

Town of Mount Olive
April 28, 2025
Special Called Board Meeting
Minutes

Mayor Jerome Newton called the meeting to order at 9:30 A.M. Those in attendance per roll call of Mayor Jerome Newton, Mayor Pro-Tempore Barbara Kornegay, Commissioner Vicky Darden, Commissioner Delreese Simmons, Commissioner Tommy Brown, Commissioner Danny Keel, Town Clerk/Administrative Assistant Sherry Davis and Town Attorney Carroll Turner.

Mayor Jerome Newton welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Mayor Jerome Newton delivered our invocation and Commissioner Danny Keel led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Jerome Newton read the Conflict of Interest Statement; there were no conflicts.

Mayor Jerome Newton requested a motion to approve the published agenda. Commissioner Tommy Brown made the motion. Commissioner Vicky Darden seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Jerome Newton then discussed Action-Memo 04- 35 - **PURSUANT TO NC GENERAL STATUTE § 143-318.11. Closed sessions.**

(6) To consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, conditions of appointment, or conditions of initial employment of an individual public officer or employee or prospective public officer or employee; or to hear or investigate a complaint, charge, or grievance by or against an individual public officer or employee. General personnel policy issues may not be considered in a closed session. A public body may not consider the qualifications, competence, performance, character, fitness, appointment, or removal of a member of the public body or another body and may not consider or fill a vacancy among its own membership except in an open meeting. Final action making an appointment or discharge or removal by a public body having final authority for the appointment or discharge or removal shall be taken in an open meeting.

Mayor Jerome Newton requested a motion to go into closed session. Mayor Pro-Tempore Barbara Kornegay made the motion. Commissioner Danny Keel seconded, and the motion passed 5-0.

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct interviews with possible candidates for the Town Manager position. Interviews were conducted throughout the day.

Commissioner Tommy Brown made a motion to come out of closed session. Mayor Pro-Tempore Barbara Kornegay seconded, and the motion passed 4-0. Please note that Commissioner Delreese Simmons had an appointment and left the meeting around 2:30 P.M.

Mayor Jerome Newton requested a motion to recess the meeting until Thursday May 1, 2025, at 6:00 P.M. in the Town Hall Conference Room. Commissioner Danny Keel made the motion to recess for the date and time above. Commissioner Vicky Darden seconded, and the motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. Jerome Newton
Mayor

Sherry Davis
Administrative Assistant/Town Clerk