

MMTC General Meeting
January 4, 2010
MINUTES

Call to Order, 7pm

- Welcome and introduction of Board Members
- Election for 2010 Board Member at Large. Mike Davis nominated by Ted Brengel. General membership approved election 14 to 1.
- Meetings will continue on Monday nights unless library hours are not able to accommodate. Currently, Tuesday nights are also reserved for council meetings if necessary.
- An email will be sent out to members identify best meeting day

Minutes Approval

- Minutes Corrections: None. Minutes are approved as written.

7:10 PM Board Reports

- President:
 - Talk to friends and neighbors about Town Council; Ted will send out an email that can be forwarded to friends and family
 - Looking forward to building membership
- Treasurer:
 - December beginning balance \$85,465.29; Income \$356.60; Expenses \$1,397.99; Net cash flow (\$1,041.39); Ending balance \$84,423.90.
 - Full year report 2010: Ending Balance is almost identical to starting balance. Budget had expected to spend more than income, but we received \$4,000 for rental of Street Fair banner district that made up the difference.
 - Looking for volunteers for Budget Committee
 - Question: Why do we carry such a large balance?
 - Answer: Historically MMTC has been a very poor group. We are making money from Street Fair and haven't spent it. Gradually over time we have gotten closer to spending what we bring in annually.
 - Question: Can we forecast returning membership dues to \$10/year?
 - Answer: Haven't heard it was a problem. We can consider it if we hear that it will increase membership from young people.

OFFICIAL'S REPORTS

- City Councilman Carl DeMaio (John Ly)
 - Carl had emergency surgery and is unable to come tonight.
 - Christmas Trees can be put on the curb until Jan 23rd or dropped off at Miramar Landfill free of charge
 - Bus route 880 may be changing due to low ridership, and will go straight downtown.
 - Mira Mesa businessman is suing city to get his business tax returned.
 - No update on Salk Elementary
- County Supervisor Ron Roberts (Woo-Jin Shim– new community relations officer)
 - December 21st, H1N1 vaccine is available to everyone. For more information www.sdcounty.ca.gov or feel free to contact Woo-Jin Shim.
 - Swine flu prevention tips sheet
 - Crime prevention Expo – Feb 25th in Linda Vista

- Responding members pointed out the vaccine is available at minimal cost from Walgreens

COMMUNITY GROUP REPORTS

- Chairman of Community Pride Community (Jim Brown)
 - Some residents who are forced to leave their home are leaving trash in driveways. Contact the city for removal.
 - Neighborhood Code Compliance, 619-236-5500, call to tell them about illegal signage on Miramar Road
- Mira Mesa Theatre Guild – Alexander Nguyen
 - Next meeting is Thursday, 6pm, 21st January 2010
 - \$1 membership and anyone can join
 - Response to last month's question: Why we have to take off roof for monster manor? Answer: Fire code 914, amusement buildings except for 1000 sq ft or less, must have sprinkler system.
 - Fire sprinkler installment systems cannot be purchased and used every year. Unable to find temporary systems.
 - 1500 attendance; made same amount as last year because of increased ticket prices/lower expenses. Gross \$19,000.
- Recreation Council (Joe Frichtel)
 - Next meeting is on Tuesday, Jan 12, 2010 (2nd Tuesday of every month)
 - Budget meeting (at Gil Johnson), 7pm in the craft room this Thursday.
 - (Bruce Brown) Paint the fence program last year was successful. Is there money in the budget for this year? Would like to request \$3000 to continue painting project. Item will be put to vote next month.
 - Frazee sells paint to the MMTC at cost.
- Mira Mesa Library Banned Book Club (Pam Stevens)
 - Meets last Monday at Mira Mesa Library, may need to be moved to last Tuesday of every month.
 - Next meeting scheduled for Jan. 25, 2010.
 - Will discuss Ralph Ellison's "Invisible Man."
- Los Peñasquitos Canyon Preserve (Pam Stevens)
 - Holiday Party at ranch house was successful
 - Councilmember Sherri Lightner was present.
 - Docents provide guided tours
 - Friends of the Canyon Reserve also do guided hikes in the preserve.
 - Citizen's Advisory meeting on Thurs, January 21st at the Rancho.
- Planning Group (Bari Vaz)
 - The last meeting of the Hillary DAR Committee will be on Thursday Jan 14th, 6pm at Qualcomm.
- Mira Mesa Chamber of Commerce (Sandy Smith)
 - Chamber of Commerce is hosting Casino Night to serve as 1) Fundraiser for 4th of July and 2) opportunity to network.
 - Chamber is working on identifying Mira Mesa's identity for a branding program.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS

- Designing Power Boxes
 - Leo Angelo Reyes, a local artist and participant in Mira Mesa's annual Chalk the Walk program, presents designs.
 - Motion to Support Mike Davis and Leo in designing and painting a few trial boxes (Mike Davis) and seconded (Bruce Brown). Motion passes 22 to 1. 1 abstained.
 - Final approval required from SDG&E

- HEROES is donating money for the trials.
- A few concerns/suggestions were raised:
 - Great to tie in Mira Mesa's "brand"
 - Could be a distraction
 - Artwork should not be complex
 - Would like to involve high school students.
 - Can help give MM a more youthful appearance.
- Forming budget committee (Jeff Stevens)
 - \$12,000 is reserved for our scholarship account
 - Budget Committee volunteers include:
 - Mike Davis, Sandy Smith, Maria Pankau, Bari Vaz , Joe Weil
 - Committee will meet before MMTC board meeting and once after to finalize.
- Financial Review of the books is needed
 - Joseph Weil volunteers.
- Jeff Stevens needs to buy new checks and check stamps that do not say WAMU.
 - Passes unanimously

OPEN FORUM

- Alexander Nguyen, 2010 is Monster Manor's 10th Anniversary and would like Town Council support
 - Monster Manor is asked to submit a proposal.
 - Sandy Smith points out that Monster Manor is the biggest money making event in Mira Mesa
- Non-profit Executive Council
 - Meets last Tuesday of every month. Next meeting is on January 25th.
- Orlando V. is not doing well. Please keep him and his family in prayer.
- Article for Newsletters (Bari Vaz) are due January 22nd at noon.
 - Publish list of meetings will be on online
 - Reminders are sent out a week in advance for articles
- SD Foundation just launched 2060 Initiative (Bari Vaz)
 - They will do a series of town hall meetings to come up with city plan and will pressure city council, representatives, and communities to implement the plan.
 - Bari Vaz and Sandy Smith are forming an exploratory committee to meet with SD Foundation, identify criteria for report, and will ask for representatives to put together our own plan.

Meeting adjourned 8:03pm

Next Meeting: **Monday, February 1st at 7 PM** at the MM Library. Unless otherwise scheduled.

Board meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the Senior Center at 6:45 PM.

FOLLOWING MEETING

The following regularly scheduled general meeting will be **on March 1, 2010** at the Mira Mesa Library. This is subject to change if library hours change.