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SOUTH HILL TOWN COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025, 5:30 P.M.

A special meeting of the South Hill Town Council was held on Monday, April 14, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at the temporary Council Chambers of the South Hill Town Hall located at 111 E. Danville Street, South Hill, Virginia 23970. The meeting was held to consult with legal counsel regarding the following: acquisition of real property for a public purpose; and actual or probable litigation (employment matter).

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. ROLL CALL

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

A. Council Members

Randy Crocker Lillie Feggins-Boone Jenifer Freeman-Hite Gavin Honeycutt Delores Luster Carl L. Sasser, Jr. Michael Smith

Councilor Smith arrived at 5:57pm.

3. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 A(8)

Pursuant to Virginia Code § 2.2-3711 A(8) Legal, and on **motion of Vice Mayor Honeycutt** and **second of Councilor Freeman-Hite**, the South Hill Town Council entered into Closed Session to discuss the following matters as permitted by Virginia Code § 2.2-3711: A(3), discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose (CDA's proposal & Farmers Market expansion); and A(7), consultation with legal counsel pertaining to actual or probable litigation (employment matter). 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, Town Manager Keli Reekes, Town Attorney Faith Alejandro, VRSA-appointed Attorney John Conrad, and South Hill CDA President LJ Dornak were present during Closed Session. Mr. Dornak was dismissed at 5:51pm.

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 Feggins-Boone, second by Councilor Luster, 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:

Councilor Crocker-Aye
Councilor Freeman-Hite-Aye
Councilor Luster-Aye
Councilor Sasser-Aye
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Councilor Smtih -Aye

There was no action taken in Open Session on the consultation with legal counsel regarding the acquisition of real property for a public purpose; and actual or probable litigation (employment matter).

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business matters before the South Hill Town Council, Mayor Moody adjourned the special meeting at 6:59 p.m.

VALIDATION

Minutes approved this day of May, 20 25

Leanne Patrick, Clerk of Council

W M Moody Mayor