

**MINUTES
FOXFIRE VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
Village Hall Meeting Room – August 8, 2023-4:30 PM**

1. Call to Order: Mayor Boito called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM
2. Members Present: Mayor Pro Temp Janice Gregorich, Councilmembers Janet Nauman and Gary Samuels
3. Members Absent: Councilmember Don Nelson
4. Others Present: Mary Gilroy-P&Z Chair, and several members of the public
5. Moment of Silence: Mayor Boito requested those present to pause for a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
6. Approval of the August 8, 2023, Regular Meeting Agenda

Mayor Boito added *Appearance Committee* under Old Business and *P&Z Recommendations* under New Business.

Councilmember Nauman made a motion to adopt the August 8, 2023 agenda as written. 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

- July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting and Closed Session
- July 27, 2023 Work Session

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich asked for a correction to the July 11th minutes. Village Clerk Lisa Kivett noted the correction.

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich made a motion to approve the consent agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

8. Public Comment Period

Mick McCue – 7 Oak Hill Drive alerted the council that the Moore County Board of Commissioners recently approved using a steering committee to revamp their Land Use Plan. Their current plan is 10 years old. McCue urged the Village to become involved. McCue suggested the council read an article titled “Paying for Growth, Prospering from Development” by Michael Kinsley and L. Hunter Lovins. McCue pointed out a county zoning decision sign near Duffie Lane off Hoffman Rd. This rezoning of 2.8 acres owned by the Vass American Legion Post #296 is to use an existing building as a *social club*. The rezoning to RA-2 was approved to allow them to have a social club.

Sandy Berger – 66 Woodland Circle asked the Village to consider going to paperless water billing. Gregorich replied it was being looked at for future consideration.

9. Zoning Administrators Report - Lisa Kivett

Currently a total of Sixty-five (65) homes are under construction or in the beginning stages of lot clearing. Two (2) of these are located within the ETJ.

Seven (7) Single Family Residence Application:

8 Richmond Rd. (Windy Ridge)
127 Courtland Circle (Windy Ridge)
164 Courtland Circle (Windy Ridge)
25 Ridge Rd.
65 Richmond Rd.

14 Green Valley
20 Oak Hill Dr.

Three (3) Certificate of Occupancy were issued:

33 Forest Lake Drive
13 Eagle Drive
54 Forest Lake Drive

Other Permits Issued:

One (1) Structure Modification
Three (3) Accessory Buildings
One (1) Deck
Three (3) Fence
One (1) Pool

10. Council Member Reports:

A. Finance – Janice Gregorich

▪ Financial Report

Mayor Pro Tem Gregorich reported cash balances as of July 31st. The general fund balance is \$2,321,286 of which \$1,478,239 is reserved. The water fund balance is \$1,336,150 of which \$471,076 is reserved. Interest earned in the capital trust account for the general fund is \$8,301.02 and the water fund is \$3,556.11. Total interest earned last year was \$62,899. The Village was only in the capital trust account for half the year.

Property tax bills will be mailed to property owners in the next couple weeks. Gregorich added that when residents pay their county tax, none of that money comes back to Foxfire.

B. Streets and Park – Janet Nauman

▪ Park Trails

Councilmember Nauman reported the park trails were re-opened. A sign prohibiting motorized vehicles and golf carts will be placed at the trail entrance.

▪ Playground Equipment

Nauman reported the new playground equipment was delivered, installed and open for use. Additional work is needed on the playground border.

Nauman added the paving project on Bobolink will be completed on September 7th. Councilmember Samuels commended Nauman for her hard work with the many projects she administered.

C. Public Safety – Don Nelson

▪ Department Updates

Chief Shue gave a brief report on department activities for the month of July. Officers responded to 1,200 calls for service and issued 240 citations. The departments focus was on the missing persons case for Village resident, Aleesha Watts. Foxfire is assisting Charlotte PD and other law enforcement entities with the case. Chief Shue stressed that Ms. Watts was not last seen in Foxfire.

D. Water Department - Gary Samuels

▪ New Well Update

Councilmember Samuels is waiting for the test results. A preliminary report shows a minimum of 50 gpm which would be the highest producing well in the Village. The Village will consider purchasing the property after the radiological study comes back.

11. Old Business

▪ Approval of the 5-Yr. Long Range Plan

Mayor Boito thanked all the members of the LRP Committee for their work in preparing the plan and each member of council for reviewing and finalizing the plan. Councilmember Samuels raised concerns

about the water department infrastructure portion of the plan. He suggested further discussion on this topic and approval of the plan at the next work session. A brief discussion followed on this topic. The council agreed to further review questions and to consider approval at the August work session.

- Board of Adjustment Training

Mayor Boito reported that Village Attorney Bob Hornik will conduct a Board of Adjustment Training. Council members may attend as spectators only. Samuels added he found an article on Board of Adjustment protocol that members might find helpful before attending the training. He will email a copy of the article to the council.

- Appearance Committee

Mayor Boito reported several disconnects with the current ordinance on the Appearance Committee that needs to be aligned before moving forward. He would like to further discuss at the next work session and decide whether to rename to *committee* opposed to *commission* as well as their limits of authority.

12. New Business

- Village Park Longleaf Pine Restoration – 5-yr

Mayor Boito reported the slide presentation from last month's meeting was posted online. A general meeting needs to be scheduled so residents can have an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. Boito will look at potential meeting dates in mid-September.

- Community Lending Library

The council previously discussed putting a Community Lending Library somewhere within the Village. Members agreed to move forward with this idea. Former Mayor Mick McCue built a box, and it will be placed at the Village Administration office parking lot. ETJ resident George Wall built a box that will be placed at the Village Green Park. Information on the Community Lending Library will be placed on the Village website. Samuels questioned the ongoing maintenance. Nauman reported it would be maintained by volunteers who take and leave books.

Councilmember Nauman reported she was made aware that some folks were volunteering to make changes to the shuffleboard court at the park. She reminded everyone that all volunteer work or changes to Village property must first be approved by the council before any work can be done.

- Planning & Zoning Recommendations

Mayor Boito reported the council will consider the P&Z Boards recommendations regarding Family Subdivisions and Accessory Building Permitted Sizes at the upcoming work session.

13. Public Comments:

Pam Reyes – 35 Forest Lake Drive clarified the duration of the LRP is five years.

14. Adjournment

Councilmember Nauman made a motion to adjourn. The motion was carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM.



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



Don Boito
Mayor