

**MINUTES OF
VILLAGE COUNCIL WORK SESSION
OCTOBER 8, 2013**

**395 MAGNOLIA ROAD
ASSEMBLY HALL
PINEHURST, NORTH CAROLINA
4:30 P.M.**

The Pinehurst Village Council held a Work Session at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, October 8, 2013 in the Assembly Hall of the Pinehurst Village Hall, 395 Magnolia Road, Pinehurst, North Carolina. The following were in attendance:

Ms. Nancy Roy Fiorillo, Mayor
Mr. Douglas A. Lapins, Mayor Pro-Tem
Mr. John R. Cashion, Councilmember
Mr. John C. Strickland, Councilmember
Mr. Andrew M. Wilkison, Village Manager
Ms. Lauren Craig, Village Clerk

Excused absence: Mr. Mark W. Parson, Councilmember

And approximately 20 attendees, including 6 staff and 2 media

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

2. Motion to go into Closed Session.

Councilmember Strickland moved to recess the Work Session and enter a Closed Session pursuant to NCGS 143-318.11 (a) (3) to consult with the Village Attorney in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the Village Attorney and the Village Council. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cashion and carried unanimously.

GENERAL ACCOUNT

The Village Attorney briefed the Council on the status of the litigation between the estate of Mr. Ronald Armstrong and the Village of Pinehurst, and the status of his discussions with the attorney representing Aberdeen, Carolina and Western Railway and the mobile communications tower company seeking to locate a tower in the Historic Landmark District of the Village of Pinehurst.

3. Motion to adjourn the Closed Session and Reconvene in Open Session.

Councilmember Strickland moved to adjourn the Closed Session and re-enter the Work Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cashion and carried unanimously.

4. Call to Order of Work Session (5:30 p.m.).

Mayor Nancy Roy Fiorillo called the meeting to order.

5. Reports:

– **Manager**

- Robert Hayter has a role in the agenda for items #8 and #12 but may be late due to another meeting. The agenda items can be adjusted as needed to accommodate this.

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– Council

- Councilmember Lapins mentioned that citizens keep asking him questions regarding the plans for the US Opens. Mayor Fiorillo hopes to have a report by the next meeting with preliminary plans.

6. Discussion and Action: Old Fire Station 91 (Resolution 13-43 Authorizing the Upset Bid Process).

Assistant Village Manager Natalie Dean shared information regarding two bids received for the Old Fire Station 91 prior to September 30, 2013 for \$156,000 and \$75,000. Natalie Dean noted several options for Council to consider including accepting the high offer and starting the upset bid process or starting the upset bid process again with a new bid minimum amount. Natalie Dean noted that 26 people have expressed an interest in the property. Councilmember Cashion added another option to retrofit the building for Parks and Recreation use. Council concurred to move ahead with upset bid process and asked staff to also perform a cost evaluation for up-fitting the building for the use of Parks and Recreation as another option. Upon the motion by Councilmember Strickland, seconded by Councilmember Cashion, Resolution #13-43 authorizing the upset bid process for the sale of Old Fire Station 91 was unanimously approved by a vote of 4-0 (A copy of the resolutions can be found in the Resolution Book).

7. Discussion: Lot exchange.

Council and Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton discussed a possible lot exchange with Pandich Construction Company for a Village owned lot on Calhoun Lane. After general discussion about using these types of exchanges for improving storm water management, Council gave a consensus to move forward with this exchange.

8. Discussion: Village Center traffic island landscaping.

Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton introduced Robert Hayter from The Hayter Firm to present his findings on the landscaping in downtown. Jeff Batton noted that he met with a Garden Club liaison that was very enthusiastic about these findings and was sharing them with the Garden Club board.

Robert Hayter presenting the findings which included: a significant need for infill planting and trenching, lack of uniform irrigation coverage in the design areas, selection of plants that reflect Pinehurst and create a tranquil and sophisticated feel, examining of the hardscape component of these areas for function and improvements, tree canopy management needing to be lifted, and minor engineering issues including the turning radius near the Donald Ross' statue.

Mayor Fiorillo noted that this looks like a wonderful plan and Council gave a general consensus to move forward with the plans. Audience member Jack Farrell inquired if the plan has been shared with the owners of the Magnolia Inn and Mystic Cottage.

9. Discussion: Roadside Beautification for 2014 US Opens.

Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton presented plans for roadside beautification for the US Opens. Jeff Batton explained these recommendations were created by himself, Councilmember Strickland, and Manager Andy Wilkison. Councilmember Strickland noted that they met with the Beautification Committee Monday afternoon and the committee agreed with the plans. Council gave a consensus to move forward with these beautification plans.

10. Discussion and Action: Road resurfacing.

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Infrastructure Superintendent Ralph Bowen and Assistant Village Manager Jeff Batton reported to Council regarding the solicited bids for the road resurfacing. It was noted that the roads selected were based on the latest inspection completed by USI, who rates the roads. The Village solicited bids for approximately ¾ of the roads and it is structured to add additional roads in if the weather allows additional resurfacing. Three bids were received for the project and the low bid was Riley Paving. Audience member Doug Middaugh inquired about the additional mile to be paved and Ralph Bowen said it would be adding onto Doral Drive, Whippoorwill, and a few other roads. Mr. Middaugh also noted the dangerous sections on McKenzie to Hwy 5 regarding pine trees that need clearing. Upon a motion by Councilmember Cashion, seconded by Councilmember Lapins, it was unanimously approved for the Mayor, or her designee, be authorized to execute a road resurfacing contract with Riley Paving to repair and resurface 3.09 miles of Village roads and that the Village Manager be authorized to increase the number of miles to be paved so long as budgeted funds in the FY 2014 Powell Bill budget remain and so long as the unit pricing remains the same as in this original by a vote of 4-0.

11. Preview of Regular Meeting Agenda.

Council did not preview the regular meeting agenda.

12. Presentation: Proposed Pinehurst Development Ordinance.

Robert Hayter and Andrea Correll, Director of Planning and Inspections, presented the proposed Pinehurst Development Ordinance (PDO) to Council. Mr. Hayter gave a background on the process of the rewrite of the PDO, explained the diagnosis report of the consultant for the current PDO, and identified the rewrite objectives: reorganize, simplify, format logic, outcome based objectives, delete or streamline processes, and make content as absolute as possible. The new framework was explained for the new PDO organization method. Andrea Correll noted that the dimensional requirements and zonings have not changed in the rewrite and the committee is not seeking Council to adopt a new zoning map. Both presenters mentioned a special thanks to the PDO Rewrite Committee.

Audience member Doug Middaugh suggests for the proposed PDO to be added to the home page of the Village website for the public to review.

After general discussion of the proposed changes, Council determined to schedule a special meeting on this topic with a date to be determined. It was also noted that there is a public hearing scheduled for the proposed Pinehurst Development Ordinance on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 at 1:00pm.

Audience member Al Hoy of Pinehurst #6 noted he would like to read the proposed PDO and will find it on the website. He also asked when public comment would be heard and the Mayor answered at both the special meeting work session and the public hearing.

Audience member Jack Farrell said he was pleased with the changes and the ease of using this during the first part of the presentation but at the end of the presentation it seemed there are actually major changes and he does not think the intent was to change the ordinances on the first go around. He noted that these changes need to be highlighted for the public.

13. Other Business.

No other business was addressed.

14. Comments from Attendees.

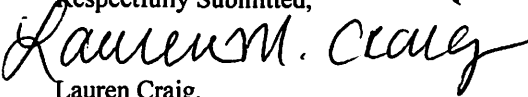
Jeanne Casinella inquired about the process for acquiring a police dog for the police department and Manager Andy Wilkison noted that Chief Phipps and he both felt it was not warranted at this time. Ms. Casinella also asked about the Western Connector and why has the Village not advocated for this over the years? Councilmember Lapins noted his involvement in this over the years and Councilmember Cashion said he sits on the committee for this but there has not been agreement on this plan yet across the county.

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15. Adjournment.

Councilmember Strickland moved to adjourn the Work Session. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Cashion and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lauren M. Craig". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and "M".

Lauren Craig,
Village Clerk