

MINUTES
Foxfire Village Council
Regular Business Meeting
July 8, 2025 ~ 4:30 PM
Village Hall Meeting Room

1. Call to Order: Mayor Gregorich called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM
2. Members Present: Councilmembers Mary Gilroy, and Don Nelson
3. Members Absent: Mayor Pro Temp Janet Nauman, and Councilmember Warren Morgan
4. Others Present: Police Chief Michael Amezquita, and Several members of the public.
5. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance
Councilmember Mary Gilroy led the opening prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
6. Approval of July 8, 2025, Regular Business Meeting Agenda

Mayor Gregorich asked to remove the *May 22, 2025 Special Meeting Minutes* from the Consent Agenda as they were previously approved.

Councilmember Nelson moved to approve the July 8, 2025 Regular Meeting agenda as amended, seconded by Councilmember Nelson and unanimously carried.

7. Consent Agenda

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

A. Approval of Minutes

- *May 13, 2025 Regular Business Meeting*
- ~~*May 22, 2025 Special Meeting*~~
- *June 10, 2025 Regular Business Meeting*
- *June 17, 2025 Public Hearing*
- *June 26, 2025 Work Session*

B. Budget Amendments

- *#2025-12 - Water Fund*
- *#2025-13 - General Fund*
- *#2025-14 - General Fund*
- *#2025-15 - General Fund*
- *#2025-16 - General Fund*

Councilmember Nelson moved to adopt the consent agenda, seconded by Councilmember Gilroy and unanimously carried.

8. Public Comment Period for Items Not on the Agenda

NONE

9. Zoning Report – Lisa Kivett

Lisa Kivett provided the following zoning report from June 10, 2025 through July 8, 2025.

Currently a total of twenty-three (23) homes are under construction or in the beginning stages of lot clearing.

NO new construction permit applications were received.

NO Certificate of Zoning Compliance was issued

Other Permits Issued:

Four (4) Fence

Two (2) Accessory Building

10. Council Member Reports:

A. Finance – Mary Gilroy

- Financial Report

Councilmember Gilroy reported that the Village CPA was on vacation last week, so she did not have the June financial numbers to report.

She reported as of today, July 8th, the total in the General Fund First Bank account is \$624,234, Capital Trust Account is \$2.94 million, and in the Water Fund a total of \$667,000.

A new contract with the Village CPA, Jyoti Sinnggh was submitted and will need to be approved by the council. Her monthly fee is \$1,700, and she provides many valuable additional services to the Village. The contract runs July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

Councilmember Nelson moved to approve the new contract with CPA, Jyoti Singh, seconded by Councilmember Gilroy and carried unanimously.

Gilroy reported that she and Mayor Gregorich spent an hour on the phone with the CPA discussing the new well project and the proper accounting for related expenses. Some budget amendments will be necessary, and she would like to schedule a special meeting to address these amendments as well as to approve the tax settlement for both real and personal property taxes. The Village council adopted a resolution in 2009 that limits tax write-offs to \$5.00, which she finds questionable. She plans to consult the attorney to confirm if this is accurate or if the amount can be increased.

B. Public Safety – Don Nelson

Chief Amezquita reported the following:

- The department responded to a total of 1,636 calls in June, including numerous premises checks and three DWI arrests.
- There was minimal storm damage from the previous night's rainstorm, though many neighboring communities were less fortunate.
- He previously informed the council about contacting the grant writer regarding the LPR cameras and is still awaiting a response.
- The battery in the speed sign on Hoffman Road will be replaced now that the new budget year has begun.
- Chief Amezquita reiterated previous reminders from November and January about the unlawful operation of golf carts on Richmond Road and Hoffman Road, both State roads. The department has noticed an increase in golf cart traffic during the summer months and has issued several warnings. He emphasized that golf carts must be insured and operated by licensed drivers on community roads. Numerous individuals have been spoken to over recent months. The Highway Patrol has also been active in the area and enforces these rules more strictly than local police.
- Walking along or on the golf course cart paths—whether during operating hours, after hours, holidays, or weekends—is prohibited. The golf course has again requested that police issue trespass notices to anyone violating this rule. No Trespassing signs are posted at some golf cart entrances.

Mayor Gregorich inquired about an update on last month's public request to relocate the speed sign on Richmond Road. Chief Amezquita responded that once the sign on Hoffman Road is operational, they will swap the sign locations. He also provided a brief overview of the current sign placements.

Councilmember Nelson provided a brief update on Fire Department activities.

In June, WEFD responded to 63 calls, 17 of which were in Foxfire. Year-to-date, they have answered 492 calls, including 142 in Foxfire. The department inspected fire hydrants but did not flush them due to water restrictions; flushing is planned for the fall. WEFD also assisted with coverage during the July 6th storms, with over 20 volunteer members responding across multiple areas. They conducted water rescues in Pinehurst and Southern Pines during the flooding and inspected lakes, creeks, and streams around Foxfire.

C. Mayors Report – Janice Gregorich

- Well #13 Update

Mayor Gregorich reported that permitting is ongoing for the new Well #13, and boring under Hoffman Road is expected to begin next week. The final hookup cannot be completed until the wellhouse is finished. The well should be operational and contributing to the water system within the coming months.

- Board of Adjustment Vacancies

Mayor Gregorich reported that the Board of Adjustment currently has two vacant seats. She encouraged residents to get involved in the community by considering service on this important board. The Board of Adjustment meets as needed to review variance requests and appeals regarding ordinance interpretations made by the Zoning Administrator.

- Village Pool

Mayor Gregorich reported that plastering is still in progress and, weather permitting, is expected to be completed within the next week. Once plastering is finished, the cement deck will be installed, followed by filling the pool and completing the remaining work. The Village is working diligently to open the pool but remains at the mercy of the weather.

She also thanked the FPOA for organizing a successful Fourth of July picnic. Despite the heat, everyone seemed to enjoy the event.

11. New Business
None

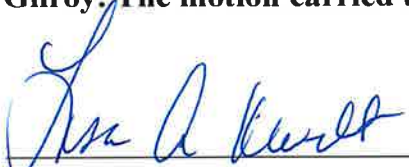
12. Old Business:
None

13. Public Comment Period - Comments on items listed on this agenda.

Norma Carpenter 71 Richmond Road asked if the insurance requirement for golf carts was something new as she had never heard about it before. She wanted to know what to do or if she needed to contact her auto insurance carrier. Chief Amezcuita responded it is through your auto insurance and suggested she contact them for information. Chief Amezcuita provided further details on registering golf carts and requirements for driving them on roads.

14. Adjourn

Councilmember Nelson moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Gilroy. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 4:54 PM.



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



Janice Gregorich
Mayor