



**VILLAGE COUNCIL
MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING OF JANUARY 09, 2024
FALLON CONFERENCE ROOM
395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA
08:30 a.m.**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Special Meeting at 08:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 09, 2024, in the Fallon Conference Room of Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The following were in attendance:

Mr. Patrick Pizzella, Mayor
Mr. John Taylor, Mayor Pro Tem
Mr. Jeff Morgan, Councilmember
Ms. Barbara Ficklin, Councilmember
Mr. Jeffrey Sanborn, Village Manager
Ms. Shannon Konstantinou, Village Clerk

And approximately 5 members of the Public in attendance.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Pizzella called the meeting to order at 08:31 a.m.

Mayor Pizzella outlined the meeting procedures to be followed.

2. Council Interviewed the Following Candidates:

- Peter White
- Justin Bramlage

All Candidates present were asked the following questions:

- 1) Could you tell us about yourself and what led you to seek this appointment in five minutes or less?
- 2) Please tell us what skills, abilities, or strengths you would bring to the Council in five minutes or less.
- 3) We have five minutes allocated for this question. What are you most satisfied and least satisfied with regarding recent Village Council actions and decisions, and why? Have you ever attended a Village Council meeting? Have you ever spoken during the Public Comments time period?
- 4) We have two minutes allocated for this question. The Village Council has typically scheduled meetings for the second and fourth Tuesday of each month starting at 4:30. Would you foresee any problems with being able to attend all scheduled Council meetings?
- 5) We have another two minutes allocated for this final question. The appointment is until December 2025. If not selected for this open Council seat, might you consider serving on one of Pinehurst's volunteer boards or commissions? Have you ever applied to be a member of one of the VOP Advisory Boards or Committees in the past? Have you signed up for the MYVOP app?
- 6) Is there anything else you would like us to consider?

In addition to the previous six questions, Council asked each Candidate to verify their residency and voter registration

status, to expand on their employment background, to expand on some of their application answers (such as issues they feel Pinehurst is facing or will face in the near future), whether they have or have not run for elected office or plan to run for elected office, what they feel the primary purpose of municipal government is, whether they have attended a Council meeting or appeared before / addressed Council at a Council meeting, and their personal history or background on their reason for coming to live in Pinehurst.

Council, also, asked Mr. Peter White whether he had served on an Advisory Board for the Village and discussed with Mr. White the time commitment required and responsibilities of Councilmembers; and asked Mr. Justin Bramlage to verify he would be able to coordinate his work schedule around Council commitments, about his vision on what Pinehurst is now and where Pinehurst will go in the future, and about his view on sustainable growth and how to balance that with traffic concerns of residents.

3. Council Discussion on Candidates Interviewed

Council deliberated on the selection process and agreed to take a 5-minute break before beginning discussions.

Mayor Pizzella recessed the Special Meeting at 09:15 a.m. for a 5-minute break.

Mayor Pizzella reconvened the Special Meeting at 09:22 a.m.

Council provided Mr. Sanborn with their Council Vacancy Scoring Spreadsheet, which ranked their top 3 Applicants from 1 to 3 with 1 being their top selection.

Canidates	Patrick's Score	Jeff's Score	John's Score	Barb's Score
Kirk Adkins	2		2	2
Steve Drinkwater				
Tom Beddow		1		
Kevin Fitzpatrick		2	3	
Frank Zaccherio				
Jack Farrell	1		1	1
Daniel Logan				
Jeffrey Gilbert				3
Tom Hennie	3			
Peter White				
Justin Bramlage		3		

Council deliberated on the scoring results and discussed their reasoning behind their scoring choices for each candidate.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Taylor, Council approved the appointment of Mr. Jack Farrell to the vacant Village Council seat, serving the remainder of Councilmember Pizzella's term, which expires December 2025, by a vote of 3-1 with Councilmember Morgan dissenting.

Council and Mr. Sanborn agreed to conduct Mr. Farrell's Oath of Office later today at the January 09, 2024 Council Regular Meeting provided Mr. Farrell is able to attend.

4. Motion to Adjourn.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Ficklin, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the special meeting at 09:33 a.m. by a vote of 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,



Shannon Konstantinou
Village Clerk

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