

TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Agua Dulce Women's Club
33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, Agua Dulce, CA

Council Members Present: Don Henry (DH) -President, Lianne Swanson (LS) –Secretary, Alan DiFatta (AD), Ed Porter (EP), David Aiello – Treasurer (DA), Scott Griffin (SG)
Absent: Donal MacAdam (DM)
Community Members: About 20 community members in attendance

<i>ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING: Regular Council Operations: 6:00 PM</i>	<i>Motion</i>	<i>Vote</i>
1. Call to order 6:02 pm		
2. Agenda: Approval of Agenda, as corrected for Mountain Bikes, moving up below School Reports.	M: AD S: SG	6-0-0
3. Minutes: a. Approval of Regular Meeting of March 9, 2011, as corrected	M: DA S: EP	6-0-0
4. Council Reports		
A. President Report		
1) Incoming Correspondence		
a. National Park Service, San Gabriel Watershed and Mountains Study – will be published Summer 2011 and will send us Executive Summary.		
b. Regional Planning Hearing Officer public hearing, April 19, a CUP permit application, 33055 Crown Valley Road, Acton		
c. Dept. of Regional Planning schedule update-nothing new for Agua Dulce		
d. US Forest Service, Angeles National Forest		
e. Bank statements (ADTC and Disaster, Election Committees) - \$15 Monthly Service Charge if you don't use your ATM card 5 times. MPS: Authorizing DA to obtain an ATM card for purposes of avoiding service charges in our accounts.	M: LS S: SG	6-0-0
f. Ag Alert – just alerted to Central Valley agriculture.		
g. HDC High Desert Corridor Project – does not directly impact AD – will place a link on our website. Will affect traffic on the 14.		
h. Antonovich's trail duster ride May 1 st .		
i. State Farm insurance premium renewal - MSP Authorize \$252.96 DA to pay our insurance for the year.	M: SG S: AD	6-0-0
j. CA State Water Board - Policy on Septic Systems – state backing down from proscriptive approach to a risk management approach, waterways, forest lands, etc. Existing septic may not be affected unless something changes, or unless they are near an affected body of water. Lillian Smith warned that the Santa Clarita river may be impacted, and the County may be enforcing those regulations. Link on ADTC Web Site CSWQCB, search for scoping document for septic.		
k. Spellabration. Library doing a spelling bee event as a fundraiser. Friday May 13 th 6:30 pm. Looking for teams of 2-4 people to enter.		
l. California High Speed Rail meeting on 25 th , DH attending and will report at next ADTC meeting.		
2) Outgoing Correspondence – Letter sent to Matthew Nores 3/17/2011		
3) Assoc of Rural Town Councils (ARTC)		
4) Other		
B. Secretary Report – no report		
C. Treasurer Report – Beginning balance= \$2608.95 - one check for \$486 for year's rent = Ending balance is \$2122.95		
D. Other		
5. Committee Reports		
A. Water Committee – nothing to report on hauled water, March tech advisory meeting cancelled, April 27 th next meeting RE: AB885.		
B. Land Use/CSD Revision Committee – Mary Johnson. County-approved revision presented, a few things we have to live with. Changes from		

community meeting/county. Key: Exception to CSD rules: Repair and reconstruction of damaged homes i.e. fire, etc) or expanding by 25% or less. Allowed owner/operator commercial truck parking (1) on property but the county was against it so not sure how it will go. County is having another community meeting week of May 23 rd . County will have a person for non-CSD issues. Will go through the CSD by section and take a vote after each section. Discussed trails which are part of the deal; designated multi-use non-motorized (except PCT no bikes allowed).		
C. Disaster Planning – moving end of month meeting to Tuesday 4/26. Hosting a field trip to San Andreas fault this Sunday.		
D. Parks and Trails: Vasquez Interpretive Center Update – Judy Bartlett. County is interested in committee: Proj Engineer, Architects, etc listened to community input. Mar 31 st - security fence is up, garage and office demo'd, construction trailers coming and signage. 14-16 months. June 2012.		
E. Ways and Means: Fundraiser Discussion – for springtime. Idea: Community rollofs, people pay to dump. Brainstorming.		
F. Charter/Bylaws – no report		
G. Film – filming Top Shots up on Anthony.		
H. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison – moved to general meeting.		
6. Other Business		
<i>COMMUNITY MEETING: Report and Present: 7:08 PM</i>		
7. Call to order—Pledge of Allegiance		
8. Agency Reports		
A. California Highway Patrol/COPS Team: Officer Burton – last month: 20 traffic collisions, 10 injury, 2 DUI, no fatalities. Identity theft has increased. Seat belt reminder.		
B. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy: Deputy Scott Short – Sierra Hwy into Palmdale is now blocked after Pearblossom. Vasquez is doing "every 15 minutes" program tomorrow (DUI education). March: 6 incidents, 2 assaults after parties, weapons law, 2 narcotics arrest, 1 found juvenile.		
C. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English – no report		
9. 5 th District Report – Rosalind Wayman – Supervisor broke ground on new I-5 HOV lanes. Supervisor's trail ride Sun May 1 st at Castaic Lake. State of the County Lunch on May 18 th in Santa Clarita. Toxic to trash roundup Apr 30 th at COC. 28 th April in Palmdale accepts tires (Old Bald Guys). Express Metrolink is coming eliminates 9 stops, a pilot program Palmdale to Santa Clarita to Burbank to Union Station. Puppy Mill ordinance is now passed. Annual Veteran's Day event in Arcadia May 28 th .		
10. Report on Acton Agua Dulce School district with Special Guest Cindy Fernandes, Director of Education and Student Services, AAUSD – gave a comprehensive presentation on the school district and its students. Also the principal of Agua Dulce Elementary was present to answer questions. VHS campus projected for 2013 - school entry is off Escondido Cyn. Expect a community survey about our schools. District website will have all information on it.		
11. Update on Vasquez Rocks trails/mountain bikes issues – Kimel Conway from Parks & Rec came to address issues. (1) Mountain bikes policies are set by Director or Parks and Rec, concerns are natural areas. PCT does not allow bikes on trails. (2) Proposed trails in the region in the Master Planned Trail System. Showed a map of proposed trails approved but not yet acquired. No motorized riding (except Forest Service trails). Trail Manual is almost done at www.lacountytrailsmanual.com . (3) PCT trail realignment project in Vasquez Rocks. Anitra Kass from PCTA presented the project, bringing the PCT through the park on a more scenic route. PCTA has a website with a volunteer area if locals want to help .Email: akass@pcta.org . Public comment: There is concern that there is no public input into the PCT realignment, and mountain bikes are concerned they will not be able to ride in the park any more. Suggestion that shared use might work. Mark Dyer spoke about his 30+ years' experience riding mountain bikes in Vasquez Rocks, and how he now seems to have lost rights to do that. Parks & Rec said they would sit down and talk, but the policy is long-standing.		

12. Committees		
A. Water Committee – no water meetings held, a TAC meeting 2 weeks from now, DH attending and will report.		
B. Land Use/CSD – Regional planning will be out here week of May 23 rd . New draft of CSD on ADTC website, approved by County and near-final.		
C. Disaster Planning Committee – Gary Hebdon. Moved meeting to April 26th, field trip to San Andreas Fault this Sunday. CERT classes successful will be holding a CERT meet-and-greet. Car kits. Visit site for fire preparation, etc. www.addisasterplanning.com .		
D. Other Committee Highlights		
13. Announcements- Spellabration at the Acton Agua Dulce Library. Friday May 13 th .		
14. Open Forum – Special Olympics having a Claim Jumper event tomorrow 5-9, Scott Short will be serving.		
15. Unfinished Business		
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16. New Business		
17. Future Agenda Items		
18. Adjournment MSP for adjournment 9:18 p	M: DA S: SG	7-0-0