

Mira Mesa Town Council – Minutes

June 5, 2017 - 7:00 p.m.

1) Call to order and Pledge of Allegiance

2) President's Report – Ted Brengel

- a) City issued request for proposal for use of Epicentre. Mira Mesa Community Foundation is preparing a proposal. There is a \$5,000 filing fee. Asked MMTC for \$2,500 loan. Refundable if proposal is unsuccessful. Motion (Charlene Ellsworth/Joe Frichtel) to approve loan. 21-0 approved. Now have newsletter in online form, optimized for online and as pdf. Still print for those who ask. Also have new website. Miramesatowncouncil.org. Thing of beauty – lots of information, now easier to find.

3) Recognition of First Responders (SDPD/SDFD)

- a) SDPD Northeastern Division - Officer Shannah Oliveras, Community Relations Officer; Sent following report: Stats for May: 8 commercial burglaries, 7 residential burglaries, 3 stolen vehicles and 20 car break-ins. Many of them our fault – doors and windows left unlocked.

4) Presentation of MMTC/Verne Goodwin Scholarships – Jon Labaw, Scholarship Committee Chair

Three \$1,000 college scholarships awarded based on community service:

Evelyn Le – planning business major at UCI. Has done work here at the library. Science Rocks.

Emily Lay-Geng – San Diego State this year. Engineering.

Amaya Aitiana Andrade – Cal State Long Beach – volunteered at UCSD medical center.

5) Featured Program: Miramar College Update - Lou Ascione, Dean, School of Liberal Arts

- a) Expecting to be mid-sized college within one year. 10,000 full-time equivalent students. Total of ~15,000 students. 18 buildings completed from Prop N and S.

6) Mira Mesa Maintenance Assessment District: MMTC members vote on language for ballot proposal to expand maintenance areas – Tom Derr, MMMAD Committee chair.

- a) Putting ballot together to change verbiage. Still having some trouble with community events clause. May be able to supplement 4th of July income. Need 50% + 1 of returned ballots. Motion (J. Stevens/J. Hearn) to approve ballot language. Motion approved 19-0. Meeting tomorrow in community office for more info. Will cost \$85,000.

7) Government and Community Resources

- a) Mira Mesa Library - Pam Stevens – Book group is doing the original Arabian Nights.
- b) Scripps Mesa Fireworks – Michael Spencer, President. T-shirt design contest. Won \$25 gift certificate. Selling T-shirts. Fireworks will be happening. Expect to have money. If you haven't donated yet, please do. Would like to be able to pay all bills including MMTC Insurance before July 4th. Had lots of entries in T-Shirt contest. Ted-Michael and committee have done a great job!
- a) Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – Jeff Stevens, Chairman

- i) May – approved BevMo application to use part of former Kohl's (Sprouts plans to use the rest). Pro and Con on Soccer City. No action. Westmore and Montongo: approved stop sign not recommended by traffic department.
- ii) June – County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar. Companion units (granny flats). Marijuana dispensaries.
- b) Mira Mesa Recreation Council – Bruce Brown, Chairman. Workshop on Wangenheim at Wangenheim. June 13. 7 PM.

8) Ms. Asian North America Pageant – Kaanchan Farkiya, 2016 Ms. Asian North America.

- a) November 2017 in Las Vegas. Great opportunity. Willing to help and advise applicants.

9) Craft Classic Half Marathon and 5K – Heather Pearl, operations manager

- a) Along SR-56 bikepath, through Sorrento Valley, western Mira Mesa, finishing at Green Flash. Sunday July 16. No road closures, although some reduced to one lane. 3500 participants. Apply at craftclassic.com. Finish line festival for 21 and up. Juice boxes for others.

10) Open Forum

- a) **Jenn Kuyper. William Male Foundation.** Giving scholarships. June 30 deadline. Grants awarded by October 1. www.williammalefoundation.org. Encouraging Mira Mesa students to apply. The purpose of the William Male Foundation (“WMF”) is to provide financial assistance to individuals who are interested in pursuing the arts, typically through non-traditional educational avenues. Examples of assistance may include the following: dance or voice coach; Pilates or physical trainer; acting workshops; photography and videography equipment; specialty apparel; conference and competition fees; transportation and living allowance.
- b) **Rita.** Why is America so great. Because of freedoms – religion and speech. Accept immigrants and provide aid. Freedom of speech does not mean can commit crimes such as assault and vandalism. Would like to see more of our leaders saying Freedom of speech is good, but not with criminal acts at the same time.
- c) **Kathryn Wild.** Wild by Nature since 1989. 501c(3) since 1994. Working with vernal pools protected habitat. Had disruption with dumping in one. Chris Cate's office was on top of it. Having walkthrough very soon. Want to get vernal pool studies back into schools. Used to have them, but were kept out. Sunny Meadow at the end of New Salem. Adjacent to Challenger, still in bloom. Recon left all their junk and locked us out.
- d) **Bari Vaz.** Mira Mesa Lions Club. June 17 classic car show. Attendees get to vote. Christ the Cornerstone. Beer Garden. Free Admission. Food trucks. 11-3.
- e) **Jon Labaw.** Fire at open space by Jonas Salk. 1 acre. Today. Jim Hearn – can register Cell Phones for reverse 911 calls.
- f) **Pam Stevens.** June 24-25, Relay for Life. Tom Derr is doing Purple Cancer Eaters.

11) Recognition of Elected Officials – standing reports

- a) City Councilmember Chris Cate, District 6 - Luis Pallera. Budget was adopted 15 minutes ago. Police marketing and recruitment plan. Voted 8-1 not to do the special election for Soccer City. Providing

sensors for sprinkler systems. June 24. Topaz Way. June 17 Chili Cookoff. Epicentre RFP is out. Parkdale is coming eventually. Chris has not yet taken a position on stadium land redevelopment.

- b) Assemblyman Brian Maienschein, District 77 - Rob Knudsen. Scholarships winners were not born yet when Rob graduated from MMHS. AB236 temporary housing assistance bill. Up to 16 days in calendar year. AB735 defibrillators at public and school pools. Shout out to Fire Station 38. Best friend's mom needed help – got there in 4 minutes after calling 911. There are 2600 bills each year, many of which do not go anywhere. Bill to remove daylight savings time did not.
- c) Congressman Scott Peters - Anthony Nguyen. Federal student loan refinancing act. 30 co-sponsors. American Health Care Act would leave 24 million uninsured. Senate is working on their own bill. Veterans appeals improvement act. Donating \$500 to scholarship fund. Howard Ou back in San Diego.

12) Other MMTC Committee Reports

- a) 4th of July Committee [Parade and Fun Day] – John Horst, Well on our way. Lots of parade applications. Looking for announcers, etc. Sending invite within the next week. Mitz working on rededication of memorial wall. Would be good to coordinate with 4th of July. Will be kids zone, and rides. No stage.
- b) Membership. Need to find new membership chair. Lainie had too many work responsibilities to continue. Thanks to Eric for taking membership chair. Ted thanks Lainie Hardman for her work as membership chair.
- c) Treasurer's Report – Bari Vaz. Distributed detailed report. Checking balance \$31,263. Savings \$15,896.
- d) Street Fair Committee – Jeff Stevens. Street Fair is October 7th. Now taking vendor applications. Sign up on MMTC website.
- e) Pam – Teri Ang is busy with James and the Giant Peach.
- f) Maria Pankau. No pageant this year – will do one March/April of 2018.

13) Adjournment [8:30 pm]