

MINUTES OF THE May 12<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, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 via a Zoom meeting.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Deron Bear  
Brent Banta  
Toni Bear  
John Fowler  
Daniel Logue

Absent

Michael Kowalski  
Ann Graham  
Don Steele  
Cheryl Bear

Guests

None

City of San Diego

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

CALL TO ORDER

Deron Bear called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION:

(Deron Bear) Do I have a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021?  
(Banta/Logue) So moved. All were in favor. Motion passes.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – *Deron Bear*

1. Deron shared a current photo of an outdated kiosk panel. Stated he would like to see artwork rotate through or seasonal photographs to fill the panels.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- None in attendance

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

1. Steve shared a photo of the proposed new park entrance signs to be funded through the endowment.
2. Stated they had been doing trail clearing.
3. Steve talked about how Rangers had blocked off a new mountain bike trail forming off the mesa of Regina Ct.
4. Steve talked about transient camps behind the CPMA school.
5. Steve talked about possible mitigation and reconfiguration of the West Regents parking lot.
6. A discussion of possible future restoration work in the park occurred.

### ACTION ITEMS

201. None.

### WORKSHOP ITEMS

#### 301. *Mail Update*

1. Deron stated there was a delinquency fee of \$25.00 that was already paid to the State of CA. Unsure why they keep receiving delinquency fees. The group no longer exists as a Recreation Council.
2. Deron spoke about groups webpage and a domain listing on Wordpress. Stating that if the group paid \$280.00 would increase the groups search results. Group did not think it was necessary.

#### 302. *Kiosk Update*

1. Deron stated Kim and her students were near finishing the kiosk panel.

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

1. Deron said the Sycamores look healthy.
2. Steve said the Poison Oak seemed especially healthy this year.
3. Steve said that in his unscientific visual only opinion the Oaks look like they are finding some sort of equilibrium with the Gold Spotted Oak Borer Beetle this year.

#### 304. *Current Events*

1. Brent received an email from the Clairemont town council that the NAT (San Diego Natural History Museum) will be discussing their Urban Canyons Initiative at their next meeting. The meeting will be on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:45.
2. MBRAG has been invited to talk about Marian Bear Park at the meeting.
3. The group discussed talking points and will send an email around.
4. Brent said that the group could have comments for the Clairemont community plan.
5. Brent asked Steve for contacts of parks with finished Natural Resource Management Plans. Steve stated Black Mountain and Mission Trails had recently finished theirs.

## COMMUNICATIONS

1. Deron asked if the next meeting on July 14<sup>th</sup> could be held in the park. All were in favor of the idea.

## ADJOURNMENT

- (Deron Bear) asked for a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:18. (Banta) **Motioned**. All were in favor.

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING: July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 6:30PM in Marian Bear Park or via Zoom conference.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sr. Park Ranger, Steven Smith