

Mira Mesa Town Council

Meeting Minutes

January 6, 2014

7:00 p.m.

- I. Call to order (7:08 p.m.)
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Swearing In – MMTC 2014 Board of Directors, deferred to later when Supervisor Dave Roberts was expected.
- IV. Approval of minutes from last meeting (December, 2013) – Approved.
- V. Treasurer's Report – Checking: 35841.83, Savings: \$15,885.47, Scholarship: \$12,394.04. Total: \$64,121.34.
- VI. Presentation of outgoing Miss/Miss Teen Mira Mesa
- VII. 2014 pageant will be February 1. Ted thanked Miss Mira Mesa Keshia Lee Llarenas and Miss Teen Mira Mesa Madison Dodd for their service over the last year. The two misses each thanked MMTC for their support.
- VIII. Recognition of First Responders (SDPD/SDFD)
 - a) SDPD Northeastern Division - Officer Shannah Kanoa, Community Relations Officer. 8 burglaries, 10 stolen vehicles during December. YANA program (You are not alone) for elderly people who need some help. RSVP will visit weekly to make sure they have what they need. Chuck Sweet – see what we can do to restart neighborhood watch. Resident concerned about a teenager who banged his fist on the windshield of his car by Mira Mesa High School. PD tries to have officer near high school when it gets out. Sabrina Bazzo – similar incident occurred by Taco Bell 6 months ago. ~5 PM throwing rocks at cars. Shannah will remind officer about these incidents. In cases like these, please call the nonemergency police number to report: 619-531-2000.
 - b) SDFD – Capt Avel Flores, Public Information Officer. Concern about 4 recent fires. On average get one fire per month. Have not had any for 14 months, so on average there has been no increase. Each of these cases was unusual: 1) Zapata – working on an automobile in the garage, painting cars. Went into house leaving garage door shut. Fumes ignited when an air compressor came on and started the fire. Pizza delivery person notified owner. Burned garage, spread to house. 2) Acama- 9 PM. A resident tried to extinguish a pipe by pressing it against a wall. This caused a fire in a 4x4 beam inside the wall. Turned into a large fire several hours later (3 AM). No smoke detector. Could have caused fatalities. Neighbor noticed and alerted residents who were able to get out. Burned the whole house. 3) Fire was caused by an outside barbecue (portable fire pit). Embers blew into the attic, causing the fire. Lots of damage. 4) Electrical extension cord in garage heated up and started fire. Contained, but did burn into house. Morals: Make sure barbecue pits are fully out. Make sure electrical

equipment is in good shape. Don't run auto shop out of garage and have proper ventilation. BBQ pit should be 25 feet from the house.

- IX. Commission on Gang Prevention and Intervention – Introduction of new District 6 Commissioner Vinh Tran. Objective is to work collaboratively with RSVP, SDPD, community, youth and schools. There will be a summit to which the community is invited on Feb 22. Distributed a survey on perceptions of gangs in Mira Mesa. 2M & AC are main gangs in Mira Mesa. Sabrina Bazzo suggests getting parents from middle school. John Labaw – involve cluster committee.
- X. Recognition of Elected Officials and their representatives
- b) Councilmember Lorie Zapf, District 6 (Ken Nakayama) – Lorie is on the same committees as last year. She chairs the smart growth, land use and planning committee. Also on environment committee. Feb 11 is election day for a new mayor. Question about Lorie's opinion on medical marijuana. Lorie follows Republican party position.
 - c) Interim Mayor Todd Gloria (Steven Hadley) – 619-236-5929. State of the City next week. Jan 15th 6 PM Balboa Theater. Everyone invited. Reception at US Grant Hotel following speech.
 - d) County Supervisor Dave Roberts, District 3. Dave Roberts swore in the 2014 MMTC Board and presented a certificate to Maria Pankau. This is Dave's one year anniversary of being on the County Board of Supervisors. Dave will be Chair Pro-Tem starting tomorrow. Committee assignments tomorrow. Hoping to get on to the water authority board. Lindsey is having a root canal so not here today. Will be starting monthly office hours in Mira Mesa. Mental health reform has been a high priority during 2013. Spending money on front end so less on criminal actions later. Helping kids when leaving foster care. Working on domestic violence in 2014. Works closely with the City, particularly councilmember Zapf. Doing energy audit on buildings. 2700 friends on Facebook. Finalized 4 year labor contract with County employees. Question – County position on funding for a new Charger stadium. Subcommittee working with City and Chargers. Don't want to use County taxpayer dollars for it. Maybe do a bond to get park space as well as support stadium. Supports convention center expansion. Being litigated now. Auto show this year had 100,000 people.

XI. MMTC Committee Reports and Announcements - none

- XII. Recognition of Community Groups in Attendance
(2 minutes allotted to each group. One speaker per group.
Group must sign up at Membership Table to be recognized)

Chris Cate – San Diego County Taxpayers association. Gathering signatures for revocation of linkage fee. Increased by 750%. Qualcomm cancelled building a new site with 1300 jobs. Would have cost additional \$800,000, \$6 million for full expansion plans. Need 34,000 signatures in 30 days.

Gerrlyn Gacao – volunteer for David Alvarez. Running for Mayor Feb 11. Thanks to volunteers. Born and raised in San Diego. SDSU graduate. Councilmember since 2010. Fixing roads and potholes.

Maria Pankau – Pageant at Country Inn and Suites on February 1, probably 2:30. Tickets are \$12.50 presale or \$15 at the door.

Donna Carter – really want to get word out about community events. Please send info for newsletter.

Alex Nguyen – San Diego Tet Festival. Jan 31-Feb 2 Mira Mesa Community Park. Introduced VAYA president Andy. Includes Miss Vietnam San Diego. Beer Garden this year. Year of the Horse. Pony rides Sat/Sun 12-6. Tet is always the second new moon after the winter solstice.

Joe Frichtel – There are 3 Eucalyptus trees at Hickman that are a safety hazard. Administration agreed to let Heroes and Joe remove them. Joe promised to plant 5 trees, thinking he could use the Recreation Council Tree Fund. Can't use the Tree Fund since the school is not a park. Tom Derr – Botanical Garden Foundation may be able to provide replacement trees. Ted – if not, bring proposal to MMTTC.

Pam Stevens – 3rd Thursday LPCAC meeting. There is trail work on the South main trail – section may be closed. Dry weather, so trails are good for hiking now. Library: new copying system, still some bugs. Underground parking at Central library – now has 2 hours free. MM Theatre Guild Feb 7 the next play Lend Me a Tenor opens.

Tom Derr – MMMAD meets tomorrow.

Christiane Hoffman - Can vote up to 29 days before the election at the registrar of voters.

XIII. Adjournment (8:52 p.m.)