

MINUTES OF THE January 11th, 2023
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 11th, 2023 at the Tecolote Nature Center.

ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Deron Bear
Sharon Rague
Michael Kowalski
Daniel Logue
Brent Banta

Absent

Ann Graham
John Fowler
Toni Bear

Guests

Del Cover
Mark Bear
Wendy Hancock
Joni Stern
Alex Wenz

City of San Diego

Steven Smith, Sr. Park Ranger, Parks & Recreation Dept.
Sarah Bowles, City of San Diego, Pure Water Project
Clem Wassenberg, City of San Diego, Pure Water Project

CALL TO ORDER

Deron Bear called the meeting to order at 6:37 PM.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

(D. Bear) Do I have a **MOTION** to approve the minutes of November 9th, 2022? (Banta) moved, (Kowalski) seconded. (All) were in favor. Motion passes.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT – *Deron Bear*

1. Deron thanked everyone for coming to the luncheon at Bali High.

CITY COUNCIL MEMBER'S REPORT

- None in attendance

STAFF / RANGER REPORT – Sr. Park Ranger Steven Smith

1. Steve stated that he would be working with SanDiego Mountain Bike Association on more trail repair projects soon.
2. Steve stated he was still waiting for the nursery to have an oak to replace Joe's oak.

ACTION ITEMS

201. *None*

WORKSHOP ITEMS

301. *Pure Water Construction Update*

1. Deron had everyone introduce themselves.
2. A handout on the Pure Water Project was given out to all attendees.
3. Clem talked about the overall scope of the project.
4. Clem talked about why the Genesee parking lot was closed for safety purposes after consulting with the Ranger and other City staff. Clem stated signs were posted as to alternative parking in East Regents lot.
5. Clem went through the handout and explained everything happening in the Genesee parking lot and traffic flows.
6. Questions about the project occurred for Clem.
7. Sarah spoke to the group stating she is available for any questions concerning the project the group or any citizens have concerning the project.
8. More question about the project occurred.
9. Deron asked specifically what would happen to the parking lot after the project was done. Clem stated it would be returned to previous construction conditions or better and there will be no future need for access at this site.
10. More questions occurred.
11. Deron asked if a member of the group could take pictures of the project for their records. Clem stated that was fine.
12. Questions about biological monitoring occurred. Clem stated during bird nesting season biological monitors would be monitoring noise levels.
13. Steve asked what the estimated finish time would be for the project. Clem stated it was supposed to be august but more likely to be September or October before the parking lot is re-opened. Clem stated the total project completion would be in 2025.

302. *Wildlife and Vegetation Matters*

1. Bobcats and coyotes were seen near a house off Limerick.
2. Talk about Great Blue Heron in canyon.
3. A discussion on drones and their legality occurred.
4. A discussion on Gold Spotted Oak Borer Beetle (GSOBB) occurred.

303. *Current Events*

1. None

COMMUNICATIONS

1. None

ADJOURNMENT

- (Deron Bear) made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting. (Rague) moved, (Stern) seconded. (All) were in favor at 7:40 pm.

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING: March 8th, 2023 , 6:30PM meeting location Tecolote Nature Center.

Respectfully submitted,
Sr. Park Ranger, Steven Smith