

## ***Mira Mesa Town Council - Meeting Minutes***

**January 4, 2016 - 7:00 p.m.**

- 1) Call to order (7:00 p.m.)**
- 2) Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3) Approval of minutes from last meeting (December, 2015) – approved.**
- 4) President’s Announcement – Ted Brengel.**
  - a) Please patronize Mira Mesa businesses.
  - b) Please be careful driving in the rain.
- 5) Introduction of 2016 Board – Ted Brengel**
- 6) Recognition of Elected Officials and their representatives**
  - a) Councilmember Chris Cate, District 6 (Luis Pallera)
    - i) Chris Cate got married at USD on Saturday.
    - ii) Sandbag Drive – providing 10 free sandbags at Home Depot. Working with boy scouts. Saturday, January 16, 9am-1pm.
    - iii) Toys for Tots generated lots of toys.
    - iv) Councilman Cate participated in the long-awaited groundbreaking for the Mira Mesa Community Park expansion.
  - b) County Supervisor Dave Roberts, District 3 (Harold Meza)
    - i) The county's Community Enhancement grants and Neighborhood Reinvestment Program provide critical funding to support the important work of local nonprofit groups. There will be two grant workshops to discuss how to apply, eligibility requirements, relevant policies and rules, and the review process. Two meetings, one in Escondido on Jan 29, 10-11am, one in Encinitas on Jan 21, 12:30-1:30pm.
    - ii) Looking for interns.
    - iii) Residents can meet with Supervisor Roberts on the second Monday of every month at the MMTC office, from 3-5pm.
  - c) Congressman Scott Peters (Howard Ou) – increased funding for NIH in spending bill. Water bill assists with wildfires. Increases defense spending by \$1.4 billion and give 3% pay raise to enlisted. Money for student loans. Impact aid for military children.
- 7) Government and Community Resources**
  - a) City Attorney, Neighborhood Prosecution Unit – Julio DeGuzman. Criminal division. Prosecute misdemeanor crimes and infractions. Runs community court out of downtown superior court. 70% accept offer, 30% go to jail.

- b) Mira Mesa Branch Library – Pam Stevens. Frontline documentary “Being Mortal”. Book group reading “The Decameron”. Essential Oils Sat March 5 10-11. All libraries are now open Saturday. More libraries are now open on Sunday. Hours during the week have increased. Staff has had hours shuffled. Rosa Kwon was youth services librarian has been promoted to branch manager at Serra Mesa library.
- c) Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – John Horst, Chairman. John will be resigning as chair, but retaining seat since running for Congress.
- d) MMCPG Stone Creek Subcommittee update – Jeff Stevens. The subcommittee has been reviewing the traffic study and has scheduled a series of meetings for 2016. This is a very large project – proposal is for 4,445 multifamily housing units, 174,000 square feet of commercial and 750,000 square feet of industrial on 177 acres currently owned by Vulcan. Some issues with the traffic study are: 1) Different parts of Carroll Canyon Road will be built by Vulcan, Hanson, Fenton and the FBA. Need to coordinate so all are built before houses. 2) Proposal is to build lower density housing first, followed by high density core and commercial. Not well suited to encourage transit. 3) Some impacts remain unmitigated including Gold Coast and Westonhill. There are also issues with parks. In particular Mira Mesa needs at least one more community park and Carroll Canyon has the only land available.
- e) Mira Mesa Recreation Council – Joe Frichtel, Chairman. Salk and Wangenheim park projects are starting. Some vandalism going on. If you see anything call police nonemergency number. 858-531-2000.
- f) Mira Mesa Cluster Schools Council – Jennifer Kvalvik, Chairman. Principals, PTSA presidents, community leaders attend. Find out what is going on at schools. 5:30 pm in media center at high school.
- g) Banner district – Jennifer Kvalvik. Mad about the fair, takeoff of Alice in Wonderland is County fair theme this year. There will be fair banners again. Need ~10 community people for photo shoot on Jan 26.

## **8) MMTC Committee Reports and Announcements**

- a) Treasurer’s Report - deferred
- b) Membership – Lainie welcomed new members.
- c) VOY dinner committee - Pam. Sat April 9 tentative date. April 16 is backup.

## **9) Open Forum – Mira Mesa Community Groups, Events, Other Topics**

- a) Teri Ang – doing auditions for Art.

- b) Jennifer Kvalvik – Sapphire Sound went to Rose Parade. Lines were perfect. Mira Mesa played throughout.
- c) Lainie Hardman – Jan 21, 9 am Girl Scout cookies will go on sale.
- d) John Horst – requested signatures on his petition to run for Congress. Need 3,000 signatures or \$1,700.

**10) Adjournment (9 p.m.)**