

**SUMMARIZED MINUTES
SCOTTSDALE CITY COUNCIL AND SALT RIVER PIMA-MARICOPA
INDIAN COMMUNITY
JOINT DINNER MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 11, 2013**



**CHART HOUSE RESTAURANT
7255 MCCORMICK PARKWAY
SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA**

Scottsdale City Council Present: Mayor Jim Lane
Vice Mayor Suzanne Klapp
Councilmembers Virginia L. Korte, Robert W. Littlefield,
Linda Milhaven, Guy Phillips, and Dennis E. Robbins

**Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian
Community Council Present:** President Diane Enos
Councilmembers Archie Kashoya; Thomas Largo, Sr.; and
Deanna Scabby

Also Present:

From the City of Scottsdale:
Dan Worth, Acting City Manager
Bruce Washburn, City Attorney
Carolyn Jagger, City Clerk
Brad Lundahl, Government Relations Director
JP Twist, Mayor's Chief of Staff

From the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community:
Gary Bohnee, Intergovernmental Relations
Michael Shiel, General Counsel

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting began at approximately 6:15 p.m. with a social period followed by welcoming remarks, dinner, and updates on the proposed landfill/solid waste agreement and a proposed gaming facility that would be located on a county island adjacent to the City of Glendale. No official actions were taken.

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Welcome and introductions:

At approximately, 6:15 p.m., Mayor Lane called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for coming.

Following brief introductions, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community President Diane Enos expressed her appreciation for the opportunity to meet with the City to discuss issues of mutual interest. President Enos would like to see the two communities meet more often.

A prayer blessing was given by Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community Councilmember Thomas Largo, Sr.

President Enos observed that the City of Scottsdale and the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community (SRPMIC or Community) have many issues of mutual interest, noting that just this past week SRPMIC's Council voted down digital billboards on SR101. She believes these mutual-interest issues are things that need to be thought about and discussed together because they do not just affect us; they affect our children and the generations to come.

President Enos reported that Salt River Fields (at Talking Stick) greeted its one millionth customer this season, and the recently-opened butterfly pavilion will have an IMAX and retail shops in the future. SRPMIC is also working on a tobacco ordinance.

Mayor Lane thanked President Enos for her report and for her efforts and the Community's efforts to keep the digital billboards off SR101.

Mayor Lane congratulated the Community on their one millionth customer at Salt River Fields and expressed his belief that baseball is mutually beneficial to both communities. Mayor Lane said shared reputations and shared tourism is also beneficial and complementary. He highlighted the City's work to expand WestWorld and to build the Museum of the West. Mayor Lane thanked President Enos for her efforts to keep the avenues of communication open and for the Community's friendship.

Discussion on status of proposed landfill/solid waste agreement:

Acting City Manager Dan Worth provided a brief update on the proposed landfill/solid waste agreement with SRPMIC. He acknowledged that the process has been lengthy but believes that progress is finally being made to renew the Intergovernmental Agreement with SRPMIC for use of its landfill.

Mr. Worth reported that about a year and a half ago, the City had begun negotiations with SRPMIC for a new agreement. The initial proposal would have extended the agreement through the end of the life of the landfill to the year 2020. During the negotiations, the City was approached by vendors who were offering a long-term, 75-year contract.

The City explained the situation to SRPMIC and asked if there was a way to increase the length of their proposed agreement. SRPMIC was very responsive and came back with a proposal to extend the agreement to 2032. The proposed new agreement includes a fair pricing structure and has built in price escalators. Mr. Worth believes the proposal would be very difficult for the

other vendors to beat and sees the location of SRPMIC's landfill as an advantage for Scottsdale.

Mr. Worth said this past week the City notified the other communities that the City is pulling out of their processes and expressed his belief that the overall structure of the draft proposal with SRPMIC is very good.

President Enos thanked Mr. Worth and the City for their efforts to work through the process. She said SRPMIC's good relationship with the City of Scottsdale has made it possible to work through the details to reach an agreement. She noted that the price of gas is only going to go up, which makes the location of SRPMIC's landfill more attractive. President Enos appreciates the City's willingness to discuss the agreement early on and said the City is wise to realize the importance of looking to the future.

Mayor Lane thanked Mr. Worth and City staff for their efforts to work out an agreement that was beneficial to both parties. He also thanked President Enos and the Community for their trust as the City worked through its process.

Mayor Lane noted that Mr. Worth is participating in tonight's meeting as the Acting City Manager; a position he has held for nearly a year. Mayor Lane applauded Mr. Worth for the wonderful things he has accomplished during his tenure as Acting City Manager. Mayor Lane explained that the Council decided that whoever served as Acting City Manager would not be able to apply for the permanent position. Mayor Lane said even though Mr. Worth was serving in an acting role, he was still able to accomplish good things for the City during his term. He noted that the City recently hired a permanent City Manager, Fritz Behring, who will be assuming his duties on July 1.

Update on the status of the proposed gaming facility located within the City of Glendale:

President Enos reported that SRPMIC has been opposing the Tohono O'odham Nation's attempts to build an off reservation casino near Glendale for nearly three years. The Tohono O'odham Nation used a different name to acquire a county island adjacent to the City of Glendale and did not tell anyone the land would be used for Indian gaming. President Enos views this as a threat to all Indian gaming and is concerned about the manner in which the property was acquired. President Enos said SRPMIC is continuing its efforts to fight this project and hopes the City will join the other Valley cities that support the Community's efforts by providing letters of support.

Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community General Counsel Michael Shiel summarized the legal challenges that are being made to the Tohono O'odham Nation's efforts to build the off reservation casino. The Tohono O'odham Nation bases its claim to an absolute right to build the casino on a 1986 law. The Ninth Circuit court recently ruled on the case, declaring that the law is ambiguous and directing that it be sent back to the Secretary of the Interior for a clearer definition on the applicability of the law. Mr. Shiel hopes to hear something from the Secretary of the Interior by mid-July.

In April, Congressman Trent Franks introduced House Resolution 1410, which prohibits any new casinos from being built in the Phoenix area. The Bill was heard in subcommittee in May and SRPMIC is hopeful that it will move forward quickly to become law.

Mr. Shiel advised that Glendale is also attempting to annex the county island property, but there is an injunction in place that prevents the annexation from moving forward until all of the legal issues are resolved.

Mr. Shiel confirmed that the Pascua Yaqui Tribe in Tucson and the United States support the Tohono O'odham Nation's efforts to build the casino. He noted that only three other casinos are permitted to be opened under the 1986 law; and he listed all of the other county Islands that potentially could be at risk.

President Enos added that Senator John McCain said it was never the intent of the gaming laws to allow the Indian nations to buy county islands and use them for gaming. She said SRPMIC would appreciate any support the City can provide.

Mayor Lane said he hopes the Council will discuss this matter further, noting that the issue could have a future impact on Scottsdale.

Closing Remarks:

Mayor Lane thanked everyone for coming and for helping to make the evening a success. He asked that the two communities continue working together on topics of mutual interest. President Enos expressed appreciation for the dinner and hospitality on behalf of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community.

ADJOURNMENT

The joint dinner meeting adjourned at approximately 8:16 P.M.

SUBMITTED BY:



Carolyn Jagger
City Clerk

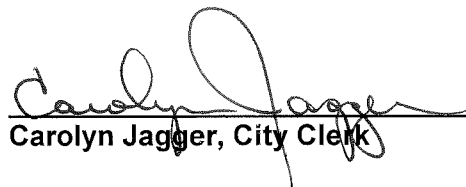
Officially approved by the City Council on July 1, 2013

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 11th day of June 2013.

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

DATED this 1st day of July 2013.



Carolyn Jagger, City Clerk