

**MINUTES
FOXFIRE VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Foxfire Golf Country Club ~ 9 Foxfire Blvd
May 8, 2018 – 6:30 PM**

- 1. Call to Order:** Mayor E.M. McCue III called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.
- 2. Members Present:** Mayor Pro Tem Leslie Frusco, Councilman Don Boito, and Councilman Ed Howze
- 3. Members Absent:** Councilman Jon Sedlak
- 4. Others Present:** Lisa A. Kivett-Village Clerk, Police Chief Chad Shue, Police Sergeant Daniel Ritter, Barbara Okula and Cynthia Lathrop
- 5. Moment of Silence:** Mayor McCue requested those present to pause for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance
- 6. Approval of the May 8, 2018 Regular Meeting Agenda**

Mayor McCue added “*Section 16-2*” under *Old Business*.

Mayor Pro Tem Frusco made a **motion to adopt the agenda as amended.** The motion carried unanimously.

7. Consent Agenda

All items listed below are considered routine and will be enacted by one motion and without discussion

A. Approval of Minutes

- April 10, 2018 Regular Meeting
- April 26, 2018 Work Session

Mayor Pro Tem Frusco made a **motion to adopt the consent agenda.** The motion carried unanimously.

8. Public Comment Period

Barbara Okula asked if the ordinance regarding duplexes would be amended. Mayor McCue responded that the Planning & Zoning Board is reviewing the ordinance and will make a recommendation to the Village Council. A public hearing is required before any changes can be made.

9. Zoning Administrator’s Report – Lisa Kivett

Lisa Kivett reported the following zoning activities for the month of April:

*Sixteen (16) homes are currently under construction or in the beginning stage of lot clearing.
Thirteen are located in the Village corporate limits.
Two duplex units (Foxtail Lane)*

Village

Autumn Ridge (Autumn Ridge) Two (2) located in Grande Pines

Two (2) located in Pineland Preserve

Deer Track Bermuda Circle Whitman Court Eagle Drive Richmond Rd. Birdie Ct. Green Valley Forest Lake Dr.

ETJ

Tufts Vista Richmond Road

Tranquility Lane

One (1) Certificate of Occupancy was issued for a home on N. Shamrock

Permits Issued

Two (2) Pool/Fence

Two (2) Accessory Buildings

One (1) Run-in Shed

One (1) propane tank

Violations

One "written warning" was issued for barking dogs and one Civil Citation was issued for an animal running at large. The civil citation penalty of \$50 was due paid on April 13, 2018. To date it has not been paid and penalties have accrued to \$1,300. The next step is filing small claims with the Moore County Magistrate.

Election Signs

Per Village ordinance, Election signs must be removed within 5 days of the election. If any signs remain as of the 14th, I will remove them or have the police remove them.

10. Councilmember's Reports:

A. Finance – Leslie Frusco

1. Finance Report

Mayor Pro Tem Frusco reported that two Citizen Participation Budget Workshops are scheduled for May 10th at 6:30 PM and May 15th at 4:30 PM. She asked that both meetings be broadcasted via the Village website, CodeRed, and through the Village email list maintained by Dave Rossman.

A Council Special Work Session is scheduled for May 24th to finalize the budget numbers. In the event there are no issues with budget numbers, the work session will be cancelled.

Paving of both the Town Hall street and parking lot will be completed the week of the 21st. Bruce McFadden will notify her of a firm date for paving in case we need to announce the yard waste facility will be closed.

Mayor Pro Tem Frusco reported the following as of April 30, 2018:

The total cash balance in the General Fund is \$1,339,851 of which \$591,542 is restricted for the Debt Service Assigned Funds, K9 Funds, Street Maintenance Funds, and Police Vehicle Reserve leaving an unrestricted amount of \$748,309.

The total in the Water Fund is \$680,270 of which \$226,076 is restricted for a new well(s) and tank maintenance. The unrestricted balance is \$454,194. The total cash balance in the Village is \$2,020,122.

At this point, we have under \$10,000 of unpaid property taxes.

B. Public Safety – Ed Howze

Councilman Howze commended Police Chief Shue, and K9 Karma for their assistance in locating a home invasion suspect in the Pinewild community. An article regarding the incident was written and published in the Aberdeen Times.

The West End Fire Department Chief Eric Stromberg has requested to meet with the council at a work session to discuss the fire department 2019-2020 contract. It was the consensus of the council to meet with Chief Stromberg at the August work session.

C. Streets and Park – Don Boito

Councilman Boito reported that all crack sealing for 2017-2018 was completed under budget.

D. Water Department – Jon Sedlak

Mayor McCue reported for Councilman Sedlak who was absent.

There was a water leak on Foxfire Blvd. the previous Sunday and many residents were without water for several hours while repairs were made. Mayor Pro Tem Frusco thanked Lisa Kivett for putting out the CodeRed message about the leak.

11. Mayor's Report

Mayor McCue reported that the State Pension Board approved a lower investment assumption for State Employees Retirement which means if they accept this rate, the employer contribution will increase in the 2019-2020 budget year.

He reminded those in attendance of the "pinecone pick-up" scheduled for Wednesday the 9th at 3:00 pm. The Club will provide food for those participating.

Mayor McCue reiterated on the previous reminder about the Citizen Participation Workshops. This is an opportunity for residents to ask questions and make suggestions on how their tax money is being spent.

Mayor McCue reiterated on the previous report about the home invasion in Pinewild adding that Sergeant Daniel Ritter had also assisted in locating the suspect and too should be commended. McCue reminded those in attendance that situations like this occur daily and for residents to lock their doors at all times.

The Police Department now has a cell phone specifically for use by the on-duty officer. Its number is (910) 995-0174. If residents need an officer and call the police department number, it will relay right to the cell phone. Mayor Pro Tem Frusco added that having this phone does not necessarily mean an officer will be available 24/7 because the Village does not have 24/7 coverage at this time. As always, if the situation is an emergency, residents should call 911.

12. Old Business:

The council had discussed Village Code *Section 16.2 – property to be kept clean*, at previous meetings and were given proposed amendments to Sub-section 1 to be reviewed.

Mayor McCue provided copies of the current Sub-section 1 as written and a proposed amendment which adds language about accumulations of cut vegetation on developed lots and is a compromise between what Councilman Boito has suggested and what we currently have. It is stricter but does not allow us to require removal of dead trees in the middle of an unoccupied wooded lot unless its within 15' of a road or public right of way, or an occupied lot. Mayor McCue asked if council had any further questions or comments and there were none. An official ordinance draft will be prepared and voted on at the next council work session.

13. New Business:

Mayor McCue was approached by the Golf Course about contacting the NCDOT for more prevalent painting of striping at the golf crossings on Richmond and Hoffman Rd. and the possibility of putting a yellow flashing light on golf crossing signs. The golf course is concerned about increased traffic on both roads. The golf course will install new stop signs on their property and will install red flashers.

14. Public Comment:

Cynthia Lathrop said she's afraid to walk her blind dog on Ridge Rd., Bobolink, S. Wrenn, and Pine Tree Terrace because there are large dogs running loose and coming near her. Mayor McCue suggested she keep a cell phone handy and contact the police department when this happens, so it can be addressed at that time.

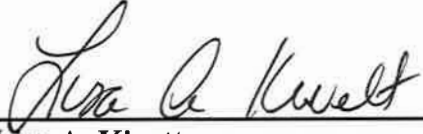
Chief Shue added that the Village "leash law" does not apply to pets running freely on personal property and many residents have invisible fencing in their yard. If the dog(s) are off the property and she is approached, she should contact the police department.

Ms. Leach also commented on people not cleaning up after their pets.

15. Adjournment

Mayor Pro Tem Frusco made a motion to adjourn. The motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

As so incorporated to these minutes of May 8, 2018 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, NCCMC, CZO
Village Clerk



E.M. McCue III
Mayor