

VILLAGE OF PINEHURST
VILLAGE COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORK SESSION AGENDA
APRIL 30, 2009
4:00 PM
COUNCIL CONFERENCE ROOM
VILLAGE HALL
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA

1. Call to Order.
2. Discussion with representatives from Aqua America, Inc. to discuss water services.
3. Adjournment.

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**395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
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3:00 P.M.**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Special Work Session at 4:00 p.m., Thursday, April 30, 2009 in the Conference Room of the Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The following were in attendance:

Dr. George P. Lane, Mayor
Ms. Lorraine A. Tweed, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mr. Jeffrey P. Dawson, Councilmember
Ms. Virginia F. Fallon, Councilmember
Ms. Joan M. Thurman, Councilmember
Mr. Andrew M. Wilkison, Village Manager
And 10 attendees.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor George P. Lane called the meeting to order.

2. Discussion with representatives from Aqua America, Inc. to discuss water services.

Mr. Thomas J. Roberts, President and Chief Operating Officer; Mr. David G. Schlobohm, P.E., Operations Manager; Mr. Jim Powers, Corporate Development; and Mr. Rudy Shaw, Corporate Development of Aqua North Carolina, Inc. discussed water services with Council.

Mr. Roberts introduced Aqua America and stated that the goal of the company is to own assets under the regulated umbrella. They are the second largest publically traded private utility in the United States. They provide water and wastewater services to approximately three million people in twelve states including 700 water systems in North Carolina. Aqua North Carolina is an Aqua America company. They requested a meeting with the Pinehurst Council to seek a joint venture with Aqua and Pinehurst. They bring expertise and financing possibilities to the table.

Mayor Lane stated that the Council seeks security of Pinehurst water for the next 50-100 years.

Councilmember Dawson stated that Pinehurst would like to own part of the Robbins water system and feel like a stakeholder in the water system.

Mr. Roberts noted that his company brings a consolidated rate structure. For example, there are 7,000 users in Pinehurst, but liability would be spread across all Aqua America customers in the state. The Utility Commission has to okay rates, so the company cannot raise rates as easily as a municipality.

What is the next step? Perhaps talk with Moore County. Also suggested was to talk further with Robbins and Pinehurst to develop a game plan, then go to talk to Moore County.

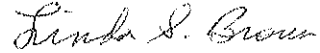
Walter Bull summarized the meeting by stating that Pinehurst could be a bulk water supplier, and if Aqua is involved, they could bring service. That could possibly work. Pinehurst could be a stakeholder by supplying bulk water. If the objective is to upgrade service countywide, then working with Aqua America makes sense.

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Councilmember Dawson moved to adjourn the Work Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fallon and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Linda S. Brown, CMC
Village Clerk