



**Neighborhood Advisory Committee  
Minutes for September 20, 2021  
Council Conference Room  
395 Magnolia Road  
Pinehurst, North Carolina  
3:00 PM**

**Village of Pinehurst Representatives Present:**

John C. Strickland, Mayor  
Jeffrey M. Sanborn, Village Manager  
Jane Hogeman, Councilmember  
Lydia Boesch, Councilmember  
Kelly Chance, Village Clerk

**Committee Members Present:**

Edward Balkovic, Pinehurst Trace  
Debbie Lalor – Downtown Residential  
Kay, Doral Woods  
Larry Rotondo, Pinewild

Claire Berggren, Pinehurst No. 6  
Lee Thomas, Clarendon Gardens  
Jeffrey Heintz, Lake Pinehurst HOA  
Kara Vonderkall, CCNC

**Call to Order.**

Mayor Strickland called the meeting to order.

**1. Review Notes from June 21, 2021 Meeting.**

The committee reviewed the notes from the June 21, 2021 meeting.

**2. Given Memorial Update.**

Jeff Sanborn, Village Manager provided an update that the Given Memorial Library and the Village of Pinehurst had signed an agreement at the September 14<sup>th</sup> council meeting. He reported that the Due Diligence period is open through October 15<sup>th</sup> with a close of the contract date effective April 15, 2022. He stated there is a provision that will reserve the VOP the option to take over the Roast Office / Given Outpost lease.

Mr. Sanborn stated that in order to keep the current library at the present location we would perhaps be able to utilize the outpost to use some of these services. The Village currently has built into the capital plans to build and \$1 million has already been carved out from a plan to expand, back several years. The plan is for future design work the end of FY 2022 for a library facility, recognizing there are some ADA infrastructure challenges that will need to be addressed first. The future expansion plan is set to begin after the 2024 U.S. Open and the 5-year plan, a total of \$5 million is expected, includes a Capital fundraising campaign. Mr. Sanborn stated that in addition to leading the capital fundraising campaign, the Library Endowment will continue to manage their existing endowment to help offset their operation expenses.

Mr. Sanborn stated that another part of this project is the need to accommodate more parking downtown since we think there will be a bigger draw for parking. Ideas are to potentially remove some of the spaces on the Village Green – as a tradeoff for the parking. He noted the Village is still looking at locations for a parking structure, with the frontrunner location being behind the Holly Inn. Mayor Strickland stated he is supportive of subterranean parking with the Carriage House style and stated this would be a good alternative because it takes up less

space and allows for more tree growth and shielding to occur. Mayor Strickland noted there is extra cost associated with this type of building structure.

Jeff Sanborn introduced Doug Willardson, the new Assistant Village Manager, and he is from Massachusetts where he was town administrator for several years. He stated the town he lived in was Webster and the population was approximately 17,000, about our size, and he is now residing in the Lake neighborhood. Mr. Sanborn noted that Mr. Willardson has 3 children and another on the way, with 2 at Pinehurst Elementary and one at Southern Middle. Mr. Willardson's wife grew up in Greensboro and they wanted to be closer to family, so they are excited to be here in Pinehurst.

### 3. Other Business – Neighborhood Reports.

- Kay with Doral Woods – Asked about progress on the tree regulation at the state level. Mr. Sanborn said currently the bill is stalled and members of the House rolled it into the budget bill along with other non-related provisions – it passed and went to senate who did not approve it – now in reconciliation committee. Kay asked if this building only affects private home owners and not commercial developers. Mr. Sanborn said it pertains to homeowners and developers. She also reported that crime is up in Doral Woods – Car Break-ins. She asked how frequently does police come through or how are they trying to address this? Mr. Sanborn stated we have three police zones and officers are assigned to these areas daily. When they are not at an emergency, they are patrolling those areas. Mr. Sanborn stated we have had some cases that there are a group of 2 or 3 people who are committing these crimes. He stated house break-ins are rare here – and often they are not from this community.

Mayor Strickland stated he spoke to the County District Attorney and he said please ask your residents to lock their cars when they are not there! Communicate your communities to lock their cars!

- Larry Rotondo – Pinewild – no reports
- Edward Balkovic – Pinehurst Trace – no reports – suggested we have a crime review next month
- Claire Berggren – Pinehurst No. 6 – Ring videos show they are traveling around just looking for the easy opportunities - Asked if the residential survey completed? Manager Sanborn reported that we have received the raw data and are working on putting that into a completed form. Mayor Strickland asked if Number 6 is interested in sidewalks. She stated there were – Sciota and the Major road. Manager Sanborn said historically we have three or four neighborhoods that report a desire and no 6 is one of those neighborhoods.
- Kara Vonderkall – CCNC – no reports
- Debbie Lalor – Downtown Residential – no reports – She asked if the people should be reporting what they are seeing on their ring and security cameras. Manager Sanborn said our police will respond if they get a call about a suspicious person – and he recommends they do share this information. This information is helpful to build a case against repeat offenders. Ms. Lalor asked if Pinehurst has considered using downfacing lighting. Manager Sanborn stated all of our lights are down-facing.
- Jeffrey Heintz – Lake Pinehurst – The minute someone pulls on your car or property – it's a crime – criminal – report it / He reported that the tree bill does not make any differentiation between private or business – He suggests we contact our state representative and share our opinion. Mr. Heintz stated stormwater runoff continues to be an issue! Manager Sanborn stated we have in this year's budget to start on the stormwater. He stated we have a suggested consultant that we will be recommending for the study development. Councilmember Hogeman stated that one of the bills says that counties and local governments will not be able to regulate stormwater either and is taking away our ability to govern ourselves.
- Lee Thomas – Clarendon Gardens – There are no active repairs going on in Clarendon. Mr. Thomas provided a report on the water system and issues and asked the Village to help with resolving these problems. An attachment is included with these minutes of Mr. Thomas's report. Mayor Strickland said the Village will take a close look at this and see if the Village can help in any form.

### 4. Next Meeting Date.

The next NAC meeting will be held on Monday, October 18, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. in the Assembly Hall.

### 5. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Kelly Chance*

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Village Clerk

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*Mission: Promote, enhance, and sustain the quality of life for residents, businesses, and visitors.*

*Values: Service, Initiative, Teamwork, and Improvement*