

Mira Mesa Town Council Minutes

May 6, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

- 1) Call to order – MMTC President Ted Brengel**
- 2) Flag Ceremony**
- 3) Recognition of First Responders (SDPD/SDFD)**
 - a) San Diego Police Department – Car prowls were the big problem: 28 car break-ins, 11 stolen vehicles (2 recovered). No residential burglaries. 3 commercial burglaries in Mira Mesa, 6 in Miramar. 3 residential burglars arrested, will be going to jail. National Night Out Tuesday August 6. House fire under investigation (pot farm, hash oil). Shots at the bowling alley under investigation. Investigators have lead on it. Citizen’s request form on website can be used to report suspicious activity.
- 4) Scholarship committee – Eric Kolbeck.** 5 on committee to review the applications. Selection prior to June meeting.
- 5) Approval of Minutes from April 8 MMTC Meeting – Approved.**
- 6) President’s Report – Ted Brengel.** Need more young members.
- 7) Featured Speaker: San Diego County Supervisor Kristin Gaspar**
 - a) New representative previously from Mayor Faulconer’s office will be starting soon. 650,000 constituents in County district. County is a pass through agency from state and federal government. Local roads are in poor shape. Sacramento budget is getting leaner. Gas tax passed, so paying more at the pump. Explosion of technology – hybrid, electric vehicles, so less money from gasoline. Some cities got behind on road maintenance. PCI – pavement condition index. 100=new road. 80 and above is OK. Pay more later if you don’t pay now. San Diego not complying with standards, developed own index. PCI score at county was 60. Not good. A single point is expensive. Gas tax provided money to improve roads. Can’t rely on State to provide money to maintain local roads. Add more recycled material back into road beds. California Asphalt Association featured speaker. SANDAG regional transportation plan. Supposed to make decisions that are smart for whole region. 2004 SANDAG asked for extension on TransNet tax for next 40 years ½ cent. 15 infrastructure projects listed. Expanding several highways, improving local roads. 14 are incomplete. “Bold new vision” for the region scraps all of the infrastructure project replacing them with mass transit projects. Looks like they will do it. Will need to ask for more money. Plan lacks balance. Opposed. Should ask voters rather than just make this massive shift. Need to hear from residents. Don’t have votes on SANDAG Board to stop it. Plan is described at San Diego Forward sdforward.com. The opposition site stoptransnetraid.com allows people to express agreement or disagreement with the allocation of funds. New plan modeled after LA and Seattle. Opioid epidemic – need community driven solutions. Young teens are getting expired medicine from medicine cabinets. Safe homes coalition. Collecting unused medicine, dropped off and destroyed. Postage paid take-back envelope. 572 people died of overdoses in County last year. Many thousands nationwide.
- 8) Featured Speaker: Mira Mesa High School Principal Jeff Sabins – MMHS New Construction Plans, Including Permanent Building to Replace Portables, Auxiliary Gym, and New Performing Arts Center**
 - a) Doing a number of improvements through Prop YY. Some portables date back to the 1940’s, came to MMHS in 1970’s. Getting rid of 22 portables. No summer school because of construction. Patrick Henry High is the closest school with summer session. 85% of students go into either higher education or military. 108 students accepted to San Diego State. Requires 3.8 GPA. New math complex. Music building being done now. Replaces 60 person classroom for a band of over 200 students. Great music teacher in Jeanne Christensen. Just returned from performing at Carnegie Hall. All going to late start schedule – will mean students get out later because have lots of after school activities. Start at 8:30 AM. Second gym. Planning for Stone Creek, 3Roots. Don’t want to have to bring back portables. Will overbuild a bit, which could mean renting out parts of school. Performing arts center where pumpkin patch is. State of the Art. Useable by community also. 600

seats. Fits on corner. High school will use it every day. Lost grant for after school program – new money that was expected this year. Most money went to LA. Finish stadium. Bid low, add 2000 change orders. Horrific experience. Need best value instead. New company much better. Grant for auto shop \$3.5 million. Instructor comes from Miramar College. May 16 next meeting. Preliminary drawings. 4-5 years to finish performing arts center. 2400 students this year. 30:1 student/teacher ratio.

9) Government and Community Resources [8:05pm]

- a) Mira Mesa Library – Pam Stevens. How To Festival May 18. Kaanchan teaching Yoga. Pam giving talk on time management.
- b) Mira Mesa Community Planning Group – Jeff Stevens. Next meeting May 20. Canyon Hills Park GDP. Another MPF. Presentation on SB%) and SB330, which will transfer much land use control to the State.
- c) Mira Mesa Recreation Advisory Group – Joe Frichtel, Chairman. Meeting next Tuesday at Gil Johnson; workshop on future swimming pool. Problem with Challenger and Wangenheim kids fighting and dissing each other on social meeting. Also a few shoplifting. Need to get kids back on track.
- d) Scripps Mesa Fireworks – Michael Spencer, President. Pam says SMF will have a booth at D6 Night Market. Can get T-Shirts there.

10) Open Forum (2 minutes each, items not on agenda, sign up to speak at membership table)

- a) **Mira Mesa Theatre Guild (Pam Stevens)** – final got rid of last of Monster Manor stuff. It was expensive. Salem Haunts took some of the material. Still need to remove storage containers behind fire station. Have been ordered off property. Clean up effort starting this summer. Some may go to MMHS.
- b) **Banner District (Jennifer Kvalvik)** – Want to replace banners. About 20 faded. Looking for new designs. County fair banners going up soon. Jennifer can provide requirements. Want to get new ones up by the time the Fair is over. 65 banners.

11) Elected Officials – standing reports

- a) City Councilmember Chris Cate, District 6 - Luis Pallera. Library donated ties and briefcase. Budget meeting on Wednesday at 6PM. Table Tennis tournament. Hope to have money for Parkdale and Gold Coast in next year's budget. Ted – Public Works is broken. Projects take far too long, becoming more expensive.
- b) Assemblyman Brian Maienschein, District 77 - Rob Knudsen. 17th annual cleanup. Boy scouts collected 500 pounds of stuff from Los Penasquitos Canyon.
- c) State Senator Toni Atkins – new rep is Diana Lara.
- d) Congressman Scott Peters - Anthony Nguyen. Earth day last month. Budget in June and July. Try to get congressman here in Fall. Complaints about post office appearance. Still bad.
- e) City Attorney – Angie Law. Replacing Ann Marie Council. Criminal and Community Justice Division, Chief Deputy City Attorney. Example: homeless person is trespassing and causing problems. Try to solve the problem – get treatment.

12) Other MMTC Board and Committee Reports [8:45pm]

- a) Mira Mesa Women's Club – Martha Pritchard. Special exceptional teacher award. 3rd year. Picked 3 teachers after surveying students. May 29. Each gets \$2,000.
- b) MMTC Booth at D6 Night Market May 18 & Membership Drive – MMTC vice presidents Pam Stevens (programs) and Brandy Ludwick (membership). 4-10 PM after HowTo Festival. MMTC will have a booth. Looking for volunteers to man it. Early time is best.
- c) MMTC accepting applications now for MM 4th of July Parade and Fun Day in the Park vendors – Ted Brengel.
- d) Mira Mesa Street Fair Oct. 5, next Committee meeting May 24 - Jeff Stevens, MMTC Street Fair Committee chair. Vendor, performer and sponsorship applications now online.
- e) Treasurer's Report – looking good. Balance \$61,317.

13) Adjournment – 8:58 PM.

Next meeting Monday, June 3, 2019!