



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 REGULAR MEETING Mars Hill Town Hall – Conference Room June 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

The Town of Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in special session on Wednesday, June 21, 2023, at 9:00 a.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

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

FY 2022-2023 Budget Amendments

Mayor Chandler recognized Town Manager Nathan Bennett to review the proposed budget amendment to the current FY 2022-2023 Budget Year. Mr. Bennett advised that the Town has hired a new accountant, Bronwyn Burleson, with the firm Burleson & Early CPA, to assist with bookkeeping and other financial management consulting in preparation for our annual audit. During a preliminary review, Ms. Burleson recommended the proposed budget amendment to clarify the transfer to American Rescue Plan Act funds from the grant fund account to the general fund. This transfer had previously been done as an appropriation from fund balance. The budget amendment clarifies the process for accounting and auditing purposes. Upon completion of discussion, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. **Alderman Bob Zink made a motion to approve the “FY 2022-2023 Budget Ordinance Amendments – FY 2023-05” as presented.** Alderman Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously. (Attachment C)

Other Business

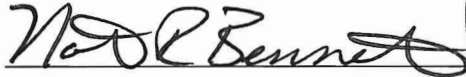
Mayor Chandler then moved to address other business, that being a proposed “Waiver, Release and Indemnity Agreement for July 4, 2023 Fireworks Display,” sent to the Town by Mars Hill University. Mr. Bennett advised the Board that this agreement arrived by email unexpectedly last Friday afternoon. He explained that he had reviewed the document with Town Attorney Jamie Stokes, and with the town’s general liability insurance carrier. Mr. Bennett explained that, generally, the document is acceptable but pointed out that the requested insurance limits were in excess of the town policy limits, and that MHU requests the Town waive sovereign immunity. Mr. Bennett explained that MHU has indicated they are willing to consider modifications to the agreement for our fireworks display taking place from university property on July 4, 2023. The Board discussed the documents and the issues to be resolved. Upon completion of discussion, Mayor Chandler called for a motion. **Alderman Jolley made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to negotiate the terms of the agreement satisfactory for adequate insurance coverage for both MHU and the Town for the July 4th fireworks display and approve the “Waiver, Release and Indemnity Agreement for July 4, 2023 Fireworks Display,” contingent on agreeable terms to the Town as discussed.** Alderman Davis seconded the motion. Upon a call for a vote by the Mayor, the motion was approved unanimously.

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 7th day of August, 2023.

ATTEST:



Nathan R. Bennett,
Town Manager



John L. Chandler, Mayor

TOWN OF MARS HILL

2022 – 2023 Fiscal Year

**BUDGET ORDINANCE AMENDMENT
FY 2023-05**

ORDINANCE #: 280

The purpose of this budget amendment is to update the FY 2022-23 **GENERAL FUND** budget as follows:

Budget Code	Description	Revenues	Expenditures
10-9020-9900	Other FS/U-Transfer Out	\$ 411,342	
10-3994-0000	Appropriated Fund Balance	\$	(411,342)
	TOTAL ADDITIONAL REVENUES ANTICIPATED	\$ 411,342	
	TOTAL ADDITIONAL EXPENSES AUTHORIZED		(411,342)

This budget amendment is hereby **ADOPTED** and incorporated into the FY 2022-23 Budget Ordinance by the Mars Hill Mayor and Board of Aldermen meeting in special session on this the 21th day of June, 2023.

John L. Chandler

John L. Chandler, Mayor

ATTEST:
Stuart L. Jolley
Stuart L. Jolley, Clerk





Notice of Special Meeting
for the
Town of Mars Hill
Mayor and Board of Aldermen
Scheduled for 21 June 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: Wednesday, 21 June 2023

Time of Meeting: 9:00 a.m.


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

Purpose of Meeting: Consider and take action on budget amendments necessary to close the FY 2022-2023 Budget and other budget-related purposes.

This the 15th day of June 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 15th day of June, 2023 at 4:30 o'clock p.m.



Nathan R. Bennett, Town Manager



ATTACHMENT B

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AGENDA

SPECIAL MEETING

Mars Hill Town Hall Conference Room

June 21, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

1. Call to Order – *Mayor John L. Chandler*
2. Approval of Agenda
3. FY 2022-2023 Budget Amendments
4. Other Budget Business
5. Adjourn

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