

\*\*\*\*\*July 8, 2026\*\*\*\*\*

The Signal Mountain Town Council held a special called meeting on Wednesday, July 8, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those present were: Mayor Elizabeth Baker  
Vice Mayor Clay Crumbliss  
Councilmember Andrew Gardner  
Councilmember Miles Jorgensen  
Councilmember Charles Poss

Also present were: Town Manager Matthew Justice  
Town Attorney Harry Cash  
Finance Director John Harr

Mayor Baker led the pledge of allegiance. A moment of silence was observed.

### **Roll Call**

All members of the Council were present.

### **Minutes**

Councilmember Jorgensen made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2026 meeting. Councilmember Poss seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion passed.

### **Citizens' Opportunity to Address Council**

Mayor Baker asked if anyone present wished to address Council. There were no citizens present and no requests to address Council.

### **Resolutions**

**R2026-33** "A TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING  
WITHDRAWAL FROM THE TDOT SIDEWALK AGREEMENT"

Vice Mayor Crumbliss made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.

Councilmember Poss made a motion to amend the resolution by revising the third “WHEREAS” clause to state,

“The Town would continue to evaluate the sidewalks along the same streets identified through the project and commit, at the Town’s expense, to rehabilitate and improve those sidewalks as identified in the attached diagram in a manner practical, cost-effective, and responsive to current conditions. Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion.”

Councilmember Poss and Councilmember Jorgensen voted in favor. Mayor Baker, Vice Mayor Crumbliss, and Councilmember Gardner voted against. The motion failed.

Vice Mayor Crumbliss made a motion to amend the resolution by revising the third “WHEREAS” clause to read,

“WHEREAS, the Town will continue to evaluate the sidewalks along the same streets identified through the project and commit, at the Town’s expense, to rehabilitate and improve existing sidewalks in a manner that is practical, cost-effective, and responsive to current conditions.”

Councilmember Jorgensen seconded the motion. Vice Mayor Crumbliss, Councilmember Jorgensen, and Councilmember Poss voted in favor. Mayor Baker and Councilmember Gardner voted against. The motion passed.

After further discussion, Council voted on the resolution as amended. Mayor Baker, Vice Mayor Crumbliss, Councilmember Jorgensen, and Councilmember Poss voted in favor. Councilmember Gardner voted against. The motion passed.

**R2026-34** “A TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OR THEIR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS JUDY HOUSLEY SAFETY PARTNERS MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM”

Councilmember Jorgensen made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Poss seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion passed.

**R2026-35** “A TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER OR THEIR DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR THE PUBLIC ENTITY PARTNERS PROPERTY CONSERVATION MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PURCHASE OF PROPERTY LOSS PREVENTION AND CONTROL ITEMS”

Vice Mayor Crumbliss made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Poss seconded the motion. All present being in favor, the motion passed.

## **Ordinances**

There were no ordinances brought before the Council.

## **Discussion**

- 1) Waycaster – Financial Audit Contract – Town Manager Justice stated there was a slight increase for the upcoming audit season, consistent with the contract and prior years. Council reached consensus to place a resolution regarding the contract on the next agenda.
- 2) Communications and Reports from the Mayor/Council – there was nothing to report.
- 3) Manager’s Report – Town Manager Justice had nothing to report.
- 4) Reports from Boards and Commissions – there was nothing to report.

The Mayor announced the next meeting to be the regular meeting on Monday, July 13, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

With no further business, Councilmember Jorgensen made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Poss seconded the motion. With all present in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Elizabeth Baker, Mayor

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John Harr, Recorder

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