

## PARKS AREA CONNECTION MEETING MINUTES

**Date/Location:** June 10, 2025, Ponderosa Fire Station #81, 1511 N. Spring Valley Rd., Parks

1. **Call to Order** – Chairperson Craig Marsino called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** was recited by all.
3. **Roll Call** – David Berry, George Chambers, Craig Marsino (chairperson), Bart Bartel (secretary), Babs Felix (treasurer), Lee Antonides, Karin Von Kay, Kathie Krushinsky, Tammy Ontiveros, John Sears, Carol and Roger Whitlock, Richard Knaak, Jamie and Cindy Pelton, Benita Holloway, and Tish Bradford were present.
4. **Approval of the Minutes** – George Chambers moved, seconded by John Sears, to approve the meeting minutes of May 13, 2025. Unanimously approved.
5. **Financial Report:** Babs reported that annual dues are unchanged at \$10 per family.

### **PAC Financial Report May 2025**

<b>Beginning Balance (5/1/2025)</b>	<b>\$16,423.75</b>
<b>Revenues:</b>	<b>250.00</b>
Dues and Donations	
<b>Expenditures:</b>	<b>6.82</b>
Office supplies	
<b>Ending Balance (5/31/2025)</b>	<b>\$16,666.93</b>

6. **PAC provided services since last meeting:** None.
7. **PFD News** – PFD crews provided assistance to Greer Fire for several days in May. Fire restrictions are in place in some areas. Department has approx. \$5 million in grant requests for capital expenditures and projects. Reminder that permits are required for property outdoor burning (slash, trash, etc.). Please advise department of any visible fires you see so PFD can confirm if permitted or unknown.
8. **Sherwood Forest Estates (SFE) Events/News** – Kathie reminded everyone of a blood drive on Saturday, June 14 at SFE Fire station, sponsored by POA. Updated previous Moonset Pit numbers for May 31 - SFE residents 24, Parks residents 98, Total trips including same day returns: 294 so very busy. They are having a Movie Night this month, and also a yard sale Sat. June 21 from 8am-1pm.
9. **May joint PAC/PTO bake sale** – Craig reported that this event raised a record \$2560, with all proceeds going to teacher and resident Rick Zink. He is doing well and back in Parks!
10. **First Responder Appreciation Dinner** - George is still awaiting quotes from Mustang River Grill. Maine School gym is still unknown availability due to construction and maintenance.
11. **Moonset Pit extra staffing** -several in attendance signed up for future PAC Saturdays. Thanks!

12. **Parks calendar** – Bart will send out a July community event calendar on June 27. If you are aware of any NEW Parks/SFE events, please email Bart ([bpjbranch@aol.com](mailto:bpjbranch@aol.com)) with this information prior to June 27 to be included on the July calendar.
13. **PTO July 4 pancake breakfast** – (Update since this meeting is that there WILL be full power and kitchen availability at Maine School on July 4, so no portable grills will be needed! ). Volunteers are still needed for servers, cleanup, etc., please contact PTO (Christina Talbott) at [cbovard1@yahoo.com](mailto:cbovard1@yahoo.com) if you can help. Breakfast will run 6am – 10:30am.
14. **Independence Day parade at 1pm on July 4<sup>th</sup>** - some residents are volunteering as Haden cannot do it this year. Babs reported that PAC paid for a permit application with the county. Parade insurance will be \$455. Security with AZ Rangers will be \$400. Volunteers are requested for help on parade day, please see Babs or Christina. George will be the announcer. Craig will help with trash pickup. Flyers and entry forms will be distributed once a permit is approved. Donations anticipated from Feed and Mercantile, Desert North Realty, PAC, and others to cover remaining expenses. Theme is Route 66 Main Street of America, and Grand Marshalls are Haden & Maya DeWitt. PAC will have a float and volunteers are needed to decorate July 3.
15. **PAC Bingo** – Saturday Aug 2 at 4pm at Parks fire station. Babs updated that prizes are coming in and we will also take community donations of prizes and gift cards valued at \$25 and up.
16. **PAC yard sale?** – Craig reported that there was not enough interest yet based on Facebook feedback. Still to be determined.
17. **PAC fundraising Labor Day weekend bake sale** – still planning on Saturday Aug. 30, site to be finalized, Bart will talk to Shawn at Feed and Mercantile before next PAC meeting.
18. **PAC auction discussion** – Kathie will get with Dan Rausch to provide a list of approved donated items for an auction to provide clarity on what can typically be donated.
19. **Other items** -
  - a. John reported good initial donations from knife sharpening services. If you have anything to be sharpened, please contact him at [john.sears@hotmail.com](mailto:john.sears@hotmail.com) .
  - b. George stated that we need to replenish the fire line snacks and drinks for PFD first responders. Bart will shop at Sam’s before the next meeting.
  - c. Tammy reported that the county audit was clean, and provided updates regarding the comprehensive plan. She suggested if residents wanted to provide input to the plan (Envision 2045), please do so at [coconinocounty.konveio.com](http://coconinocounty.konveio.com) . She also reported on efforts to streamline the plan, and recent board meetings to discuss and help to improve county property insurability.
20. **Location, Date, and time of next meeting** – The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 8, 2025, 6pm, at the Parks Fire Station.
21. **Adjournment** – Craig adjourned the meeting at 7:50pm.

Recorded by: Bart Bartel  
Secretary for Parks Area Connection