



SOUTH HILL TOWN COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2024, 5:30 P.M.

A special meeting of the South Hill Town Council was held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the South Hill Town Hall located at 211 S. Mecklenburg Avenue, South Hill, Virginia 23970. The meeting was held to discuss the following matters: Legal involving consultation with legal counsel for advice regarding an agreement with the South Hill Volunteer Fire Department for fire protection services, and Personnel regarding employee decisions and performance by Town Manager. Town Clerk Anna Cratch took notes at the meeting; Interim Town Clerk Krystle Connell prepared the meeting minutes.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Mayor Dean Marion called the special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Marion called upon Town Clerk Anna Cratch to call the roll, which was as follows:

A. Council Members

Lillie Feggins-Boone
Dr. Lisa Jordan
Michael Smith

Ashley C. Hardee
Delores Luster
Joseph E. Taylor, Jr.

Gavin Honeycutt
Mike Moody

3. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-3711 A(8) Legal and A(1) Personnel

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-3711 A(8) Legal and A(1) Personnel and on **motion** of **Councilor Honeycutt** and **second** of **Councilor Feggins-Boone**, the South Hill Town Council entered into **Closed Session** to discuss the following matters: Legal involving consultation with legal counsel for advice regarding an agreement with the South Hill Volunteer Fire Department for fire protection services, and Personnel regarding employee decisions and performance by Town Manager. The motion carried unanimously. The Mayor announced publicly in the meeting that the South Hill Town Council was now in Closed Session.

In addition to the Mayor and Town Council members, Keli Reekes was present in the majority of the Closed Session. Town Attorney Services were provided by Jesse Bausch (in person) and Faith Alejandro (via Zoom and conference call) with Sands Anderson PC.

4. OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Councilor Smith, second by Councilor Honeycutt, that the Closed Session be adjourned and that the South Hill Town Council reconvene its meeting in **Open Session**. The motion carried unanimously. The South Hill Town Council reconvened in Open Session.

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Councilor Honeycutt, second by Councilor Moody, that the minutes of this meeting reflect that no formal action was taken in the Closed Session and further moved that a Resolution Certifying the Closed Session be adopted and reflected in the minutes of this meeting as follows:

WHEREAS, the South Hill Town Council convened in Closed Session on this date by an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act:

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Hill Town Council does hereby certify that to the best of each member’s knowledge, (1) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Freedom of Information Act were discussed in the Closed Session to which this certification applies, and (2) only such public business matters as were identified in the motions by which the said Closed Session was convened were heard, discussed, or considered by the South Hill Town Council. The motion passed via **roll call vote** as follows:

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| Councilor Feggins-Boone-Aye | Councilor Hardee-Aye |
| Councilor Honeycutt-Aye | Councilor Jordan-Aye |
| Councilor Luster-Aye | Councilor Moody-Aye |
| Councilor Smith-Aye | Councilor Taylor-Aye. |

There was no action taken in Open Session.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business matters before the South Hill Town Council, Mayor Marion adjourned the special meeting at 8:08 p.m.

VALIDATION

Minutes approved this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Krystle R. Connell, Interim Town Clerk

Dean Marion, Mayor