

**MINUTES OF
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 24, 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, February 24, 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
Mr. Clark H. Campbell, Councilmember
Mr. John R. Cashion, Mayor Pro-Tem
Ms. Claire L. Phillips, Councilmember
Mr. John C. Strickland, Councilmember
Mr. Jeffrey H. Batton, Interim Village Manager
Ms. Lauren M. Craig, Village Clerk

And approximately 18 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

Interim Manager, Jeff Batton, offered the invocation and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Reports

Manager

- Interim Manager, Jeff Batton, reported the salt, brine and man-hours that it took to respond to the inclement weather last week.
Mr. Batton shared there is a meeting scheduled for March 11 at 2:00pm with the neighborhood regarding the ideas for the Community Road streetscape plan.
- Mr. Batton suggested for Council to confirm the need to hold the March 3 work session that is scheduled and Council determined to hold this meeting.

Council

- None.

4. 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 reappointing a member to the Historic Preservation Commission (Farren).
- B. Approval of Draft Village Council Meeting Minutes
 - January 13 Regular Meeting Minutes
 - January 13 Closed Session Minutes
 - January 20 Special Meeting Minutes
 - January 20 Work Session Minutes
 - January 27 Regular Meeting Minutes

End of Consent Agenda.

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

5. Presentation of Moore County Economic Incentive Grant Program.

Pat Corso of Partners in Progress presented the Council with an update on the Moore County Economic Incentive Grant Program. Mr. Corso explained that he is meeting with Southern Pines and Aberdeen regarding this new program also in hopes that it can provide a guideline for incentives at the municipal level. Mr. Corso asked the Village Council to consider adopting these guidelines. He noted this is not a policy and the criteria can change but would act as a template for Partners in Progress with proactive recruitment for economic development in Pinehurst. Council held a discussion on the program guidelines and determined to discuss this with the Village's finance staff and bring it forward for a vote at an upcoming meeting.

6. Presentation by Pinehurst Homes and Taylor Cooper for the community swimming pool on Rattlesnake Trail.

Wayne Haddock of Pinehurst Homes and Taylor Cooper of the Sandhills Sandsharks presented a preliminary concept for the property at the corner of Rattlesnake Trail and Woods Drive for a swimming pool complex. Mr. Haddock noted this would be a private facility managed by Mr. Cooper of the Sandhills Sandsharks. Mr. Haddock shared the details of the preliminary site plan and a 3D plan of the site with the Village Council. Mr. Cooper explained there would be a full-range of classes and other activities open for public registration but that there would not be public open swim for a fee. Mr. Haddock noted the need to design this as a year-round facility and shared the plan to utilize a shell for swimming in a heated pool for the cold months. Mr. Haddock noted this project would be completed in phases and Mr. Cooper discussed the proposed implementation depending on the funding available. Principal Planner, Bruce Gould, explained the Village Council would need to consider rezoning to allow for certain conditions with this project in the future. Audience member, Jack Farrell, spoke in favor of this project and noted concern if the project stalls and cannot be completed but Mr. Cooper reassured him that they are motivated to complete this.

7. Consider Lake Hills Road designated as "No Thru Trucks" Road.

Interim Manager, Jeff Batton, explained traffic studies were conducted the week of February 9 and they revealed a considerable number of large trucks and tractor trailers using Lake Hills Road as a possible cut-through between Linden Road and NC Highway 5. Mr. Batton reported that staff recommends to establish a "No Thru Trucks" sign at the entrance to Lake Hills Road at NC Highway 5. After discussion, Council formed a consensus on this need and staff agreed to erect this sign accordingly. Audience member Jeanne Casinella encouraged the Council to approve this sign and to also do a traffic study with the NCDOT on NC Highway 5.

8. Presentation of the FY 2015 Strategic Plan Q2 Status Update.

Natalie Dean, Assistant Village Manager, presented a Q2 status update of the implementation of the FY 2015 Strategic Operating Plan initiatives noting that overall, Village staff has been successful in carrying out the action plans. Ms. Dean shared several recommended changes to the FY 2015 SOP initiatives which would add one initiative, rename one initiative, and eliminate five initiatives due to several reasons. Council noted appreciation for the format of this presentation and thanked Ms. Dean for this update.

9. Discuss the Public Services facility concept.

Interim Manager, Jeff Batton, shared an updated concept plan of the Public Services facility updated after the last Council meeting. Mr. Batton noted the changes and Council determined to discuss this further at an upcoming meeting.

10. Presentation of Open Village Hall, the new online civic engagement portal.

Lauren Craig, Village Clerk, shared that the Village has launched Open Village Hall, (www.vopnc.org/openvillagehall), an online platform hosted by Peak Democracy that is designed to engage citizens in important Village issues and she demonstrated how to use the site.

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11. Other Business

- Mayor Nancy Fiorillo declared March 2-8, 2015 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week in the Village of Pinehurst and directed staff to distribute a press release and proclamation to inform residents.
- Councilmember Campbell explained that the \$500 fee for repaving sewer cuts when building a home was removed from the FY 2016 Fees and Charges Schedule but noted the need to make this effective sooner than the July 1 effective date. Upon a motion by Councilmember Campbell, seconded by Councilmember Cashion, the Council unanimously approved that the effective date for the elimination of the utility street cut fee be changed from the approved date of July 1, 2015 to an effective date of February 25, 2015 and that any fee currently held by the Village of Pinehurst for a utility street cut patch that has not been paved be refunded and that any fee currently owed to the Village of Pinehurst for any unpatched street cut be waived with the understanding that the County of Moore Public Utilities will be solely responsible for patching all utility street cuts within the Village of Pinehurst by a vote of 5-0.

12. Comments from attendees.

- Audience member, Jeanne Casinella, asked for Council to consider traffic enforcement and shared an editorial from the News and Observer. Ms. Casinella suggested Council should consider adding more police officers to the Village of Pinehurst Police Department due to the changing demographics and so more enforcement can happen to keep Pinehurst safe.

13. 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 6:00p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lauren M. Craig
Village Clerk