

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, January 11, 2012

Agua Dulce Women's Club

33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, Agua Dulce, CA

Council Members Present: Don Henry (DH) -President, Scott Griffin (SG), Lianne Swanson (LS) –Secretary, Ed Porter (EP), Alan DiFatta (AD). Dave Aiello (DA)-Treasurer joined the meeting in progress at 6:14 pm.

Absent: Donal MacAdam (DM)

Community Members: About 10 community members in attendance

	<i>Motion</i>	<i>Vote</i>
<u>ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING: Regular Council Operations: 6:00 PM</u>		
1. Call to order 6:02 pm		
2. Agenda: Approval of Agenda	M: EP S: SG	5-0-0
3. Minutes: Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 14, 2011 – Tana Lampton asked a question about the Parks & Rec report on the minutes. Stated that she is a member of the committee, and they have not met in two months. MSP to accept SG/LS passed	M: SG S: LS	5-0-0
4. Council Reports		
A. President Report		
1) Incoming Correspondence		
a. Women's Club annual rent bill-\$540, but \$486 if paid by Jan. 15.- MSP to pay in time for the discount – passed.	M: SG S: AD	5-0-0
b. Regional Planning Commission Public Hearing, Feb. 22, 2012, To consider an ordinance amending Title 22 of the County Code to revise the Agua Dulce Community Standards District; To consider a Negative Declaration of the Agua Dulce Community Standards District, in accordance with CEQA reporting requirements.		
County of Los Angeles, Dept. of Public Works, dated Dec. 15, response to ADTC letter of November 14, Escondido Canyon Road-Proposed Improvements – was read out loud. Letter states they will construct right turn pocket and will resurface and do nothing else to the road.		
<u>DAVE AIELLO JOINED THE MEETING IN PROGRESS</u>		
c. Board of Supervisors Public Hearing: Amendments to Title 21 and Title 22 of the Los Angeles County Code -"Healthy Design Ordinance", Jan. 24, 2012.		
d. National Park Service, Newsletter #5 Sept. 2011: summary of the Draft San Gabriel Watershed and Mountains special Resource Study.		
e. Informational correspondence: Sen. Diane Feinstein and family holiday greetings to each ADTC member.		
f. Web mail – LA-RICS is Regional Interoperable Communication System and they requested a contact person. We will direct them to the Disaster Committee.		
2.) Outgoing Correspondence		
B. High Speed Rail update – staff is having a meeting Thursday and an open house as well. Will recommend the I-14 route rather than the I-5 route. SG will attend the meeting. Legislation has been introduced at the state level to stop the project, but it is unlikely to pass.		
C. ARTC Update – No meeting in December, so nothing to report.		

D. Secretary Report – no report		
E. Treasurer Report - \$1550.03 in the treasury. Will pay ADWC bill.		
F. Election Committee – note March 8 2012 special election to fill the four vacant seats.		
G. Other		
5. Committee Reports		
A. Water Committee – RE Hauled Water: Responses to the questions that were asked by the public at the public outreach meeting held June 2009. Narrowed it down to 61 questions they responded to. New requirements for hauled water are - some form of disinfection required, a screen, proof of non-adequate water will not require dry holes if a state certified professional states there is inadequate water. Some still want to go further and stop any intervention, but in the interest of getting it done we may need to go ahead. Will come up with a final response to the public, accept public comment, and then it may be acceptable, might have to go through an EIR process. We maintain it should not be required because we are not creating any new lots or subdivisions. Does it need to be in the form of an Ordinance – why not just a policy? The health department can change policy, so it's a double-edge sword. But...we are closer to agreement than we have ever been, after 9 years. Will affect new construction and remodels over 50%, not existing homes.		
B. Disaster Planning – no report		
C. Parks and Trails: Vasquez Interpretive Center Update. Tana Lampton reported that she is on the committee and had not received anything from the committee in months. It is not a Town Council committee, so Town Council cannot control the meetings of the committee. Objection to Judy Bartlett and Sarah Brewer providing a report without having a committee meeting. Judy Bartlett joined the meeting at 6:51 and it was discussed but tabled it to the general meeting portion.		
D. Charter/Bylaws – no report		
E. Film – no report		
F. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison – Board meeting tomorrow, Ed Porter is now President. Jan 17 th KABC will interview the President and Superintendent of the School District because High Desert Middle school became a “School to Watch,” which is a great national honor about school effectiveness and innovation, they are only one of four schools in the nation to receive it.		
6. Other Business		
A. (delete Barren Ridge project)		
B. Bus for Feb. 22 Regional Planning Meeting on CSD – it is on. 7 AM here at the Women’s Club for pickup.		
C. Lighting Ordinance is being voted on by Bd. Of Supervisors and Lillian Smith wondered its affect on the CSD. Mary Johnson said the County struck lighting from the CSD and it can be an item of discussion with the Regional Planning Department at the upcoming CSD hearing.		
<u>COMMUNITY MEETING: Report and Present: 7:00 PM</u>		
7. Call to order—Pledge of Allegiance 7:05 pm		
8. Agency Reports		
A. California Highway Patrol/COPS Team: Officer Burton – A new father again, a boy named Michael, the Council offered congratulations. Stats for December - 21 traffic collisions in Agua Dulce: 10 were property damage only, 11 injuries, no fatals. A fatal on NB Bouquet Cyn this month near the city limits of Saugus, motorcycle vs passenger car. Update on amended VC sections for 2012: Car seat - under 8 yrs and under 4’ 9” have to be in booster seats in the back seat. Reminded us to also be courteous drivers, also to report dangerous driving. Had 1181 DUI arrests statewide New Years eve to New Years day.		
B. Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Deputy: Deputy Scott Short – Last month 11 reports but 3 not really in AD so 8 reports really in AD: One grand theft from a boat, plane or yard and 1 grand theft of a tractor, 1 felony weapons law, 1 drunk, 1 missing person (found), 1 suspected child abuse, 1 noncriminal possible crime/suspicious circumstance, and 1 mentally ill.		
C. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English – Dec total of 27 AD responses, 0 fires. Total 404 calls in AD for the year 2012. A little below average. Go to CHP about car seats, not fire stations. CERT coming in March.		
9. 5 th District Report – Rosalind Wayman – No report.		

10. Committees		
A. Water Committee – Recapped hauled water report from administrative meeting (see above).		
B. Land Use/CSD – Checked to see if Regional Planning had received letter about containers, dogs and trucking. Still on track for Feb 22, notices will be mailed to all property owners, and will release a revised CSD draft. Cargo containers and commercial trucking recommendations will be different from the ADTC recommendation, but will also provide ADTC recommendations and rationale for diverging. Regional Planning can accept either, or the BOS can accept either. We will probably receive the draft within the next week. Lighting Ordinance discussion. RPC has approved “dark skies” ordinance and our CSD was opposed to it, but had to take lighting out of our CSD with the understanding that we could amend our CSD after it was approved to address lighting. Bus is secured for Feb 22 nd meeting. Next meeting we will have a sign-up sheet for the bus. 52 people can go.		
C. Election Committee – Judy Bartlett – committee met this past week. There will be a special election March 8 th to fill four vacant seats. Incumbents have chosen not to rerun. Polling place is the ADWC, and we have reserved the date 8 am to 8 pm, with ballot counting to follow. 23 rd is the last day to get absentee ballot applications in to the committee. Notices are being posted around town and will be published in the papers. Apply for candidacy Jan 9 th – Feb 22 nd .		
D. Disaster Planning Committee – no report		
E. Ways and Means: Fundraiser – Outdoor Movie night in the parking lot next to Bullwinkel’s, family style as a fundraiser during the summer. Last Saturday in June. We will sell popcorn. Doesn’t get dark till 8:00 that time of year. Will get details on screen, etc. Kid jumper, slide, etc. sponsored by local businesses. June 30 th . Will figure out which movie, DA will contact the park regarding what was shot in Agua Dulce. Raffle, snack bar. DA will call Lorna. Vendor booths?		
F. Other Committee Highlights – Judy Bartlett gave an informal report regarding the progress of the Interpretive Center, but the committee has not yet met. Projected opening will be much later than anticipated.		
11. Announcements – DA recommended a solar company to the community, installed his system.		
12. Open Forum - none		
13. Unfinished Business - none		
14. New Business – none		
15. Future Agenda Items – fundraiser details, bus signup for RPC meeting		
16. Adjournment - Motion passed	M: SG S: AD	6-0-0