**Friends of Monument Preserve**

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**Board and Members Meeting**

**February 13, 2018**

**I. Call to Order and Attendance:** The Board meeting of the FOMP began at 7:00 p.m. at the Palmer Lake Town Hall. Members present were Bill Benson, vice president; Diane Strohm, treasurer; Brian Mullin, communications director; and Marianne LaRivee, secretary; as well as Jon Nordby, member at large. Judy Benson, Kim Nordby, Scott VanWyhe, Rob Meeker, Bob Meeker, Tyler Moran, Ginger Chase, Randy Phillips, Jeff Shapiro, and Bruce Hoover were also in attendance.

**II. Issues:**

**A. Treasury:** Diane Strohm reported we have $12, 630 in the bank. Scott VanWyhe has volunteered to take her place as Treasurer when we have elections next month.

**B. USFS Update**: Bill Benson and Bill Normile met with Colleen Burgenston, Recreation Planner for USFS to finalize and sign an a USFS/FOMP Operating Agreement, but were unsuccessful. Colleen stated that the USFS had no record of any previous OA with FOMP. Bill Benson has drafted a FOIA request to send to the Forest Service seeking any documents they have dealing with FOMP. Hopefully we can resolve the issue soon since there is an Eagle Scout project scheduled for March.

**C. FOMP Bulletin Board:** The trail etiquette sign has been added to the bulletin board.

**D. Trails and Open Space Coalition:** The TOSC is sponsoring a Trail Leadership Training Course 5-7 May 2018. Brian Mullin is going to represent FOMP. Tyler Moran volunteered to attend the training as well.

**E. Elections:** Two positions are open. Diane Strohm, Treasurer, is moving to Montana. Marianne LaRivee, Secretary, has held the position for 10 years, so is term limited.

**F. Permanent Meeting Location:** We can use the Palmer Lake Town Hall for the next two months, which will get us to the summer, but must seek an alternate location for the fall.

**G. Squatter Encampment:** Bill Benson located an encampment with structures and a fire pit. He reported it to Jon Pfeiffer, USFS Law Enforcement, who posted an official sign to vacate.

**H. Trail Subcommittee:** Bill Benson proposed forming a trail subcommittee to keep track of all improved trails. Marianne recommended that Jon Nordby be a member based on his extensive experience, as well as Larry Bryant, who was willing to work on a map.

**III. Adjournment**. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.