

**TOWN OF PARADISE VALLEY
MUMMY MOUNTAIN PRESERVE TRUST
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF MEETING**

NOVEMBER 8, 2017

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Joan Levinson called the meeting of the Mummy Mountain Preserve Trust to order at 5:35 p.m. on Wednesday, November 08, 2017 in the Paradise Valley Town Hall Boardroom, 6401 E. Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley, Arizona.

ROLL CALL

Answering the roll call were:

Bernie Barry
Ron Clarke
Joan Levinson
Fred Pakis
Phil Schneider

ALSO PRESENT

Duncan Miller, Trust Secretary
Andrew Miller, Town Attorney
Kevin Burke, Town Manager
Council Member Julie Pace
Council Member Scott Moore

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Joan Levinson was elected Chair by acclamation.

Bernie Barry was elected Vice Chair by acclamation.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM October 19, 2015

Motion and vote – After reviewing the minutes of the October 19, 2015 meeting, Ms. Levinson moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Pakis seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 5 – 0.

**Discussion and Possible Action on Referral from the Town Council
Concerning Evaluation of the Mission, Scope, and Bylaws of the Trust**

Town Manager Kevin Burke explained that one of the Town Council's policy goals for this term was to review governance operations and procedures for all town committees, commissions, and boards. As part of this review, it was

decided that the appointment dates for all committee members should be moved from October to April to align with Council terms of office which now start in January. Moreover, committees are being asked to provide any feedback to Council on recommended changes to the committee's mission and scope.

He stated that another Town Council policy goal focused on mountain preservation.

Council Member Julie Pace discussed a list of proposals she presented to the Town Council. (Attached). Among them was "Reinvigorate the Mummy Mountain Preserve Trust.

Following discussion, there was consensus to recommend the following amendments to the Mummy Mountain Preserve Trust Bylaws:

1. Rename and rebrand the Mummy Mountain Preserve Trust to "Paradise Valley Mountain Preserve Trust"
 - Andrew Miller assignment – research the legal implications of the name change relative to the Trust's 501c3 designation and property ownership deeds. Would registering a D.B.A. be a more appropriate alternative?
 - Duncan Miller / Andrew Miller assignment - Draft a Resolution amending the bylaws with the new name
2. Increase the number of board members from 5 to 7
 - Duncan Miller / Andrew Miller assignment- Amend the bylaws
3. Amend the terms of office to align with other Town Committees
 - Duncan Miller / Andrew Miller assignment – amend the bylaws to move term start date from October 1 to April 1

Discussion and Possible Action on New Land/Monetary Donation Strategies

The Trustees discussed and agreed to the following work plan:

1. Update and expand the map of "properties with interest in preserving" to include Mummy Mountain, Camelback Mountain, and Phoenix Mountain Preserve
 - Town staff assignment - update the map
 - Trustees will review the maps and determine priorities
2. Donation strategy research
 - a. Allow owners to donate property while preserving future development rights - OR more broadly – "zoning assistance in exchange for donations"
 - Andrew Miller assignment – meet with Council Member Scott Moore to draft proposed Code Amendments
 - Andrew Miller assignment – research potential of recording a "joint deed of trust with covenant restrictions" on donated property so that the owner could continue to claim they

- “own” the entire property. (Question: how would this impact the property tax exemption?)
- b. Create an “art piece” on Town-owned property recognizing people and organizations in exchange for donations.
 - Assignment - Needs more discussion by the Trustees

The Trustees discussed meeting on a regular basis to discuss revitalizing the Trust and developing new donation strategies.

Ron Clarke departed at 6:30 PM

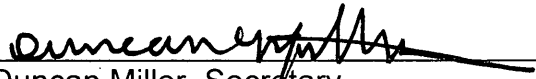
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Secretary Miller reported that the Trust has \$40,262.16 in its bank accounts. Mr. Miller also presented the 2016 tax return.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion and vote – Mr. Barry moved to adjourn. Mr. Pakis seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Chair Levinson adjourned the meeting at 7:05 p.m.



Duncan Miller, Secretary