

**MINUTES OF
VILLAGE COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2016**

**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 23, 2016 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
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. Natalie E. Dean, Interim Village Clerk

And approximately 30 attendees, including 5 staff and 2 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Pastor Dean Engebretson from Christ Community Church led the invocation and Mayor Fiorillo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Reports.

Manager

- Village Manager Jeff Sanborn reported that staff is working on developing key performance indicators and initiative action plans for the FY 2017 Strategic Operating Plan.
- Manager Sanborn also reported that the work has been completed on McKenzie and Hwy 5 to elevate the road and trim the trees to help improve sight distances. Manager Sanborn indicated that if the Village does not get the desired level of results, we'll continue to work with DOT to identify other potential solutions.

Council

- There were no Council reports.

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. Approval of Draft Village Council Meeting Minutes.

- January 12 Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 25 Work Session Minutes
- January 26 Regular Meeting Minutes
- January 26 Closed Session Minutes

B. Public Safety Reports

- Police Department
- Fire Department

C. Budget Amendment for Gateway Signage

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End of Consent Agenda.

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

Item not on the Agenda – Discuss Duke Energy Response to Most Recent Winter Weather Event.

Mayor Fiorillo introduced David McNeil, District Manager for Duke Energy, who was asked to discuss Duke Energy's storm planning and the challenges of the most recent winter storm. Mr. McNeil introduced two other Duke Energy employees who are on their storm response team. Mr. McNeil indicated Duke Energy uses a Comprehensive Storm Response Plan and monitors the weather and brings in additional resources, as needed. He indicated Duke Energy brought in 3,600 personnel from several other states to help respond to the most recent winter weather event. Mr. McNeil indicated that there were some unusual challenges with the most recent event including a Linden Road feeder line went offline, which was difficult to access and delayed the restoration of power. Mr. McNeil indicated Duke Energy is taking proactive measures to change some switches on feeder lines to be able to restore power to residents more quickly. The Mayor indicated residents can call the Police Department non-emergency phone number if they need assistance during power outages.

Ms. Maureen Horansky, who lives on Pine Vista Drive, explained that she was without power for four days during the most recent winter weather event and explained other situations where local residents were without power and the negative repercussions. Mr. Steve Drinkwater, who lives on Pinyon Circle, indicated he is frustrated that his neighbors had power when he did not during the latest winter storm. Ms. Dolores Muller, who lives on Pinyon Circle, indicated they always hear a transformer on Burning Tree pop and that there are seven homes on the circle that seem to lose power more often than the other homes in the neighborhood. Mr. McNeil indicated he appreciated the resident input and that he would have his engineers look at that streets and homes that were identified by the resident speakers.

5. Consider a Sponsorship Request for Use of Fair Barn.

Parks and Recreation Director Mark Wagner relayed a request he received from the Knights of Columbus for free utilization of the Fair Barn for a Home, Garden, and Lifestyle Expo. Mr. Wagner indicated the Knights of Columbus is a 501(c)8 organization due to their National Charter, which would not qualify them for the recently adopted changes to the Fair Barn fee schedule for Non-Profits. However, the staff's recommendation is to apply the newly adopted fee schedule rates that 501(c)3 organizations are eligible for, since the organization operates more like a 501(c)3. These fees would be \$500 for each weekday rented, \$1,000 for each weekend day rented, and all applicable fees for tables and chairs. However, Mr. Wagner does recommend the 10% of gross sales be waived in this instance.

Mr. Wagner introduced Mr. McMillan from the Knights of Columbus, who explained how the organization works and that they would like to move their expo from Southern Pines to Pinehurst to increase exposure and make it more accessible to the community.

Councilmember Berggren moved to approve the sponsorship request from the Knights of Columbus for the use of the Fair Barn for a Home, Garden, and Lifestyle Expo, as recommended by staff, which is to apply the non-profit discounted rate for the facility and waive the 10% of gross sales for admission charges. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cashion and passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

6. Transfer of Surplus Equipment to Sandhills Community College.

Fire Chief Carlton Cole reviewed a recommendation to transfer a surplused Hurst Rescue System "Jaws of Life" hydraulic pump to Sandhills Community College for use in Emergency Services Training. Councilmember Cashion made a motion to transfer the "Jaws of Life" to Sandhills Community College. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Bouldry and passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

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7. **Consider an Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code to Add Stop Signs on Monticello Drive.**
Manager Jeff Sanborn indicated the agenda item is the Council's consideration of an ordinance to add the stop signs on Monticello Drive. Councilmember Berggren indicated she does not feel it is the right first step and Councilmember Campbell indicated he agrees with Councilmember Berggren. Councilmember Campbell indicated he did not believe there is sufficient evidence to support the installation of the signs at this time and that there may be other alternatives to consider in consultation with the Chief of Police. In addition, Councilmember Campbell indicated he thought the Village should conduct a broader Village-wide traffic study because the issue is bigger than just Monticello Drive. Councilmember Bouldry indicated he agrees with Councilmember Campbell that the Village should conduct a more comprehensive Village-wide traffic study. Councilmember Cashion indicated that dropping the speed limits to 25 MPH several years ago was really the first step in reducing speeds on Monticello Drive and that he supports the installation of the stop signs. Mayor Fiorillo indicated she also supports the installation of stop signs on Monticello Drive and trying to re-establish the street as a neighborhood street. Councilmember Bouldry and Mayor Fiorillo both indicated they would like the Village to continue to collect traffic data to monitor the situation.

Resident Jeanne Casinella asked the Council to conduct a comprehensive traffic study for the entire Village. She also asked the Council to hire more police officers and enforce the laws.

Councilmember Bouldry made a motion to approve Ordinance 16-01 Amending the Municipal Code to Add Stop Signs on Monticello Drive. Councilmember Cashion seconded the motion. When asked to vote, Councilmembers Berggren and Campbell dissented. The motion carried 3-2.

8. **Consider an Interlocal Agreement with Moore County for Building Inspection Services.**
Planning and Inspections Director Kevin Reed explained that the Village of Pinehurst and Moore County entered into a reciprocal agreement for building inspection services in February 2014 and that Moore County has asked to lower the financial threshold in the Village's agreement from \$10,000 to \$2,500 in order to be compliant with County budget amounts for the service. Councilmember Cashion moved to authorize the mayor, or her designee, be authorized to execute an Interlocal Agreement with Moore County for building inspection services. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Campbell and passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0.

9. **Other Business.**

- Mayor Fiorillo asked Pat Corso, Executive Director of Partners in Progress, to discuss his organization's examination of the growth in southern Moore County. Mr. Corso indicated that Mr. John McClain, a retired urban planner, volunteered his time to evaluate the growth and has presented his overall general findings to the board. Mr. Corso indicated Mr. McClain's conclusions will be discussed on March 8th by the Partners in Progress Board to determine how the three towns may want to address macro issues such as transportation and comprehensive land use to proactively ensure a continued high quality of life.

10. **Comments from Attendees.**

- Resident Tom Campbell, who lives off Monticello Drive, expressed his thanks for the Council approving the installation of the stop signs on Monticello Drive.

11. **Motion to Adjourn.**

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

Respectfully Submitted,



Natalie Dean
Interim Village Clerk