

**TOWN OF GRIFTON  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MEETING  
December 4, 2018**

**Present:** Mayor B.R. Jackson; Commissioners Will Barnes, Johnny Craft, Claude Kennedy, Raymond Oakes; Interim Manager Mark Warren

**Absent:** Commissioner Mary Grace Bright

Mayor Jackson called the meeting to order.

Mayor Jackson led the Board of Commissioners in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

**Award Presentation**

Chief Brian Silva presented the following awards:

Officer Scott Venable was presented the Police Department Life Saving Award and the Law Enforcement Purple Heart.

Retired Chief Linwood Outlaw and Retired Assistant Chief William George were presented with the Police Department Purple Heart.

**Recognition of Persons to be Heard:**

None

**Discussion Items**

1. Appointment of vacancy to fill unexpired term of Commissioner Bright.  
Commissioner Barnes made a motion to accept Commissioner Bright's resignation. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Craft. The motion carried unanimously.  
Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to appoint Angela Gay to fill the current vacancy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Craft. The motion carried unanimously.  
The Board welcomed Ms. Gay to the Board.
2. Recommendation from Planning Board to consider authorizing public hearing on January 8, 2019 for text amendment to Zoning Ordinance for the following request:
  - a. (a)Request form Karly Radford for a text amendment to allow electronic gaming/bingo operations in Highway B-1 District (Applicant request and minutes of Planning Board meeting attached).The Board asked Manager Warren to place this item on the consent agenda at the next regular meeting.

### **Manager Report**

Manager Warren informed the Board that a sewer inspection by the Division of Water Quality was done several months ago and part of the report requires us to purchase a new sewer bypass pump/generator. We are in the process of obtaining quotes in hopes of having them by the next meeting. He also stated that this is a mandatory purchase to keep us from being fined in the future.

Manager Warren reported that he was able to negotiate the fence at the Depot down to \$2600.00 and it should be installed in the next several weeks.

### **Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Barnes commented that he does not feel the RV Park should be restored due to the amount of money that has already been lost.

Commissioner Barnes asked if Barnhill has been contacted concerning the streets.

Manager Warren stated that he has a meeting on Wednesday with the engineer.

Commissioner Oakes expressed his concerns about the dead trees that the solar farm has on Church Street.

Manager Warren stated that he would make contact with them because they are supposed to keep them maintained.

Commissioner Oakes asked if we have had any contact with Duke Energy recently.

Manager Warren stated they indicated they would make contact before the holidays but he has not heard anything.

Commissioner Kennedy welcomed Ms. Gay to the Board.

Commissioner Kennedy expressed his appreciation to the Police Department.

Ms. Gay thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve and stated that she will do what she can for our Town.

There being no further business Commissioner Kennedy made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Craft. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted

Angel Hudson

Town Clerk