

Town of Patagonia, Arizona Flood and Flow Committee

MISSION: *The watershed is a vital component of this community's well-being. The Sonoita Creek Flood and Flow Study Committee will (i) make recommendations to the Patagonia Town Council with respect to best practices within its jurisdiction to manage erosion, to enhance water flow, to create optimal flood mitigation and to promote the long-term health of the riparian corridor, (ii) look at the entire watershed area to influence upstream conditions and to mitigate downstream consequences, and (iii) educate the public.*

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Carolyn Shafer-F&F **Chairperson** &
Patagonia Area Resource Alliance: **PARA**
Dave Ellis-Patagonia Area Water Study: **PAWS**
Marty Lawrence-The Nature Conservancy: **TNC**
Robert Proctor-Friends of Sonoita Creek **FOSC**

Kate Tirion-Deep Dirt farm: **DDFI**
Kurt Vaughn-Borderlands Restoration Network:
BRN
Howard Buchanan-Tucson Audubon Paton
Center: **TAPC**

Minutes of June 11, 2020 Meeting

Members Present: Carolyn, Marty, Kate, Kurt, Howard, Bob (joins meeting at 10:15 am)

Members Absent: Kate, Dave

Guests: Sarah Richman-South32, Tomas Goode-South32

Meeting called to order at 10:05 a.m. by Carolyn Shafer

1. Call to the Public - no one spoke
2. Approval of March 12, 2020 minutes- Motion to approve by Marty; second by Kurt; minutes unanimously approved
3. Howard reported that the grant to fund a formal watershed management group is expected to be announced shortly. Howard also advised the Committee of a grant available from the National Park Service to assist in the formation of a watershed management group. Carolyn moved and Marty seconded asking the Town of Patagonia to sign a comment letter for this grant. The motion was approved unanimously.
4. There was a review of the Flood & Flow Committee's past and current work with a view to discussing future actions. Recommendations from Sean Schrag-Toso's master's thesis will be a part of the considerations going forward as the Committee works to protect the Sonoita Creek Watershed.
5. Carolyn moved to accept the resignation of Murphy Musick; seconded by Marty; the motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 a.m.