



PINELOCH SUN BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
April 29, 2023



The April 29, 2023 meeting of the Pineloch Sun Board of Directors was called to order 9:02AM. The board meeting was held at the clubhouse and also via Zoom. President Mark Selin was presiding the meeting.

[A copy of the Zoom meeting can be found on the PLS website under “Documents, Board Meetings, 2023, April 29th”.](#)

Roll Call:

<u>Board Member</u>	<u>Present</u> <u>Clubhouse - Zoom</u>
Mark Selin- President	Zoom
Bob Pirog – Secretary	Zoom
Bonnie Steinlein – Treasurer	Lodge
Ken Dorn	Absent
Jeremy Baker	Absent
Celestina Murphy	Lodge
Cristine James (Member-at-Large)	Lodge



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Roll Call - Bob

1. The April 29, 2023 Board Meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM
2. Roll call was taken, all members were present at the Lodge or via Zoom, except Ken & Jeremy.
3. The previous Dec 17, 2022 meeting minutes were approved, Mark moved to accept and Bonnie seconded to approve, all board members approved the Dec 17, 2022 minutes as written.

Kick-Off Meeting – Mark

1. Mark kicked off the meeting at 9:02 AM. He made a few announcements about a few snowmobiles and a trailer down on Tom Write Road that need to be moved ASAP.
2. Savana Davis presented on Firewise, see “Guest Speaker” notes below.
3. Mark brought up “new business” items that were brought to the Board from various methods including email, Facebook and one-on-one conversations including:
 - a. Members asked about adding a pickleball court to the tennis court area. Notified members that Loren has already purchased the materials for a pickleball court and will be working on it in the next few weeks.
 - b. Some members have expressed an interest in forming an “Events Committee”. Celeste encouraged members who are interested in being part of the committee to reach to her at celestinamurphy@outlook.com or 4525-766-6308.
 - c. There was a discussion on the proposed 47 Degrees North trailer park. Mark encouraged the members to get involved and if inclined, to share their perspectives either way with the Cle Elum planning committee accordingly. Their email is: planning@cityofcleelum.com
 - Proposed 47 Degrees North Project – City of Cle Elum
4. During the meeting the group discussed the issue of oversight for then parking area of Tom Write Road, with particular emphasis on problems related to parking, abandoned property and neighborly conduct. Loren clarified that we have limited authority over the road as it is not owned by PLS. However, we do have some leeway to tow abandoned items left behind for extended periods. He also shared that most complaints occur during the holiday season, and we try our best to manage the situation at that time. Additionally, Loren mentioned that no tow company is willing to tow vehicles in the parking lot, as they are busy in other areas and their tow trucks cannot navigate the parking area.



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Guest Speaker – Savana Davis, Kittitas County Fire Department #6 Volunteer

Our guest speaker, Savana Davis, from Kittitas County Fire Protection District # 6, was moved to the beginning of the meeting. She emphasized the importance offered by our local Fire Department of Firewise and informed us about a range of valuable resources available to members. These include community services, free Firewise assessments and other resources offered by our local Fire Department. To help us learn more, she provided brochures, flyers, stickers and other informative materials, which PLS members can access.

During this discussion, Loren notified the members that we purchased equipment and conduct our own Chipping Program.

There was a brief discussion about Little Arizona and what is permitted and not permitted. It was noted that we stopped burning pine needles because of the smoke and members should dispose of their needles and pinecones at the local dump

Committee Reports

Treasurer – Bonnie

1. Bonnie reviewed the April 2023 “At a Glance” treasurer report, noted that she had some updates to make before finalizing and presenting to the members.
2. The PLS Treasury Report indicates a favorable Budget to Actuals ratio for the end of the Fiscal Year, which signifies a healthy financial position for our community. However, it was observed that the increase in Fuel charges were unforeseeable, and our predictions fell short of the actual costs incurred.
3. It was noted that our Accounts Receivable cleanup is complete and we’ll be sending statements monthly to members behind on their dues.
 - According to Loren some of the outstanding dues may be attributed to members relying on the online system instead of receiving mailed statements. To address this issue, a new process has been put in place. Statements will now be sent out via postal mail as the primary method of communication. This approach will help identify which members are not receiving notifications and we can update our database.
4. During the meeting, Mark informed the members that we have not increased dues in over six years, but it is highly likely that an increase will be implemented soon.



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Architecture – Bob

1. For reporting period, we had 1 remodel request, 4 garage, 3 tree removal, 1 variance request and 0 building requests. All requests were approved.

Roads & Maintenance – Mark for Ken

1. Road equipment is ordered, however no reclaimed asphalt is available until fall, so we will grade and roll the existing road surface – followed by dust abatement and re-purpose the funds to alternative uses as directed by the Board.
2. Pool work is on schedule, including repairing of the pool heat exchanger. Loren is consistently looking for ways to save money for the PLS community.
3. Tracks and boogie wheels on the skid steer were replaced.
4. Mulching is about $\frac{3}{4}$ completed.
5. The plan is to burn the debris at Little Arizona the first week in May, and close it after.

Communication - Celeste

1. Celestina continued to reinforce our top methods of communicating with our members are through the PLS website, Facebook and our eNewsletter, The Treetop Times.
2. Celestina appealed to the membership for assistance in tidying up the vendor referral page on the website by providing recommendations for reliable contacts and removing outdated ones.
3. One of our members has offered to help set up a Google group to continue to find ways to reach members.
4. Celestina mentioned she will be preparing a Tree Top Times email and a Facebook post with the information presented by Savana at today's meeting.

Water – Loren

1. Loren Reported that one leak has been fixed and he's working on another.



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Community - Christine

1. Christine discussed some members concerns about “unsightly” lots. She stressed that the community does not wish to act as a watchdog over members properties and wants everyone to have the liberty to use their land as they see fit, as long as there are no hazard’s involved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 am. All Board members in attendance approved.

The next tentative board meeting will be sent out to membership with information regarding the date and time of the next meeting.

Contact information:

1. To reach the board as a whole (recommended approach) the email address is:

PinelochSunBOD@gmail.com

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| ○ President/Water: | Mark Selin |
| ○ Secretary: | Bob Pirog |
| ○ Treasurer: | Bonnie Steinlein |
| ○ Roads/Maint. | Ken Dorn |
| ○ Firewise | Jeremy Baker |
| ○ Communication | Celestina Murphy |
| ○ Community | Christine James |

Read and Approved As Printed

Mark Selin (Electronically Signed)

Mark Selin - President - PLS Board

May 20, 2023

Date

Bob Pirog (Electronically Signed)

Bob Pirog - Secretary - PLS Board

May 20, 2023

Date