the annexation with the condition of adding a restaurant to the plan.

I. Commissioner Kellis informed the board Max Myer (the young man building the GaGa Pit) is short funds by approximately \$380.00. He asked if the town could pay half and the American Legion the other half. All were in favor of donating \$160.00 to Mr. Meyer.

J. Discussion was held on the park and whether to open it or keep it closed. Mr. Brewer stated he had a colleague that could come check out the safety of the park and fall zones. He will schedule the meeting and coordinate with Commissioner Kellis.

K. Commissioner Kellis informed the board he submitted comments to RULAC regarding upcoming grants they will have available to municipalities. He asked if the board agreed with him doing further research on these grants. All were in favor.

L. Commissioner Kellis asked if there was any thing that can be done about spectrum cable in the road on Poplar Street. Mabel Walden said she would look into this.

**Adjournment**

Mayor Callahan asked for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Callahan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

TOWN OF VASS

  
Henry E. Callahan, Mayor

ATTEST:   
Mabel A. Walden, Town Clerk