

**CITY OF PEORIA, ARIZONA
IRONWOOD CONFERENCE ROOM
July 15, 2010**

A **Regular Meeting** of the **Sister Cities Board** of the City of Peoria, Arizona, was convened at 8401 W. Monroe Street at 5:34 p.m.

Members Present: John Buonagurio, Penny Hughes, James Flonacher, Scott Clark, and Patty Fusco.

Members Absent: Mary Matheson and Bonny Apperson

Other Municipal Officials Present: Claudia Lujan, Assistant to the City Manager, and Terri Smith, Council Assistant

Note: The order in which the items appear in the minutes is not necessarily the order in which they were discussed at the meeting.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Board Member Flonacher, seconded by Board Member Hughes to approve the consent agenda. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Minutes:

1C Minutes

Item 1C was approved as part of the consent agenda.

Regular Agenda

Unfinished Business:

3R Spring Festival - Debrief

Board liaison Claudia Lujan reported that the Peoria Spring Festival on Saturday, April 24 was well attended in the Arrowhead Fountains area near Lis Doon Varna and Abuellos. Positive comments about the festival were shared by Board Members Hughes, Fusco, Flonacher, and Clark who attended the event. Board liaison Lujan reported that businesses in the area are interested in more events of a similar nature. The board heard discussion about next year's event being tied into the existing Peoria Pioneer Days event that is hosted each spring. A motion was made by Board Member Fusco, seconded by Board Member Flonacher to consider aligning the Spring Festival with Peoria Pioneer Days. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

4R Peoria Young Ambassador Events

Board Chair Buonagurio reported that City Reception for the visiting youth delegation from the Ards Borough on July 8 was successful. The event was attended by nearly 60 people, including a number of former Young Ambassadors. Ms. Lujan commented that the youth from both the Peoria delegation and the Ards delegation were very interactive. Ms. Smith reported that the five councilmembers who participated in the "Face The Nation-type" interview expressed that they were glad to be a part of the event.

No action was taken on this item.

5R Research and Analysis of Sister Cities' Programs

Ms. Lujan asked the Board to review the activities of other Sister City organizations, in order to gather ideas for Peoria. Board members discussed gathering interesting ideas and reporting back at the next meeting to begin the creation of an action plan for Peoria Sister Cities. Board member Flonacher asked about Peoria's pursuit of an additional Sister City, and Ms. Lujan responded that was under consideration by city management. A motion was made by Board Member Flonacher, seconded by Board Member Clark to approve members researching existing organizations for ideas and reporting back at the next meeting. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously 5 to 0.

Reports from Staff:

New board member Joya Kizer Clarke was approved by Council, will take oath of office, and be ready to attend the next meeting.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

No public was in attendance.

Being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly adjourned at approximately 6:09 p.m.

John Buonagurio, Chair

Terri Smith, Council Assistant
Mayor and City Council Office