

**TOWN OF HOPE MILLS
CLOSED SESSION MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 19, 2019**

Mayor Warner called the Closed Session to order at 8:25 p.m.

Mayor Jackie Warner, Mayor Pro Tem Mike Mitchell, Commissioners Pat Edwards, Meg Larson and Jessie Bellflowers were present.

Others present were Town Manager Melissa Adams, Town Clerk Jane Starling and Town Attorney Dan Hartzog.

PURPOSE: Closed Session was called:

1. Pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11 (a)(5) concerning the acquisition of real property.

Town Attorney Hartzog reported the YMCA has offered to sell the property near the gold course to the Town. They are asking \$375,000 and taking offers but wished to give the Town an option to purchase prior to accepting offers from others.

Commissioner Larson provide copies of deeds to Town Attorney Hartzog, Jr. that were for mineral rights to the property in question. Discussion ensued.

Consensus was the Board has no interest in pursuing purchasing the property.

2. Pursuant to NCGS §143-318.11 (a)(3) to Consult with the Town Attorney on Matters Within the Attorney-Client Privilege relating to the Golf Course Parking Lot.

Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell requested this item be placed on the agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell commented that Commissioner Bellflowers sent an email regarding this matter.

Commissioner Bellflowers commented that Mr. George is not willing to sign any agreement, any proposal, any MOU with any tenants. Commissioner Bellflowers went on to say that he was not willing to do it the first time and is not willing to do it now. Discussion ensued.

Town Attorney Hartzog asked if there were any questions related to legal issues in this matter.

Mayor Warner closed the session at 8:43 p.m. with no action taken.