



**VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2022
ASSEMBLY HALL
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA
4:30 PM**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Regular Meeting at 4:30 p.m., Tuesday September 13, 2022, in the Assembly Hall of Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The following were in attendance in Assembly Hall:

Mr. John C. Strickland, Mayor
Mr. Patrick Pizzella, Mayor Pro Tem
Ms. Lydia Boesch, Councilmember
Mr. Jeff Morgan, Councilmember
Ms. Jane Hogeman, Councilmember
Mr. Jeffrey M. Sanborn, Village Manager
Ms. Kelly Chance, Village Clerk

And approximately 22 attendees, including 7 staff and 1 press

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Strickland called the Village Council meeting to order.

2. Reports:

Village Manager

- Mr. Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager, had nothing to report.

Village Council

- Mayor Strickland reported he attended the barbecue festival in the village over the weekend. He acknowledged the work by the Village Police Department over the past several weeks, in protecting the Village of Pinehurst, and gave his thanks to all public safety personnel and first responders for their service. Mayor Strickland reported he attended the Partners in Progress at the Moore County Economic Development Authority, along with Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, where it was reported that approximately 36,000 new jobs have been created within the NC corps. Area.
- Councilmember Boesch reported she attended the Barbecue Festival as well and noted there were 100 people that volunteered to help with that event. She reported Peter Stillwell provided the new economic impact numbers for the recent US Kids Golf tournament, which she noted shows the economic impact for Moore County being over \$10 million. She stated the average family spent an excess of \$8,000, with the average night spent in the community being six to seven nights. She further stated there were 2200 participants from 55 different countries, and the average family attendees was 4.2 per player.
- Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella reported the Harness Track and Fair Barn were featured in the new edition of Our State Magazine. He stated he attended the Pinehurst Number 6 community meeting where the walkways project was discussed. He noted they have done their own intensive survey and will provide us with some feedback.
- Councilmember Hogeman reported the Beautification Committee met and are working on revamping the Manning award for

landscaping, both for residential and commercial properties, which will be presented in June each year. She noted they are also adopting the marker that is on Ritter Road to commemorate the 1900 solar eclipse.

- Councilmember Morgan provided no report.

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. Approval of Village Council Meeting Minutes
- June 14, 2022, Council Closed Session
 - August 9, 2022, Council Regular Meeting
 - August 9, 2022, Council Work Session

End of Consent Agenda.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Morgan, Council unanimously approved the Consent agenda by a vote of 5-0.

4. Discuss and Consider Resolution #22-22 Amending the Village of Pinehurst Fees and Charges Schedule – Library and Archives.

Brooke Hunter, Finance Director, and Audrey Moriarty, Library Services Director, presented Council with a resolution to amend the VOP Fees and Charges schedule. Ms. Hunter stated the fees and charges for the Given Memorial Library and Tufts Archives were originally approved by Council in February 2022 with an effective date in April 2022, coinciding with the transfer of operations to the Village. She noted they have been operating under the current fee schedule since April and have requested some revisions to assist with interpretations.

Ms. Hunter reported the main change was moving from an "image usage" fee structure to an "entity type" fee structure to eliminate some of the ambiguity staff has encountered when determining how to charge customers. She stated there are now three types of fees for digital images: commercial entity, non-commercial entity, and non-profit entity. She noted this will make it easier for library and archives staff to administer and comply with the fee schedule.

Ms. Hunter stated the proposed changes include an effective date of September 14, 2022, pending approval.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Boesch, Council unanimously approved Resolution 22-22, amending the Village of Pinehurst Fees and Charges Schedule, by a vote of 5-0.

5. Budget Amendment Request for Harness Track Improvements.

Mark Wagner, Park and Recreation Director, presented Council with an ordinance to amend the ordinance appropriating funds for operations of the VOP for Fiscal Year 2023, regarding revenues and expenditures of the General Fund for Harness Track Improvements. He reported staff received multiple bids for facility improvements at the Pinehurst Harness Track. He stated some projects are already underway in which funding was currently available. He noted this includes renovations to grooms' quarters in Barn 14, and demo/rebuilding paddocks on the property.

Mr. Wagner stated, to complete the remaining projects scheduled for FY23, staff is requesting a budget amendment in the amount of \$56,000. He noted the total cost of all projects underway or planned is \$263,500, with current available funds in the amount of \$207,500. He reported the total available funds includes the \$50,000 grant from the State of North Carolina.

Mr. Wagner reported the list of projects planned for FY23 are as follows:

- Barn 14 Grooms Quarters Renovations
- Demo, Grade, Rebuild Paddocks
- Demo, Rebuild Office in Barn 3
- Drainage Improvements (Barn 8, 9, 14, 15)

- Paint Barn 6, 8, & Track Restaurant
- Repairs to Clubhouse/Office (water damage)
- Construct Concrete Pad w/Sides at Barn 14 (animal waste)
- Regrade & Add Material to Roads

Mr. Wagner stated should the budget amendment be approved; contractors are ready to begin work the following week on the remaining projects with a chance that all or most of the projects can be completed prior to the start of the training season in mid-October.

Mayor Strickland stated that at Council's direction, Mr. Wagner was asked to consider other projects and come up with a plan that would seem to be the best areas to put dollars into, that would give a return on investment. He noted this list is well thought out and Council voiced their appreciation.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Boesch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, Council unanimously approved Ordinance 22-12, Amending the ordinance appropriating funds for operations of the Village of Pinehurst for Fiscal Year 2023, regarding revenues and expenditures of the General Fund for the Village of Pinehurst, NC for Harness Track Improvements.

6. Budget Amendment Request for Cannon Park Turf.

Mark Wagner, Parks and Recreation Directed presented Council with a proposal from FieldTurf USA, Inc. to install synthetic turf on Cannon Park Field 1. He stated the total construction cost for the project is not to exceed \$1,302,498.19, which the contractor has agreed to after discussions with staff following the Council work session in August. He noted design costs are an additional \$61,965, which brings the total project cost to \$1,364,463.19.

Mr. Wagner reported the current FY23 budget has \$1,237,000 included for this project. He stated to complete the project, staff is requesting a budget amendment in the amount of \$145,000 to be appropriated from Fund Balance. He reported this amendment will cover all project costs with FieldTurf, plus additional funds for the perimeter fencing as previously discussed.

Mr. Wagner stated the Finance Department has prepared an ordinance for Council consideration and approval. Council inquired about the potential to be hot in the summer, but Mr. Wagner reported the material proposed does not put out the same heat as other products and is about 30 degrees cooler. Councilmember Morgan commented that he appreciated the cost analysis provided by Mr. Wagner and he thinks this will be a tremendous improvement in the aesthetics of Cannon Park.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Boesch, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, Council unanimously approved Ordinance 22-11, Amending the ordinance appropriating funds for operations of the Village of Pinehurst for Fiscal Year 2023, regarding revenues and expenditures of the General Fund for the Village of Pinehurst, NC for Synthetic Turf Installation.

7. Parks and Recreation Master Plan Update Contract Approval

Mark Wagner, Parks and Recreation Director presented Council with a contract proposal with McAdams Company to update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan. He stated the proposal has been revised to include a meeting with Council at the onset of the project to solicit input. He noted the contract amount totals \$54,717.50 and requires Council approval.

Councilmember Hogeman voiced her concern that the terms of the contract are not reasonable.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Boesch, seconded by Councilmember Morgan, Council approved to authorize the mayor or his designee to enter into a contract agreement with McAdams Company in the amount of \$54,717.50 to update the Parks and Recreation Master Plan for the Village of Pinehurst by a vote of 4-1, with Councilmember Hogeman casting the no vote.

8. Discuss and Consider Pinehurst South Small Area Plan

Darryn Burich, Planning and Inspections Director, presented Council with a continuation of discussion on the different types of activities, businesses, and permitted uses that would be allowed in the Office Professional use district which is the area south of

Blake Boulevard. Councilmember Hogeman stated the plan is not what she understood it would be for the east side of Route 5, south of Blake. She stated she thought it would be an office park and not a walkable mixed use with residential thrown in. She further stated her concerns about the traffic conditions on highway 5 and the limited infrastructure. Councilmember Morgan stated this is not the point in the process where we are writing a blank check to allow developers to do anything. He noted this discussion is to provide guidance to move forward with what he felt is reasonable.

Council directed Mr. Burich to provide a new diagram to help clarify what higher density in one area and lower density in another would look like and bring that back to Council for further discussion. Mayor Strickland noted at this time, Council will be able to think and discuss more on the traffic impact and the capacity infrastructure of highway 5.

9. Other Business.

No other business was discussed.

10. Comments from Attendees.

- Susan, Dundee Road resident, addressed Council on short-term rentals as a vacation rental owner for 27 years. She asked Council to please consider accepting the Planning and Zoning Board recommendations and allow short-term rentals to continue with restrictions and put into motion a reasonable plan that will make all residents happy and proud of this unique resort village we call home.
- Teresa Jones, Glen Abbey Trail resident, addressed Council and thanked the Pinehurst residents who were on the Planning and Zoning Board for their service to the Village of Pinehurst. She urged Council to follow the recommendations regarding short term rentals and stated if Council ignores their recommendations, then they are saying to all residents who volunteer, we don't value your time and input.
- Philip Sounia, Pinehurst resident, addressed Council about Short-term rental data and encouraged Council to consider third-party oversight.
- Elaine Bologna, Abbotsford Drive resident, addressed council about the topics of the Council meeting and encouraged them to pay attention to their values, mission and vision, and use a lot of teamwork and be unanimous.
- Eric Leissner, Lake Forest Drive resident, addressed Council on stormwater runoff and wastewater management.

11. Motion to Adjourn.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Hogeman, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the regular meeting by a vote of 5-0 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelly Chance,
Village Clerk

A videotape of this meeting is located on the Village website: www.vopnc.org

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