

MINUTES
FOXFIRE VILLAGE COUNCIL
WORK SESSION
Village Hall Meeting Room
October 27, 2022 – 4:30 PM

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Boito called the Work Session to order at 4:30 PM.
2. **Members Present:** Councilmembers, Janice Gregorich, Janet Nauman, and Don Nelson
3. **Members Absent:** Gary Samuels
4. **Others Present:** Mary Gilroy, Leslie Frusco and Sandy Cameron

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich added *Clarification of Holiday Pay for Police* and Mayor Boito added *ETJ Rep, LRP Committee* to the agenda.

5. Items for Discussion:

- **Village Pool**

Councilmember Nauman opened a lengthy discussion on pool operations for the upcoming year. She provided information from her discussion with USA Pool Management Company. Council discussed the several plan options available and the necessity of having additional services provided to the Village. Nauman prepared a financial sheet showing the costs for each available plan. Another option to using the pool management company is to hire someone locally to manage the pool. She added if we cannot use either, the only other option is to not open the pool. Nauman reported 189 residents and 43 residents purchased pool passes however these numbers do not reflect the actual number of people that used the pool. It was suggested to create a job description for a pool manager and go from there.

Past Finance Director, Leslie Frusco was in the audience and asked to interject in the discussion. She commented on the financial information provided by Councilmember Nauman.

- **Windy Ridge**

Mayor Boito said the contractor agreed to post a performance bond. We have not received the engineering certification for road paving however we did for the road base. Council discussed the option of installing a guardrail on the backside of the road. Mary Gilroy updated council on the Windy Ridge plan.

- **ETJ Representation**

Mayor Boito reported that Moore County Board of Commissioners received comments from the public asking them not to appoint Neil Tighe to the Planning & Zoning Board as the ETJ representative. The Board of Commissioner tabled his appointment. Mary Gilroy is working on reinterviewing applicants to serve on the board.

- **LRP Committee**

One of the Long-Range Planning Committee members has resigned. Mayor Boito commented there seems to be confusion on what is expected of the board. He contacted the Board Chair to meet and discuss the duties of the committee. Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich suggested asking the committee to review the past plan and update it, not recreate it.

- **Police and Fire**

Councilmember Nelson presented a document prepared by Chief Shue outlining what ordinances are enforceable by his department. Ordinances include, vehicle calls, noise control, animals, yard debris, trash cans, political signs, and recreational equipment. All others fall under zoning. Nelson updated the council on fire department staffing due to budget constraints. Nelson will attend the upcoming fire department meeting. Nauman asked to consider having an officer working a late shift. Boito responded that the Sheriff's department responds when Village officers are not on duty.

- **Audit Update**

Mayor Pro Tem will be meeting with the Village auditor over the next couple weeks. She said the Village is in good financial shape and should be concerned with maintaining some savings.

- **NC Capital Management Trust**

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich spoke with Brooke Hunter, Financial Services Director in Pinehurst who have over 20 million invested in NCCMT. Pinehurst is getting somewhere between 3.5 – 3.75% interest. Gregorich outlined the benefits of participating. Gregorich suggested having John Frye give a presentation at the upcoming council meeting.

- **Clarification of Holiday Pay for Law Enforcement**

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich asked council to review the current holiday pay structure for fulltime hourly law enforcement. Council understands that officers work 84 hours and if there is a holiday, they are paid an additional holiday pay.

6. Public Comments

Leslie Frusco – 7 Hillside Drive commented on the Village pool. She reminded council that a pool maintenance reserve that was established a year prior and could be used as a “rainy-day” fund for repairs. She added that after the audit, the Village will have a substantial amount of money to allocate to reserve funds. Frusco suggested council look at costs associated with closing the pool compared to keeping it open. She further elaborated. Frusco suggested council speak with Chief Shue about the police coverage and take lead from him. She additionally cautioned council on the upcoming revaluations. She advised the Village to use a revenue-neutral calculation and adjust tax rates accordingly. She further explained.

Mary Gilroy commented if we close the pool, the Village will need to allow above-ground pools.

Gilroy reported the P&Z board will be making a recommendation to increase the minimum lot size in RA to 5-acres. She provided details on other zoning related changes the board is looking at. Gilroy plans to schedule a training session for new board members.

7. Adjournment

Councilmember Nelson made a motion to adjourn. The vote was called, and motion carried. The Work Session adjourned at 5:47 PM.



Lisa A. Kivett, CMC, NCCMC, CZO
Village Clerk



Don Boito
Mayor