

Town of Mars Hill

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

John L. Chandler

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MINUTES REGULAR MEETING Mars Hill Town Hall – Conference Room August 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

The Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session on Monday, August 4, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the Mars Hill Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor

Mayor John Chandler; Aldermen Larry Davis, Nicholas Honeycutt, Stuart Jolley,

and Robert W. (Bob) Zink

STAFF PRESENT:

Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager; Larry Leake, Town Attorney; and Chad

Wilson, Police Chief

OTHERS PRESENT:

Johnny Casey, New-Record & Sentinel; Doug Hattaway (Trust for Public Land), Ryan Bell, Monica Buckner, Sebastian Dunn, William Sewell, Fuller Crowley, Maggi Ball, Sara deFosset, Nick Spero, Stephanie Phillips, and other members of

the general public

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Chandler. Mayor Chandler welcomed those in attendance.

Approval of the Agenda

Mayor Chandler asked the Board to review the proposed agenda for approval. Upon review of the agenda, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Nicholas Honeycutt made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Alderman Stuart Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the agenda was unanimously approved. (Attachment A)

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Chandler asked the Board to review the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 2, 2025, and the special meeting held June 24, 2025. There being no modifications to the minutes, Alderman Jolley made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025, regular meeting and June 24, 2025, special meeting as presented by management. Alderman Larry Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Old Business

Mayor Chandler then moved to address old business.

Tropical Storm Helene - Update

Mayor Chandler recognized Town Manager Nathan Bennett to provide an update on the Town response to Tropical Storm Helene. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that all town activities related to Tropical Storm Helene are complete, including receipt of payment for FEMA Public Assistance for response and recovery. Mr. Bennett

advised the Board that the local state of emergency proclamation that was issued by the Town on September 25, 2024, is no longer necessary. Mr. Bennett recommended the Board terminate the local state of emergency as described in the draft "Proclamation – Terminating Local State of Emergency," in the Board documents. Upon completing discussion of the matter, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Honeycutt made a motion to approve the "PROCLAMATION – Terminating Local State of Emergency," regarding Tropical Storm Helene, as presented. Alderman Bob Zink seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was unanimously approved. (Attachment B)

Trust for Public Land - Bailey Mountain/Bone Camp Road Acquisition

Mayor Chandler then moved to the Bailey Mountain/Bone Camp Road Acquisition item and recognized Mr. Bennett to provide an update. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that Mr. Doug Hattaway, Trust for Public Land (TPL), is also present to confirm the details of discussions and answer any questions. Mr. Bennett then summarized the activities to date, including discussions by a working group including the Town Manager, TPL, Madison Conservancy, and the Friends of Bailey Mountain, to develop proposed language for future agreements regarding property acquisition and ownership. Mr. Bennett reiterated that the West Farm project is the Town's primary consideration and that the Town is not in a position to put cash into the Bone Camp project and will not be able to contribute in any way financially to the purchase of the property. However, Mr. Bennett advised the Board that discussions with the working group confirm that the Town would be willing to accept ownership of the property for stewardship subject to certain provisions that are still in development with the Town Attorney, and all interested parties. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that the immediate issue at hand is the desire of the Trust for Public Land to submit a grant application to the federal funding source Land and Water Conservation Fund State Side, which are National Park Service funds administered by the NC Department of Cultural and Natural Resources. This grant must be submitted by a local government entity, and as TPL is not a governmental entity they are asking the Town to be the grant applicant. TPL will complete all grant preparation and present a final product to the Town for the Town to submit. The Town would be the applicant and remain responsible for all aspects of the grant fund should an award be made. Mr. Bennett asked Mr. Hattaway with TPL if that was a fair representation of the issue at hand, and Mr. Hattaway concurred. Mr. Bennett then advised the Board that at this time, if it would be the Board's pleasure, that he be authorized to cooperate and coordinate with the Trust for Public Land to prepare and submit a grant application from the Town of Mars Hill as described for the acquisition of the Bone Camp property. Alderman Jolley asked Mr. Bennett if he was comfortable with this proposal. Mr. Bennett confirmed that he is comfortable with this process. Alderman Jolley then asked Town Attorney Larry Leake if he was comfortable with this proposal and Mr. Leake confirmed that he is. Mayor Chandler asked if all the Boards previous questions and concerns had been or will be addressed in these documents as discussed. Mr. Leake advised that there were no concerns with any legal issues. Alderman Jolley made a motion that the Town Board authorize the Town Manager to engage and continue in partnership in the negotiations with the Bone Camp Road acquisition project with the Trust for Public Land and Mr. Doug Hattaway, specifically to include the Town of Mars Hill as an applicant for a grant from the NC Land and Water Fund. Alderman Honeycutt seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was unanimously approved. Mr. Hattaway provided an update on the grant application process. He advised that TPL will take advantage of the courtesy review by state staff of the draft grant application by the end of August, which will result in a stronger application in advance of the final submission. The final application is due November 1. Mr. Hattaway advised the Board he looks forward to working with Mr. Bennett to ensure that they put their best foot forward on behalf of the Town. Alderman Jolley thanked Mr. Bennett and Mr. Leake for their work on this matter. Mayor Chandler thanked everyone for their ongoing efforts.

New Business

Mayor Chandler then moved to address new business.

Capital Project Ordinance - Calvin Edney Road Water/Wastewater Extension Project

Mayor Chandler recognized Town Manager Nathan Bennett to provide information regarding the proposed water and wastewater project for the Calvin Edney Road/Exit 11 interchange area. Mr. Bennett provided an update on the project status which includes approximately 1,200 LF of new 8-inch gravity sewer and 2,200 LF of 8-inch water line and appurtenances. He stated that McGill engineers have completed survey and site data collection and are in the process of finalizing the proposed design and engineering scope of work that will be consistent with available funding. Mr. Bennett reminded the Board that the project will be funded by an Appalachian Regional Commission grant of \$299,800 and a Dogwood Health Trust grant of \$330,000 for a total project budget of \$629,800. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that this project will likely cross budgetary fiscal years requiring a capital project ordinance to allow for proper accounting and recognition of the project for auditing purposes. Mr. Bennett presented and reviewed in detail the proposed Capital Project Ordinance for the Calvin Edney Road/Exit 11 Water & Wastewater System Improvements project. Upon completing discussion of the matter, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Jolley made a motion to approve the "Capital Project Ordinance for the Calvin Edney Road/Exit 11 Water & Wastewater System Improvements – Ordinance 301."

Alderman Davis the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was unanimously approved. (Attachment C)

Voluntary Annexation Petition - 1053 Crossroads Parkway - Little Ivy Baptist Church

Mayor Chandler then recognized Mr. Bennett to provide information regarding a Voluntary Annexation Petition received from Little Ivy Baptist Church. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that a petition was received July 28, 2025, from representatives for Little Ivy Missionary Baptist Church requesting voluntary annexation to the Town of Mars Hill corporate limits. Mr. Bennett stated that the petition was precipitated due to an initial request from the church for municipal water service. As per town policy, properties must be located inside the municipal jurisdiction to receive such service. This property is located at 1053 Crossroads Parkway and is identified by Madison County Parcel Identification Number 9757-34-0194. Mr. Bennett advised that the petition application includes a copy of the subject property deed, survey, and a map from Madison County GIS. Mr. Bennett advised that this property is not adjacent to existing municipal boundaries, and this would be a "non-contiguous annexation" should it be approved. Mr. Bennett further advised that the property is near existing town utilities. Mr. Bennett stated he recommends the Board take the request under consideration and adopt resolutions directing the required clerk investigation and set a date for the required public hearing. Upon completion of discussion of the petition and proposed resolutions, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Honeycutt made a motion to approve the resolution titled "RESOLUTION - Directing Clerk Investigate a Petition for Annexation" for 1053 Crossroads Parkway, and the resolution titled "RESOLUTION - Fixing Date of Public Hearing on Questions of Annexation," setting the required public hearing for the Board's next regular meeting on September 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., as presented. Alderman Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment D)

RESOLUTION – Planning and Zoning Board – Appointment of Members with Expiring Terms

Mayor Chandler then recognized Mr. Bennett to provide information regarding planning and zoning board members. Mr. Bennett stated the terms of three current members of the Town Planning and Zoning Board expired June 30. Those individuals are long-time members Bernard Briggs, Augusta Jenkings-Gladding, and Bruce Murray. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that all three of these members were advised of the term expiration at the last Planning and Zoning Board meeting in July and each of them expressed their willingness to be reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Board if it is the pleasure of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen. Mr.

Bennett advised the Board that these members, and all planning board members, are exceptionally good and faithful members that are diligent in this important work and recommended their reappointment. Mayor Chandler made a motion to approve the resolution titled "RESOLUTION – Appointing Members of the Planning and Zoning Board for the Town of Mars Hill," specifically reappointing Benard Briggs, Augusta Jenkins-Gladding, and Bruce Murray to a two (2) year term to expire June 30, 2027. Alderman Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment E)

RESOLUTION – Surplus Property

Mr. Bennett provided information to the Board concerning the proposed resolution to dispose of town-owned surplus property. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that the town owns a 2016 Dodge Charger, VIN: 2C3CDXKT8GH293755 assigned to the police department, that is currently beyond useful life for town operations and has been taken out of active service. Mr. Bennett stated that the proposed resolution describes the item in full, declares it surplus property, and authorizes the Town Manager to dispose of those items by methods pursuant to authority granted by NC General Statutes 160A-266 and 160A-274 et al. Upon completion of discussion by the Board, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Honeycutt made a motion to approve "RESOLUTION – Authorizing Sale of Personal Property Worth Less Than \$30,000 (NCGS 160A, Article 12)," as presented. Alderman Zink seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment F)

Tax Collector Annual Settlement for FY 2024-25

Mayor Chandler then recognized Mr. Bennett to provide information regarding the Annual Settlement of Taxes for FY 2024-2025 as prepared and submitted by Tax Collector Stephanie Payne. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that the 2024 tax levy was \$985,400.48 on total property value of \$289,823,645. Of the levy amount, \$942,488.46 has been collected, yielding a collection rate to date of 95.79%. Mr. Bennett noted the list of outstanding property tax accounts for real and business personal property and discussed possible additional collection enforcement measures. Alderman Honeycutt, Mayor Chandler, and other members discussed the status of those outstanding accounts and the need for them to become current on their delinquent tax obligation. Upon completion of discussion of the tax settlement document, the consensus of the Board was to authorize the Tax Collector and Town Attorney to take all measures afforded to the Town by N.C. statutes to enforce collection of those accounts. (Attachment G)

ORDER OF COLLECTION - Collection of 2025 and Prior Years' Taxes

Mayor Chandler then recognized Mr. Bennett to present the Order of Collection document that authorizes and empowers the tax collector to collect the taxes set forth for FY 2025-26 and prior years. Upon completion of discussion of the Order of Collection document, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Honeycutt made a motion to approve the "ORDER OF COLLECTION – ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN PURSUANT TO NCGS 105-321 FOR THE COLLECTION OF FY 2026 AND PRIOR YEARS TAXES," as presented. Alderman Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment H)

September Meeting Date

Mayor Chandler then moved to discussion of the September 2025 meeting date. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that the September 1, 2025, meeting date falls on the Labor Day holiday. Mayor Chander made a motion to reschedule the September 2025 regular meeting to Monday, September 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. at the usual place in the Mars Hill Town Hall. Alderman Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was unanimously approved.

Town Manager Report - Nathan Bennett, Town Manager

General Update

Mayor Chandler then recognized Mr. Bennett to provide the Town Manager Report. Mr. Bennett discussed the proposed draft letter of support for a certificate of need application by AdventHealth to include a PET (positron emission tomography) scanner at their future Weaverville hospital. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that Advent intends to provide the full array of services at the Weaverville hospital that are essential for early detection and management of cancer, neurological conditions, and complex chronic diseases, and this PET scanner is a critical component for diagnostic and treatment services. Mr. Bennett provided a copy of the proposed letter for the Board's full review and consideration of authorization to send such a letter of support to the N.C. Division of Health Service Regulation, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section. Upon completing review and discussion of the letter of support, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. Alderman Honeycutt made a motion to approve the letter of support for the positron emission tomography (PET) scanner certificate of need application by AdventHealth for the future Weaverville hospital, as presented. Alderman Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment I)

Mr. Bennett then provided an update on the NC 213 waterline project, with current progress being made along Athletic Street with limited construction issues to note. Athletic Street has been closed during the construction of the waterline from Park Drive to the system connection point at Bailey Street and Athletic Street intersection. Everyone is hopeful the work on Athletic Street will be completed by the end of next week. Mr. Bennett noted that the waterline trench will be repaired and paved, however, the full street will be paved with an asphalt overlay as part of the project but that will likely not be completed until late September or October. Updates on that portion of the project and other developments will be shared as they become available.

Alderman Honeycutt asked if there was an update on Waffle House. Mr. Bennett advised that he had a conversation last week with the underlying property owner regarding property owner efforts with the Waffle House corporate office to return to the area of the former location now that it has been repaired. Mr. Bennett advised that he informed the property owner the Town fully supports the return of Waffle House and that the modifications to the site plan the owner proposed verbally would meet approval with Town regulations at such time they are formalized. This is an ongoing situation and Mr. Bennett advised he will provide the Board with any updates as they may develop. Mayor Chandler thanked Mr. Bennett for his report.

Public Comment

Mayor Chandler then moved to public comment. Mayor Chandler recognized Stephanie Phillips to provide comments. Ms. Phillips read a prepared statement expressing thanks and appreciation for town and other agency response efforts to Hurricane Helene. She also discussed her family heritage and issues she considers part of national security. There were no other speakers for public comment. Mayor Chandler then moved to the next agenda item.

Closed Session (Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a))

There was no closed session.

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, Mayor Chandler called for a motion to adjourn. Alderman **Zink made a motion to adjourn.** Alderman Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the motion to adjourn was unanimously approved.

Approved and authenticated this the ____8th ____ day of ____September___, 2025.

John E. Chandler, Mayor

ATTEST:

Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager

ATTACHMENT A



Town of Mars Hill

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AGENDA REGULAR MEETING Mars Hill Town Hall Conference Room August 4, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

- Call to Order Mayor John L. Chandler
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Approval of Minutes: June 2, 2025, Regular Meeting; June 24, 2025 Special Meeting
- 4. Old Business
 - a. TROPICAL STORM HELENE UPDATE
 - i. RESOLUTION Termination of State of Emergency
 - b. Trust for Public Land Bone Camp Road Acquisition Doug Hattaway
- 5. New Business
 - Capital Project Ordinance Calvin Edney Road Water/Wastewater Extension Project
 - b. Voluntary Annexation Petition 1053 Crossroads Parkway Little Ivy Baptist Church
 - i. RESOLUTION Directing Clerk to Investigate Petition
 - ii. RESOLUTION Fixing Date of Public Hearing on Questions of Annexation
 - c. RESOLUTION Planning and Zoning Board Appointment of members with expiring terms
 - d. RESOLUTION Surplus Property
 - e. Tax Collector Annual Settlement for FY 2024-25
 - f. ORDER OF COLLECTION Collection of 2025 and Prior Years' Taxes
 - g. September Meeting Date
- 6. Town Manager Report Nathan Bennett, Town Manager
 - a. General Update
- 7. Public Comment

[Policy: Each speaker shall be limited to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The public comment period is not intended to require the Board of Aldermen or staff to answer any impromptu questions. The Board will not take action on an item presented during the public comment period. The Board may refer inquiries made during the public comment period to the Town Manager to address as appropriate. If necessary, the item may be placed on the agenda of a future meeting.]

- 8. Closed Session (Pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a))
- 9. Adjourn

ATTACHMENT B



Town of Mars Hill

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PROCLAMATION TERMINATING LOCAL STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on September 25, 2024, the existence of a local state of emergency was determined to exist in the Town of Mars Hill due to the potential for significant impacts to life and property from TROPICAL STORM HELENE; and

WHEREAS, a proclamation of a Local State of Emergency for the Town of Mars Hill was declared due TROPICAL STORM HELENE consistent with the executive actions ordered by the Governor of the State of North Carolina regarding same; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that a Local State of Emergency no longer exists in the Town of Mars Hill.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the authority vested in the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen by the laws of the State of North Carolina, **IT IS ORDERED**:

Section 1. Termination of Local State of Emergency

The proclamation of a Local State of Emergency for the Town of Mars Hill and all of the restrictions and orders therein is hereby terminated.

Section 2. Effective Date of Termination

The termination of the Local State of Emergency for the Town of Mars Hill is effective at 12:00 a.m. on August 5, 2025.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina.

JOHN L. CHANDLER

Mayor

Attest:

STUART L JOLLEY,

Clerk

Town of Mars Hill

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ORDINANCE #: __301____

CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCE

CALVIN EDNEY ROAD/EXIT 11 WATER & WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

BE IT ORDAINED by the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen that, pursuant to Section 13.2 of Chapter 159 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the following capital project ordinance is hereby adopted:

- The project authorized by this ordinance is the CALVIN EDNEY ROAD/EXIT 11 WATER & WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS project to be financed as defined below.
- Section 2. The officers of this unit are hereby directed to proceed with implementation of this project within the terms of the budget contained herein.
- **Section 3.** The following amounts are appropriated for the project and authorized as expenditures for the project:

Item	Amount
Grant Administration/Environmental,	\$141,900
Planning, Engineering, Design, Construction	
Management, Survey, and Legal	
Construction, Building, and/or Renovation	\$445,400
Contingency	\$42,500
Total	\$629,800

Section 4. The following revenues are anticipated to be available to complete this project:

Item	Amount
Appalachian Regional Commission Grant	\$299,800
Dogwood Health Trust/Land of Sky Grant	\$330,000
Total	\$629,800

- Section 5. The Town Manager and Finance Officer are hereby directed to maintain sufficient specific detailed accounting records to satisfy the requirements of the grantor agency and the grant agreements, if applicable.
- **Section 6.** The Town Manager shall include an analysis of costs and revenues on this capital project in future budget submissions made to this Board.
- Section 7. Copies of this capital project ordinance shall be furnished to the Clerk to the Governing Board, and to the Town Manager, Budget Officer, and Finance Officer for direction in carrying out this project.

ADOPTED this the 4^{th} day of August, 2025.

ATTEST:

Stuart L. Jolley Town Clerk John L. Chandler, Mayor



Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen

RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE CLERK TO INVESTIGATE A PETITION RECEIVED UNDER G.S. 160A-58.1

WHEREAS, a petition requesting annexation of an area known as *Little Ivy Missionary Baptist Church, 1053 Crossroads Parkway, Mars Hill, NC 28754,* and fully described in said petition (Attached hereto as Exhibit 1) has been received on <u>July 28, 2025</u> by the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen; and

WHEREAS, G.S. 160A-58.2 provides that the sufficiency of the petition shall be investigated by the Town Clerk before further annexation proceedings may take place; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mars Hill deems it advisable to proceed in response to this request for annexation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mars Hill that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to investigate the sufficiency of the above described petition and to certify as soon as possible to the Board of Aldermen the result of the investigation.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina.

John L. Chandler, Mayor

Attest:

Stuart L. Jolley Clerk



Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen

RESOLUTION FIXING DATE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON QUESTIONS OF ANNEXATION PURSUANT TO N.C.G.S. 160A-58.2 AS AMENDED

WHEREAS,	a petition requesting	ng annexation of the non-contiguous area described herein has be	en
received on _	July 28, 2025	by the Town of Mars Hill Board of Aldermen; and	

WHEREAS, the Board of Aldermen has by Resolution directed the Town Clerk to investigate the sufficiency of said petition; and

WHEREAS, the certification by the Town Clerk as to the sufficiency of said petition has been made.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina:

Section 1. That a Public Hearing on the question of annexation of the contiguous area described herein will be held at the Mars Hill Town Hall, 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the 8th day of September, 2025.

Section 2. The area proposed for annexation is described as follows:

Little Ivy Missionary Baptist Church 1053 Crossroads Parkway, Mars Hill, NC 28754

(Insert metes and bounds description) - See Attached "Exhibit 1"

Sections 3. Notice of said Public Hearing shall be published in The News Record-Sentinel, a newspaper having general circulation in the Town of Mars Hill, at least ten (10) days prior to the date of said Public Hearing.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina.

ohn L. Chandler, Mayor

Attest;

Stuart L. Jolley.



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Town of Mars Hill

PETITION REQUESTING A NON-CONTIGUOUS ANNEXATION

DATE: 7-28-25

TO: Board of Aldermen, Town of Mars Hill

- 1. We, the undersigned owners of real property, respectfully request that the area described in Paragraph 2 below be annexed to the Town of Mars Hill.
- 2. The area to be annexed is non-contiguous to the Town of Mars Hill and the boundaries of such territory are as follows:

(Insert Legal Metes and Bounds Description of Boundaries or attach Deed)

3. A map, and/or survey plat is attached showing the area proposed for annexation in relation to the primary corporate limits of the Town.

PRINTED NAME SIGNATURE ADDRESS I VALLEY DL. MALS HILL DEACON 2. TOCY Milbe 3. MARS HELL 4.

Town of Mars Hill

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

Prepared By Larry Leake

COUNTY OF MADISON.

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THIS INDENTURE, made this day of June, 1995 by and between

CLIVE M. WHITT and Wife, EULA B. WHITT

hereinafter called Grantors, and
LITTLE IVY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

hereinafter called Grantees, (said designations shall include the respective parties, whether one or more, individual or corporate, and their respective successors in interest or assigns).

WITHESSETB: That the Grantors, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars, and other good and valuable considerations to them in hand paid by the Grantees, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have given, granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents do give, grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto the Grantees their heirs and/or successors and assigns (subject, however, to any conditions, restrictions, limitations, reservations or exceptions appearing after the description below), the following particularly described real estate, located in Madison County, North Carolina, to-wit:

BEGINNING at an oak stump and metal post in the Clive Whitt and Robert Phillips line N 10:30 W 7 poles to a black oak stump and corner post, then up and with the extreme top of said ridge as follows: N 30 E 13 poles, N 14:45 E 12 poles to a white oak, then N 28:15 W 7 poles to the highway, thence down said highway to a metal post and clump of sourwood sprouts, thence E in a straight line to the beginning corner.

This being a portion of that property appearing as the second deed in Deed Book 90, page 422 in the Office of the Madison County Register of Deeds.

The Grantors hereby specifically reserve unto themselves a thirty (30) foot right of way crossing the property conveyed herein and extending to other property owned by them for their unrestricted use and for the unrestricted use of their assigns. The location of said right of way to be fixed on the ground by the Grantors at a later date.



TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the above described land and premises, with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, unto the Grantees, their heirs and/or s and assigns forever.

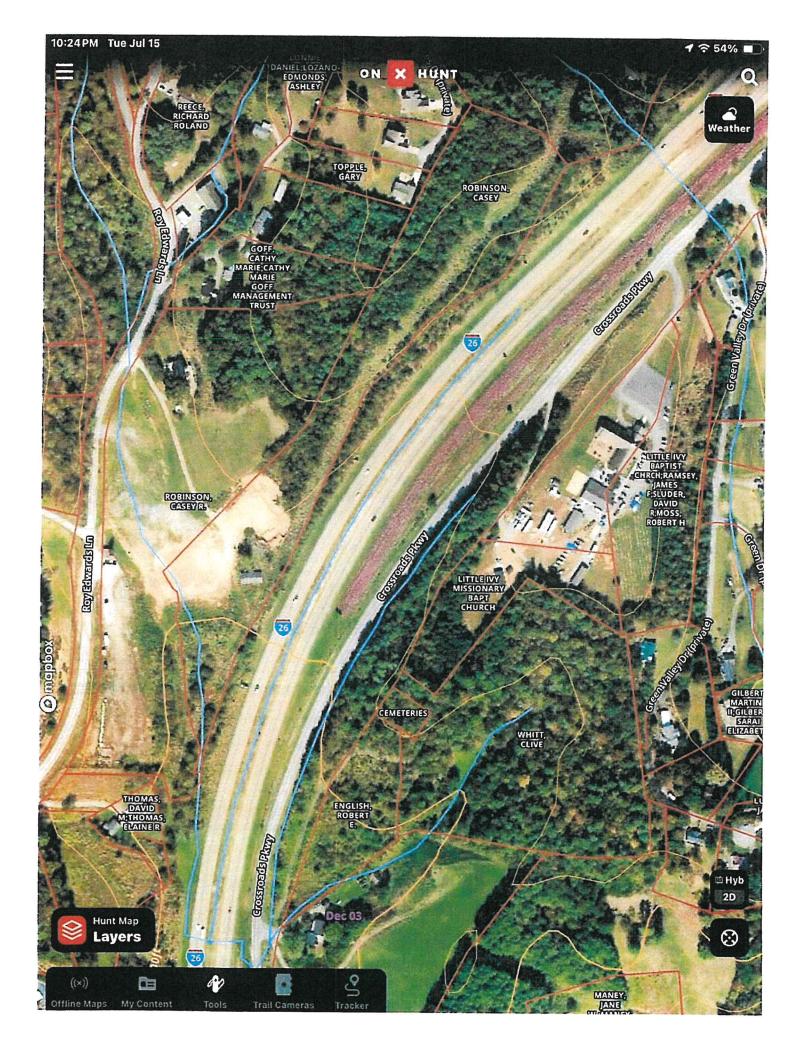
And the Grantors covenant to and with the Grantees, their heirs and/or successors and assigns, that the Grantors are lawfully seised in fee simple of said land and premises, and have full right and power to convey the same to the Grantees in fee simple, and that said land and premises are free from any and all encumbrances (with the exceptions above stated, if any), and that they will and their heirs, executors, administrators and/or successors shall forever varrant and defend the title to the said land and premises, with the appurtenances, unto the Grantees, their heirs and/or successors and assigns, against the lawful claims of all persons whomsoever.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantors have hereunto set their hands and seals, or, if corporate, has caused this deed to be executed by its duly authorized officers and its seal to be hereunto affixed, the day and year first above written.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF MADISON	-		
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My commission expires:			, Notar; Public
STATE OF WORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF MADISON Each of the foregoing certificates, name a notary or Noteries public of the State and This the Loth day of July Filed for registration on the Loth day of and recorded in Book at page	d county	designated is certified to be correct.	А н.





Property Summary

Tax Year: 2025

REID	1567	3	PIN		9757-34- 0194	Property	Owne		LITTLE IVY MISSIONAR CHURCH	YBAPTIST	
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Administrative	Data			Transfer Inform	nation			Pro	perty Value		
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Old Map #				Deed Book		000220		Tota	Appraised Building		
Market Area		2050		Deed Page		00759		Valu	e		
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City			P	Package Sale P	rice			Tota	Appraised Value	400,000	•
Fire District		MARS HILL	L	and Sale Date					r Exemptions	\$58,998	R
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Land Class		EXEMPT VACANT							Value Deferred	112101000	•
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Building Summary

Misc Improvements Summary

Card #	Unit Quantity	Measure	Туре	Base Price	Size Adj Factor	Eff Year	Phys Depr (% Bad)	Econ Depr (% Bad)	Funct Depr (% Bad)	Common Interest (% Good)	Value
0	15000	SIZE	ASPHALT	\$2.75		2000	37	0	0		\$25,988
0	14x20	DIMENSIONS	STG SHED	\$9.00		2000	65	0	0		\$741
0	10x8	DIMENSIONS	STG SHED- MTL	\$7.70		2000	25	0	0		\$462

Total Misc Improvements Value Assessed: \$27,191

Land Summary

Land Class: EXEMPT VACANT			Deeded Acres: 0		Calculate		
Zoning	Soil Class	Description	Size	Rate	Size Adj. Factor	Land Adjustment	Land Value
R-1		31-MIXED-S	2.56 BY THE ACRE PRICE	\$16,700	0.744		\$31,807
Total Lan	d Value Asses	sed: \$31,807					

Ownership History

Owner Name	Deed Type	% Ownership	Stamps	Sale Price	Book	Page	Deed Date
Current LITTLE IVY MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH	DEED	100	0		000220	00750	1/1/2011

Notes Summary

Building Card	Date	Line	Notes
P	10/15/2019	0	NO CHANGE FOR 2020 REVAL
P	6/14/2018	1	LEGACY ACCOUNT NUMBER: 16981
P	6/14/2018	2	FROM LEGACY INSTRUMENTS TABLE: Imported from AS400
P	6/14/2018	3	LANDNOTES 1-7 FROM LEGACY PARCEL TABLE: SITE: OPEN: WOOD: UNDV: 2.560 9000 WAST:



Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen

RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD FOR THE TOWN OF MARS HILL

WHEREAS, the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen has heretofore adopted a Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Mars Hill, as required by statewide planning and zoning legislation, that being N.C.G.S. 160D, enacted by the North Carolina General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, that Zoning Ordinance provides for the appointment of a Planning and Zoning Board to be consistent with the provisions of N.C.G.S. 160D and the needs of the Town; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Board shall consist of five (5) members who reside within the Town and shall be appointed by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen to staggered two (2) year terms as defined in the Zoning Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen, by resolution dated September 11, 2023, appointed certain members to the Planning and Zoning Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina:

Section 1. The Mayor and Board of Aldermen hereby appoint and reappoint members of the Town

of Mars Hill Planning and Zoning Board as set forth in the following sections of this resolution

consistent with N.C.G.S. 160D and the Zoning Ordinance for the Town of Mars Hill.

Section 2. The following individuals are reappointed as members of the Planning and Zoning Board,

> consistent with the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, for the established terms set to expire June 30, 2025, to a two (2) year term effective immediately and shall expire on June 30, 2027:

Bernard Briggs, Augusta Jenkins-Gladding, and Bruce Murray.

Section 3. This resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Mars Hill.

Chandler, Mayor

Stuart L. Jolley





Town of Mars Hill

RESOLUTION

AUTHORIZING SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY WORTH LESS THAN \$30,000 (N.C.G.S. 160A, ARTICLE 12)

WHEREAS, the Town of Mars Hill owns certain items of personal property that have become surplus for its current needs; and

WHEREAS, North Carolina General Statute § 160A-266 and 160A-274 permits the Town to dispose of such property by methods more fully set forth in said statutes upon authorization by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at a regular meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Board of Aldermen is convened in a regular meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE TOWN OF MARS HILL THE FOLLOWING:

1. The Town Manager is authorized to dispose of the item(s) of surplus personal property identified as follows:

a. 2016 Dodge Charger - VIN 2C3CDXKT8GH293755

2. The Town Manager may dispose of such item(s) by any method deemed appropriate pursuant to the authority granted in North Carolina General Statute §160A-266 and 160A-274, and to include salvage disposal.

ADOPTED this the 4th day of August, 2025, by the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen.

JOHN L'. CHANDLER,

Mayor

Attest:

Town Clerk

SEAL SOATH CAROLINA

Town of Mars Hill Annual Settlement of the Tax Collector To the Governing Board

Property Value for 2024 Tax Billing	\$ 289,823,645.00
Total 2024 Tax Levy	\$ 985,400.48
Total 2024 Collections	\$ 942,488.46
Adjustments/Releases	\$ 5,471.25
Discoveries/Supplemental	\$ 5,215.95
Outstanding Balance	\$ 41,937.36
Interest/Penalty	\$ 10,658.99
Pre-Payments Collected	\$ 10,516.15
2024 Rate of Collections to Date	95.79%

^{*}List of outstanding accounts attached.

Measures to Collect:

Nov. 26, 2024-Property Tax Bills mailed to property owners.

Feb. 3, 2025- Second Notices mailed to all property owners with outstanding balances.

April 2, 2025- Past Due Statement mailed to all property owners.

May 1, 2025 - Final Notices Before Advertising.

June 3, 2025-Advertised Tax Leins in local paper.

June 10, 2025-Outstanding Tax Notices sent from Town Attorney

Taxes Collected from Madison County (07/01/2024-06/30/2025)

Mars Hill Fire District Tax -

\$1,268,044.89 \$ 84,140.93

Vehicular Tax-

Stephanie W. Payne

Tax Collector

Tax Delinquent Report By Year

Town of Mars Hill

Date: 7/31/2025

Account	Customer Name	Tax Year	Amount Owed
1944	AMMONS, L.W. JR	2024	\$707.29
1746	BARNES, BRYCE A.	2024	\$899.88
1186	BERNARD & KATHERYN COATES	2024	\$167.29
1430	BIG IVY GUN CLUB, LLC	2024	\$670.37
1975	BITCOIN DEPOT OPERATING, LLC	2024	\$18.94
1981	BLANKENSHIP, JACKSON D.	2024	\$2,136.62
1225	BLUE RIDGE KARATE CENTER	2024	\$172.79
1343	BLUE RIDGE OVERSTOCK	2024	\$55.31
1873	BOYLE ENTERPRISES, LLC	2024	\$1,380.54
1998	BRIGMAN, DOUGLAS WAYNE	2024	\$173.14
2011	BUCKNER, JAYNE	2024	\$9.30
2017	BUZYAN, VASILIY P & Vera N.	2024	\$560.68
2026	CAPOBIANCO, CHAD M	2024	\$53.38
1882	CHASTAIN GILREATH PROPERTIES, LLC	2024	\$1,701.20
1506	COLIMORIO-PANGLE, VIVIAN	2024	\$18.12
2061	COLLINS, SARALYN MONROE	2024	\$1,583.31
2075	CRESPO, CAITLIN D.	2024	\$669.91
2100	D.R. HORTON, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION	2024	\$1,617.17
2104	D.R. HORTON, INC., A DELAWARE CORPORATION	2024	\$1,683.29
1464	DS SERVICES OF AMERICA INC. DBA PRIMO WATER NORTH AMERICA	2024	\$4.24
2132	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$47.09
2133	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$1,276.06
2136	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$1,021.36
2137	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$677.68
2138	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$652.68
2139	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$615.67
2140	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$652.68
2141	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$458.94
2142	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$436.70
2146	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$1,186.97
2150	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$1,415.09
2151	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$1,192.63
2152	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$639.83
2153	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$691.41
2154	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$689.79
2155	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC	2024	\$755.70

Tax Delinquent Report By Year

Town of Mars Hill

Date: 7/31/2025

Account	Customer Name	Tax Year	Amount Owed
2156	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$652.68
2157	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$689.79
2158	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$654.80
2159	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$755.76
2160	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$458.94
2161	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$763.88
2163	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$436.70
2164	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$160.99
2165	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$393.23
2166	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$109.53
2167	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$109.53
2168	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$116.79
2169	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$109.53
2170	EDEN ROCK ENTERPRISES, LLC A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$118.28
1626	ELEVATE NUTRITION	2024	\$28.29
1645	GRAVES, JEREMY ADAM	2024	\$4.34
2216	GRIFFIN, LORRAINE	2024	\$1,129.96
2234	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$187.98
2235	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$50.16
2236	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$158.55
2237	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$176.88
2238	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$48.58
2239	HICKORY RIDGE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC., A NC NON-PROFIT CORPORATION	2024	\$87.65
1371	HIGGINS, AMY ROSE	2024	\$18.12
1654	JOHNSON, LAUREN KYE	2024	\$18.12
2276	JONES, JAMES	2024	\$1,049.00
1648	K & K CONSTRUCTION COMPANY INC	2024	\$54.35
2303	LANDMARK INFRASTRUCTURE OPERATING	2024	\$54.17
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Tax Delinquent Report By Year

Town of Mars Hill

Date: 7/31/2025

Account	Customer Name	Tax Year	Amount Owed
	COMPANY, LLC ATTN: MELISSA CATER	2.096.00	
643	LAWSON, DOROTHY	2024	\$18.12
2307	LENGSI, RICKY	2024	\$7.24
2313	LINEBERRY, LISA ANN	2024	\$2.89
1237	MADISON INSURANCE GROUP, INC.	2024	\$25.34
1922	MAINSTAY HEALTHCARE MARS HILL, LLC	2024	\$62.20
2331	MARS HILL RIDGE, LLC, A NC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY	2024	\$285.48
1635	MCCALL, CHRIS	2024	\$18.12
2343	MCGHEE, KAYLA	2024	\$353.84
665	MEADOWS, LEANNE	2024	\$18.12
2368	MOORE, FREDERICK DAVID	2024	\$3.65
2385	NGUYEN, ANDY	2024	\$2,019.43
2398	OUTRIDER USA	2024	\$22.64
1841	RAYMER, TIMOTHY D.	2024	\$187.93
753	REDBOX AUTOMATED RETAIL, LLC	2024	\$18.44
1807	REESE, MARLA	2024	\$137.70
2452	REESE, MARLA L	2024	\$225.56
493	REESE, MARLA L & MICHAEL D TENANTS IN COMMON	2024	\$18.12
2462	RICE, JOHN E	2024	\$1,100.56
1660	RIO'S MEXICAN KITCHEN	2024	\$22.64
1419	SACRED MOUNTAIN YOGA NC OM2 YOUR HOME	2024	\$44.25
2520	SIMONIE, NIKKI	2024	\$801.33
1863	SKULSKI, NICHOLAS ALEXANDER	2024	\$442.40
1659	SOUL PURPOSE SANCTUARY	2024	\$22.64
2554	THE LAW OFFICES OF BLACKWELL & BLACKWELL, P.L.L.C	2024	\$197.67
2557	THE NORTH AMERICAN HEAVY RESCUE SYMPOSIUM/NAHRS	2024	\$44.25
437	THE ORIGINAL PAPA NICK'S PIZZA & TAKE OUT	2024	\$94.30
1623	TOWN & COUNTRY PMS	2024	\$28.29
2576	TWIN WILLOWS DBA THE LODGE, LLC, A FLORIDA LLC	2024	\$320.42
2581	VANLIFE CONVERSIONS	2024	\$22.64
767	WHITAKER, SYVELLA	2024	\$18.12
2613	WOLFF HAVEN CLEANING	2024	\$22.64
1402	WRIGHT, FRED	2024	\$18.12
1655	WRITEWORKS GLOBAL	2024	\$22.64
	The section of control and section	Total Amount:	\$41,937.36

Tax Years and Totals

2024



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Nicholas A. Honeycutt
Vice-Mayor
Robert W. Zink
Treasurer
Stuart L. Jolley
Clerk
Larry H. Davis
Secretary

Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen

ORDER OF COLLECTION

ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN PURSUANT TO NCGS 105-321 FOR THE COLLECTION OF FY 2026 AND PRIOR YEARS' TAXES

TO THE TAX COLLECTOR OF THE TOWN OF MARS HILL:

You are hereby authorized, empowered, and commanded to collect the taxes set forth in the tax records filed in the Office of Administration and in the tax receipts herewith delivered to you, in the amounts and from the taxpayers likewise therein set forth. Such taxes are hereby declared to be a first lien upon all real property of the respective taxpayers in the Town of Mars Hill, and this order shall be a full and sufficient authority to direct, require, and enable you to levy on and sell any real or personal property of such taxpayers, for and on account thereof, in accordance with law.

ADOPTED this 4th day of August, 2025, by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Mars Hill, North Carolina.

John L. Chandler, Mayor

Attest:

Stuart L. Jolley, Clerk

The Order of Collection shall be entered into the minutes of the governing body as required by statute (NCGS 105-321(b).

TOWN OF MARS HILL
ORDER OF COLLECTION
COLLECTION OF FY 2026 AND PRIOR YEARS' TAXES



Town of Mars Hill

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September 17, 2025

Ms. Micheala Mitchell
Chief, Healthcare Planning and Certificate of Need Section
Division of Health Service Regulation
2704 Mail Center Service
Raleigh, NC 27699-2704

Dear Ms. Mitchell:

On behalf of the Town of Mars Hill, I am writing to express our full support for AdventHealth's Certificate of Need application to develop a fixed PET scanner at its approved hospital in Weaverville.

The Town of Mars Hill is committed to protecting and improving the health of our residents. As a rural community in Western North Carolina, we face unique challenges in ensuring timely access to specialized health services, particularly advanced diagnostic imaging such as positron emission tomography, or PET. These services are essential for the early detection and management of cancer, neurological conditions, and complex chronic diseases.

For many Madison County residents, the closest facility offering PET imaging is in Asheville. Given the mountainous geography and limited transportation options, the travel time, cost, and logistical burden can make it difficult for patients to complete necessary appointments. This can lead to delays in diagnosis and treatment, negatively impacting health outcomes for those already at risk.

The proposed fixed PET scanner at AdventHealth's hospital in Weaverville would offer a significantly closer and more convenient option for residents of Madison County. Located just outside the congestion of Asheville, the Weaverville location would reduce travel time and make it more feasible for patients to access high quality imaging services without the added stress of navigating a busy urban medical campus.

This project directly supports the Town of Mars Hill's mission to ensure that rural populations have equitable access to critical healthcare resources. By improving regional access to PET imaging, AdventHealth's proposal will help support earlier diagnosis, better care coordination, and improved outcomes for

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patients across our community.

For these reasons, we respectfully urge the Division of Health Service Regulation to approve AdventHealth's Certificate of Need application. A fixed PET scanner in Weaverville will expand access to essential diagnostic care and strengthen the healthcare infrastructure for Madison County and surrounding rural areas.

Warmest regards,

JOHN L. CHANDLER,

Mayor

Town of Mars Hill