



# SUNSTITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

SERVING RESIDENTS OF THE SUNSITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT,  
AND NEIGHBORING COCHISE COUNTY

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## Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Regular Meeting July 16, 2019

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by Chairperson Tom Whiteman.
2. **Roll Call**
  - A. **Attendance and Confirmation of Quorum** - Chairperson Tom Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score were present. Chairperson Whiteman acknowledged that a quorum was met.
  - B. **Board Members Absent** – No Board Member was absent.
  - C. **Declarations of Conflicts of Interest** – Board Member Albert Koester declared a conflict of interest with Item 10-D and will abstain from voting.
3. **The Pledge of Allegiance** – Chairperson Whiteman led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Guests** – Ms Rebecca Phifer – San Simon Fire District Board Chair  
Mr Lyndon Crane – Community Member
5. **Consent Agenda**
  - A. **Acceptance of Bank Statements;**
  - B. **Approval of Minutes – June 25, 2019 Public Hearing, June 25, 2019 Regular Meeting and July 3, 2019 Special Meeting.** Following discussion Board Member Koester moved to approve the consent agenda which is comprised of the Bank Statements and Minutes of the June 25, 2019 Public Hearing, June 25, 2019 Regular Meeting and July 3, 2019 Special Meeting. Board Clerk Reed seconded the motion.  
Vote:  
In favor – Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.  
Opposed – none  
Motion carried
6. **Call to Public** – The public in attendance have items on the agenda they would like to discuss at that time.
7. **Financial Report**
  - A **Review, discuss, and possibly approve the financials for June 2019.**  
Following discussion, Board Member Score moved to approve the financial report for June 2019. Board Member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.  
Vote:  
In favor - Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.  
Opposed – none  
Motion carried

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**8. Fire Chief's Report** - The Fire Chief's Report was presented by Admin Secretary Allen, as Chief Steinberg was called away. (See the attached Fire Chief's Report.)

**9. Old Business –**

**A. Review and discuss the status of the 2013 Horton Ambulance.** It was discussed that Fire Chief Steinberg and our inhouse mechanic would be traveling to Comanche Tx on Monday July 22<sup>nd</sup>, examine the Ambulance on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and if all is acceptable, JP Morgan will fund the Ambulance and we will drive it home on the 24<sup>th</sup>.

**B. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the Non-Emergency Transport Vehicle.** Mr Crane discussed his concern of the extreme need for this vehicle in our area. Following discussion, Board Clerk Reed moved to table the item until next meeting. Board Member Score seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**10. New Business**

**A. Review and discuss a report from San Simon Fire District on the IGA progress.** Ms Phifer reported on the Boards satisfaction with the progress, ongoing repairs and hopes for finding and training an Admin and Fire Chief in the near future. She also thanked our Board for allowing the extension.

**B. Review, discuss and possible action regarding a possible Open House for the District.** Following discussion, Board Member Score moved to table this item until next meeting. Board Member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor - Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**C. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the donation from Wild Willies Gun Store.** Following discussion, Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to accept the donation of \$1110., leaving it in the M&O account to be spent as Willies requested. Board Member Score seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor - Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

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- D. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the Fire Chief's Contract.** Following discussion, Board Member Score moved to extend the Chief's existing contract until the next Regular Board Meeting and discuss it then. Board member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor - Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.

Abstained - Board Member Albert Koester

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**11. Requests from board members for future agenda items.**

- A. Board Member Score would like an agenda item for AFDA Conference follow up.
- B. Board Member Score would like an agenda item for a status update on our Medicare case.
- C. The Board would like the tabled items from tonight placed back on the agenda.
  - i. Non Emergency Transport Vehicle
  - ii. District Open House
  - iii. Fire Chief's Contract
  - iv. Wild Willies Donation

**12. Adjournment.** - Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Board Member Koester seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor - Chairperson Thomas Whiteman, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Albert Koester, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member Ralph Score.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Allen