

# **PARKS AREA CONNECTION MEETING MINUTES**

**October 11, 2022**

**1. Call to Order-Chairperson George Chambers called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.**

**2. Roll Call-George Chambers, Lee Antonides, Babs Felix, Howard Whisenhunt, Julie King, John Sears, Kathie Krushinsky, Karin Von Kay, Tish Bradford, Bonnie Jackson, Bob King, Benita Holloway, Sara Beck, Camilla Moore, Bob Dickey, and Dar Ederer were present.**

**3. Approval of the Minutes September 13 2022- John Sears moved, seconded by Bonnie Jackson to approve and motion unanimously approved.**

**4. Financial Report-George Chambers Chairperson presented the financial report for September 2022:**

**Beginning Balance 8/1/22: \$12,595.79**

**Revenues 9/1/22-9/30/22: \$933.00**

**Knife Sharpening: \$75.00**

**Knife Raffle: \$245.46**

**Bake Sale: \$788.73**

**Amazon Smile Donation: \$11.60**

**Expenditures 9/1/22-9/30/22: \$281.74**

**Bake Sale Expenses (thank you gift): \$75.00**

**McCarty Memorial: \$161.70**

**Christmas Food Baskets: \$45.04**

**Ending Balance 9/30/22: \$13,434.84**

**5. PDF News- Chief Lee reported on the following:**

**New trucks are coming: one in mid- November and a type 6 truck in February. Paramedics have been updating their training. Flagstaff Medical Center is to be the official training center for PFD medical training updates.**

**6. SFE News: Kathie reported on activities:**

**Community events are on hold until the spring. Moonset Pit numbers are in: 466 participants (221 SFE, 247 Parks, 62 Other and 411 return visits) with 3,650 cubic yards. Kathie selected a 4 person admission gift card to Deer Farm from PAC's leftover door prizes to give to the outstanding bulldozer driver who cleared Moonset Pit every week for us. Kathie refused to take a gift card to thank her for her hard work with Forestry to keep Moonset Pit open. She hopes that next year Moonset will be open from mid May to mid September.**

**7. Food Baskets: Bonnie reports there are 9 families in need on our list for holiday food baskets this year. This year there will be a Christmas card in each food box indicating that the donation is from Parks Area Connection and Ponderosa Fire Department. Lee reports that the firefighters really enjoy distributing the food boxes. Tish will help Bonnie.**

**8. Possible Future Fundraisers:**

**George reports that we would like to have a casino night after investigating it further and school approval. Bingo equipment was found when cleaning out the PAC storage unit so that will likely happen next year. Based on the success of this past summer's yard sale success, we will likely organize another next year. A poker run will also be included and shouldn't create liability as participants will be driving their own vehicles.**

**Parks Excursions will not happen due to many questions from our insurance company and extra liability costs vs. limited fund raising it would produce.**

**9. Upcoming Community Events:**

Lee reminds us of the event at PFD station in Parks this Saturday from 11-2 for fire prevention week. See the Community Calendar for other events.

#### **10. Other Items:**

Camilla asks that we check out social media for links to information on Homes Not Hotels, a northern AZ group concerned about short term rentals and their effect on our communities. George has been unable to post the video from the Community meeting on the PAC website but he will make you a copy if you give him a thumb drive. Purchase of a larger sign to advertise PAC activities was discussed: the proposed sign is not that much larger than our current sandwich boards and is very bulky to handle and needs storage space. (Update: Babs spoke with Dr. Justin Roberson the day after the PAC meeting and he is very open to giving PAC priority with the school marquee as well as investigating the cost to add an additional board below the current one made of the same materials to provide more space for longer messages. So we likely will not need to pursue this issue.) George warns all that scams are on the rise and to take precautions when receiving emails and texts from senders who want you to think they're legitimate. Teacher gift cards were discussed and a motion was made by Tish, seconded by Karin to give 13-14 teachers a \$75.00 gift card after the winter break. A Christmas Tree Committee was designated to promote holiday spirit and community involvement: we hope to decorate a small-medium tree, possibly at the realty office on Parks road, and have a community tree lighting and refreshments in December. Committee is headed by Cindy and includes Tish, Kathie, Karin, Bonnie and Dar. John has captured and relocated to the forest 11 skunks since June for a total of 59 in 4 years.

**11. Next Meeting:** Tuesday 4/11 /23 at 6 pm at the Whisenhunt residence.

**12. Adjournment:** Chairperson George Chambers adjourned the meeting at 7:33 pm.

Recorded by: Babs Felix