

**TOWN OF HOPE MILLS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNSDAY, AUGUST 1, 2018 6:00 P.M.
WILLIAM F. "BILL" LUTHER, JR. AND DORIS LUTHER MEETING ROOM**

Mayor Warner called the special meeting of the Hope Mills Board of Commissioners to order on Wednesday August 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Town Manager Melissa Adams, Town Clerk Jane Starling, Finance Director Drew Holland, Interim Public Works Director Don Sisko, Fire Chief Chuck Hodges, Police Chief Joel Acciardo, Stormwater Administrator Beth Brown, Development & Planning Administrator Chancer McLaughlin, Executive Assistant/Deputy Town Clerk Tiffany Gillstedt and Human Resources Director Laticia Daniels-Black. Also present was Town Attorney Dan Hartzog, Jr.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was led by Commissioner Jerry Legge, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Jackie Warner.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried unanimously, to approve the agenda as presented.

2. Discuss rescheduling the public hearing on the Lone Survivor Project until after the Board has received the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan and have had a chance to review it.

Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell presented this item stating the Town has a comprehensive plan that we have invested over \$100,000 in which includes Lake Bed number 2 in the site inventory for our Parks and Recreation plan. The plan that is being prepared by McAdams Group is necessary for the Town to be eligible for a grant.

Commissioner Edwards inquired whether the Boards previous motion to have an open forum would have to be rescinded before making another motion. Town Attorney Hartzog responded it would not be necessary, as the Board would simply be rescheduling a public hearing.

Commissioner Larson moved to rescind the vote from the previous meeting on July 23, 2018 that set a public hearing for August 20, 2018 regarding Lone Survivor. Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell seconded and the motion carried 4 to 1 with Commissioner Edwards voting nay.

Commissioner Larson moved to wait until the Comprehensive Parks and Recreation Plan has been completed and the Board has had time to review it to decide whether to move forward with a public hearing referencing Lone Survivor. Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell seconded and the motion carried 4 to 1 with Commissioner Edwards voting nay.

3. Conduct a Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6) to discuss matters relating to a personnel matter.

Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell moved to hold a closed session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (6) to discuss matters relating to a personnel matter seconded by Commissioner Larson and carried 4 to 1 with Commissioner Edwards voting nay.

Mayor Warner instructed the Board to assemble in the front conference room at 6:09 p.m.

At 7:12 p.m. Mayor Warner called the special meeting back to order.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to seal the minutes of the closed session until such time as the release of the information would no longer frustrate the purpose of the closed session and further no action was taken.

4. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Mitchell, seconded by Commissioner Legge and carried unanimously, to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor Warner adjourned the meeting at 7:13 p.m.

Jackie Warner, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jane G. Starling, CMC
Town Clerk