

**SAN DIEGO PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
MIRA MESA RECREATION COUNCIL  
November 18, 2014  
MINUTES**

**MEETING HELD:** Lopez Ridge Park & Recreation Center  
7245 Calle Cristobal  
San Diego, CA 92126

**ATTENDANCE:**

Chairperson: Joe Frichtel  
Vice Chairperson: Bruce Brown  
Treasurer: John Grondona  
Secretary/UCLL: Karen Hower

Members At Large: Al Radick  
Fay Hamilton  
Ken Kaplan  
Barbara Shortill  
Jeff Stevens

Mira Mesa AYSO Soccer	Mike Hurly - Absent Julius Hutchins
Mira Mesa Girls Softball	Alex Esqueda
Mira Mesa Rugby	Patrick Schuster - Absent Claudia Lopez – Absent
Mira Mesa West Little League	Eric Christian / Dennis Conzemius
Mira Mesa Youth Baseball League	Allyson Adamo-Parsons - Absent Frank Musotto - Absent Stephen Haynes - Absent
Mira Mesa Youth Football and Cheer	Mina Vanta - Absent

Staff: Angel Castro, Area Manager II  
Craig Martin, Center Director III  
Denise Lamb, Center Director III  
Trena Bennett, Center Director I  
Saunia Kammerer, Pool Manager

Guests: David Miller  
Emerson Miller  
Charlene Ellsworth

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Joe Frichtel called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

**ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES:**

Adopted. Approved with corrections by acclimation: the Mira Mesa Recreation Council Minutes of October 14, 2014. Minutes will be updated and resent via e-mail

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

Adopted. Approved by acclamation: the Mira Mesa Recreation Council Agenda of November 18, 2014.

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE:**

- None

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

- none

**TREASURER'S REPORT: John Grondona**

- October 31, 2014 Funds for Mira Mesa and Hourglass Centers:
  - MM General Funds Available: \$34,036.50 (available for check writing)
  - Other Designated GF Accounts: \$8,371.55
  - MM Program Funds: \$5,114.24 \$47,522.29
  - HG General Funds Available: \$83,704.67 (available for check writing)
  - HG Program Funds: \$17,081.85
  - Shade Structure Funds: \$53,233.06
  - Other Designated Funds: \$38,365.88 \$192,385.46
  - Checking Balance: \$239,907.75 \$239,907.75
  - TOTAL GF Available for check writing: \$117,741.17

**CHAIRPERSON REPORT: Joe Frichtel**

- RFP has gone out for bids on Mira Mesa Park expansion projects
- Bruce Brown to follow up on progress; it was moved/seconded ( John Grondona / Al Radick ) to appoint Bruce as liaison between community and contractor of expansion projects. The motion carried: 8/0/0 abstain
- Vulcan Materials Company will provide tours of Carroll Canyon from 9:00AM-2:00PM on 6 Dec 2014; <http://www.miramesatowncouncil.org/news.htm>
- Meeting Friday at Verne Goodwin Senior Center in Mira Mesa on Friday, 21 Nov 2014 from 6:00-9:00PM with Chris Cates, City Council Member representing Mira Mesa
- Introduced Luis Pallera: staff member from City Councilman Chris Cate's office, assigned to support the Mira Mesa Recreation Council

- Expansion News:
  - Cost increased from \$9.5M to \$12.9M for Phase I-a, Phase I-b; money is in place
  - Increase due to requirement to follow storm water act
  - Construction start next Sep-Oct 2015 and will continue through Fall 2017, possibly Spring 2018
  - Projected field use will probably not resume Spring 2018
  - Bruce Brown will meet with Sheila Bose and project team; post updates on web
  - Wangenheim will proceed; 3-yr process
  - Contractor for expansion projects should be selected/active in Jan 2015
- Question posed regarding timing in relation to field use not resuming until Spring 2018. Explanations were offered that due to the scope of the construction and normal/expected issues encountered during this type of effort, the unfortunate result is that it is highly unlikely that the fields will be available prior to Spring 2018. Bruce Brown indicated he will post monthly progress updates on the Outreach website and notify interested organizations in the event that field access would resume sooner than Spring 2015
- Wangenheim Field expansion and upgrade:
- Salk Elementary School:
- Canyon Hills:
- Overlook Park:
- Parkdale Neighborhood Park:
- Sandburg Park:
- Camino Ruiz Park:
- Security Lighting:
- Outreach website in good working order; park status updates; personal comment encouraged; submit requests at [www.miramesarecreationcouncil.org](http://www.miramesarecreationcouncil.org)
- Shade Structures: see report under COMMITTEE REPORTS section below
  - Adding shade structures at Breen and Camino Ruiz
  - Problem encountered at Breen related to upperstructure issue
  - Meeting this Thursday, 20 Nov, to discuss Camino Ruiz project

**VICE-CHAIR REPORT: Bruce Brown**

- See above

**SECRETARY REPORT: Karen Hower**

- No report.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Area Manager II, Angel Castro**

- Watering schedule M-W-F from 12:01am to 10:00am at 7 minutes per station; the Friday schedule interferes with field usage
- Posting signs at Westview, Wangenheim and Walker Elementary Schools explaining that reclaimed water is being used
- 25 volunteers worked at Maddox; trimmed shrubs and cleaned up landscaping
- Information Board to be installed at Breen Park next week

**Mira Mesa Gil Johnson Center Director III, Craig Martin:**

- 600 at Halloween carnival, \$600 candy/\$600 toys
- Working on watering schedule in compliance with restrictive water usage mandates.

**Hourglass Field Center Director III, Angel Castro reported for Denise Lamb:**

- Repairs ongoing, pipes; restricting pedestrian flow
- Water leak in bathrooms at Hourglass; repairs in progress
- Water leak at Wangenheim Middle School; repairs in progress

**Lopez Ridge Center Director I, Trena Bennett: (Absent)**

- Good Halloween party attendance; thanks expressed to staff for making this happen
- Breakfast with Santa to be held from 9:00-11:00AM Monday, 22 Dec 2014

**Ned Baumer Pool Manager II, Saunia Kammerer**

- Received fanny pack first aid kits for lifeguards
- Water polo tournament
- Girls water polo sessions started Monday, 17 Dec 2014
- Thanksgiving Holiday hours: 12:00-3:00PM on Wed & Fri
- During construction the heating units for the pool turned off; solar heating is still operating
- Winter pool closing: 23 Dec 2014, reopen 20 Jan 2015

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Community Parks I Committee: Joe Frichtel**

- Naming field #4 at Rancho Bernardo Community Park as the “Bob Beeson Field” in honor of his valuable support of little league activities and playing fields in the Rancho Bernardo community from 1970 through 1983. Signage will be paid for and maintained by the Rancho Bernardo Recreation Council or other identified community source.
- Naming of park: Fault Line
- Wanted to honor Bob Sinclair, who worked on restoring buildings; it was suggested that a section of the park be named after Bob.
- Local concern was expressed about “Fault Line” name; committee feels the name should remain because it aptly names the park since it sits on an inactive fault line.

**Hourglass Field Joint Use Committee: Joe Frichtel**

- Sand filter replacement
- Discussions regarding:
  - Budget for 2015
  - Parking lot issues/repairs
  - Emergency evacuation site designation
  - Gym inspection
- Meeting Thursday, 20 Nov 2014, to continue discussions

**MMRC FBA Committee: Bruce Brown**

- See above

**Mira Mesa Girls Softball: Alex Esqueda**

- No report

**Mira Mesa Youth Football and Cheer: Mina Vanta – Absent**

- No report

**Mira Mesa Youth Baseball League: Allyson Adamo-Parsons**

- No report

**Mira Mesa West Little League: Dennis Conzemius**

- 3 weeks remaining in season
- Fallball complete
- Issues: indigent people sleeping in bleachers and others doing other things, leaving trash scattered around.
- CVS shopping cart problem; Jeff Stevens suggested “News” link on Town Council website as a resource for information about removal service and provided phone number: 800-252-4613 CA shopping cart retrieval.

**Mira Mesa AYSO Youth Soccer: Julius Hutchins/Michael Hurley**

- Season winding down; post season activities in progress
- Requested notification about maintenance on fields and restricted access to fields and equipment storage
- Problem with light color at Hourglass; it was explained that it would be a major upgrade to change; unlikely that an upgrade will occur anytime soon.

**Shade Committee: Al Radick**

- Prepared to start several more projects early next year if a substantial donation can be acquired – e.g. \$500,000 estimate to cover WISH LIST items; projects could be named to honor contributor(s).
- New shade projects are under way at Westview, Breen, and Camino Ruiz Parks.
- Construction projects are being planned or under way at Walker and Mira Mesa Parks that include shade covering over existing and/or new facilities.
- Shade projects have been completed at both Lopez Ridge playground and patio as well as the Maddox Park gazebo.
- WISH LISTS
  - NEW PLAYGROUND SHADE STRUCTURES:
    - Mesa Verde Park
    - Mesa Viking Park
    - Sandburg Park
    - Camino Ruiz Park
    - Breen Park
    - Maddox Park
    - Christa McAuliffe Park
    - Hourglass Field Park
  - NEW GAZEBOS:
    - Mesa Verde Park
    - Mesa Viking Park
    - Sandburg Park
    - Christa McAuliffe Park
    - Hourglass Field Park

- SECONDARY PROJECTS:
  - Shade structure over each Par Fitness station at both Hourglass Field and Lopez Ridge Parks

**ACTION ITEMS: #128**

- 128     **Hourglass request for donation for Toys for Tots give-away day** – request of \$50.00  
Presenter: Denise Lamb

MOTION:     It was moved/seconded ( Al Radick / John Grondona ) Item #128 request for \$50 for Toys for Tots Give-away. The motion carried. 11/0/0 abstain

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- Nomination board for council member elections; needed by Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>; John Grondona volunteered to compile candidate list
- Community Parks I Committee; Joe Fritchel will be running for chair for another 4 years
- Reminder that there is a Patank court in Camino Ruiz Park
- Canyon Hills Park view is incredible
- Ice Skating Show: 3 sessions on Saturday, 6 Dec 2014; cost \$15

**WORKSHOP ITEMS:**

- None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairperson Joe Fritchel adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Mira Mesa Recreation Council will be held on **Tuesday, December 9, 2014** at 7:00 pm at Lopez Ridge Recreation Center.