

SAN DIEGO PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT
MIRA MESA RECREATION COUNCIL
March 8, 2016
MINUTES

Meeting Held: Lopez Ridge Park & Recreation Center
7245 Calle Cristobal
San Diego, CA 92126

ATTENDANCE:

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

Members At Large: Al Radick
Fay Hamilton
Jeff Stevens
Ken Kaplan
Barbara Shorthill - Absent
Allyson Adamo-Parsons - Absent

Mira Mesa Girls Softball Absent
Mira Mesa Youth Football and Cheer Absent
Mira Mesa Youth Baseball League Carlos Weckmann IV
Mira Mesa Little League Greg Goonan - Absent
Mira Mesa AYSO Soccer Julius Hitchens, Mike Hurley, Scott Potter

Staff: Angel Castro, Area Manager II – Absent
Christian Haupt, Center Director III
Denise M. Lamb, Center Director III
Trena Bennett, Center Director I
Saunia Kammerer, Pool Manager
Luis Pallera, District 6 council representative

Guests: Debbie Lamb
Jackie King
Jessica Berrett
Matt Berrett
Ken Weidmann
Kevin Oliver
Ted Brengel
Alex Nguyen
Barbara Nkele
John Pellard
Yen Luu

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Joe Frichtel called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

- MOTION: It was moved/seconded (Ken Kaplan/ John Grondona) to approve the February minutes as presented. Motion carried 6/1/0

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

- MOTION: Al Radick made a motion to remove Action items 110 and 109 from the agenda. Motion failed, no second. It was moved/seconded (Ken Kaplan/John Grondona) to approve the February agenda. Motion carried 6/1/0

REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCES:

- None

COMMUNICATIONS:

- John Grondona: New youth leadership needs to take responsibility for the safety of their players. Convey to Center Directors
- Jeff Stevens: Town Council having volunteer dinner of the year. Planned to have at MM Senior Center. Air conditioning and new roof being done. Do not know where the dinner will be held, but taking reservations.
- Salk/Maddox Park Project

TREASURER'S REPORT: Karen Hower

- Month End February, 2016 for both recreation centers \$229,457.27
- Hourglass: \$183,955.62 available funds: \$75,475.96
- Mira Mesa: \$ 45,501.65 available funds: \$ 25,010.03
- Available funds from both centers: \$100,485.99

CHAIRPERSON REPORT: Joe Frichtel

- Mira Mesa High School is not allowing the fireworks for 4th of July event.
- Need more money for fireworks show

STAFF REPORTS

Luis Pallera – Council District 6 representative

- City Councilmember Chris Cate attended TET festival.
- February 23, 2016 Mira Mesa High School band recognized by City Council for participating in Rose Bowl Parade
- City Councilmember Chris Cate present for Mira Mesa Youth Baseball opening day.

WANGENHEIM EXPANSION PROJECT:

- No update

SALK & MADDOX NEIGHBORHOOD PARK PROJECT:

1. \$5.2 million for design and construction.
2. On the narrow southern part Park – between the school on the north and homes on the south – this area should be passive with a concrete sidewalk (for ADA) that connects Parkdale to the active play area on the far west of the park property.

3. Possible off street parking/ADA parking with cul-de-sac in narrow area noted in item #2 for drop off area.
4. On the far west side of the park this should be a passive play area with grass which is close to the school. DG trail (walking jogging path) around the entire western area overlooking the canyon, similar to Camino Ruiz Neighborhood Park.
5. Recommend that restrooms be built near the old Maddox Dog Park. Alternative location for restrooms on the old Maddox Park area near the Tot Lot. This building should have a storage area from which the staff can administer the site. Concrete ADA path to restroom should be built. Shaded patio attached to the structure with drinking fountain on or nearby the building. Consultant needs to find sewer hook- up area that is built into the site.
6. The entire area (both the new portion and the old Maddox NP) should be renamed – **Stevens Neighborhood Park**
7. The old monument sign should be replaced with the new name Stevens Neighborhood Park. Another identification park monument sign should be added on the entrance off of Parkdale (south side of Salk elementary school).
8. The junction between the old and new park (near the Dog Park) needs to be seamless. ADA ramps must be built to allow easy access from the north part of the park to the southern part of the park.
9. Overlook area on old portion of the park needs to be made more visible and accessible. Possible overlook area on the far West portion of the new park area. Benches should be installed at both locations.
10. Sidewalk should be added to connect Flanders sidewalk area (in front of the old Maddox Park) with the front of Salk Elementary School to facilitate easy access to the school from the north and west sections of the community.
11. Also, there will eventually be a trail down Rattlesnake Canyon from the park to Carroll Canyon. Some preparation now – at least planning for the trail access point, would be helpful later.
12. Possible environmental areas that could be tied to Salk Elementary School science studies.
13. Investigate placing tennis courts on site.

Area Manager II, Angel Castro – absent

- Denise Lamb reported for Angel Castro: Park and Recreation Board Policy and Procedure regarding the renaming of parks.

Gil Johnson Recreation Center - CD III Christian Haupt

- New countertops installed at Gil Johnson Recreation Center in the Activity room, kitchen, and front office.
- Spring Egg Hunt March 24 from 1-3pm
- Tiny Tots program has 12 participants, increased from 5 last session
- Sun Festival has been cancelled

Hourglass Field House - CD III, Denise M. Lamb

- April 6, 2016 basketball banquet at Hourglass Fieldhouse
- 14 and under basketball team advanced to city wide playoffs
- Open play Pickleball Mondays and Wednesdays 10-2pm

Lopez Ridge Center CD I –Trena Bennett

- March 24, 2016 Spring Egg hunt 11-1pm
- Cardio fitness class increased from 5 to 15 participants
- Boot camp is starting March 11, 2016
- Pee Wee Sports has 4 participants

Ned Baumer PM II - Saunia Kammerer:

- February 27, 2016 swim meet
- Water polo and swim lessons started this week
- March 26, 2016 adaptive lessons
- April 4, 2016 the kids' pool reopen. Currently being replastered.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Community Parks I Committee: Joe Frichtel

- Meeting was not held.

Park expansion projects – Bruce Brown

- Next month workshop on Canyon Hills Park
- Workshop last month on Wangenheim Park

Hourglass Field Joint Use Committee: Joe Frichtel

- Replaced all sand filters in the pools
- Finished repainting all the metal structures around the gymnasium
- Worked on fiscal 16-17 budget - deferred infield soil replacement
- Miramar College requested that access to the gym be restricted during college basketball practice
- School is trying to erode 50% of their joint use agreement
- John Grondona: successfully started project for field lights at Miramar College approximately \$500,000 for initial bid

MMRC FBA Committee: Bruce Brown

- No Update

Mira Mesa Girls Softball: Alex Esqueda - Absent

- No Update

Mira Mesa Youth Football and Cheer: Aurlio Morales - Absent

- No Update

Mira Mesa Youth Baseball League: Carlos Weckmann IV

- Opening day went really well - 350 people for opening day
- April 3, 2016 Major League Baseball - Pitch, hit, run event – at Camino Ruiz Park
- Pole in dugout is broken – safety concern
- Would like to have shade for the baseball fields

Mira Mesa Little League: Greg Goonan

- Absent

Mira Mesa AYSO Youth Soccer: Julius Hitchens

- Opening day for spring season last Saturday - 500 + kids
- Spring season is for beginners – learning experience for everyone

Shade Committee: Al Radick

- No report

Outreach Committee: Al Radick

- Redesigning the Recreation Council website

ACTION ITEMS

107. Request for funds – \$400.00 Gil Johnson Tiny Tots Circle Time supplies – presented by Christian Haupt

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (Jeff Stevens/Fay Hamilton) to approve \$400.00 for Tiny Tots supplies at Gil Johnson Recreation Center. 8-0-0

108. Request for funds – \$500.00 Hourglass Field Community Park equipment – presented by Denise Lamb

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (Jeff Stevens/ John Grondona) to approve \$500.00 for Hourglass Field Community Park equipment. 8-0-0

109. Request to rename Walker Neighborhood Park & Wangenheim Joint Use Field in honor of Julius Hitchens. Renamed to Julius Hitchens Park – Presented by Al Radick

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (Bruce Brown/John Grondona) to approve the name change for both fields to Julius Hitchens Park 7-0-1

110. Request to rename Maddox Neighborhood Park & the future Salk Park site in honor of Pam and Jeff Stevens. – presented by Al Radick

MOTION: It was moved/seconded (Al Radick/John Grondona) to approve the renaming of Maddox Neighborhood Park & the future Salk Park site to Stevens Neighborhood Park. 7-0-1

111. Request for funds – \$1,477.44 for four back stop pads on fields 1 and 2 at Mira Mesa Community Park – presented by Christian Haupt

MOTION: It was moved/ seconded (Al Radick/Fay Hamilton) to approve \$1,477.44 for four back stop pads for Mira Mesa Little League. John Grondona requested the boards be primed and painted before the new pads are installed. 7-0-1

WORKSHOP ITEMS:

- None

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- Bruce Brown: Mira Mesa High School girls' basketball team won the Division 3 C.I.F champions
- Taste of Mira Mesa – held at UCSD on March 19th

Alex Nguyen:

- TET Festival – 3 days – perfect weather 25,000 people
- Next festival will be January 27-29th
- Only 1 noise complaint
- Staying with same layout next year

Yen Luu:

- Pleasure to work with Christian and Angel – Thank you for your patience and help
- Looking for areas to improve on and any feedback is good

ADJOURNMENT:

Chairperson Joe Frichtel adjourned the meeting at 8:55pm.

The next regular meeting of the Mira Mesa Recreation Council will be held on Tuesday April 12, 2016 at 7:00 pm at Lopez Ridge Recreation Center.

Submitted by: Christian Haupt

Approved by: Joe Frichtel