



**Village Council  
Minutes for the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2026  
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, January 27, 2026, in the Assembly Hall of Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina.

The following were present:

Mr. Patrick Pizzella, Mayor  
Ms. Barb Ficklin, Councilmember  
Mr. John Taylor, Mayor Pro Tem  
Mr. Kevin Fitzpatrick, Councilmember  
Mr. Jeramy Hooper, 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 5 staff and 1 press. There were approximately 16 remote views.

**1. Call to Order.**

Mayor Pizzella called the Village Council meeting to order at 04:31 p.m.

**2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.**

**A. Invocation by Mr. Jason Whitaker, Chief Information Officer for the Village of Pinehurst**  
**B. Pledge of Allegiance by Village Council and Staff**

**3. Reports:**

**Village Manager**

- Mr. Doug Willardson reported on the January 27, 2026, groundbreaking ceremony for the new Given Memorial Library; the January 30, 2026, "Beyond the Liberty Tree" ceremony in Marshall Park at 10 a.m.; the recent winter ice storm and the great response by the Village's emergency services employees; the anticipated winter snowstorm for the weekend of January 31, 2026; and the upgrade to the Code Red system (reminded everyone to save the updated phone number for Code Red in their phones).

**Village Council**

- Mayor Pizzella reported on the January 27, 2026, groundbreaking ceremony for the new Given Memorial Library; the recent winter ice storm and the great response by the Village's emergency services employees and the Village's residents (reminded everyone to sign up for Pinehurst Community Connect via the link provided on the Fire Department's webpage: <https://www.communityconnect.io/info/nc-pinehurst>); the Sandhills Metropolitan Planning

Organization (SMPO) appointing Mayor as the Chair for 2026 with Ms. Pam Harris, Mayor of the Village of Whispering Pines, being appointed as Vice Chair for 2026; and the passing of Mr. Marty McKenzie on January 17, 2026.

- Councilmember Hooper reported on the January 22, 2026, meeting with NCDOT regarding the Pinehurst Traffic Circle redesign and congratulated Mayor Pizzella on his appointment as the SMPO Chair for 2026.
- Mayor Pro Tem Taylor reported on the January 21, 2026, SMPO meeting and the January 22, 2026, meeting with NCDOT regarding the Pinehurst Traffic Circle redesign.
- Councilmember Ficklin reported on the Beautification Committee's replacement of the metal pinecone decorations on the HWY 5 train trestle (larger pinecones are being installed), the Beautification Committee's next meeting being held in February, and the need for recipe submission for inclusion in the Village's America 250 recipe book (submit recipes via the Village's website [America 250 | Village of Pinehurst, NC](#)).
- Councilmember Fitzpatrick reported on a recent meeting with Mr. Mickey Foster, Chief Executive Officer of FirstHealth of the Carolinas, and his executive team.

#### **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**

- **January 13, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes**
- **January 13, 2026, Work Session Minutes**
- **January 13, 2026, Closed Session Minutes**
- **January 21, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes**

##### **B. Approval of the Village Manager's Employment Contract as Amended on January 13, 2026**

#### **End of Consent Agenda.**

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Hooper, Council unanimously approved to remove consideration of Item 4.A.1. Approval of the January 13, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes from the Consent Agenda and move consideration of this item to Section 10. Other Business as Item A and further approved all other items listed and considered routine on the Consent Agenda by a vote of 5-0.

#### **5. Honorary Resolution.**

##### **Consider Resolution 26-02 Honoring the Service of Mr. Jack Farrell as Councilmember for the Village of Pinehurst**

Mayor Pizzella read aloud Resolution 26-02 honoring the service of Mr. Jack Farrell as Councilmember for the Village of Pinehurst.

Mr. Farrell thanked Mrs. Janet Farrell for her support, patience, and perseverance during his time of service; Mr. Willardson and the entire Village staff for their service; and all the Village Councilmembers (past and present) for the opportunity to serve the community.

Council and Mr. Willardson praised and thanked Mr. Farrell for his longstanding service to the community.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Ficklin, Council unanimously approved Resolution 26-02 honoring the service of Mr. Jack Farrell as Councilmember for the Village of Pinehurst by a vote of 5-0.

**RESOLUTION #26-02:**

**Resolution Honoring the Service of Mr. Jack Farrell as Councilmember for the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina**

**Whereas**, the Village Council of Pinehurst, North Carolina wishes to acknowledge and express its appreciation to Mr. Jack Farrell for his dedicated service to the citizens of Pinehurst as Councilmember; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell served the Village of Pinehurst as Councilmember from January 2024 to December 2025; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell dedicated his time, knowledge, and abilities to the Village and provided thoughtful consideration to all matters; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell played an important role in notable projects such as the design of the new Given Memorial Library; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell served as the Council representative on the Regional Land Use Advisory Commission (RLUAC); as liaison to the National Park Service (NPS) / Landmark Status (NLS); and as alternate liaison to the Tri-Cities Work Group, Pinehurst Resort, USGA, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell served on the 2025 Pinehurst Development Ordinance Update Focus Group and was integral in the adoption of the newly updated 2025 Pinehurst Development Ordinance; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell strongly supports preservation of the Village's historic district, landmarks, and open spaces; and

**Whereas**, Mr. Farrell was, and continues to be, a strong advocate for the community of the Village of Pinehurst.

**Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved** by the Village Council of Pinehurst, North Carolina in a Regular Meeting assembled this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026 as follows:

**Section 1.** That, on behalf of the citizens of Pinehurst, the Village Council expresses deep appreciation and gratitude to Mr. Farrell for the gifts of time, ability, and commitment in carrying out his duties as Councilmember for the Village of Pinehurst.

**Section 2.** That a copy of this resolution be spread upon the permanent minutes of the Village of Pinehurst and a copy thereof, duly executed by the Mayor and Village Clerk, be presented to Mr. Jack Farrell as a token of our gratitude.

**This Resolution passed and adopted on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.**

**6. Public Comments.**

Ms. Mandy Luck, Wife of Captain Jonathan Luck of the Village of Pinehurst Fire Department, spoke in favor of approval of Resolution 26-08 adopting the Retiree Health Reimbursement Account Policy.

Ms. Debbie Lalor, Pinehurst resident, expressed concerns over approval of Ordinance 26-05 amending the Municipal Code to provide exemptions for Spur Road trash receptacle and parking regulations.

**7. Resolutions.**

**A. Consider Resolution 26-07 Reappointing Mr. Matt Jones to the Planning & Zoning Board and**

**Board of Adjustment**

Mr. Willardson spoke in favor of the reappointment of Mr. Matt Jones to the Planning & Zoning Board and Board of Adjustment.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Hooper, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, Council unanimously approved Resolution 26-07 reappointing Mr. Matt Jones to the Planning & Zoning Board and Board of Adjustment for the term effective February 01, 2026, until the end of his term on January 31, 2027, by a vote of 5-0.

**RESOLUTION #26-07:**

**A RESOLUTION REGARDING A RE-APPOINTMENT TO THE VILLAGE OF PINEHURST PLANNING & ZONING BOARD AND BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.**

**THAT WHEREAS,** the Village of Pinehurst has established a Planning & Zoning Board and a Board of Adjustment as required by its Development Ordinance and authorized by North Carolina General Statutes 160D-301 and 160D-302; and

**WHEREAS,** on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of March 2012, the Village of Pinehurst Village Council adopted Ordinance #12-10 to amend Chapter 31 of the Pinehurst Municipal Code to combine the Planning & Zoning Board and the Board of Adjustment; and

**WHEREAS,** the term of Mr. Matt Jones will expire on January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026; and

**WHEREAS,** Mr. Jones and the Village of Pinehurst Village Council are desirous of his continuing to serve as a member of the Planning & Zoning Board and the Board of Adjustment for an additional term.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina in a Regular Meeting assembled this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026 that the following appointment is hereby made to the Planning & Zoning Board and the Board of Adjustment for the term indicated:

Mr. Matt Jones is re-appointed as a member of the Planning & Zoning Board and the Board of Adjustment effective February 01, 2026, to serve at the pleasure of the Council until the end of his term on January 31, 2027.

**THIS RESOLUTION** passed and adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**B. Consider Resolution 26-08 Adopting the Retiree Health Reimbursement Account Policy**

Mr. Willardson; Ms. Angela Kantor, Human Resources Director; and Ms. Dana Van Nostrand, Financial Services Director, reviewed and discussed a memo outlining the background on the proposed Retiree Health Reimbursement Account (Retiree HRA) Policy, how funding and disbursement of the Retiree HRAs would be structured, and a Retiree HRA financial analysis.

Council, Mr. Willardson, Ms. Kantor, and Ms. Van Nostrand deliberated what requirements must be met for an employee to be eligible for participation in the Retiree HRA program, how the proposed Retiree HRA policy compares to retiree benefits offered by other municipalities within Moore County, and how adopting a Retiree HRA program would benefit the Village in terms of both employee retention and recruitment.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Fitzpatrick, Council unanimously approved Resolution 26-08 adopting the Retiree Health Reimbursement Account Policy by a vote of 5-0.

**RESOLUTION #26-08:**

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE POLICY ON THE RETIREE HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ACCOUNT FOR THE VILLAGE OF PINEHURST.**

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council of Pinehurst, North Carolina, recognizes the importance of honoring and supporting employees for dedicated service to the community; and

**WHEREAS** the Village is committed to maintaining competitive and sustainable employee benefits that strengthen recruitment, retention, and overall organizational excellence; and


**WHEREAS**, the establishment of the Retiree Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) will provide eligible retirees with financial assistance to offset healthcare premiums, thereby promoting financial security and well-being in retirement; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council finds that the adoption of the Retiree Health Reimbursement Account Policy is consistent with the Village’s strategic goals, fiscal stewardship, and commitment to its employees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina in a regular meeting assembled this 27th day of January 2026 as follows:

**SECTION 1.** The Retiree Health Reimbursement Account Policy is hereby adopted and said policy attached hereto as Attachment A and made a part herein; the same as if included verbatim.

**THIS RESOLUTION** passed and adopted this 27th day of January 2026.

		<b>VILLAGE OF PINEHURST STANDARD PROCEDURE</b>	
<b>SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Retiree Health Reimbursement Account</b>	<b>Effective Date:</b>	01/27/2026
<b>Department:</b>	Human Resources	<b>Policy No.:</b>	HR-118
<b>Prepared by:</b>	Human Resources	<b>Revised:</b>	
<b>Approved by:</b>	Village Council	<b># of Pages:</b>	3

**PURPOSE**

The Health Reimbursement Account (HRA) is intended to provide retirees assistance with private health insurance premiums. This program is intended to reward employees who have dedicated many years of service to the Village and incentivize recruitment and retention of talented employees to remain with the Village until their retirement years. This policy acknowledges their contributions and ensures a smoother transition into retirement, promoting financial security and well-being.

**POLICY**

Employees who retire from the Village of Pinehurst with a minimum of 20 years of Village service along with other requirements will be eligible to enroll in the program until age 65.

## PROCEDURE

### A. Eligibility:

1. Only benefit-eligible employees are eligible for this benefit.
2. Only benefit-eligible years of service will be considered. Sick time cannot be used for service credit for this benefit. Non-benefit eligible years of service will not be considered.
3. Years of service with the Village must be consecutive.
4. Employees must be at least age 50, younger than age 65, and not eligible for Medicare.
5. Employees must be eligible and apply for retirement from the Village under the North Carolina Local Government Employees' Retirement System (LGERS) on or after July 1, 2026.

### B. Schedule of Benefits:

1. The Village will contribute a monthly amount to a retiree HRA beginning the first month of retirement under LGERS for eligible retirees up to age 65.
2. The contribution will cease upon the earliest of the following:
  - 1) The month the retiree turns 65 or becomes eligible for Medicare if before age 65 (final contribution);
  - 2) Failure to comply with policy requirements; or
  - 3) The death of the retiree.
3. The contribution amount will be equal to the health insurance premium the Village pays for current, active employees, but no more than \$800. The contribution amount will be based on the table below.
4. Retirees who elect this benefit will receive a contribution based on the following:

Eligible Years of Service	Contribution Amount
30	100%
25	75%
20	50%

5. Retirees who were benefit-eligible as part-time employees and who elect this benefit will also receive a contribution based on the following:

Eligible Years of Service	Contribution Amount
30	50%
25	38%
20	25%

6. For employees who served in full-time and part-time benefit eligible positions, the contribution amount will be determined based on the status at the time of retirement.

### C. Requirements:

1. Retirees must enroll annually during the enrollment period. Human Resources will send the annual notices including any changes. Failure to complete the annual confirmation will result in termination of the benefit effective the following January.
2. Retirees must have eligible medical insurance premiums and must submit proof of payment of those premiums to receive reimbursement. Only medical premiums can be reimbursed. Dental and vision premiums are not eligible for reimbursement.
3. Employees who decline or unenroll will have the opportunity to re-enroll in the program during annual enrollment if eligibility requirements are met.

4. Retirees must maintain accurate and updated contact information (address, email, and phone number) with the Village after retirement.

**C. Consider Resolution 26-09 Adopting the Village Council's Development and Growth Policy**  
Mr. Willardson provided Council with a memo outlining the intention behind the proposed Development and Growth Policy.

Council spoke in favor of adopting the proposed Development and Growth Policy.

Council agreed to amend resolve item 1 of Resolution 26-09 to include “and is consistent with the Pinehurst Development Ordinance and 2019 Comprehensive Plan” at the end of the sentence.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pizzella, seconded by Councilmember Ficklin, Council unanimously approved Resolution 26-09 adopting the Village Council's Development and Growth Policy with the following amendment by a vote of 5-0:

- Resolve Item 1: include “and is consistent with the Pinehurst Development Ordinance and 2019 Comprehensive Plan” at the end of the sentence.

**RESOLUTION #26-09:**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A DEVELOPMENT AND GROWTH POLICY FOR THE VILLAGE OF PINEHURST.**

**THAT WHEREAS**, the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst desires to clearly articulate its philosophy and expectations regarding growth, redevelopment, and annexation within and adjacent to the Village; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village of Pinehurst recognizes that growth and change are inevitable, but that such growth should be intentional, context-sensitive, and aligned with the Village’s adopted plans, development regulations, and long-standing community character; and

**WHEREAS**, much of the Village of Pinehurst is substantially built out, and future change is expected to occur primarily through infill development, targeted redevelopment, and selective annexation rather than large-scale greenfield development; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council wishes to provide clear guidance to applicants, staff, boards, commissions, and the public regarding expectations for infill development, redevelopment, rural residential areas, annexation requests, and protection of Pinehurst’s quality of life; and


**WHEREAS**, the Village Council has reviewed and discussed the proposed Development and Growth Policy, which establishes guiding principles for decision-making while preserving the Village’s unique sense of place and community values

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina, in Regular Meeting assembled this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026, that:

1. The Development and Growth Policy is hereby adopted as an official Council policy of the Village of Pinehurst and is consistent with the Pinehurst Development Ordinance and 2019 Comprehensive Plan.
2. This policy shall serve as a guiding document for Council, staff, advisory boards, applicants, and stakeholders in evaluating development, redevelopment, and annexation proposals.

3. This policy is intended to supplement, but not replace, adopted ordinances, plans, and applicable statutory requirements, all of which shall continue to govern development decisions.
4. The Village Manager is authorized to implement and apply this policy in the course of administering the Village's planning and development processes.

**THIS RESOLUTION** passed and adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

	<b>VILLAGE OF PINEHURST</b> <b>STANDARD PROCEDURE</b>	
SUBJECT:	Development and Growth Policy	Effective Date:
Department:	Administration	Policy No.:
Prepared by:	Administration	Revised: 01/2026
Approved by:	Village Council	# of Pages: 3

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this policy is to articulate the Village Council's overall philosophy and expectations regarding growth, redevelopment, and possible annexation within and adjacent to the Village of Pinehurst. This policy is intended to guide decision-making by Council, staff, applicants, and stakeholders, while preserving the character and quality of life that define Pinehurst.

**POLICY STATEMENT:**

The Village of Pinehurst recognizes that growth and change are inevitable; however, growth should be intentional, context-sensitive, and aligned with the Village's long-standing character, adopted plans, and commitment to quality of life for existing residents.

The Village does not seek growth for growth's sake. Development and redevelopment should strengthen Pinehurst as a community, protect its unique sense of place, and enhance livability for residents, businesses, and visitors.

**INFILL DEVELOPMENT:**

The Village acknowledges that limited infill development will continue to occur on vacant or underutilized lots within existing neighborhoods.

- Infill development is expected to be compatible in scale, form, and character with surrounding development.
- New construction should respect established neighborhood patterns, including setbacks, massing, tree canopy, and overall design context.
- Infill development should not erode neighborhood character or impose disproportionate impacts on adjacent properties.

### **RURAL RESIDENTIAL AREAS (R-210 ZONING):**

The Village places a high value on maintaining the rural and low-density character of areas zoned R-210.

- These areas are intended to remain low-density in nature and to preserve open space, natural features, and the existing rural landscape.
- Development within R-210 areas (min. 210,000 sq ft lots ~ 5 acres) should reflect this intent and avoid suburbanization or intensification that would undermine the purpose of the zoning district.
- Infrastructure extensions and development patterns that would encourage higher density or traffic volumes inconsistent with rural character are strongly discouraged.

### **REDEVELOPMENT AND BUILT-OUT CONDITIONS:**

The Village recognizes that much of Pinehurst is substantially built out, with limited opportunities for large-scale greenfield development. As a result, future growth within the Village is expected to occur primarily through targeted redevelopment, particularly in areas such as the Village Place Core and Pinehurst South, rather than through outward expansion.

Redevelopment should improve functionality, appearance, and long-term viability while respecting Pinehurst's historic development patterns and community identity.

### **VILLAGE PLACE AREA:**

The Village supports redevelopment of the Village Place Core as a strategic opportunity to complement the historic downtown area.

- Redevelopment in this area should align with adopted Small Area Plans and other guiding documents, including the Pinehurst Development Ordinance.
- The Village Place Core is envisioned as a walkable, mixed-use extension of downtown that enhances connectivity, economic vitality, and community life.
- Redevelopment should be carefully planned, phased as appropriate, and consistent with the scale and character of Pinehurst's historic core.

### **PINEHURST SOUTH:**

The Village supports thoughtful new development and redevelopment in Pinehurst South that improves conditions and contributes positively to the broader community.

- Redevelopment should prioritize the revitalization of blighted properties.
- Projects should minimize additional traffic congestion and seek to improve circulation, safety, and connectivity.
- New development should reinforce Pinehurst's character and avoid forms or intensities that would detract from surrounding neighborhoods or quality of life.

### **ANNEXATION POLICY:**

Given the Village's largely built-out condition, most significant future development opportunities are likely to occur through requests for annexation.

The Village recognizes that, in some cases, annexation may result in better development outcomes than allowing development to proceed under another jurisdiction with limited or no Village oversight. Annexation may provide the Village with the ability to apply planning, zoning, design, and infrastructure standards that more effectively protect Pinehurst's character and the quality of life of nearby residents.

Accordingly, the Village will consider requests for annexation only when it clearly serves the public interest and advances the Village's long-term goals. In evaluating annexation requests, the Village will consider whether the proposed annexation:

- Clearly improves or protects the quality of life for existing Pinehurst residents;
- Is consistent with the character, scale, and development patterns of Pinehurst; and
- Provides a demonstrably better outcome than would reasonably be expected if the property were developed outside the Village's jurisdiction.

Annexation is not guaranteed and will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The Village retains full discretion to determine whether annexation is appropriate.

**IMPLEMENTATION:**

This policy is intended to guide, but not replace, adopted ordinances, plans, and statutory requirements. All development and annexation proposals shall continue to be evaluated in accordance with applicable processes, zoning regulations, development ordinances, and adopted plans.

**POLICY REVIEW:**

This policy shall be reviewed periodically as part of the Village's overall policy and planning framework, or as directed by the Village Council.

**8. Regular Business.**

**A. Consider the Purchase of Murdocksville Road Property**

Mr. J. Carlton Cole, Assistant Village Manager, reviewed and discussed a memo detailing the proposed purchase of real property on Murdocksville Road.

Council and Mr. Cole deliberated on the proximity of the property to the Village of Pinehurst corporate limits and whether the recent passing of Mr. McKenzie would prohibit the sale of the property to the Village of Pinehurst.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Fickling, Council unanimously approved authorizing the Village Manager to execute any and all documents necessary for the acquisition of real property located at 3778 Murdocksville Road, further identified as Parcel ID # 00022801 by a vote of 5-0.

**9. Ordinances.**

**A. Consider Ordinance 26-01 Amending the FY 2026 General Fund Budget to Purchase Real Property on Murdocksville Road**

Ms. Van Nostrand reviewed and discussed a memo outlining the purpose behind the proposed FY 2026 General Fund Budget amendment.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Hooper, Council unanimously approved Ordinance 26-01 amending the FY 2026 General Fund Budget to purchase the real property located at 3778 Murdocksville Road, further identified as Parcel ID # 00022801, for \$470,000 with an additional amount of \$5,000 allocated for due diligence and closing costs by a vote of 5-0.

**ORDINANCE #26-01:**

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR OPERATIONS OF THE VILLAGE OF PINEHURST FOR FISCAL YEAR**

**2026, REGARDING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES OF THE GENERAL FUND (MURDOCKSVILLE ROAD LAND PURCHASE AMENDMENT).**

**THAT WHEREAS,** the Village of Pinehurst wishes to purchase land on Murdocksville Road (Parcel ID 00022801) for \$475,000, including estimated due diligence and closing costs, as a potential future location for the Village's public services facilities; and

**WHEREAS,** the Village did not appropriate these funds in the original budget adopted for the year ended June 30, 2026 in Ordinance #25-09; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina, in the regular meeting assembled this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** To amend the General Fund budgeted expenditures, the following amounts are to be added to the current expenditure appropriations for FY 2026:

**GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:**

Public Services Administration \$ 475,000

**TOTAL EXPENDITURES APPROPRIATION** \$ 475,000

**SECTION 2.** To amend the General Fund estimated revenues, the following amounts should be added to the current estimated revenues for FY 2026:

**GENERAL FUND REVENUES:**

Fund Balance Appropriated \$ 475,000

**TOTAL GENERAL FUND REVENUES** \$ 475,000

**SECTION 3.** Copies of this budget amendment shall be furnished to the Village Clerk, Village Manager and to the Financial Services Director for their direction and implementation.

**THIS ORDINANCE** passed and adopted this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**B. Consider Ordinance 26-05 Amending the Municipal Code to Provide Exemptions for Spur Road Trash Receptacle and Parking Regulations**

Mr. Willardson reviewed and discussed a memo outlining the purpose behind the proposed amendment to the Village of Pinehurst Municipal Code to provide an exemption from the trash receptacle and parking regulations for Spur Road properties.

Council and Mr. Willardson deliberated the reason behind the proposed amendment, the frequency and types of use of Spur Road, the potential impact adopting the amendment would have on the residents of Spur Road, and the Village's responsibility to maintain Spur Road.

Council agreed to remove exemptions for parking regulations along Spur Road from the proposed ordinance.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Fitzpatrick, Council unanimously approved as amended Ordinance 26-05 amending the Village of Pinehurst Municipal Code to provide limited exemptions for Spur Road with the following amendments by a vote of 5-0:

- Remove “and Parking Regulations” from the title.
- Remove SECTION 2 § 72.05 (Parking Prohibited).

**ORDINANCE #26-05:**

**An Ordinance Amending the Village of Pinehurst Municipal Code to Provide Limited Exemptions for Spur Road Trash Receptacle**

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst adopted ordinances establishing regulations governing the placement of solid waste receptacles and parking within public rights-of-way in order to protect public health, safety, and welfare; and

**WHEREAS**, Spur Road is a publicly owned, unpaved right-of-way that functions in practice similarly to an alley, with no residences fronting the roadway and a travel surface substantially narrower than the overall right-of-way; and

**WHEREAS**, adjacent properties along Spur Road have historically used portions of the right-of-way for trash receptacle storage and limited parking without creating documented safety, access, or operational issues; and

**WHEREAS**, strict application of the existing code provisions at this location would create unnecessary hardship without a corresponding public benefit; and

**WHEREAS**, the Village Council finds it appropriate to provide a narrowly tailored exemption recognizing the unique conditions of Spur Road while retaining public ownership and control of the right-of-way.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Village Council of the Village of Pinehurst, North Carolina in a Regular Meeting assembled this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026 as follows:

**SECTION 1.** That **Section § 50.05 (Frequency of Collection and Removal)** of the Village of Pinehurst Municipal Code is hereby amended by adding a new subsection **§ 50.05(D)** to read as follows:

**§ 50.05(D) Spur Road Exemption.**

Residences that abut Spur Road between Dundee Road and Everett Road are exempt from the receptacle storage requirements set forth in § 50.05(B), provided that trash receptacles do not obstruct the traveled portion of the roadway or interfere with emergency access or utility operations.

**SECTION 2.** If any provision of this ordinance is held invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which shall continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

**SECTION 4.** This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

Adopted this 27<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

**10. Other Business.**

Council and Mr. Willardson discussed Council reviewing and providing feedback on the updated version of the community surveys so a final version of the surveys may be prepared in March and distributed in

late April – early May.

Council and Mr. Willardson discussed the near completion of the Magnolia and Chinquapin Road stormwater and intersection improvements project, noting additional road striping work is needed.

**A. Approval of the January 13, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes**

Council deliberated the proposed amendments to the January 13, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Ficklin, Council unanimously approved the January 13, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes with the following amendments by a vote of 5-0:

- Item 11.A. Ordinance 26-03: remove “unanimously” from the motion to approve.
- Item 11.A. Ordinance 26-03: Add a sentence to the first paragraph stating, “The Applicant informally agreed to work with the Village Council and staff to select exterior materials congruous with the existing Downtown.”
- Item 14, First Paragraph: Replace “discussed” with “acknowledged”.
- Item 14, Second Paragraph: Replace “Land Use Plan” with “Municipal Utilities Plan”.
- Item 14, Fourth Paragraph: Revise to read “Council asked Mr. Willardson to discuss with Village staff whether a formal policy on the due diligence process for contractors is needed.”

**11. Motion to Adjourn.**

Upon a motion by Mayor Pro Tem Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Ficklin, Council unanimously approved to adjourn the Regular Meeting by a vote of 5-0 at 06:22 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Shannon Konstantinou  
Village Clerk

*A recording of this meeting is located on the Village website: [www.vopnc.org](http://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*