



**VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 11, 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, January 11, 2022 in the Assembly Hall of Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The following attended:

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

In addition, approximately 23 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 reported beginning next week repaving on Magnolia Street may begin. He reported the Village Hall is undergoing some renovation work for the next several months. He reported there are 11 Village employees that are out with Covid, with 10 of those 11 being in the Public Services Department. He noted this may cause some delay or challenges with waste pickup. Mr. Sanborn stated the weather report for this weekend shows some potential snowfall accumulation on Saturday and Sunday and we are hopeful the staff that is out will be back to help deal with the streets.

Village Council

- Mayor Strickland read from a report from First Health on Covid for our direct area that is available to review on the First Health website. He reported Council will decide soon on whether we need to revert to remote meeting as we continue to follow First Health guidance. Mayor Strickland reported he attended the NAC meeting yesterday in which Darryn Burich, Planning & Inspections Director reported out on programs in process. He stated the USGA reported there will be another US Men's and Women's back-to-back occurring in 2029.
- Councilmember Boesch reported she went to the Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee meeting and they are interested in seeing the results of the Resident's survey on sidewalks. She thanked Miriam for doing an amazing job in repairing the Donald Ross Statue that was in the downtown area of the Village.
- Councilmember Hogeman reported she had no report
- Councilmember Morgan reported he had no report
- Mayor Pro Tem Pizzella noted the Pilot had reported on a group of Number 6 pedestrians who had picked up trash along the roadways and expressed his thankfulness for them. He stated he also he attended the Neighborhood Advisory Committee

were he was impressed by a local resident, Beverly Reynolds, who had taken the time to set-up an excel spreadsheet to record the number of short-term rentals in her area. He stated he looks forward to Council discussing this in upcoming work sessions.

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.

- Approval of Village Council Meeting Minutes.
 - December 8, 2021 Strategic Planning Retreat Day 1
 - December 9, 2021 Strategic Planning Retreat Day 2
 - December 14, 2021 Regular Meeting
 - December 14, 2021 Work Session
- Budget Amendments Report
- Consider Resolution 21-29 Honoring the Service of Ms. Judy Davis
- Consider Resolution 21-30 Honoring the Service of Mr. Kevin Drum

End of Consent Agenda.

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

4. Other Business

Council presented no other business for consideration.

5. Comments from Attendees.

- Jeanne Casinella, 25 Lake Hills Drive, thanked the Council for taking on the short-term rental issue and reported that this issue was first brought forward a year and a half ago when a major issue was presented. She reported with traffic issues and major construction in the area, the short-term rental problem will only get worse. She reported that she and three others have formed a taskforce that would like to work with Council to help resolve this issue. She thanked Jeff Batton, Assistant Village Manager and the Police Department for the wonderful job they do.
- Deborah, business owner of Le fene Chateau, spoke about the parking issue that is ongoing in the heart of the Village. She stated that to restrict to two-hour parking as has been suggested, would be detrimental because groups of women that come to celebrate together should not have to leave and cut their visit short. She feels as well that, despite abuses, we have very few businesses that use this traffic. She stated the problem lies with a select few. She also reported that there are some trucks unloading and loading that tend to block traffic. She said if Council wants to help, she feels it would be best to speak to the owners and ask them to make it a term of employment to not park in front of any of the businesses.
- John Webster, 140 McKenzie: speak about parking – seems to be specific to events and during specific times. He does not feel the taxpayers should have to pay for this problem. It is a land use and thus has a cost. He stated this is a pricey problem. He stated he sees nothing on the cost of building a parking deck – if it is going to cost us to fix this problem, we need to evaluate the cost involved and look at the causes, such as large events, and that it is free, which means everyone will use it.
- Jim Nash, resident, stated he would have liked to see Council make some form of action on the parking issue with merchants downtown. He noted that on Exhibit one provided in the Agenda packet, the discontinuance of ticketing for parking violations was mentioned. He stated he has never seen this occur and would like to know if this has occurred.
- Debbie Lalor, 80 Azalea Road – supports parking regulation and she stated she would like to see parking tickets in the old town area – raise from 5\$ to \$25. She stated that people park on residential streets and on pine straw areas and this will continue until Council makes people park in designated areas. Ms. Lalor stated the downtown parking plan should be long-term focused and a consideration made to include one-way directional streets. She stated the Village did an outstanding job with the landscaping around Cannon Park and parking and down by the Brewery and she appreciates that they did not extend parking into residential areas. Ms. Lalor stated once construction begins on the lodge and the USGA building there will be a lot of displaced traffic in that area, so Council needs to act soon.

- Deborah, Le Feme Owner spoke again stating the parking garage conversation took place a few years ago and was protested because people thought it would be a large concrete building. She would not be against a carriage house structure that is congruent with the character of the area. She feels that Council should find a better usage of words to allow the residents to understand what the building might be.

6. Motion to Adjourn.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Boesch, seconded by Councilmember Hogeman, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the regular meeting by a vote of 5-0 at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kelly Chance". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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