

MINUTES
Foxfire Village Council
Regular Business Meeting
May 13, 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: Mayor Pro Temp Janet Nauman, Councilmembers Mary Gilroy, and Don Nelson
3. Members Absent: Councilmember Warren Morgan
4. Others Present: Police Chief Michael Amezquita, Fire Chief Erik Stromberg, 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 May 13, 2025, Regular Business Meeting Agenda

Mayor Gregorich removed the April 24th Work Session and April 24th Special Meeting minutes from the consent agenda. Mayor Pro Temp Nauman added FPOA discussion to her report.

Mayor Pro Temp Nauman moved to approve the May 13, 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

- April 4, 2025 Special Meeting
- April 8, 2025 Regular Business Meeting
- April 17, 2025 Special CLISED Meeting
- ~~April 24, 2025 Work Session~~
- ~~April 24, 2025 Special Meeting~~

Councilmember Nelson moved to adopt the consent agenda, seconded by Mayor Pro Temp Nauman 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 April 9, 2025 through May 13, 2025.

Currently a total of twenty-two (22) homes are under construction or in the beginning stages of lot clearing. No new home construction permits applications were received.

Three (3) Certificate of Zoning Compliance were issued:

12 Richmond Rd.

67 Richmond Rd.

1075 Tufts vista

Other Permits Issued:

Two (2) fence

One (1) Accessory Building

One (1) propane

10. Council Member Reports:

A. Finance – Mary Gilroy

- Financial Report

Councilmember Gilroy reported the following:

First Bank Checking \$392,907

First Bank Money Market \$205,126

NCCMT – General Fund \$3,254,542

NCCMT – Water Fund \$886,587

- Foxfire FY 25/26 Budget

Gilroy and Village Bookkeeper Shannon Hutchens will begin going through the budget line by line based on what was discussed at the previous budget work session. The original estimated revenue for 25/26 was \$1,926,400. Based on the changes made at the work session, we are now working with \$1,859,150.

Gilroy asked to change the date of the Citizen Participation Meeting from May 22nd to May 29th. Lisa Kivett advised the Candidate information from the Village attorney was scheduled for that evening. Mayor Gregorich asked to have it rescheduled for a date in June.

Gilroy also suggested scheduling another budget work session. The council agreed on May 22nd at 2:30 PM.

B. Streets and Park – Janet Nauman

- Pool Construction Update

Mayor Pro Temp Nauman reported the pool coping was scheduled for May 9th but has been delayed due to the recent rains. No rescheduled date has been set by the contractor as of yet. Nauman feels certain the pool will not be open by Memorial Day weekend due to the amount of work still needed including plastering, the pool deck, and county inspection.

- Pool Staffing

Nauman said the pool cannot open unless it is staffed. She addressed the suggestion of using volunteers to run the pool. She contacted the Village liability insurance carrier who said volunteers are not allowed. If those wishing to volunteer complete an employment application, they could work as a paid employee. The minimum age for attendants is 17, and the pay has been increased to \$18.00 for the pool manager.

- FPOA

Nauman has been speaking with the FPOA Chair, Sally Cunliffe who has overseen the 4th of July Picnic in the past. The FPOA would like to have the picnic in the grassy area of the pool this year. They would have tents, tables, and grills set up. The pool would be available to FPOA members only at a discounted price. She and Mayor Gregorich will meet with Sally on the 21st to discuss a plan that will be brought to the council for approval.

C. Public Safety – Don Nelson

Chief Amezquita reported the following:

- 1,359 events were answered for the month of April. YTD, just under 6,300 events.
- He and Officer Kivett have completed additional investigator courses.
- Both Officer McNeill and Coughenour completed the Field Sobriety Testing Course. They both have everything they need for DWI enforcement.
- Auxiliary Officer Baddour worked 50 hours the week everyone was at school.
- There were two vehicles broken into at the park. The windows were smashed, and personal items, purses, and debit cards were stolen. Two people were arrested in Cornelius, NC, near Charlotte. They are part of a traveling group that break into vehicles. Both are not from the area.
- He is still working on finding a second auxiliary officer.
- He spoke with a grant writer who is on board with writing a grant through NC Crime Commission. The grant funds can be used to purchase the LPR cameras. Discussion with council followed.

West End Fire Chief Erik Stromberg reported the following:

- WEFD answered 26 calls in Foxfire for April. This amount was 30% of the total calls for both stations.
- Hosted training classes throughout the state including an Instructor One and a Fire Officer One class. Both were attended by WEFD members.
- Participated in quarterly countywide training which helps them with ISO. The class was on utilization of water, static water supplies such as ponds, rivers, etc. and how to get the most

out of a hydrant during large fire events.

- Assisted with a community outreach program with the Aberdeen Carolina Railroad, the Easter Bunny Trails. They ran six train rides out of the West End.
- Hose testing for the year was complete.
- Hydrant inspections and cleaning up will be scheduled. They will not flow them this year.
- Stromberg offered to assist with filling the Village pool when it was ready.

D. Mayors Report – Janice Gregorich

- Informational Meeting for Election Candidates

Gregorich reported a date for the meeting will be set for some time in June. She encouraged anyone interested in running for a council seat to attend this meeting to better understand what the rules, responsibilities, and time constraints are for council members of a small municipality.

- Water Stage One Concerns

Gregorich would like residents to understand that Stage One is a voluntary conservation of water. It is not restricting the use of water but instead asking that residents be mindful of their water usage. She added that the Moore County website states that all municipalities in Moore County are currently at Stage One. She briefly spoke about watering of established laws and shrubs, irrigation demand, and the Village's efforts to get the new well completed and put online. She received two emails suggesting the Village put a building moratorium in place until the water situation is resolved. She explained that a health and safety issue would be a reason to place a moratorium, not an irrigation demand issue. She provided further details.

- HB 765

Gregorich reported that HB 765 regarding zoning and building regulations did not make it into crossover and is in the rules committee. She is unsure legislatively what that means. Unless parts of it are added to other bills, it's dead for now or has not made it to crossover. This bill sponsored by the home builders' lobbyists could have a detrimental effect on the Village.

11. New Business None

12. Old Business:

- Follow-up Letter to Foxfire Blvd. Property Owners

Gregorich reported a recent meeting with Foxfire Blvd. property owners yielded some historical and unclear situations that we had in the Villages. She drafted a letter that basically recapped the meeting and said we will not be making any changes at this time. We are exploring ways to improve the traffic flow and promote a safe and attractive boulevard for all residents. She asked for a motion to approve the letter.

Councilman Nelson moved to approve sending the letter as drafted, seconded by Mayor Pro Temp Nauman and unanimously carried.

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

Colleen Schlenker – 2 Sunset Lane said that comments about a moratorium are frequently posted to Facebook. She asked if there would be information on the Village website that could be shared on the Facebook page. Mayor Gregorich replied that council members do not post as independent council members on Facebook. She will work with Lisa to see if something could be put on the Village website

14. Adjourn

Mayor Pro Temp Nauman moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Nelson. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 5:18 PM.



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



Janice Gregorich
Mayor