Town of Mars Hill MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN Special Meeting

July 14, 2011 5:00 p.m.

Town Hall

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Chandler; Aldermen Nicholas (Nick) Honeycutt, Stuart Jolley, Robert W. (Bob) Zink

OTHERS PRESENT: Darhyl Boone, Town Manager

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Chandler. With no changes, a motion was made by Bob Zink to accept the Agenda as presented. The motion received a second from Nick Honeycutt and was unanimously approved.

Darhyl Boone presented to the Mayor and Board the contracts for the energy efficiency upgrade on municipal buildings and explained that the contracts total \$63,043.50. Darhyl explained that additional lighting at the Water Treatment Plant and Recreation Park and a new heating and cooling system at the Fire Department was included in the work causing the project to be over budget by \$22,061.50. The Town will receive \$41,082.00 in grant funds, from the State Energy Office, for this work and the annual energy savings is projected to be about \$10,000.00. The Mayor & Aldermen were in agreement that the additional \$22,061.50 would be a good investment with a pay back in approximately two years; thus, the contracts should be approved as presented. A motion was made by John Chandler that the contracts be approved and the additional \$22,061.50 would come one half from reserves in the Water and Sewer Fund and one half in the General Fund as a project amendment.

The contracts approved are as follows: Rutheford - \$8,130.00, HVAC for heating and cooling at Water Treatment Plant; Bolton Company, \$17,600.00 HVAC for Fire Department and gas tube heaters at Wastewater Plant; Britton Pack, \$670.00 for hot water heater at the Water Treatment Plant; Bolton Company, \$9,350.00 for new bay doors at the Water Treatment and Wastewater Plants; Graybar, \$16,552.00 for new lighting fixtures for Town Hall, Fire Department, Water Plant, Wastewater Plant and Recreation Park; Electric Incorporated, \$9,500.00 for installation of lighting fixtures at all locations. Additional expenses of \$1,241.50 will be incurred for advertising and administration.

The motion by Mayor Chandler also included that the Town Manager, Darhyl Boone, be authorized to sign the contracts after Attorney Larry Leake has finished his review. The motion received a second from Bob Zink and was unanimously approved.

Under Other Business there was general discussion about the old Town Hall building, an electronic sign at the Visitor Center and vacancies on the Zoning Board of Adjustment. No formal action was taken.

With no Public Comment, Bob Zink made a motion, second from Stuart Jolley, to adjourn. Motion received unanimous approval.