

MINUTES
VILLAGE OF FLAT ROCK AGENDA WORKSHOP
ASSEMBLY ROOM – VIA ZOOM
NOVEMBER 2, 2020
9:30 AM

Mayor Weedman presided over the November 2, 2020, agenda meeting at 9:30 a.m. Those present in addition to Mayor Weedman were Vice Mayor Jamerson, Council Members Carpenter, Coletta, Dethero, Gooch, Posey, Village Clerk Parker and Village Administrator Christie.

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Weedman led the group in a moment of silent meditation. He then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda

A draft agenda for the November 12, 2020, council meeting was presented, and the following items were added: Under *Old Business – Item #7 – Council Workshop*, and *New Business – Item #8 – Historic Landmarks Commission*. With no further changes, Mayor Weedman stated an agenda has been set.

Discussions:

Budget Officer Jamerson will prepare a budget adjustment of \$2,000.00 to Audit Services, for the requirement by the State to have an expert review the Village's financial statements prepared by Auditor Carl Shaw. Mr. Shaw will be attending the November 30, 2020, agenda meeting to give a presentation of the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 audit.

Council will take action on November 17, 2020, 9:30 am via Zoom, regarding the two public hearings held at the November 12, 2020, council meeting.

Park Ranger John Wilkerson gave an update on the condition of the park after the flooding last week. A tree fell across King Creek onto park property from Staton Woods that Joe Henski of FitzSimons Property Services is removing. John will be getting estimates from both Trace and Company and a contractor from Mills River on repairing the trail damages.

Council Member Carpenter reported in August that the Village Council, after receiving complaints of speeding along Greenville Highway, requested Mr. Steve Cannon of NCDOT to reduce the speed limit to 25 mph for $\frac{3}{4}$ mile from Woodfield Inn to Rutledge Drive. Mr. Cannon reported NCDOT will need to prepare a study that could take 6 – 8 weeks to complete.

Council Member Carpenter received NCDOT's study on October 30, 2020, with a proposal of NCDOT agreeing to lower the speed limit to 25 mph for ½ mile from Woodfield Inn Drive to just north of the Flat Rock Playhouse. Council Member Carpenter made a motion to accept the offer from NCDOT to lower the speed limit on Greenville Highway between Woodfield Inn Drive to just north of the Flat Rock Playhouse to 25 mph. The motion was seconded by Council Member Coletta and carried by unanimous vote.

Council Member Carpenter mentioned the Park Commission briefly discussed at their last meeting some ideas on how to handle the complaint from a resident of Highland Golf Villas regarding the noise from the playground. The Park Commission will discuss this further at their November 19, 2020, meeting.

Council Member Coletta mentioned West Blue Ridge Road will be closed in both directions due to the hole in the road at Mill House Lodge caused by the flooding.

Council Member Coletta reported Governor Cooper extended the deadline until November 13, 2020, under Executive Order 171, Phase 3, which allows the maximum number of 25 people in an inside gathering.

Council Member Posey and husband Mark Warwick are participating in the Henderson County Public Health Department mask campaign.

Council Member Posey met with Planning Board Chairman Barbara Platz and Luke Hunter who expressed ideas on how the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment can work together. Planning Board will be meeting November 10, 2020.

Council Member Posey mentioned Shred Day is scheduled for Saturday, November 21, 2020, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm, with drug drop-off and collection of canned goods for IAM.

Vice Mayor Jamerson mentioned she had a conference call on October 21, 2020, with First Citizens representatives Amy Jones, Lee Love, Rafe Westbrook, and Kevin Greene to discuss the proposal of fees for the Village accounts starting the beginning of 2021. To remain with the current services the fees will be \$57.50/month. First Citizens recommends fraud protection, a service we currently do not obtain. Vice Mayor Jamerson also received a quote of fees from TD Bank of \$126/month. Vice Mayor Jamerson recommends that we continue having our accounts with First Citizens.

Council Member Coletta gave an update on the PARTF process stating we have gotten the required site plan from WGLA Engineering, and there needs to be a change in the deed. We

have received the deed language from NCDOT, which has been given to Attorney Sharon Alexander to prepare a new deed. Administrator Christie will contact Attorney Alexander to get the status of the deed and the appraisal.

Administrator Christie mentioned Attorney Sharon Alexander will attend the November 12, 2020, council meeting via Zoom. Ms. Christie will be sending council members the staff reports for the two public hearings to be heard at the council meeting.

Council Member Posey asked everyone to keep Carolyn Maloy in their thoughts and prayers as she has been very ill. Council expressed sympathy of the passing of Mary Jane McDonnell, a month after the passing of her husband Chris McDonnell. Mayor Weedman suggested dedicating the next ice cream social to Chris & Mary Jane McDonnell. County Commissioner William Lapsley has been in the hospital with health issues but is improving.

With no further discussions, Council Member Carpenter made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Council Member Coletta. The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Michelle Parker, CMC
Village Clerk

Nick Weedman
Mayor