

Town of Mars Hill
MAYOR & BOARD OF ALDERMEN
 Monthly Meeting

August 28, 2017

7:00 p.m.

Town Hall

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Darhyl Boone, Town Manager; Jamie Stokes, Town's Attorney; Cheryl Williams, Barbara Coulson, Lila Nikla, Tommy Justus

Mayor Chandler called the meeting to order with the first item of business being approval of the June, 2017, Minutes which were approved unanimously on a motion by Stuart Jolley and second by Larry Davis.

A motion was made by Bob Zink to approve the Agenda with a modification for Tommy Justus to submit a request to the Mayor & Aldermen. The motion received a second from Nick Honeycutt and unanimously approved.

Barbara Coulson, with the League of Women Voters, invited the Mayor & Aldermen to participate in a Candidates Forum for the November 7, election. The possible date of the forum is October 10, 2017. Invitations will be mailed confirming the date.

Tommy Justus submitted a request on behalf of Mike and Tina Murphy for the development of a memorial for their recently deceased son, Colby, at a designated site on the Otis Duck Greenway. The space will include one or more benches for resting, pavers, ground cover etc. The Mayor & Aldermen are in agreement with the request.

Bob Zink made a motion to approve the Amendment to the Rules & Regulations for water & sewer service (amendment attached). Stuart Jolley gave a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Stuart Jolley, second by Larry Davis, to approve a Resolution of Intent to Participate in the NC Deferred Compensation Plan, unanimous Decision.

Larry Davis made a motion to give approval for the Police Department to implement Wheel Lock Vehicle Immobilizers, for repeat offenders of unpaid parking citations, on vehicles that have an outstanding balance and parking citations that extend beyond thirty (30) days. The motions was seconded by Stuart Jolley and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Bob Zink, second by Nick Honeycutt, to approve the 2017-2018 Budget Amendment as presented by management, unanimous approval.

Being no old business the next item of business was new business. Nick Honeycutt has received requests from people wanting to coordinate a down town Christmas Parade. The Mayor & Aldermen are in agreement if the people will coordinate the event and not leave the responsibility for the Town.

Under Public Comment, Barbara Coulson commented on the lack of interest in the Town meetings and Lila Nikla voiced concern with appearance issues in the County.

Bob Zink made a motion that the meeting go into closed session to discuss personnel matters. Stuart Jolley gave a second and it was unanimously accepted.

Stuart Jolley made a motion, second by Larry Davis that the meeting go back into open session, unanimous approval.

Bob Zink made a motion to approve a salary increase of \$ 1,200/ year for Stephanie Payne who recently completed a State certification. The motion received a second by Stuart Jolley and was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Bob Zink and second from Stuart Jolley, with unanimous acceptance.



Andy Bone

Town of Mars Hill
Mars Hill, North Carolina

2017-2018 Fiscal Year

BUDGET AMENDMENT

GENERAL FUND:

Revenues Anticipated:

(a) Appropriated Fund Balance	\$ 44,000.00
TOTAL ANTICIPATED REVENUES	\$ 44,000.00

Expenditures Authorized:

(a) Police Department-Capital Outlay Equipment	\$ 36,000.00
(b) Street Department-Capital Outlay Equipment	\$ 8,000.00
TOTAL AUTHORIZED EXPENDITURES	\$ 44,000.00

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR WATER & SEWER SERVICE

AMENDMENT

IX. Meter Reading-Billing-Collecting

D. If the customer is dissatisfied with their utility usage, a recheck of the meter reading may be requested. A fee of \$25.00 will be charged if the customer requests more than one (1) recheck within a twelve (12) month period during the fiscal year. However, if this service discloses that the meter was read in error, no charge will be made.

E. If a Town employee cannot find any reason for usage, the customer may request a meter test. A fee of \$50.00 will be charged for each request if the meter is within accepted tolerances (plus or minus 2%). The customer has the right to the results of the test. If the meter is found to be faulty, no charge will be made.

X. Suspension of Service

F. Service discontinued for customer convenience (For example: Service turned on/off at the customer request) will require a \$25.00 service charge.

Approved: August 28, 2017