



**Village Council
Minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 09, 2025
Assembly Hall
395 Magnolia Road
Pinehurst, North Carolina
4:30 p.m.**

The Village of Pinehurst Village Council held a Regular Meeting at 04:30 p.m., Tuesday, September 09, 2025, in the Assembly Hall of Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The following were in attendance in Assembly Hall:

Mr. Patrick Pizzella, Mayor
Dr. Jeff Morgan, Councilmember
Ms. Barb Ficklin, Councilmember
Mr. John Taylor, Mayor Pro Tem
Mr. Jack Farrell, Councilmember
Mr. Doug Willardson, Village Manager
Ms. Shannon Konstantinou, Village Clerk
Mr. Paul Conners, IT Systems Specialist

And approximately 6 members of the audience in attendance, in addition to 3 staff and 1 press.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Pizzella called the Village Council meeting to order at 04:30 p.m.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

A. Invocation by Retired Pastor Hugh Tudor-Foley

B. Pledge by Village Council and Staff

3. Reports:

Village Manager

- Mr. Doug Willardson reported on the September 12, 2025, Live After 5 event; the September 17, 2025, PDO Update Public Input Meeting; and the September 20, 2025, Eats, Beats, and Brews event.

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- Mayor Pizzella reported on the August 20, 2025, Sandhills Metropolitan Planning Organization meeting; the October 28, 2025, NCDOT Pinehurst Traffic Circle meeting at the Fair Barn; the August 21, 2025, meeting with Courtney Stiles, Executive Director for First Tee of the Sandhills; the recent Regional Land Use Advisory Commission Board of Directors meeting; the August 26, 2025, Unveiling of the Warren H. Manning Historic Marker ceremony in Tufts Park; the September 03, 2025, grand opening of the Moore Innovative High School (MIHS) at Sandhills Community College; the September 08, 2025, NCDOT Pinehurst Traffic Circle design meeting;

and the September 08, 2025, Pinehurst No. 6 Property Owners Association meeting.

- Councilmember Morgan reported on the August 27, 2025, Central Pines Regional Council meeting.
- Mayor Pro Tem Taylor reported on the September 03, 2025, Technical Coordinating Committee meeting and the October 28, 2025, NCDOT Pinehurst Traffic Circle meeting at the Fair Barn.

Council discussed the possibility of rescheduling the October 28, 2025, Council Regular Meeting and Work Session in order to attend the NCDOT Pinehurst Traffic Circle meeting.

- Councilmember Ficklin reported on the September 08, 2025, Beautification Committee meeting; the September 03, 2025, PDO Focus Group meeting; the September 17, 2025, PDO Focus Group meeting; the September 17, 2025, PDO Update Public Input meeting; and the September 22, 2025, Pinehurst Business Partners meeting.
- Councilmember Farrell reported on the recent Regional Land Use Advisory Commission Board of Directors meeting; the August 26, 2025, Unveiling of the Warren H. Manning Historic Marker ceremony in Tufts Park; the progress being made at the PDO Focus Group meetings; and the September 17, 2025, PDO Update Public Input meeting.

Council discussed resident satisfaction and identifying areas for improvement and the recently distributed Central Pines Regional Council (CPRC) survey and what the function of the CPRC is.

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 Village Council Meeting Minutes

- August 12, 2025, Regular Meeting Minutes
- August 12, 2025, Work Session Minutes

End of Consent Agenda.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Farrell, seconded by Councilmember Morgan, Council unanimously approved all items listed and considered routine on the Consent Agenda by a vote of 5-0.

5. Public Comments.

None.

6. Regular Business.

A. Quarterly SOP Implementation Update for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Mr. Willardson reviewed and discussed with Council two PowerPoint presentations, which consisted of an FY25 Initiative Action Plan Review presentation highlighting the FY2025 VOP Strategy Map, FY25 Initiative Action Plans, Update the Pinehurst Development Ordinance, Redevelopment of Village Place, Expand and Renovate Given Library & Tufts Archives, 3rd Fire Facility, Multi-Modal Transportation Improvements, Rassie Wicker Synthetic Turf, Short-Term Rental Monitoring & Compliance, Develop and MPO with Regional Partners, and Other Significant Projects; and a Village of Pinehurst FY 2025 Balanced Scorecard PowerPoint presentation highlighting the FY2025 Balanced Scorecard Goals 1 – 9.

B. Quarterly Financial Statements for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

Ms. Dana Van Nostrand, Financial Services Director, reviewed and discussed with Council a memo providing background on the unaudited financial statement dashboard for FY 2025 and a Quarterly Financial Dashboard Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2025, Unaudited report outlining Cash &

Investments, General Fund Balance Sheet, General Fund Fund Balance, Other Funds, Ad Valorem Taxes, General Fund Budget, and Other Current Year Data.

C. Discussion and Approval of the Library Construction Agreement with Msquare Construction, Inc. with a Base Bid Amount of \$4,449,000

Mr. Willardson reviewed and discussed with Council a memo detailing the proposed contract with Msquare Construction for construction of the new library in the amount of \$4,449,00 (base bid).

Upon a motion by Councilmember Ficklin, seconded by Councilmember Farrell, Council unanimously approved the contract with Msquare Construction for the construction of the new library in the amount of \$4,449,000 (base bid) and authorized the Village Manager to execute the final contract by a vote of 5-0.

D. Discussion of the Funding Request for Supporting the Mutual Agreement of Benevolence with the Town of Dornoch

Mr. Willardson reviewed and discussed with Council a memo detailing two potential donations of \$3,000 each to cover the cost of the dinner with the Dornoch delegation on Saturday, November 22, 2025, and former Mayor Strickland's comments on the purpose of the agreement and dinner.

Council discussed ensuring there is no potential conflict that may arise by accepting the donations for the dinner, Councilmembers covering the cost of their own dinners along with their spouses' / guest's dinners, and Council selecting a Village representative to carry out the duties for the Mutual Agreement of Benevolence with the Town of Dornoch.

Council asked Mr. Willardson to continue working on this matter and provide updates as they are gathered.

7. Other Business.

Council reiterated the need to select a Village representative to carry out the duties for the Mutual Agreement of Benevolence with the Town of Dornoch.

8. Motion to Adjourn.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Morgan, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting by a vote of 5-0 at 06:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shannon Konstantinou

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