



# SUNSITES-PEARCE FIRE DISTRICT

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## Sunsites-Pearce Fire District Work Session Meeting September 11, 2026

1. **Call to Order** - The meeting was called to order at 12:13PM. by Board Chair Nancy Tucker.
2. **Roll Call**
  - A. **Attendance** Board Chair Nancy Tucker, Board Member Charles Reed, Board Member Olivia Beemer.
  - B. **Board Members Absent** –Board Clerk James Meister, Board Member Robert Fino
  - C. **Staff in attendance** – Admin Bookkeeper Nancy Sowards, Fire Chief Levi Garner left for a call he later returned, and Board Chair Nancy Tucker later filled him in.
3. **The Pledge of Allegiance Board Member** Charles Reed led the attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.
4. **Recognition of Guests** None present.
5. **Discussion of October 24, 2026, Open House.** Following discussion, The Board discussed plans for the Chili Cook-Off fundraiser. Participants will be required to register in advance. Two flyers will be created: one for registration and one for the event. The event will be promoted on Facebook, Next-door, and throughout the community. Donors will be recognized on the event flyer. Two winners will be selected: **Chief's Choice** and **People's Choice**. Additional voting tickets will be available for \$1 each or 6 for \$5, with at least four ticket colors needed. The Chief's Choice prize will be a \$50 meat gift card, and the People's Choice winner will receive pistachios. Raffle prizes will require winners to be present, while silent auction winners do not need to be present. Hot dogs, soda, and water will be sold for \$1 each. A shopping list will be prepared for event supplies. The Food Pantry will be invited to participate, and the public will be encouraged to bring one canned food item. They will include recognition of retired first responders, a possible service dog, children's activities, face painting, and the Fire Department smokehouse. Board Member Olivia Beemer will coordinate children's activities, and staff member Nancy Sowards will provide face painting. Credit card payments will be accepted, and pop-up tents will be needed. Fire Chief Garner requested that proceeds from the fundraiser go toward the purchase of a larger water tender.
6. **Adjournment:** 1:27pm

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Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Sowards

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