



SOUTH HILL TOWN COUNCIL
BUDGET WORK SESSION 3 MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2025, 3:00 P.M.

The South Hill Town Council met for a work session on Wednesday, March 26, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the South Hill Town Hall Temporary Location at 111 E. Danville Street, South Hill, Virginia 23970. The work session was held to review the Town's proposed budget for FY25-26. Proposed budget details were distributed to Council beforehand for review. Town Clerk Leanne Patrick took minutes of the work session.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Honorable Mike Moody called the work session to order at 3:18 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Moody called upon Town Clerk Leanne Patrick to call the roll, which was as follows:

A. Council Members

Randy Crocker
Gavin Honeycutt

Jenifer Freeman-Hite
Carl Sasser, Jr.

Ashley Hardee
Michael Smith

Councilors Lillie Feggins-Boone and Delores Luster were absent from the work session. Councilor Freeman-Hite arrived late. Councilor Smith left early.

B. Staff in Attendance

Keli Reekes, Town Manager
Dahlis Morrow, Dir. of Finance and Admin.
CJ Dean, Dir. of Municipal Services

Leanne Patrick, Town Clerk
Wayne Hudson, WWTP Supt.
Brent Morris, Business Dev. Dir.

3. DISCUSSION

Agenda items of discussion included the following:

- A. Wastewater Treatment Plant – Wayne Hudson**
- B. Mecklenburg-Brunswick Regional Airport**
- C. South Hill Community Development Association**
- D. Southside Rescue Squad**
- E. South Hill Chamber of Commerce**
- F. The Colonial Center**

- G. South Hill Volunteer Fire Department**
- H. South Hill Bread Box**
- I. Lake Country Area Agency on Aging**
- J. Mecklenburg County Business Education Partnership**
- K. South Hill Revitalization Committee**
- L. Southern VA Food Hub/South Hill Farmers Market**
- M. Mecklenburg County Senior Citizens**

Discussions included:

- Funding requests from various community organizations were reviewed with clarity provided by Council that granted funds are unrestricted as long as funds are spent as intended per the organization's requests.
 - No financial information was provided from the Colonial Center.
 - Consensus to approve the request from the South Hill Community Development Association (CDA) was postponed until the Town Council special meeting called for April 14, 2025.
 - South Hill Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Sandra Tanner answered questions from Council about various concerns, including expense breakdowns for Chamber events, grant pursuance, sponsorships, and additional outside funding opportunities. Discussions also included details surrounding Visitor Center operations, Town representation on the Chamber's board of directors, and economic development efforts.
- Council revisited two department requests from previous work sessions that included a consensus on lighting at Parker Park's basketball courts and a personnel request from the Police Department.

No public comment was received, and no matters were voted upon during the work session.


4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business matters before the South Hill Town Council, Mayor Moody adjourned the work session at 6:14 p.m.

VALIDATION

Minutes approved this 14th day of APRIL, 2025.


Leanne Patrick, Town Clerk


W.M. Moody, Mayor