



# SUNSITES-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 March 19, 2024

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 Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member John Holt were present. Board Chair Richey acknowledged that a quorum was met.
  - B. **Board Members Absent** – Board Clerk Joan Carlson and Board Member Lillian Reed were 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.
5. **Consent Agenda**
  - A. **Acceptance of the February Bank Statements.**
  - B. **Approval of Minutes –**
    - i. **February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting**

Following discussion, Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to approve the consent agenda which is comprised of the February Bank Statements and Minutes from the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting. Board Member Holt seconded the motion.

Vote:  
In favor –Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins 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 February 2024.**

Following discussion, Board Member Holt moved to approve the financial report for February 2024. Board Member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins 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 and discuss the April Fundraiser.** An update was given.

**10. New Business –**

**A. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the status of our USDA loan application.**

Following discussion, 2 motions were made – **First motion** - Board Member Carlson-Watkins moved to withdraw our USDA loan application. Board Member Holt seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member John Holt

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**Second motion** – Board Member Holt moved to have Chief Garner draft a letter to the USDA supervisors regarding the handling of our loan application. Board Chair Richey seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member John Holt

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**B. Review, discuss and possible action regarding the Dragoon Annexation process.**

This was discussion only, no action at this time.

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- C. Review, discuss and possible action to accept the AZ Incident Command Grant of \$145,000.** Following discussion, Board Member Holt moved to accept the \$145,000 100% funded AZ Incident Command Grant for enhanced communication equipment. Board Member Carson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member John Holt

Opposed – none

Motion carried

**11. Requests from board members for future agenda items. –**  
**A. Call for Election**

- 12. Adjournment.** - Board Member Holt moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 p.m. Board Member Carlson-Watkins seconded the motion.

Vote:

In favor – Board Chair Laurin Richey, Board Member Camme Carlson-Watkins and Board Member John Holt

Opposed – none

Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,  
Diane Allen