

**MINUTES OF
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 23, 2014**

**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, September 23, 2014 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
Mr. Clark H. Campbell, Councilmember
Mr. John R. Cashion, Mayor Pro-Tem
Ms. Claire L. Phillips, Councilmember
Mr. John C. Strickland, Councilmember
Mr. Andrew M. Wilkison, Village Manager
Ms. Lauren M. Craig, Village Clerk

And approximately 25 attendees, including 7 staff and 1 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Andrew M. Wilkison, Village Manager offered the invocation and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Presentation of resolution honoring the service of Mr. Frank Thigpen on the Pinehurst Historic Preservation Commission

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo presented the resolution to Frank Thigpen for his service on the Pinehurst Historic Preservation Commission.

4. Reports

Manager

- Noted the Deer Management Task Force continues to meet on Wednesdays at 11:00am in the Council Conference Room and this meeting is open to the public.
- Reminder that Council will hold a Special Meeting tomorrow, September 24 at 5:00pm in the Council Conference Room for consideration of the PDO. This meeting is also open to the public.

Council

- Councilmember Strickland noted the focus areas of the Deer Management Task Force study which includes accidents, medical issues, and nuisance issues with landscaping, and other subjects.

5. 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 resolution reappointing member to the Community Appearance Commission (Barr)
- B. Public Safety Report
Fire Department
- C. Motion to Receive Budget Amendments Report for September 15, 2014
- D. Approval of Draft Village Council Meeting Minutes

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**August 12 Regular Meeting
End of Consent Agenda.**

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

6. Discussion of the Concours d'Elegance sponsorship request

Assistant Village Manager, Natalie Dean introduced the item regarding the sponsorship request for the Concours d'Elegance event being held in May 2015. Organizers are asking the Village to consider spending approximately \$15,000 and to provide the Harness Track and Fair Barn facilities free of charge. Jay Howard and Peter Stilwell addressed the Council on their plans for the event and the request for partnering on the 2015 event. Natalie Dean surveyed approximately a dozen village businesses and overall the feedback was positive but did not necessarily have measurable results when contacted. Councilmember Phillips and Councilmember Strickland both noted the need to understand the impact on the Village and its businesses and Peter Stilwell addressed this economic impact potential. Jay Howard shared a binder of press releases and marketing information to each Council member to show the branding opportunities for Pinehurst. Upon discussion, Council determined to delay their decision until the next regular meeting regarding this sponsorship request.

7. Presentation of proposal by the Pinehurst Garden Club for a right-of-way enhancement at the St. Andrews Triangle

Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton introduced the project proposal by the Pinehurst Garden Club for the triangle at St. Andrews and Lake Forest Drive. The Holly Branch of the Garden Club currently maintains the inside area of plantings and the Village maintains the outer area. Sue Mitchell of the Pinehurst Garden Club presented the proposal of the redesigned planting bed. Council determined to proceed with this plan.

8. Discussion on LED Street Lights

Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton asked for Council's direction on switching all Village street lights to LED. This will cost the Village \$2,350 but will produce an annual savings of approximately \$3,280. Mr. Batton also sought direction regarding wattage to use for the new lights with the decision between 50W and 75W. Audience member Doug Middaugh suggested to use lights that are equipped with motion detectors to eliminate the light pollution. Audience member Ed Dennison asked if you can get the same lights in flood lights for a different lighting option.

Council determined to switch all street lights in the Village of Pinehurst to LED lights which would result in an annual cost savings. The wattage was not determined but Council asked for staff to work on their suggested lighting plan with the possibility of using both 50W and 75W depending on the location of the lighting.

9. Consider budget ordinance to grant support for MOAA Patriotic Pops Concert

The Manager introduced the agenda item regarding a budget ordinance to support the MOAA Patriotic Pops Concert with \$2,000 that Council agreed upon back in March 2014. Mayor Fiorillo noted the success of last year's events. Upon a motion by Councilmember Phillips, seconded by Councilmember Cashion, Council unanimously approved Ordinance 14-34 amending the budget to support the Sandhills Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Patriotic Pops Concert scheduled for November 9, 2014 in the amount of \$2,000 by a vote of 5-0. (A copy of the ordinance can be found in the ordinance book.)

10. Consider resolution supporting the 2014 Veterans Weekend events hosted by MOAA.

The Manager introduced the agenda item regarding a resolution to support the 2014 Veterans Weekend. Upon a motion by Councilmember Cashion, seconded by Councilmember Strickland, Council unanimously approved Resolution 14-52 dedicating the weekend of November 8-11, 2014 as Veteran's Weekend 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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11. Other Business

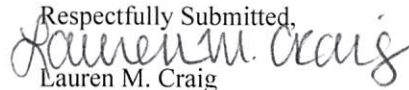
- Mayor Fiorillo noted plans for a dedication ceremony of the Marshall Stone on Friday, November 7 at 11:00am.
- Councilmember Strickland suggested to continue the Ambassadors Program, similar to what was done for the U.S. Open Championships, for an ongoing basis. Council asked for staff to look into this opportunity.
- Councilmember Cashion noted the PDO meeting that will be held tomorrow evening and suggested Council move through the items quickly.
- Mayor Fiorillo shared the NC League of Municipalities conference is in Greensboro on October 11-14 and encouraged other Councilmembers to attend.

12. Comments from attendees.

- Audience member Jeanne Casinella shared research she completed on the Safest Community designation by Movoto and suggested that Council be careful about promoting a designation by a company such as this. She noted Council's priority should always be public safety and we should be proactive to educate citizens on how to keep themselves safe. She is concerned about safety issues on Lake Hills Road due to it becoming a major road and the NCDOT is aware of issues. She noted the need for better monitoring of Lake Hills Road and suggested Council reconsider the Western Corridor to help alleviate this problem.

13. Motion to Adjourn.

Councilmember Strickland moved to adjourn the Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cashion and carried unanimously. The Regular Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren M. Craig
Village Clerk