

**MINUTES
FOXFIRE VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING/PUBLIC HEARING
Foxfire Village Hall
February 18, 2014 – 7:00 PM**

The original meeting date was February 11, 2014. Rescheduled due to inclement weather.

- 1. Call to Order:** Mayor George Erickson called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.
- 2. Members Present:** Councilwoman Leslie Frusco and Councilman Mick McCue
- 3. Members Absent:** Councilman Steve Durham and Councilman Vic Koos
- 4. Others Present:** Lisa Kivett - Village Clerk, Sharon Sanchez-Deputy Finance Officer, Ellen Marcus - Seven Lakes Times, Village residents Brian Manley, Mary Gilroy, and Pete Mace.
- 5. Moment of Silence:** Mayor Erickson requested those present to pause for a moment of silence. This was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.
- 6. Public Hearing – Rezoning of Parcels to RS-40 (Residential Single Family- Watershed)**
 - **20060152 Grande Pines, LLC**
 - **20080096 Pineland Preserve, LLC**
 - **20080097 Pineland Preserve, LLC**
 - **20080098 Pineland Preserve, LLC**
 - **20052126 Pineland Preserve, LLC**

Councilwoman Frusco made a motion to open the public hearing seconded by Councilman McCue and carried unanimously.

Mayor Erickson explained that the parcels in Pineland Preserve are currently zoned Village Business District and are requested to be re-zoned by the property owner to RS40 so that homes could be built there. Three sets of house plans were recently brought in for the Pineland Preserve area. There are currently three homes in the development and the area is starting to grow. The parcel located in Grande Pines was recently annexed into the Village and currently zoned RA. The property owner requested re-zoning to RS40.

The Planning and Zoning board reviewed the re-zoning requests and gave a recommendation for rezoning to the council.

Councilman McCue asked property owner Pete Mace for clarification on the total acreage size of the parcels in Pineland Preserve.

Councilwoman Frusco asked Mr. Mace if it was his intention to make the parcels into minimum 40,000 lots. Mr. Mace replied it was.

There were no further comments

Councilman McCue made a motion to close the public hearing seconded by Councilwoman Frusco and carried unanimously.

- **Adoption of Annexation Ordinance #2014-01**

Councilwoman Frusco made a motion to adopt Annexation Ordinance #2014-01 seconded by Councilman McCue and carried unanimously.

7. Additions and Approval of Agenda

Mayor Erickson added a presentation from **Pat Corso and Caleb Miles regarding *Moore Alive* and *Woodland Circle*** to his report.

Councilman McCue made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended seconded by Councilwoman Frusco and carried unanimously.

8. Moore Alive Presentation

Pat Corso, Executive Director of Moore County Partners in Progress and Caleb Miles, President and CEO of the Moore County Convention & Visitors Bureau gave a presentation to the Council on the *Moore Alive* project. Moore Alive is a \$150,000 website being created to “sell” Moore County and to attract new entrepreneurs to the area and will be modeled after the Wake County “workinthetriangle.com” website. The Moore Alive website should be up and running by the end of April, in time for the U.S. Open.

Mr. Corso and Mr. Miles have been visiting municipalities in the area to present the project in hopes of obtaining funding and support. So far, Duke Energy pledged \$50,000 in a matching grant, Moore County has pledged \$50,000, Southern Pines \$10,000 and the Village of Pinehurst \$25,000. All municipalities that contribute will have a link to the Moore Alive website.

Based on the pledges from the other municipalities, Mayor Erickson calculated a contribution from Foxfire of \$418.50 which is an average of \$.45 per resident population of 2012. He recommended that Foxfire Village contribute a rounded figure of \$425 to the project. Councilwoman Frusco recommended the Council wait to discuss further at the next work session since two council members were absent this evening. She would like them to be able to review the material first before a decision is made to contribute.

9. Consent Agenda:

A. Approval of Minutes

- **January 14, 2014 Regular Meeting/Public Hearing**
- **January 30, 2014 Work Session**

B. Authorization to Advertise Tax Liens

C. Acceptance of Street Names (Robert Edwards)

- **Autumn Ridge**
- **Natures Trail**

D. Resolution #R14-01 Adopting the 2030 and 2040 Population, Employment, and Development Projections-NCDOT

E. Ordinance #2014-01 Debt Service Fund

F. Budget Amendments

- **Budget Amendment #2014-05 - \$100,000 Debt Service Fund**
- **Budget Amendment #2014-06 - \$100 K-9 Expenses**

Councilwoman Frusco made a motion to adopt the consent agenda seconded by Councilman McCue.

Councilman McCue asked if there's an item on the consent agenda that a council member wished to discuss, can they remove it to discuss. Village Clerk replied yes, the council member would need to make a motion to remove an item for discussion.

The vote was called and carried unanimously.

10. Public Comment Period:

None

11. Councilmember's Reports:

A. Finance – Councilwoman Frusco

1. Finance Report

Councilwoman Frusco reported as of January 31, 2014, the cash balance in the general fund total balance is \$1,340,775. Much of the amount is due to the fact that the Village has collected 97% of the budgeted ad-valorem property taxes. Restricted funds total \$181,655 and include the Capital Reserve fund, The Stonehill fund, and the assigned fund for future debt service. After this evening's approval of the consent agenda, that restricted dollar amount will jump to \$200,000+ starting in March because we are restricting \$100,000 into a brand new debt service fund for future debt service usage. The water fund's unrestricted balance is \$360,511. The Village still has in a BB&T Escrow account \$135,957, which is restricted for a new well. Total cash balances in the Village are \$1,837,244. We have paid all loan payments for the current budget year except for the payment due in April for the Woodland Circle project. That amount is just under \$182,000. In addition, we are diligently pursuing past due property taxes with whatever means are within our power and will continue to do so.

B. Public Safety – Councilman McCue

Councilman McCue reported that Attorney Mike Brough reviewed a draft amendment to Section 34-84 of the Village ordinance. Mr. Brough had some concerns regarding the penalties and enforcement section of the ordinance. He pointed out a State Statute which requires a different enforcement scheme than what we currently have. He suggested if we want to pursue this we should change to a civil violation. Councilman McCue reworded the ordinance to include this. Because two members are absent, he asked that the enforcement provisions be discussed further at the next work session. He also asked that council members review Section 1-6 before the next work session.

C. Water Department – Mayor Erickson

Mayor Erickson reported in the absence of Councilman Durham that the elevated water tank had recently been inspected by Southeast Painting Company. A copy of the report was available for inspection for those wishing to see it.

D. Mayor's Report

1. Triangle J- N.C. DENR Meeting

Mayor Erickson attended several meetings over the few months. The last meeting dealt with water resources. Mayor Erickson gave information on the meeting to the council for review.

2. N.C. DOT U.S. OPEN Meeting

Mayor Erickson attended a meeting at the Pinehurst Members Club regarding the US Open. The person in charge of the meeting was former Superintendent of Wake County Schools Tony Tata. He is now the Secretary of Transportation in North Carolina. This meeting was an update going into the US Open.

The US Open expects a half million visitors over the two week period and an economic impact of between \$130 and \$140 million dollars. They discussed parking issues. There will be parking off of S.R. 73 that will house about 12,000 cars. The South parking area will be on Sandpit Rd. which will house 5,500 cars.

The Director of the Moore County Airport estimates there to be about 4,200 flights over the two weeks and indicated they are beginning to make some changes to the arrival area.

Mayor Erickson will be meeting with Peter Stillwell later in the week to discuss the Village providing some type of signage at the airport. The brochures that Councilman McCue designed and the one page brochure on the property for sale on Woodland Circle could be handed out.

3. Woodland Circle

Mayor Erickson reported that 35-40 letters and information on the Woodland Circle property were mailed to Large Real Estate Developers and Developers of Assisted Living Facilities. The majority of them are located in the eastern region of the U.S. Following the mailing of the letters, Brian Teeter Director of Development from WXZ Development in Fairview Park, Ohio emailed the Mayor. Mayor Erickson placed a phone call to him.

Mr. Teeter indicated his company has projects around the country including California, Florida, and currently has two underway in North Carolina, one in Hendersonville and one in Asheville. Mayor Erickson hopes to meet with Mr. Teeter when he returns to North Carolina for the projects he is currently working on. WXZ Development does residential and retail developments.

Councilwoman Frusco added the Village followed up with Mr. Teeter and provided additional information on the property per his request. A large packet of information was recently mailed to him.

12. Public Comment Period (Comments on Council Member Reports Only):

None

13. Old Business:

None

14. New Business:

None

15. Adjournment:

Councilman McCue made a **motion to adjourn** seconded by Councilwoman Frusco and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

As so incorporated to these minutes of February 18, 2014, are exact copies as so recorded in the ordinance and resolution books of Foxfire Village as if fully set out in the minutes.

Lisa A. Kivett, CMC
Village Clerk

George Erickson
Mayor