

# Town of Mars Hill

# MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

## MINUTES EMERGENCY MEETING Mars Hill Town Hall – Small Conference Room September 20, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

The Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in emergency session on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 5:30 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)(3). (Attachment A)

MEMBERS PRESENT:	Mayor John Chandler; Aldermen Larry Davis, Nicholas Honeycutt (by phone), Stuart Jolley, and Robert W. (Bob) Zink.
STAFF PRESENT:	Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager; Jamie Stokes, Town Attorney (by phone)

OTHERS PRESENT: None.

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Chandler.

#### 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)

#### Personnel

Mayor Chandler then called for a motion for the Board to enter closed session to discuss a personnel matter. Alderman Jolley made a motion that the Board enter closed session to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to N.C.G.S. 143-318.11(a)(6). 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 return to open session. Alderman Zink made a motion that the Board 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 was approved unanimously.

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#### **Open Session**

Upon return to open session, Mayor Chandler made a motion upon consideration of the Town Manager recommendation, that Police Chief Jonathan Clark be suspended without pay until further notice. Alderman Zink seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote on the motion by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously.

#### <u>Adjourn</u>

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.

 $2^{nd}$ Approved and authenticated this the day of October , 2023. Thordles John L. Chandler, May ATTEST: TOWN MATC Nathan R. Bennett, CORPORATE Town Manager

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#### **ATTACHMENT A**



Notice of Special Meeting for the Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen Scheduled for 20 September 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)(3), hold an emergency meeting at the following designated place and time:

Date of Meeting:	Wednesday, 20 September 2023
Time of Meeting:	5:30 p.m.
Place of Meeting:	Mars Hill Town Hall Small Conference Room 280 North Main Street Mars Hill, North Carolina
Purpose of Meeting:	Personnel Matter – closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(6).

This the <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> day of September 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 <u>20<sup>th</sup></u> day of September, 2023 at <u>3:00</u> o'clock <u>p.m.</u>

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Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager



**ATTACHMENT B** 

# Town of Mars Hill

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

# MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN

AGENDA EMERGENCY MEETING Mars Hill Town Hall Small Conference Room September 20, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order Mayor John L. Chandler
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Personnel matter closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11(a)(6)
- 4. Adjourn

## Mars Hill Town Hall

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