

**CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN COUNCIL  
CHRISTIANSBURG, MONTGOMERY CO., VA.  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
JULY 24, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.**

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN COUNCIL, MONTGOMERY COUNTY, CHRISTIANSBURG, VA. WAS HELD AT CHRISTIANSBURG TOWN HALL, 100 EAST MAIN STREET, CHRISTIANSBURG, VIRGINIA, ON JULY 24, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor D. Michael Barber; Vice-Mayor Samuel M. Bishop; Johana Hicks; Tanya Hockett; Henry Showalter; Tim Wilson. COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Casey Jenkins

ADMINISTRATION PRESENT: Town Manager Randy Wingfield; Executive Assistant/Clerk of Council Tracy Heinline; Director of Human Resources Alicia Dials

SPECIAL MEETING

I. Call to Order

II. Closed Meeting

- A. Councilman Bishop made a motion to enter into a Closed Meeting under Code of Virginia § 2.2-3711(A)(1), for the discussion, consideration, or interviews of prospective candidates for employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, performance, demotion, salaries, disciplining, or resignation of specific public officers, appointees, or employees of any public body. The Closed Meeting is being held for interviews and discussions of Police Chief. Councilman Showalter seconded the motion and Council voted as follows: Bishop – Aye; Hicks – Aye; Hockett – Aye; Wilson – Aye.

B. Reconvene in Open Meeting

C. Certification

Councilman Bishop made a motion to certify that the Town Council of the Town of Christiansburg meeting in Closed Meeting, to the best of each member's knowledge, discussed only the matters lawfully exempt from open meeting requirements by Virginia Law and only such matters as are identified in the Resolution to enter into Closed Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hockett and Council voted as follows: Bishop – Aye; Hicks – Aye; Hockett – Aye; Wilson – Aye.

D. Council action on the matters

Councilman Showalter noted the expectation that all Councilmembers should be present when appointing a Town officer, Councilwoman Hockett agreed.

Councilman Wilson made a motion to appoint Chris Ramsey as Police Chief beginning 9/1/2023, seconded by Councilwoman Hicks. Council voted as follows: Bishop – Aye; Hicks – Aye; Hockett – Aye; Wilson – Aye.

### III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to bring before Council, Mayor Barber adjourned the meeting at 8:27 p.m.

  
Tracy Heinle, Clerk of Council

  
D. Michael Barber, Mayor