

MINUTES OF THE September 8th, 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, July 14th, 2021 at Marian Bear Memorial Park, Genesee entrance.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Brent Banta

Toni Bear

Ann Graham

Michael Kowalski

Absent

Deron Bear

John Fowler

Daniel Logue

Don Steele

Cheryl Bear

Guests

None

City of San Diego

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

CALL TO ORDER

Brent Banta called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

MOTION:

(Brent Banta) Do I have a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of May 12th, 2021? (Banta/Bear) So moved.
All were in favor. Motion passes.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – *Deron Bear*

1. Absent

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- None in attendance

STAFF / RANGER REPORT – *Park Ranger Steven Smith*

1. Steve said the 3 new entrances signs have been approved for funding and implementation.
2. Steve talked about his own ideas on creating a small parking area in Regents West until the area can be restored and redone.
3. Steve talked about a possible contract with San Diego Mountain Biking Association to work together on fixing trails.
4. Steve talked about his overall ideas of positive infrastructure goals to make the Tri Canyon Parks a better place environmentally and for passive recreation.

ACTION ITEMS

201. None.

WORKSHOP ITEMS

301. *Continue Discussion of Police Officer Memorial in Parking Lot*

1. Short discussion occurred.
2. Item was tabled until next meeting.

302. *Nominating Committee for 2022 Officers*

1. Mike volunteered.
2. Toni recommended to ask via email where more members can be reached.

303. *SANDAG Draft Regional Transportation Plan*

1. Brent gave a synopsis on the project stating the project may impede on Marian Bear due to additional lanes being added to highway 52, but emphasized it is a conceptual plan.
2. Brent said the additional lanes would be placed in between current lanes on the 52. However, cutouts that could infringe on the park may be needed according to SANDAG
3. The group has a concerns list for the project.
4. Brent said the Miramar has similar issues and concerns as well as a similar NRMP and he would reach out to them on shared issues.

304. *Kiosk Update*

1. None.

305. *Wildlife and Vegetation Matters*

1. Steve talked about coyote trails he'd been seeing.
2. Steve talked about seeing Scaly-Breasted Munias.
3. Brent has seen a rattlesnake.

306. *Current Events*

1. Steve said the Parks Master Plan was approved by the City.
2. Brent wanted to know if the city would sit down and talk about Marian Bear?
3. Steve said he could ask about the Marian Bear Natural Resource Management Plan update.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. None.

ADJOURNMENT

- (Brent Banta) asked for a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:05. (Kowalski) **Motioned**. (Bear) **Seconded**. All were in favor.

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING: Nov. 10th, 2021, 6:30PM via Zoom conference.

Respectfully submitted,
Park Ranger, Steven Smith