

PARADISE VALLEY MOUNTAIN PRESERVE TRUST BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF MEETING FOR FEBRTUARY 26, 2019

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Joan Levinson called the meeting of the Paradise Valley Mountain Preserve Trust to order at 5:05 p.m. on Tuesday, February 26, 2019 in the Paradise Valley Town Hall Community Room, 6401 E. Lincoln Drive, Paradise Valley, Arizona.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Bernie Barry
Joan Levinson
Fred Pakis
Teresa Zachariah

NOT PRESENT

Ron Clarke
John Graham
Phil Schneider

ALSO PRESENT

Duncan Miller, Trust Secretary
Andrew Miller, Town Attorney
Council Member Julie Pace

Announcements

Mayor Jerry Bien-Willner greeted the Trustees and thanked them for their service. He expressed the Council's support for the Trust's mission and goals and pledged to assist with any requests the Trust may have including funding.

Approval of The Minutes from April 18, 2018 and June 7, 2018

Motion and vote – After reviewing the minutes of the April 18, 2018 and June 7, 2018 meetings, Mr. Pakis moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Levinson seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 4 – 0.

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Motion and vote – Joan Levinson moved to elect Fred Pakis chair by acclamation. Teresa Zachariah seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 4 – 0.

Motion and vote – Fred Pakis moved to elect John Graham Vice chair by acclamation. Bernie Barry seconded the motion which passed by a vote of 4 – 0.

Discussion of Organization Planning and Projects List

The Trustees discussed and agreed to the following work assignments:

1. Mr. Pakis will develop new branding/logo and website, update the opinion letter on conservation easement tax incentives, and provide samples of conflict of interest statements from other charitable boards
2. Ms. Zachariah will provide an example from the Phoenix Mountain Preserve Board on a land donation process checklist and a tax summary of charitable giving
3. Duncan Miller will update ownership information for the list of properties with “interest in preserving”, circulate the list of previous donors, and make a list of appraisers who were retained by previous donors.
4. Ms. Levinson will provide a suggested list of appraisers with experience in Paradise Valley
5. Council Member Pace will provide examples of donation packets from other charitable organizations, suggest appraisers, investigate creation of a “legacy art piece” by Ed Mell, and investigate publication of a children’s book about Mummy Mountain written by Pam Hait. She will also share potential leads on property owners who may be interested in donating.
6. Andrew Miller will confirm if his memo regarding the impacts of donating a conservation easement on future hillside development was codified in the recent amendments to the Hillside Code. He will provide an update on a parcel of land on Mummy Mountain that may be acquired by the City of Phoenix. He will provide additional information on the concept of voluntary density transfers.

Future meetings were scheduled for April 24 at 5 PM and September 25 at 5 PM.

Topics for the April 24 meeting:

- a. Discuss programs and strategies that have not worked in the past (Learn from mistakes in the past)
- b. Review branding designs and materials for donation packets
- c. Review updated property ownership list

FUTURE MEETINGS

April 24, 2019

September 25, 2019

ADJOURNMENT

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

Chair Levinson adjourned the meeting at 6:45 PM

Duncan Miller, Secretary