

**MINUTES  
CITY OF SAN DIEGO  
PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT  
SUNSET CLIFFS NATURAL PARK COUNCIL**

**October 3, 2016**

**Meeting held at:**

Cabrillo Recreation Center  
3051 Cañon St.  
San Diego, CA 92106

**Mailing address is:**

Park and Recreation/DRP Div.  
Attn: Vincent Paniagua, SCNPC Staff Rep.  
2125 Park Boulevard  
San Diego, CA 92101

**CALL TO ORDER**

By Ann Swanson, Chair, at 6:45 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Pat Gallagher moved to approve the 09/12/16 Minutes/seconded by Bill Klees

Passed unanimously

**COMMUNICATION**

1. Norm Allenby spoke about his concern of continued storm water erosion damage in the SCNP hillside portion, and commended Craig Barilotti for his work creating erosion maps pinpointing these areas. A solution is zero water discharge to the beach. Solutions have been ignored by the city through the years—they are in violation of the public trust. Stop the water upstream and use it.

Chair Ann Swanson requested Lyle Beller, chair of the Drainage Improvement Project (DIP) Committee, to establish a meeting with Norm and other interested people to discuss these concerns and the DIP project already underway in the hillside portion of SCNP.

2. Craig Barilotti presented maps of his runoff/drainage/water erosion study of the SCNP hillside portion. He will cover this again at the above planned meeting. (See No. 1 above)
3. Barbara Houlton reported a funeral gathering at Sunset Cliffs/Adair Street. Black balloons were released, causing safety issues for the guests, vehicle traffic, and other Park users.
4. Three SCNPC visitors expressed their interest in the Park and in the SCNPC work to improve the park's erosion control and safety issues. They all live in the local Sunset Cliffs neighborhood.

## **POLICE REPORT** – Officer Surwilo or Officer Ricardo Pinon

Community Relations Officer Piñon reported police incidences from January to September 2016, mostly from SCNP areas: police work entailed 233 hours; 36 field documents generated; 133 foot patrols done in the Park to check rule violations—some arrests or citations; some vandalism also noted. Sometimes the park gates are closed at night, when the officer with keys can get there. San Diego Park & Rec staff open the gates the following mornings. Officer Piñon will alert Western Division police concerning pinpointing a Park incident location by utilizing the Park terms of SCNP linear portion and/or SCNP hillside portion, rather than “Ladera Park.” He will also have Officer David Surwilo email directions for cell phone users to register for cell phone emergency incidents requiring mass notification or evacuations (such as directions announced from helicopters flying over SCNP).

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Larry McCleary circulated a copy of the thank you letter to Mayor Faulconer regarding the excellent ranger, police, lifeguard, fire, and Park & Recreation Dept. staffing of Sunset Cliffs Natural Park for the summer of 2016.

## **TREASURER’S REPORT**

Gene Berger reported \$2,953.95 in regular account and \$771.19 in savings.

## **MEMBERSHIP REPORT**

Faith Hussey requests an email for excused absences. Send to [Faithnhome@att.net](mailto:Faithnhome@att.net) or call her at 228-1854.

## **CHAIRPERSON’S REPORT** – Ann Swanson

On September 19<sup>th</sup>, Barbara Keiller and I visited Dr. Tom Deméré, Curator of Paleontology at the San Diego Natural History Museum. We were delighted that Dr. Deméré volunteered to help with signage and is also willing to give an informative tour. Barbara will provide the details in her report.

The SCNPC is also pleased to be invited to have a booth and volunteer signup opportunity at the Jensen's future store opening event scheduled in the parking lot on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 11am-3pm.

Since October begins the season for planting native plants, David Kimball will provide information on plans for the SCNPC native plant demonstration garden.



The following were nominated for officer positions for 2017:

Chair	Ann Swanson
Vice Chair	Barbara Keiller
Corresponding Secretary	Rosamaria Acuna
Treasurer	Gene Berger
Membership	Faith Hussey
Recording Secretary	Judy McEntyre

**302. Trails/Coastal Conservancy Grant Project – Ellen Quick**

The following was received from Elizabeth Schroth-Nichols:

“We are moving forward with the project and will soon have our designer working to incorporate our lessons learned into the plan set. There is no real update on construction. We are currently in the maintenance and plant establishment phase. We had our first quarter meeting on site a couple of weeks ago. My meeting with management to go over the communication plan was postponed so I don’t have anything to share with you on that as of now. We are now scheduled to have this meeting next week so I will keep you posted.”

**303. Drainage Improvement Project (DIP) Committee – Lyle Beller:**

Elizabeth Schroth-Nichols reports that city staff has received the last revision of the Design Scope of Work (SOW) from the contractor, and is working on entering final revisions. They will soon have a SOW that can be used to award a design contract.

SCNPC member Ridenour asks: How has staff responded to SCNPC scope comments that we approved on 12 September? Answer: Staff has assured us that all items listed in our motion are included within the draft SOW.

**304. Water Management and Erosion Committee (WMEC) – Dedi Ridenour**

No report.

**305. Revegetation – David Kimball**

Two Point Loma Nazarene University classes will be coming to the hillside portion of SCNP to help David do revegetation preparation and planting on Friday, Oct. 28, 2 – 5 p.m.. Volunteers are also needed to help with the planting on Saturday morning, Oct. 29. Vince (Parks and Rec. Dept.) will provide mulch and 200 plants for the project. Further planting dates are November 19, December 3, and January 7. Tumbleweed intrusion remains a problem--weeding is required.

**306. Education – Barbara Keiller**

A meeting of the Education Committee was held Tuesday September 13, to brainstorm interpretative and safety signs for SCNP. Fifteen signs were discussed. The committee walked the linear section to identify where signs are needed and can be placed. Further input from SCNPC members is welcomed by contacting Education Committee chair, Barbara Keiller.

On September 19<sup>th</sup>, Ann Swanson and Barbara Keiller met with Dr. Tom Deméré, Curator of Paleontology at the San Diego Natural History Museum. Dr. Deméré volunteered to help with signage and is also willing to give an informative tour. Senior Ranger, Michael Ruiz, also is helping with the signage project. The project does not yet have a City Council grant.

**306. Publicity – Faith Hussey**

A committee meeting will convene Oct. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the Ocean Beach Rec Center, 4726 Santa Monica Ave., to discuss publicity projects. Also, the SCNPC is pleased to be invited to have a booth and volunteer signup opportunity at the Jensen's store opening event scheduled on October 29<sup>th</sup> from 11am-2pm.

**307. Safety Committee – Jean Nathan/Marty Kolb**

Absent. No report.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M. as moved by Steve Scatolini and seconded by Camilla Ingram.

Next Regular Scheduled Meeting -- November 7, 2016 at 6:45 P.M.  
Cabrillo Recreation Center  
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