



**VILLAGE COUNCIL
AGENDA FOR WORK SESSION OF OCTOBER 10, 2017
ASSEMBLY HALL
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD PINEHURST,
NORTH CAROLINA
4:30 P.M.**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Work Session at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 10, 2017 in the Assembly Hall of 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. John Bouldry, Councilmember
Mr. Clark H. Campbell, Councilmember
Mr. John R. Cashion, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mr. Jeffrey M. Sanborn, Village Manager
Ms. Lauren M. Craig, Village Clerk

And approximately 21 attendees, including 5 staff and 1 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

2. Discuss the request to consider a recall provision for elected officials in the Village of Pinehurst.

Mayor Nancy Fiorillo opened the floor for audience comments regarding a request by a group of residents for Council to consider adding a recall provision for elected officials.

Audience member John Strickland said this is a simple thing to adopt and is part of the democratic process. He said he does not see any reason not adopt this and it is not difficult to do.

Audience member Deb Wimberly said she seems to have stirred up a hornets nests and this was not her intention. She can't imagine why there would be any push back and she asks the Council to reconsider this and there are many other people in this town that think it is a fine idea because it would be best for us.

Audience member Lynn Goldhammer voiced that she is in favor of a recall provision. She said when changing something, it doesn't have to be permanent and try it for a year or two first.

The Council asked for Village Attorney Mike Newman to give a statement. Mr. Newman said reasonable folks would agree when you propose what to do, be prepared to tell why we should do what you want us to do. He noted he read the letter from Ms. Wimberly and the petition and there was no "why" included. He provided a memo that included information from the North Carolina Board of Elections. He said the hypothetical situation in the petition noted a situation where the majority of the Council enacted an agenda that was in contrast to the majority of its constituents and Mike Newman is unaware of any situation such as this. He said we have elections as a form of democracy and the absence of a recall election was misconstrued as a gap or omission from our Village charter. It is the exception and not the rule. He said this is a proposition that is unnecessary and is premised upon an issue with our current system. Mr. Newman explained the process for making this change. He said historically, most recall efforts from the very beginning have been pursued by progressives and is designed to take a less republican approach to government and it creates less stable governance because it can create chaos.

Council held a discussion with Mike Newman about this request for a recall provision.

Audience member Deb Wimberly said she is asking "why not." Audience member Lynn Mueller said it is very inconsiderate to have public comments at a work session when it wasn't publicized. Tom Campbell said we always hear from nay-sayers and we don't hear from those who are neutral or satisfied. Audience member Raymond Angeo said this petition started a while ago. He said the problem is the lack of transparency. He said the "why" is they are trying to preserve what has been going on successfully for the past 40 years. He said this needs to be opened up for public comments because this is a hot topic in the public.

After continued discussion, Council determined to schedule a public comment period on this topic at a future meeting date to be determined and widely announced to the general public in advance.

3. Discuss the Request For Proposal for the Long Range Comprehensive Plan.

Assistant Village Manager Natalie Hawkins and Director of Planning and Inspections Steve Wensman provided an update on the draft Request for Proposal for the Long Range Comprehensive Plan. Ms. Hawkins said the intent was to deliver this draft today for Council to review and digest and provide feedback at a later time. She noted staff wants to make sure the scope of services and deliverables are what the Council is expecting. Ms. Hawkins explained the process for creating this draft Request for Proposal and noted this would be an 18 month process once a consultant was selected and staff hopes to get this RFP out by the end of this month. Staff plans for the consultant selection to be determined in January or February 2018. Steve said this is a similar format that was used in his former experience and believes this will be a good process. Council agreed to provide feedback in the next two weeks. Councilmember Bouldry provided feedback on a few areas of the proposal.

4. Consider a resolution and budget amendment to swap property with the Sandhills Sandsharks.

Village Manager Jeff Sanborn explained this item is to consider a motion to approve a resolution to swap 3.2 acres of Village of Pinehurst property located on Juniper Lake Road with 1.0 acre of property owned by the Sandhills Sandsharks on Rattlesnake Trail. He explained the estimated value of the 3.2 acres of Village property is \$32,640 and the estimated value of the one acre of Sandsharks property is \$60,000. In order to make the transaction fair to both parties, the Village has agreed to pay the Sandsharks \$20,000 and cover legal and surveying costs estimated at \$5,000 bringing the total value of the transaction for the Sandsharks to \$57,640. Mr. Sanborn explained the resolution and ordinance that were before Council for consideration today.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Berggren, Council approved Resolution 17-28 authorizing the exchange of real property within the Village of Pinehurst with Sandsharks, Inc. and the appropriate Village officials are directed to execute the appropriate instruments necessary to carry out the exchange and Ordinance 17-14 amending the FY 2018 budget for the Village of Pinehurst for the Sandsharks, Inc. pool property land swap and improvements by a vote of 5-0.

5. Other Business.

- Councilmember Bouldry shared the events and plans for Veterans Weekend including a Desert Storm panel to be displayed in the Welcome Center during that time.

6. Review the preliminary list of items for the 10/24 Regular Meeting agenda.

Village Manager Jeff Sanborn submitted the following list of items for the October 24 Regular Meeting.

1. Presentation of resolution honoring Bob Farren for his service on the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee.
2. Consent Agenda: Approval of Draft Village Council Meeting Minutes
3. Consent Agenda: Public Safety Reports
4. Consent Agenda: Budget Amendments Report
5. Consent Agenda: Consider resolutions honoring the appointed members of the Pinehurst Appearance Committee.
6. Consider a sponsorship request from a horse show at the Harness Track
7. Manager's quarterly transportation report for the Village of Pinehurst.
8. Presentation of Quarterly Financial Statements
9. Community Center Capital Project Ordinance
10. Presentation of Land Use Fiscal Analysis
11. Consider recommendation to approve employee health benefit insurance program.
12. Public Hearing to consider an Official Zoning Map Amendment. This map amendment would rezone four parcels of land consisting of approximately 8.45 acres. These properties are addressed as 4138 Murdocksville Road. These properties are further defined as being Moore County PID #'s 00016276, 20030615, 00017456 and 00016390. The properties are currently zoned R-10 (High Density Residential). This proposed map amendment would change the zoning of the properties to R-MF-CD (Residential Multi-Family-Conditional District). The property is currently vacant. The proposed use of the property is a 40 unit townhome development. The applicant and owner is Rick Knight, Tiara Properties, LLC.
13. Public Hearing to consider an Official Zoning Map Amendment. This map amendment would rezone one parcel of land

consisting of approximately .399 acres. The property is located at 175 Palmetto Road. This property is further defined as being Moore County PID # 00018777. The property is currently zoned R-MF Residential Multi-Family District. This proposed map amendment would change the zoning of the property to R-10 (R-10 High Density Residential). This property is currently vacant. The proposed use of the property is single family residential. The applicant and the property owner is Mary Sutherland Gwinn.

7. Adjournment.

Councilmember Berggren moved to adjourn the Work Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and carried unanimously. The Work Session adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Lauren M. Craig
Village Clerk

Vision: The Village of Pinehurst is a charming, vibrant community which reflects our rich history and traditions.

Mission: Promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.

Values: Service, Initiative, Teamwork, and Improvement.