



**VILLAGE COUNCIL  
MINUTES FOR WORK SESSION OF MAY 25, 2021  
ASSEMBLY HALL  
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD  
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA**

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE REGULAR MEETING**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a work session at 7:51 p.m., Tuesday, May 25, 2021, in the Assembly Hall of Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The meeting was streamed in real time on the Village's website.

The following were in attendance in Assembly Hall:

Mr. John C. Strickland, Mayor  
Ms. Judy Davis, Mayor Pro Tem  
Mr. Kevin Drum, Councilmember  
Ms. Lydia Boesch, Councilmember  
Ms. Jane Hogeman, Councilmember  
Mr. Jeffrey Sanborn, Village Manager  
Ms. Kelly Chance, Village Clerk

And approximately 2 attendees, including 2 staff and 0 press.

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor John Strickland called the Council work session to order.

**2. Discuss 2022 Anniversary Events.**

Mayor Strickland stated we would be celebrating three special events next year. Councilmember Boesch stated the Donald Ross celebration is slated for November 23. Councilmembers discussed various avenues of showing Village support of the Honorees. Suggestions ranged from planting a series of trees in an Anniversary Grove, interpretive exhibits at library, Banners, and collaborating with other area partners. What about banners with some depiction of the three celebrations – who would design this?

**3. Discuss 2022 Pedestrian Walkway Plan.**

Mayor Strickland stated we are discussing the \$400,000 that was set aside for walkways. Mayor Pro Tem Davis would like to have an itemization on how we plan to spend the 400,000. Councilmember Drum said he trusts staff and there are things we can do that are not controversial. Mayor Strickland said maybe what type of sidewalk is appropriate is based on the location.

Mayor Strickland asked Jeff Batton about the connectivity of the new elementary school to the community center. Mr. Batton said it is proposed to be brick around Cannon Park and would transition to sand clay. Mayor Pro Tem Davis said she loves the screening for the elementary school. Mayor Strickland said the points is that we are using different materials based on what the neighborhood needs and preferences are.

Mr. Batton said we have some sand clay, brick, and some screenings in the Historic District and this has developed over time. He said it is hard to find the breaking point as to where you go from one to another. He said we get many requests for sand clay paths but we also get requests from those that do have it, they would like to have something different.

Mr. Batton said sand-clay is hard to maintain and is staff and labor intensive. Jeff Sanborn said at one time we had this money designated to sidewalks and then later we found it was more appropriate to look at plans for path walks – and it has even been

suggested we make wider berms people could walk on. Councilmember Drum said it is a safety issue here about walking in the rides especially as dark as it is in Pinehurst. Mayor Strickland said we can make some safe walking spaces in places but some places we will not be able to arrange it.

Councilmember Boesch said she has some questions about pathways – Why did BPAC not meet for 18 months, topography, what the neighbor's want, DOT rideaways... listen to this. What about connectivity with other municipalities. Mayor pointed out we have alternatives because we have varying topographies.

Mayor Strickland stated we are going to refer the question of sidewalk appropriateness back to BPAC and Council agreed they want to see a flushed out and precise plan.

#### **4. Discuss Upcoming Agenda Items.**

- Golf Cart quantity and size and driven by unlicensed individuals and all hours of the night.  
Broadway Musical – Saturday night they were pulling their golf carts up on the green –
- Renewing on-street dining – parking issues and how we can carry that forward – Jeff Batton said he has had inquiries about stopping the on-street dining and if so do we establish new guidelines on how it can occur. Jeff said something less temporary looking and something more looks good with our aesthetics. Maybe they can only set up starting at 4:30 or 5:00. Should have to sign contract and commit to it with the understanding it can be pulled away. He stated there is a Bill going through the senate now "Social Districts" – would allow for off-premises alcohol consumption within a designated spot. Councilmember Hogeman said we need to make sure we are protected by liability. Jeff Sanborn said in the areas we have now, we cannot put adequate barriers. Jeff Batton said we would need an ordinance maybe – Jeff Sanborn said we could not enforce it! Mayor Strickland said if we want to have retail business than we need to do something for them. Mr. Sanborn said it might not even be legal to label signs. Mayor Strickland said we need to encourage our community retailers, shop owners etc. that we need to try to adhere to the retail marked spots.
- Renewable terms coming up – chairs need to talk to those who are serving if they want to reserve and start looking at the applications that came in
- Live after 5 worked well and think about what kinds of events we are having and being asked to have. – policy on what events we should have and a number – how many is too many – do they affect downtown businesses. – bring the list back to next work session – we want to build our character of Pinehurst. What are things that match our appeal.

#### **5. Other Work Session Business.**

Mayor Strickland stated

#### **6. Motion to Adjourn.**

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Davis, seconded by Councilmember Hogeman, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the work session, by a vote 5-0, at 9:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelly Chance,  
Village Clerk

*A videotape of this meeting is located on the Village website: [www.vopnc.org](http://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*