

Sunsites-Pearce Fire District

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Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Regular Meeting November 21, 2023

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Board Chair Laurin Richey.

2. Roll Call

- A. Attendance and Confirmation of Quorum Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt were present. Board Chair Richey acknowledged that a quorum was met.
- **B.** Board Members Absent –No Board member was absent.
- **C. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest –** No Board Member declared a conflict of interest.
- **3.** The Pledge of Allegiance Fire Chief Garner led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **4. Recognition of Guests** –None present. Ms. Lisa Parke of Walker & Armstrong will join the meeting later by zoom to present the Audit.
- 5. Consent Agenda
 - A. Acceptance of the October Bank Statements.
 - B. Approval of Minutes
 - i. October 17, 2023 Regular Meeting

Following discussion, Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to approve the consent agenda which is comprised of the October Bank Statements and Minutes from the October 17, 2023 Regular Meeting. Board Clerk Reed seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none Motion carried

6. Call to Public - None

7. Financial Report

A Review, discuss, and possible approval of the financials for October 2023.

Following discussion, Board Member Carlson moved to approve the financial report for October 2023. Board Member Holt seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

8. Fire Chief's Report – The Fire Chief's Report was presented by Chief Levi Garner.

9. Old Business

A. Review, discuss and possible action regarding an update to the "Today's Fire Danger" signs.

Following discussion, Board Clerk Reed moved to table the item until next meeting. Board Member Carlson seconded the motion.

Vote

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

B. Review, discuss and possible action regarding Christmas for the staff.

Following discussion, Board Clerk Reed moved to report that Christmas for the staff is taken care of and done. Board Member Holt seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

10. New Business -

A. Audit presentation from Ms. Lisa Parke of Walker & Armstrong.

Ms. Lisa Parke of Walker & Armstrong presented the Audit reports and financials to the Board.

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B. Review, discuss and possible action to accept the FY23 Audit. Following discussion, Board Clerk Reed moved to accept the FY23 Audit. Board Member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

C. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the community of Dragoon beginning the process to annex into our District. Following discussion, Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to explore more into the idea of annexing with the Dragoon Community. Board Clerk Reed seconded the motion.

Vote

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

- 11. Requests from board members for future agenda items.
 - **A.** Tabled items from tonight
 - **B.** Update on progress of the Dragoon annexation.
- **12. Adjournment.** Board Member Holt moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:04 p.m. Board Member Carlson seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Clerk Lillian Reed, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins, Board Member Joan Carlson and Board Member John Holt.

Opposed – none

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted, Diane Allen