

Mira Mesa Town Council

Meeting Minutes

November 4, 2013

7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order (7:03 p.m.)
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of minutes from last meeting (October, 2013) – approved by acclamation

Ted thanked Mike Davis of HEROES for painting fences.

Ted – Mira Mesa Chargers play good football.

- IV. Treasurer's Report
- V. MMTC Election for 2014

Slate introduced by Christiane Hoffman. Nominating committee was Christiane, Christina Keene, Pam Stevens. Slate:

President – Ted Brengel

Vice President – Bari Vaz

Second VP Membership – Lainie Hardman

Treasurer – John Horst

Recording Secretary – Jeff Stevens

Parliamentarian – John Labaw

Newsletter Editor – Donna Carter

Member at Large – Alex Nguyen

Member at Large - Harold Schwartz

Member at Large – Sabrina Bazzo

Member at Large – Eric Kolbeck

Mitz Lee/Tom Derr made a motion to approve slate. Unanimous approval.

- VI. Volunteer of the Year – Last Call for nominees Due by Nov. 9. Joe Frichtel nominated Julius Hitchens.
- VII. Recognition of First Responders (SDPD/SDFD)
 - a) SDPD Northeastern Division - Officer Shannah Kanoa, Community Relations Officer – October pretty busy. 14 burglaries, 9 stolen vehicles, 3 recovered, 3 robberies. High number of car breakins – remove anything of value from cars. Close garage doors, back doors, windows. Lock door from house to garage. Don't leave garage door openers in cars in driveway. Crimemapping will show crimes within certain distance from location. Email Shannah if any questions skanoa@pd.sandiego.gov.
 - b) SDPD Northwestern Division – Officer Natalie Hone, Community Relations Officer – press release about sexting and juveniles. Kids

know more than average parent about social networking. Meeting on the subject Nov 7 6:30-7:30 Cathedral Catholic High School.

- c) SDFD – Capt Abel Flores, Public Information Officer. Introduced 3 officers. Not a busy summer for fires. Candle safety. Don't use candles in bedrooms. Be careful to catch wax. Electronic candles are better. Toys for kids can be dropped off at local fire stations. Heaters coming on for first time. Let dust burn off. Service vents. Carbon Monoxide detectors are now required. Change batteries in smoke detectors.

- VIII. Presentation: Hillery Direct Access Ramp Mitigation – Jeff Manchester and Bryan Olsen, City of San Diego Public Works Department. Widening just east of Black Mountain by 16 feet. Traffic calming on Rickert. Chicanes to slow people down. Lighted crosswalks on Hillery by Walker elementary. New streetlights north side of Hillery Drive. Done by may-June next year. Suggestion – stop sign at Marbury. Rapid Transit center is at Westview intersection with Hillery.
- IX. Candidate Introduction: David Alvarez, Mayor. Thanks to Board and people who come to meetings. He has organized town councils in his area. Need to get more people involved in their community. Holds government accountable. Have gone from closing down fire stations to restoring all of them, building more. 85% of communities are still park deficient. Reduced city employee costs. Wants to be Mayor so that all of the things we care about – libraries, parks, roads, continue. Alvarezformayor.com.
- X. Candidate Introduction: Terri Wyatt, District Attorney (S. D. County). Career prosecutor, not a politician. Worked for last 27 years, retired last month. Deputy DA. 54 years old. Retired early because felt need for change in leadership. DA's office can be led without politics. Hired directly out of law school. Went to law school to become prosecutor. Current DA has become too political. Resources used to support Mayor campaign. Tried 90 jury cases. Served in high levels of management. Juvenile justice system needs to be improved. Focus more to keep kids from getting involved in crime. Will focus on justice, not politics. Question – will you continue to support our local programs? Yes, if they are working well.
- XI. Announcement: Mira Mesa 45th Anniversary Celebration committee – Bari Vaz. 45th year is when historical status starts to take effect. Oldest homes may be considered historic assets. Good time to recognize that we have reached that milestone. Pam, author of Mira Mesa history book, will be on committee. Do something every month. Also 40th Fourth of July celebration. Want to get entire community involved.
- XII. Presentation: Street Fair certificates from Assemblyman Maienschein. Street Fair committee chair presented the certificates and thanked Street Fair committee members.
- XIII. Recognition of Elected Officials and their representatives
 - a) Councilmember Lorie Zapf, District 6 (Ken Nakayama) – Capitol improvement projects – tool on website. Shows all CIP projects. Map viewer. Yellow shows streets to be repaved. Bruce Brown – MM Blvd has no potholes! Maria Pankau – Mira Mesa Blvd was repaved ½ on Wednesday. City was going to leave it half paved. After Maria complained they finished on Friday. Band Tournament was Saturday.
 - b) Interim Mayor Todd Gloria (Steven Hadley) – currently food trucks cannot park on private property. Working with established restaurants. Food trucks are a

problem for them – don't want food trucks parking in front of them. To date there have been three complaints called in. Trucks moved. No citations issued. No one wants food trucks driven away.

- c) County Supervisor Dave Roberts, District 3 (Lindsey Masukawa) – Bad news – Oxycontin task force became part of prescription drug task force, but over 5 years use has actually gone up. Good news – 3rd is the healthiest district in San Diego County. 83.5 year life expectancy. 90% received high school degree. Lowest unemployment. Supervisor will come to meeting early next year. On his way to a restaurant on Convoy a man came out of a white van and tried to attack him with a fork, then with steak knife. Called cops. Same person had attacked a woman in Lemon Grove. Said he was Wolverine.

XIV. Recognition of Community Groups in attendance

(2 minutes allotted to each group; group must sign up to be guaranteed recognition)

Pam Stevens – Mira Mesa Library. Barbara Schwartz is new branch manager at MM Library. Interviewed by Pam for Mira Mesa Living. 20th anniversary of library coming up. Sula by Toni Morrison is next book for Banned Book group. Sunday Nov 17 WW 2 bombardier Norm Stevens speaking at MM Library. Author of 3 books. 1:30 PM.

Bari Vaz – NOLAH is hosting a shoe and clothing drive. Donate your gently used shoes, clothing, and other items to NOLAH, and NOLAH will be paid by the pound for these items. The funds generated will go toward programs to help bring families home after disaster. Drop off clothing and shoes at Sandwich Emporium. Collected by a nonprofit in Mira Mesa. Helps out 2 or 3 charities at the same time.

Alex Nguyen – Introduced Andy Nguyen of the Vietnamese American Youth Alliance. Hosting Tet Festival Jan 31-Feb 2 in Mira Mesa Community Park. Asking for letter of support. Cost > \$100,000. Lots of people involved in event. Miss Vietnam of San Diego pageant. Motion to support Jeff Stevens/Mitz Lee. Approved unanimously.

Alex – Theatre Guild. Monster Manor back after one year hiatus. Did OK. Probably break even or small profit this year. Kept costs to \$8,000 this year. Pam – auditions for "Lend Me a Tenor" directed by Tim Aherns Nov 6-7. Show at Wangenheim Middle School in February. MiraMesaTheatreGuild.org.

Margaret Jahn – request for elected official contact list in the newsletter.

XV. Adjournment (9:00 p.m.)