

**MINUTES OF
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 13, 2015**

**395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
ASSEMBLY HALL
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA
4:30 P.M.**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Regular Meeting at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 13, 2015 in the Assembly Hall of the Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The following were in attendance:

Ms. Nancy Roy Fiorillo, Mayor
Ms. Claire L. Berggren, Councilmember
Mr. Clark H. Campbell, Councilmember
Mr. John R. Cashion, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mr. John C. Strickland, Councilmember
Mr. Jeffrey M. Sanborn, Village Manager
Ms. Lauren M. Craig, Village Clerk

And approximately 26 attendees, including 7 staff and 2 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

2. Reports

Manager

- No report.

Council

- Councilmember Campbell completed the two applause cards today and publically acknowledged Gerald Brown and Dusty Birge for their hard work for the Village.
- Strickland the BPAC met last week and the first stages of new plan are being laid out.

3. Motion to Approve Consent Agenda.

All items listed below are considered routine or have been discussed at length in previous meetings and will be enacted by one motion. No separate discussion will be held unless requested by a member of the Village Council.

- A. Consider a Resolution Authorizing Sale of Surplus Items.

End of Consent Agenda.

Councilmember Cashion moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Berggren and passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

4. Presentation of the Government Finance Officers Distinguished Budget Presentation Award.

Mayor Fiorillo recognized the Village with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for its FY 2016 Strategic Operating Plan by the Government Finance Officers Association. Council noted this was the 9th consecutive year that the Village has received this award. The Village also received a special recognition for its Strategic Operating Plan being "Outstanding as a Communication Device."

5. Presentation of the Life Safety Achievement Award to the Village of Pinehurst Fire Department.

Councilmember Cashion recognized the Village of Pinehurst Fire Department for receiving the Life Safety Achievement Award for its fire prevention accomplishments in 2014 by the National Association of State Fire Marshals Fire Research and Education Foundation in partnership with

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Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance Company. Pinehurst was one of 96 fire departments across the United States to receive the award this year for recording zero fire deaths in 2014.

6. Consider two sponsorship requests from Sandhills MOAA and the VGA.

The Manager explained that MOAA and the VGA requested that Council consider sponsoring two upcoming events in November. The first request is to sponsor the "Blackhawk Down" Movie Night on Tuesday, November 10 by waiving the rental fee of the Fair Barn for the event. The second request is to sponsor the Veterans Support Concert being held on November 8 at 5:00PM by contributing \$2,000 to support the cost of the concert. Council formed a consensus to accept both sponsorship requests.

7. Presentation of the 2015 Community Survey Results

John Frye, Director of Financial Services, introduced Jason Morado, Project Manager with ETC Institute who will present the findings of the survey. Mr. Morado explained the purpose, methodology, and gave the "bottom line up front" summarizing the overall results. He noted that residents have a very positive perception of the Village, satisfaction ratings have increased in many areas since previous surveys, Pinehurst is setting the standard for service delivery compared to other communities, and he helped summarize other findings. Council thanked Mr. Morado for his presentation. Audience member John Bouldry noted he has received a survey three years in a row.

8. Motion to Recess Regular Meeting and Enter Into a Public Hearing.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Cashion, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, Council unanimously moved to recess the regular meeting and enter into a public hearing by a vote of 5-0.

9. Public Hearing No. 1

The purpose of this hearing is to receive public comment on a preliminary resolution adopted by the Village Council on September 22 stating the intent of the Village of Pinehurst to Levy Special Assessments for storm water management system improvements in the area commonly known as the Cotswold Subdivision, in the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The Manager explained the purpose of the public hearing for the preliminary resolution adopted by Council on September 22 regarding the special assessments for Cotswold.

Audience member Pat Corso of 1 Chalford Place of Cotswold thanked the Village Council for accepting Cotswold into the community through annexation. Mr. Corso explained the time the Village took to help Cotswold find a solution for the development and noted they are proud to be part of the Village.

John Scanlon, former HOA President of Cotswold, thanked Council and Jeff Batton for their work with this process. He said everything was very well done. He mentioned that the recent rain tested the new infrastructure and it worked well.

10. Motion to Adjourn the Public Hearing and Re-Enter the Regular Meeting.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, Council unanimously moved to adjourn the public hearing and re-enter the regular meeting by a vote of 5-0.

11. Consider an Assessment Resolution for Cotswold Storm Water Management System Improvements.

John Frye, Director of Financial Services, explained that the Council can now consider adopting an assessment resolution related to the Cotswold special assessment as the next step in the statutory special assessment process. Upon a motion by Councilmember Cashion, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, Council unanimously approved Resolution 15-39 an assessment resolution regarding storm water management system improvements in the Cotswold Subdivision in the Village of Pinehurst and the assessment of the related costs against benefited properties by a vote of 5-0. (A copy of the resolution can be found in the Resolution Book.)

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12. Discuss request for signage and safe crossing at the Sandhills Woman's Exchange.

Jeff Sanborn explained that the Woman's Exchange has asked for assistance with signage directing potential patrons to their shop and with crosswalks across Highway 2. Staff suggested three options for the signage request. Council held a discussion and suggested that a few Councilmembers take this off line and work on a good recommendation to help the Exchange.

Staff also explained options for the crosswalk and the requirements of the NCDOT to tie it into a sidewalk. Jeff Sanborn explained a sidewalk project has been in the plans to take the current sidewalk near the church and extend it down to NC 2 as a possible connection point for a crosswalk. The Manager suggested Council to consider this during the budget planning process next year. Council discussed bringing this up during the budget preparation next year to consider against the other priorities at that time, safety concerns, and looking at other items this year that may allow this project to proceed this fiscal year before postponing it to the next year.

13. Discuss creating a Historic District Standards and Guidelines Review Committee.

Council determined to remove this item from the Council agenda at this time.

14. Consider a resolution establishing the Neighborhood Advisory Committee for the Village of Pinehurst.

Lauren Craig, Village Clerk explained that a subcommittee was formed to work on improving the effectiveness of the Neighborhood Advisory Committee and the team created a purpose statement, a draft resolution to formally establish the committee, reviewed neighborhood representation, and created a plan to reach more Pinehurst residents. Ms. Craig noted the need for Council to consider the attached resolution to establish the NAC. Upon a motion by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Berggren, Council unanimously approved Resolution 15-42 establishing the Neighborhood Advisory Committee for the Village of Pinehurst by a vote of 5-0. (A copy of the resolution can be found in the Resolution Book.)

15. Consider a resolution of intent to join the State Health Plan

Jeff Batton, Assistant Village Manager, explained the Risk Management Committee is reviewing options for employee health insurance for 2016 and recent legislation has opened up the State Health Plan for local government participation. He noted the committee has not finalized the review of options but there are deadline requirements for the State Health Plan to require a resolution from municipalities considering the intent and desire to pursue joining the plan. Mr. Batton noted the resolution is not binding and the recommendation will be finalized and presented to Council in the next 30 days. Upon a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Cashion, Council unanimously approved Resolution 15-41 regarding the intent to participate in the State Health Plan by a vote of 5-0. (A copy of the resolution can be found in the Resolution Book.)

16. Consider a resolution requesting the NC Governor to override a State Historic Preservation Office decision in the Village of Pinehurst.

Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager, explained that as requested by Council, a resolution has been prepared requesting the North Carolina Governor, Pat McCrory, to override the decision of the State Historic Preservation Office regarding the patio of the old post office building. Council held a discussion about this and Audrey Moriarty noted the Library wants to be in compliance with the state but supports the patio to stay. Kelly Elliott shared the only way to override the SHPO decision is by requesting Governor McCrory to waive the decision and she noted what the update to the building has done to uncover the cornerstone of the building. Ms. Elliott explained this is an outcry of citizens to save the patio. Council suggested changing the wording to "request a waiver" rather than "override".

Upon a motion by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Cashion, Council unanimously approved, with the change in wording to "waive", Resolution 15-44 requesting the North Carolina Governor to waive a State Historic Preservation Office decision in the Village of Pinehurst by a vote of 5-0. (A copy of the resolution can be found in the Resolution Book.)

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17. Other Business

- Councilmember Campbell said this Council has an election in a few weeks and he wishes everyone well and appreciates their service to the Village. He noted this Council has accomplished a lot together.

18. Comments from attendees.

- None.

19. Motion to Adjourn.

Councilmember Cashion moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Strickland and carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Lauren M. Craig
Village Clerk