

MINUTES

FOXFIRE VILLAGE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

May 18, 2015

Call to Order:

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Mary Gilroy at 6:40 p.m.

Roll Call:

Roll call was taken by Secretary David Meldrum and P & Z Board members Mary Gilroy, Donald Boito, Steve Martin, Beckie Pahner and David Meldrum were present.

Others Present:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes of the April 20, 2015 and May 8, 2015 Board meetings were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Steve Martin, seconded by Don Boito, and approved unanimously by all Board members.

OLD BUSINESS:

Grand Pines un-zoned lots

Mary Gilroy spoke to Peter Mace since our last meeting and Mr. Mace wants the un-zoned lots in question to be zoned RS-40 and not zoned EU – Equestrian Units. It was felt by several Board members that Mr. Mace wants the ability to cut up the un-zoned lots he owns into more and smaller lots, for that is where his sales opportunities are currently.

Grand Pines was developed as an equestrian community from its very beginning. Board members felt that people who purchased in Grand Pines should be protected by the Village zoning all lots EU.

To try and accommodate Mr. Mace, Ms. Gilroy will tell him that we would be will change the EU setbacks from 75 feet to 50 feet on all sides of a lot but the Village wants all lots zoned EU.

Foxfires' Land Use Plan

Continued development of an update of the Village's Land Use Plan continued with Parts 4, 6, and a glossary of definitions to be placed at the end of the plan were distributed for Board member to review at their leisure.

Don Boito will compile all six parts into one document and present it at our next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

At our last Board meeting each member was assigned a town in Moore County to find out if they had equestrian zoning and what ordinances there were involving such property. The following information was presented.

Whispering Pines- Lot size for equestrian is the same as a residential lot, some 25,000 square feet of land to have any number of horses on it. But, to have a "horse stable" you must have four acres of property.

Carthage and Aberdeen – both towns had no equestrian zoning. A search of property sales records found the minimum size lot having facilities for horses on it at 2.5 acres.

Southern Pines – No equestrian zone but do have a small Rural Estates zone. Horses were allowed without restrictions prior to UDO adopted October 2013.

With no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Steve Martin, seconded by Don Boito and unanimously approved at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David E. Meldrum, Secretary