

# **PARKS AREA CONNECTION MEETING MINUTES**

**Date/Location:** 14 June 2022, Whisenhunt/King Residence (12854 E. Lonesome Dove)

1. **Call to Order** – Chairperson George Chambers called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.
2. **Roll Call** – George Chambers, Joanie Raetzel, Bonnie Jackson, Whiz, Tim Toombs, Tish Bradford, Karin VonKay, Chief Lee Antonides, Julie King, Benita Holloway, Bob King, Kathie Krushinsky, Cindy Chambers, John Sears, Babs Felix, and Bill and Charlotte Moss were present.
3. **Approval of the Minutes** – John Sears moved, seconded by Karin VonKay, to approve the minutes of 10 May 2022 as written. Motion unanimously approved.
4. **Financial Report/Dues** – Dues were set at \$10 per household per year at the April meeting. If you have not paid your dues, please bring to the next meeting or mail to: PAC, PO Box 50654, Parks, AZ 86018. PAC financial report for May 2022:

## **PAC Financial Report May 2022**

<b>Beginning Balance (5/1/2022)</b>	<b>11571.38</b>
<b>Revenues (5/1 thru 5/31)</b>	<b>1325.89</b>
Membership Dues	120.00
Cash Donations	83.02
Amazon Smile Donation	9.14
Bake Sale	1044.00
Knife Sharpening and Sales	60.00
Knife Raffle	9.73
<b>Expenditures (5/1 thru 5/31)</b>	<b>255.49</b>
Fundraising Expenses	105.95
Dickey Memorial Expenses	149.54
<b>Ending Balance (5/31/2022)</b>	<b>12641.78</b>

5. **Financial Audit** – Karin VonKay conducted the PAC 2021 financial audit; she found everything to be in order.
6. **Ponderosa Fire Department (PFD) News**- PFD sent a Type 6 engine to Flagstaff on Saturday to support the Pipeline fire; they will probably be there 2 weeks. A Type 1 Management team will be taking over control of this fire tomorrow, which will allow for more resources. Information on this fire can be found on the Inciweb site. There is an ADOT app for highway impacts. A second engine was requested from PFD for structure protection but was not sent due to limited resources. There have been new fire starts in CA, NM, and other areas. The PFD board meeting is Thursday night at 6pm in Bellemont. Lee said he appreciated Parks having the community meeting on June 4.

7. **Sherwood Forest Estates (SFE) Events/News** – SFE had 25 donors at their blood drive; they will start checking with Bart to coordinate blood drives for next year. The Blockwatch/Firewise meeting will be June 30. At their upcoming annual POA (Property owners Association) meeting, Kathie will be resigning after 12 years. She will, however, still be involved in other areas of SFE. The POA has instituted subcommittees (i.e., new neighbor, signs, helping those in needs, etc.) and they have worked out great. Anne Dudley will be working on the website from Phoenix. SFE has invited some of the speakers from the community meeting to make presentations to SFE. She has also included the K9 group from Williams. The community yard sale will be July 9 from 8 am to 2 pm with a hamburger lunch for donation. The lunch will be at the Fire station and the yard sale will be at people’s homes.
8. **Dementia and Alzheimer’s Alliance (NAZADA) presentation** – Karin VonKay is on the Board of NAZADA, which is a non-profit offering free education and resources for those caring for people with dementias. They are having a “Cherish the moments” Walk fundraiser on Saturday, July 30 starting at 9am at Buffalo Park; Karin passed out flyers for the event. Visit nazada.org for more information.
9. **Moonset Pit staffing (2 July and 30 July)** – Whiz and John will work the am shifts for both dates. Joanie will find volunteers for the PM shifts. Bill Moss can work the PM shift on July 30; George is available if no one else volunteers. We are not sure if the pit will be extended through August/September.
10. **4<sup>th</sup> of July parade** – PAC will decorate George’s ATV and walkers will pass out candy; Joanie will get candy. This year’s theme is “Let Freedom Ring”. The parade is currently set for July 4<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm. We will decorate on Sunday, July 3 at 10am at Whiz’s. Bonnie Jackson moved, seconded by Tish Bradford, to make a minimum donation of \$250 toward the parade fund. Motion unanimously passed.
11. **Knife Raffle** – \$85 in ticket sales so far. The drawing will be Labor Day weekend. The 2<sup>nd</sup> knife will be raffled off next year. George may sell tickets on July 2. We need a volunteer to sell tickets on July 4.
12. **Possible Future fundraisers** – Karin said that the Bluffs Senior Living center is having their grand opening on July 21 and will feature a gaming night; she will get the information on how to run this event. We may have a cornhole tournament in the future. John is still sharpening knives.
13. **Community Meeting 4 June 2022 overview**– George said the event was successful; about 105 residents attended with about 30 presenters. PAC will plan on doing this community meeting annually. Joanie will send out notes from this meeting to the PAC email list. The County is editing the video and it will be posted on PAC website. Next year, we hope to add Arizona Dept of Forestry and Fire Management and possibly Game and Fish.
14. **Officer Nominations** – Joanie Raetzel nominated George Chambers for Chairperson; seconded by Karin VonKay. George Chambers nominated Joanie Raetzel for Treasurer; seconded by Tish Bradford. Joanie Raetzel nominated Erin Hudman for Secretary; seconded by George Chambers. All nominations unanimously approved.
15. **Upcoming Community Events** – July 2 - craft fair and potluck at the Feed and Mercantile. Labor Day weekend – SFE pancake breakfast Sept 3, chili cookoff – Sept 4.

**16. Other items not on agenda**

- a. Benita Holloway lives next to a property that has been vacant for over 10 years and needs to be cleaned up. It was suggested that she contact Coconino County Community Development; they can reach out to the property owners. Grants for thinning might be available.
  - b. Karin said she has had horrible service with Verizon. Chief Lee has not heard back from about his formal complaint he filed with Verizon. George and Kathie K will write a letter from PAC regarding this issue. This is a community safety issue. Maybe we can get help from our legislatures
  - c. Kathie – SFE would like to have movie night for a fundraiser. They want to purchase a projector to show movies outside, like an old-fashioned drive in. They need suggestions on where they could show movies – possibly the school or the Deli.
  - d. There are rumors that the county and forestry may go into Stage 3 fire restrictions starting on Friday. Resources are very thin right now.
  - e. Kathie said she is very impressed with the PFD Facebook posts. The wife of one of the captains is posting.
17. **Location, Date, and time of next meeting** – The next PAC meeting will be Tuesday, July 12, 2022 at 6 pm, Whisenhunt residence.
18. **Adjournment** – Karin VonKay moved, seconded by Tish Bradford for adjournment. Motion unanimously approved. Chairperson George Chambers adjourned the meeting at 7:38 pm.

Recorded by: Joanie Raetzel  
Secretary for Parks Area Connection