

## Serving the Village

The Village of Pinehurst has an active team of volunteers who serve in countless ways by giving their time and/or expertise to better the community. These volunteer opportunities are as varied as volunteering at special events, serving visitors at the Welcome Center, or serving on various boards, committees, and commissions. In addition to the Council-appointed boards described in this pamphlet, we invite you to apply to volunteer for one of the following:

- Beautification Committee
- Citizens on Patrol
- Community Watch
- Greenway Wildlife Habitat Committee
- Neighborhood Advisory Committee
- Parks and Recreation Special Events
- Risk Management Committee
- Welcome Center Ambassadors

If you are interested in applying to serve on a board, commission, or committee, visit www. vopnc.org/volunteer to learn more about how you can get involved.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

Pinehurst Development Ordinance www.vopnc.org/pdo

North Carolina General Statutes www.ncga.state.nc.us

Volunteer to Serve www.vopnc.org/volunteer

Village Board Information www.vopnc.org/boards

Board Meeting Schedules www.vopnc.org/meetings

Access Board Meeting Agendas www.vopnc.org/agendas

Watch Board Meeting Videos www.vopnc.org/videos

This learning guide is just one in a series about the Village of Pinehurst. You can find the rest of the series on the Village's website: www.vopnc.org/getinvolved.

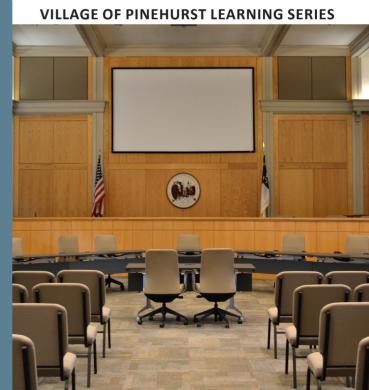
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# Your guide to COUNCIL-APPOINTED BOARDS





# **Council-Appointed Boards**

Appointed boards are a common form of citizen involvement and are most often formed at the discretion of the Village Council. Some must even follow state legal requirements due to their delegated authority under the North Carolina General Statutes. Council-appointed boards and commissions serve as the link that connects the public to its governing body and as advisors who make recommendations that help shape the Village's policies or services.



#### Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is responsible for:

- Advising and making recommendations to the Village Council regarding the Bicycle Plan and the Pedestrian Plan.
- Promoting walking and biking as alternative modes of transportation and identifying and prioritizing critical gaps in facilities for such.
- Recommending pedestrian and bikeway priorities for local, state, and federal projects.
- Reviewing Village ordinances and state and regional policies pertaining to bicycle and pedestrian requirements and facilities and recommending changes that fit community needs.
- Working with regional organizations and Village staff to coordinate walks, bikeway planning, and linkages.
- Assisting in identifying alternative funding sources for pedestrian and bikeway projects.

# **Board of Adjustment**

Board of Adjustment responsibilities include:

- Hearing and deciding applications for variances in accordance with the procedures and standards set forth in the Pinehurst Development Ordinance (PDO).
- Hearing and deciding appeals from any order, requirement, permit, decision, or determination issued or made by an administrative officer of the Village in enforcing any provision of the PDO.

# **Historic Preservation Commission**

The Historic Preservation Commission:

- Undertakes an inventory of properties of historical, architectural, and/or cultural significance.
- Makes recommendations to the Village Council regarding areas to be designated by ordinance as "Historic Districts"; and individual structures, buildings, sites, areas, or objects to be designated by ordinance as "Landmarks."
- Conducts an educational program with respect to historic properties and districts.
- Prepares and recommends the official adoption of a preservation element as part of the Village Comprehensive Long Range Plan.
- Reviews and acts upon proposals for alterations, demolitions, or new construction within the historic district, or for the alteration or demolition of designated landmarks.
- Recommends design guidelines to the Village Council.



# **Planning & Zoning Board**

The Planning and Zoning Board is responsible for:

- Reviewing all proposed amendments to the Pinehurst Development Ordinance (PDO), all proposed rezoning of property, all proposed master land use plans for planned developments, all proposed major preliminary subdivision plats, and all proposed major site plans, and to make recommendations to the Village Council for final action thereon.
- Performing studies and surveys of the present conditions and probable future development of the Village and its environs.
- Formulating and recommending the adoption or amendment of plans and policies in order to achieve the coordinated and harmonious development of the Village.
- Reviewing the terms of the PDO periodically and at times recommending any changes to properly regulate the development and use of land, buildings, and structures.

For more information about the Village's planning and zoning process and the roles the Board of Adjustment and the Planning & Zoning Board play in that process, see our Learning Guide on Planning and Zoning.

# **Stay Informed**

The public is invited to attend all Village Council, Historic Preservation Commission, Planning & Zoning Board, and Board of Adjustment meetings. To find meeting schedules, visit www.vopnc.org/ meetings. To view agendas for these meetings in advance, visit www.vopnc.org/agendas. Can't make it to the meeting? View meeting videos online at www.vopnc.org/videos.