



**SOUTH HILL TOWN COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, JULY 8, 2024, 5:30 P.M.**

A special meeting of the South Hill Town Council was held on Monday, July 8, 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: Real Estate consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose; Legal involving consultation with legal counsel for advice regarding an ordinance allowing permitted parking; and Personnel regarding discussion on the appointment of Clerk of Council and discussion involving investigation related to the performance of Town Manager.

**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 Interim Town Clerk Krystle Connell 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 (3) Real Estate, A(8) Legal and A(1) Personnel**

Pursuant to Virginia Code §§ 2.2-3711 A(3) Real Estate, A(8) Legal and A(1) Personnel and on **motion** of **Councilor Honeycutt** and **second** of **Councilor Luster**, the South Hill Town Council entered into **Closed Session** to discuss the following matters: Real Estate consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose; legal involving consultation with legal counsel for advice regarding an ordinance allowing permitted parking; and Personnel regarding discussion on the appointment of Clerk of Council and discussion involving investigation related to the performance of 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 and Faith Alejandro (via conference call) with Sands Anderson PC.

The Closed Session was continued to follow the Regular Meeting at approximately 7:00 p.m. and reconvened at approximately 8:06 p.m.

**4. OPEN SESSION**

A motion was made by Councilor Luster, second by Councilor Feggins-Boone 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 Luster, second by Councilor Feggins-Boone, 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 8:53 p.m.

**VALIDATION**

Minutes approved this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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Krystle R. Connell, Interim Clerk of Council

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Dean Marion, Mayor