SUMMARIZED MINUTES
SCOTTSDALE CITY COUNCIL AND SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY
JOINT DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019

THE HERB BOX
7051 E. 5TH AVE., SUITE W
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA

Scottsdale City Council Present: Mayor W. J. “Jim” Lane
Vice Mayor Kathleen S. Littlefield
Councilmembers Suzanne Klapp, Virginia L. Korte,
Linda Milhaven, and Solange Whitehead

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian
Community Council
Present:
President Martin Harvier
Vice President Ricardo Leonard
Councilmembers Deanna Scabby; Tom Largo, Sr.; and
Archie Kashoya

Also Present:

From the City of Scottsdale:
City Manager Jim Thompson
City Attorney Sherry Scott
Government Relations Director Brad Lundahl
Administrative Assistant Marci Sanders

From the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community:
Community Manager Bryan Meyers, Special Counsel to
Congressional and Legislative Affairs Gary Bohnee, and
Intergovernmental Relations Specialist Angela Salazar-Willeford

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting began at approximately 6:00 p.m. with a social period followed by welcoming
remarks, dinner, and updates on areas of mutual interest between the Salt River Pima-Maricopa
Indian Community and the City of Scottsdale. No official action was taken.
Welcome and introductions

At approximately 6:32 p.m., Mayor Lane called the meeting to order, welcoming everyone and thanking them for attending. He expressed appreciation for the great relationship the City has with the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

Following brief introductions, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Martin Harvier thanked the City for hosting the event. He also thanked the City for the appreciation luncheon hosted at the Granite Reef Senior Center earlier this year, commenting that it was a good opportunity to break bread together.

A blessing was given by Councilmember Tom Largo, Sr.

Report from President Harvier

President Harvier reported that many developments along the shared border between the Community and the City are done by individual landowners. He said it is good for both entities to keep people coming here as it benefits both the Community and the City.

President Harvier expressed concern about nitrous oxide canisters being sold and used as “whippits.” The SRP-MIC Youth Council researched the sale of the canisters, which have the appearance of CO2 cartridges, and discovered that Sam’s Liquor stocks them by the case. Youth and others are using them to get high and it has become a significant issue to the Indian Community. Acknowledging that there is no law against the sale, President Harvier expressed a desire to work together to reduce the increased sales. Mayor Lane expressed his support for a joint effort to combat the issue. Councilmember Tom Largo, Sr., reported that the SRP-MIC Police Department has been in communication with Scottsdale Police Chief Alan Rodbell and they are working together on the issue. Councilmember Korte inquired about the possibility of a joint approach with the Legislature. President Harvier responded that the Community has reached out to their legislative representative.

President Harvier commented on the Scottsdale Chamber of Commerce Hall of Fame recognition and thanked Scottsdale for thinking of the Community and honoring them.

Report from Mayor Lane

Mayor Lane emphasized the importance of the shared border and expressed his desire to continue affecting and respecting each other in positive ways.

Update on the Status of FAA Flightpaths

Mayor Lane gave an overview of the history and challenges the NextGen Flight Paths have created for Scottsdale and the Community. President Harvier reported that the Community has approved the proposals Scottsdale has submitted to the FAA and supports the City’s efforts.

Discussion of Drainage Issues with Granite Reef Wash

President Harvier announced that the Community applied for and obtained a federal grant for funding the widening of Pima Road.
Mayor Lane commented on the joint effort between Scottsdale and the Community in regard to the Granite Reef drainage issues and noted the redesign efforts by the City has benefited both regions. He thanked President Harvier for applying for the Pima Road funds and for working together with the City on this issue.

**Closing Comments:**

President Harvier inquired about the City’s plans for a Veteran’s Day event. Mayor Lane reported that Scottsdale recently established a Veterans Commission and that the City hosts an annual Veteran’s Day event at McCormick Stillman Railroad Park. Mayor Lane invited the Community to attend the event and be recognized. President Harvier reported that the Community has three Army veterans on the Community’s Council. He noted that the Community will be unveiling veteran’s memorabilia on display in the ballpark and invited the City to the event, which will be held around the third week in February. Community Manager Meyers said the Community has limited staff working on veteran issues and he would like to see the Community and City work together on mutual issues of concern, such as veteran homelessness.

Vice President Leonard reported that there are issues being brought before the Governor that may eliminate the 12% funding. He would like to see a joint effort to combat these efforts so that the Community may continue to support Scottsdale and non-profit organizations.

President Harvier thanked Scottsdale for hosting the meeting and expressed his appreciation for the discussions.

Mayor Lane thanked everyone for coming.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The joint dinner meeting adjourned at approximately 7:57 P.M.

**SUBMITTED BY:**

\[Signature\]

Marci Sanders
Administrative Assistant

Officially approved by the City Council on **November 25, 2019**
CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the Joint Meeting of the City Council of Scottsdale, Arizona and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community held on the 29th day of October 2019.

I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held, and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 25th day of November 2019.

CAROLYN JAGGER
City Clerk