

## PARKS AREA CONNECTION MEETING MINUTES

September 13, 2022

1. Call to Order-Chairperson George Chambers called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.
2. Roll Call-George Chambers, Lee Antonides, Rick Tomjack, Babs Felix, Howard Whisenhunt, Julie King, John Sears, Charlotte & Bill Moss, Kathie Krushinsky, Karin Von Kay, Tish Bradford, Bonnie Jackson, Bob King, Ron Smith, Diane Pacheco, Bonita Holloway and Sara Beck were present.
3. Approval of the Minutes 9 August 2022- Bill Moss moved, seconded by Bonita Holloway to approve and motion unanimously approved.
4. Financial Report-George Chambers Chairperson presented the financial report for August 2022,2:
  - Beginning Balance 8/1/22: \$11,847.10
  - Revenues 8/1/22-8/31/22: \$933.00
  - Knife Sharpening: \$60.00
  - Yard Sale Fees: \$70.00
  - Yard Sale Food: \$737.00
  - Yard Sale Cash Donations: \$56.00
  - Membership Dues: \$10.00
  - Expenditures 8/1/22-8/31/22: \$184.31
  - Bake Sale Expenses: \$20.72
  - Thank you gift: \$100.00
  - Food for Families: \$63.59
  - Ending Balance 8/31/22: \$12,595.79
5. PDF News- Chief Lee reported on the following:
  - PFD & PAC are working on upcoming Christmas food baskets.
  - Strategic Plan is being rewritten from 2010 laying the groundwork for the department and community plans, likely available 1/23.
  - New Equipment: a) Type 1 engine is coming in November which is a completely refurbished 1,000 gallon with improved pumping ability and built for local roads, trading in old city truck. b) Type 6 Ram 5500 chassis coming mid-February will be good for woodland use with 400 gallons and pumping 250/minute. c) The chipper is repaired (\$7,300). Call the station (928 773-8933) to update contact information on the list for thinning and chipping.
  - A \$147,000 grant was received which provided for all new dual band radios and hand heads for staff and extras for volunteers.
  - Thursday is FEMA training for grant application.
  - Lee is hoping PFD is able to schedule a chipping day for the spring if grant money is received.
  - New PFD board member Dee Houston was former firefighter.
  - Amanda is new PFD office manager & also does social media.
  - PFD received 10-15 new subscribers after community meeting. Work is ongoing to expand the district to be more inclusive and straighten out borders.
  - PFD staff is in process of certification to teach CPR.
  - If you are interested in taking a basic first aid course taught by PFD please call or email the PFD office (928 773-8933).
  - October 9-15 is fire prevention week: check social media for activities that week.
  - Please consider the propositions for fire on the November ballot: Prop 444 is related to PFD and Prop 310 is a state wide fire proposal.

PFD board member Rick Tomjack had kind words for the PAC organization and our information sharing.

6. SFE News: Kathie reported on activities:

Labor Day pancake breakfast earned \$175.00 feeding over 100, this will continue with the goal of neighborhood involvement.

The first movie night was a success and will continue.

There will be a possible Halloween party for the kids and a possible cookie exchange in November.

Green waste days at Moonset Pit are over. Kathie will have total numbers at next month's meeting. She had high praise for this year's grader driver doing the best job ever.

Kathy Cook is the new POA president and Tina Johnson is the new fire auxiliary president.

There are over 20 VBROs in SFE, mainly owned by one person, with the problems they bring. SFE is a POA rather than a HOA, which falls under county rules which currently doesn't have VBRO restrictions.

7. Knife Raffle: The knife raffle earned \$226.00 and was won by Diane Pacheco.

8. Possible Future Fundraisers:

Karin reported that AZ Casino Patries conducted the Bluff's casino night and are willing to come to Parks if we choose to do something like this.

Another yard sale was suggested for next year.

Poker runs: SFE has had success with this in the past. Insurance was a concern in case of injury.

Parks Excursions: Joanie is due to check on PAC's liability insurance and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

Babs wondered if renting PAC's tables and chairs to non PAC members for a fee might be an option. People could join PAC to get a free use of tables. Lee has had the experience of equipment coming back in poor condition when renting to the larger community. Charging a security deposit would likely be too messy.

9. Upcoming Community Events:

Arts & Crafts Event 10/8, 9-5 at Mercantile.

Bark Beetle Initiative: If you see PFD & Forestry trucks around, they are working on a grant for this cause.

Blood Drive 9/17 at Mercantile 8-12.

Government Prairie to Christianson's repaving and logging is in full swing. Roadwork also set for Parks Road.

Parks Flea Market: 9/15-9/17 8am-8pm at Mercantile.

Trunk or Treat Friday 10/28 4-6:30 at the Maine School. See flyer.

10. Other Items:

George to talk to Mark DeLa Roca re potholes and millings work.

Babs discussed the need for PAC signage since Maine School is using the marquee more for school events. She will investigate purchase prices of a larger sandwich board for next meeting.

Volunteers are needed to split wood for Marina. George to investigate people doing community service through Judge Crombie and the Boy Scouts.

Ron reports Mary is steadily improving after breaking her arm and is working with physical therapy. They appreciate all the visits and cooking people have done for her.

PAC did not purchase gift cards for the teachers at the beginning of the school year: should we do something for them now. Sara recommended waiting until after winter break as it would be more needed then. To be discussed at next meeting.

John reports his knife sharpening is under utilized. Please text or call him (928 386-3484) if you have knives that need attention. He's cheap: \$1./edge plus a small donation to PAC.

11. Next Meeting: Tuesday 10/11 at 6 pm at the Whisenhunt residence.
12. Adjournment: Chairperson George Chambers adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm.

**Recorded by: Babs Felix**