

MINUTES OF THE January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
MEETING OF THE MARIAN BEAR NATURAL PARK RECREATION COUNCIL

TIME AND PLACE

The meeting of the Marian Bear Natural Park Recreation Council was held on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 via a Zoom meeting.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Deron Bear  
Brent Banta  
Michael Kowalski  
Toni Bear

Absent

Ann Graham  
Don Steele  
Cheryl Bear

Guests

John Fowler, Head of Children's School in La Jolla  
Daniel Logue, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher Spreckels Elementary

City of San Diego

Steven Smith, Sr. Park Ranger, Parks & Recreation Dept.

CALL TO ORDER

Deron Bear called the meeting to order at 6:33 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION:

(Deron Bear) Do I have a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2020? (Kowalski /Banta) So moved. All were in favor. Motion passes.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – Deron Bear

1. Deron welcomed possible new group member John Fowler.
2. All participants did introductions.
3. Deron shared the Marian Bear website that former member Joe Steinbach created. Deron now has access and control of the site and will post minutes and agendas on it.
4. Toni created a pdf of the Marian Bear Natural Resource Management Plan (NRMP). Joe had already added a link on the website of the NRMP including maps.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- None in attendance

### STAFF / RANGER REPORT – Sr. Park Ranger Steven Smith

1. Steve stated that there had been a trail access improvement done by Stormwater where the access road had washed out in previous rain events near the base of the Biltmore trail.
2. Steve stated there has been a large increase in park use since Covid-19.

### ACTION ITEMS

#### 201. *Continue with the 2020 officers for year 2021*

1. None.

### WORKSHOP ITEMS

#### 301. *City Parks Master Plan and Clairmont Community Plan Updates*

1. Deron recapped on the Master Plan and suggested the group should write an introductory letter to Council Member Chris Cate including the NRMP as the group has a slot in the agenda for a council representative.
2. Brent stated he will draft the introductory letter to Chris Cate.
3. Brent spoke about the Fire Safe Council.
4. The draft update of the Clairemont Community Plan will come up for approval in in spring and Marina Bear is specifically mentioned in it.
5. The 'points' system of the plan does apply to Marian Bear Park. Open Space needs to figure out a way to show its value.
6. Brent recommended inviting new mayor to Marian Bear Park.

#### 302. *Kiosk Update*

1. Deron showed pictures of the kiosks. Highlighting the nicer displays and the older displays needing updating. Stated he would like to update the panels and add to empty spaces.
2. Daniel Logue recommended that science students could design panels.

#### 303. *Wildlife and Vegetation Matters*

1. Deron stated he hadn't seen anything noteworthy. He did state the restoration site his class worked on had plants in it still growing.
2. Steve had seen coyotes.

#### 304. *Current Events*

1. None

### COMMUNICATIONS

1. A discussion on park use and etiquette of people in the park occurred.

2. Steve discussed promotion of park etiquette as population and use increases in the area.
3. Park use and etiquette was discussed as a possible informational panel.

ADJOURNMENT

- (Deron Bear) made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. (Banta / Kowalski). (All) were in favor at 7:15

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING: March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 6:30PM vi a Zoom conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sr. Park Ranger, Steven Smith