



Town of Mars Hill

MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

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

MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING

Mars Hill Town Hall – Small Conference Room

August 7, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

The Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in special session on Monday, August 7, 2023, at 4:30 p.m. in the Mars Hill Town Hall. The meeting was held in accordance with public notice given pursuant to N.C.G.S. 160A-71 and 143-318.12(b)(2). (Attachment A)

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

STAFF PRESENT: Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager; Jamie Stokes, Town Attorney; Larry Leake, Attorney

OTHERS PRESENT: None

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 Bob Zink made a motion that the agenda be approved as presented.** Alderman Stuart Jolley seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the agenda was approved unanimously. (Attachment B)

Consultation with Town Legal Counsel pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3)

Mayor Chandler then addressed the only item for consideration on the agenda, that being consultation with town legal counsel regarding a legal matter. Town Attorney Jamie Stokes and attorney Larry Leake advised the Board that the information to discuss was subject to preservation of the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the Board, and recommended the Board enter closed session as permitted by state law. Mayor Chandler asked the Board if there was a motion to enter closed session as recommended. **Alderman Stuart Jolley made a motion to enter closed session to discuss a matter subject to preservation of the attorney-client privilege between the town attorney and the Board as permitted by NCGS 143-318.11(a)(3).** Alderman Larry Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Upon completion of discussion of the item subject to the closed session, Mayor Chandler called for a motion to end the closed session. **Alderman Jolley made a motion to end the closed session and return to open session.** Alderman Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the motion to return to open session was unanimously approved.


Open Session

Upon return to open session, Mayor Chandler stated there was no action to be taken regarding the closed session discussion.

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 11th day of September, 2023.


John L. Chandler, Mayor

ATTEST:



Nathan R. Bennett,
Town Manager





ATTACHMENT A

Notice of Special Meeting
for the
Town of Mars Hill
Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Scheduled for 7 August 2023

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen shall, pursuant to NC Gen. Stat. 160A-71 and NC Gen. Stat. 143-318.12(b)(2), hold a special meeting at the following designated place and time:

Date of Meeting: Monday, 7 August 2023

Time of Meeting: 4:30 p.m.

Place of Meeting: Mars Hill Town Hall
Small Conference Room
280 North Main Street
Mars Hill, North Carolina

Purpose of Meeting: Consultation with town legal counsel pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(3).

This the 2nd day of August 2023.

/s/
John L. Chandler, Mayor

Posted as required by NC Gen. Stat. 153A-40(b) and NC Gen. Stat. 143-318.12(b)(2) on this 2nd day of August, 2023 at 12:30 o'clock p.m.



Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager



ATTACHMENT B

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AGENDA

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1. Call to Order – *Mayor John L. Chandler*
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Consultation with town legal counsel pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11
4. Adjourn

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