

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, June 8, 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), David Aiello – Treasurer (DA), Scott Griffin (SG) (Dave Aiello (DA) joined the meeting in progress)

Absent: Donal MacAdam (DM), Ed Porter (EP),
Community Members: About 10 community members in attendance

<i><u>ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING: 6:00 PM</u></i>	<i>Motion</i>	<i>Vote</i>
1. Call to order		
2. Agenda: Approval of Agenda – item 13A was stricken from the agenda. MSP SG AD 4-0-0	M: SG S: AD	4-0-0
3. Minutes: a. Approval of Regular Meeting of May 11, 2011	M: LS S: SG	3-0-1
4. Council Reports		
A. President Report		
1) Incoming Correspondence		
a. Los Angeles County Dept. of Regional Planning: Notice of Continued Hearing, Santa Clarita Valley OVOV, to Sept. 28, 2011.		
b. Dept. of Treasury, Internal Revenue Service: Notice of Form 990-N (e-Postcard)-already filed by Mary Johnson.		
c. Antelope Valley Resource Conservation District: Invitation to attend their "Dustbusters Field Day Event," June 1, 2011.		
d. LA County Regional Planning Hearings:		
June 7, 2011-RCUP hearing to authorize the continued sale of alcoholic beverages and to increase permitted shelf space for the sale of alcoholic beverages at Sweetwater Farms Market, Agua Dulce – haven't heard about the result.		
June 21, 2011-RTM permit, 32455 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, to create two SF lots on 4.8 acres. County has Recommended for denial due to inactivity.		
e. LAC Regional Planning Commission agenda for May 16-Sept. 30, 2011: nothing scheduled pertinent to Agua Dulce except the aforementioned OVOV hearing on Sep. 28, 2011.		
f. Web mail: Correspondence from someone whose lots are on the Agua Dulce/Acton border who would like to be included in the CSD, a letter from someone who objected to the turn lane into the new Vasquez Rocks interpretive center, and a few notices of meetings outside of town, OVOV continuation to Sept 28 th ..		
Dave Aiello joined the meeting in progress at 6:15 pm.		
2.) Outgoing Correspondence		
a. Responses to webmail		
b. Other		
B. High Speed Rail update: Lillian and DH went to the meeting today. Once they file the EIR report it shows as a dotted line that is in progress and real estate has to disclose to prospective buyers. There is great concern. Buck's McKeon's office sent a representative and he said it was pretty much off the table right		

now but the people doing the study and EIR have been paid so will finish. They may have to tunnel most of it, so they are now researching a route up the 5 instead because of the cost.		
C. ARTC Update – no updates, they seem to be battling solar installations and general plan.		
D. Secretary Report no report		
E. Treasurer Report – another \$15 bank fee for May 2011. Ending balance:\$1809.99.		
F. Tax Filing Report (Mary Johnson) – done and done. Will do the filing for us every May.		
G. Other – Mormon church looking for a service project for this year. Asked if we had any suggestions in Agua Dulce.		
5. Committee Reports		
A. Water Committee – Water war has started in Sierra Colony, they tried to get into the water meeting last week. Ugliness about water. It's about the water company in Sierra Colony and its water rates to homeowners, some homeowners are nonpay. Don has not heard anything about hauled water yet. People who own property and want to build are starting to lawyer up.		
B. Land Use/CSD Revision Committee: Report on CSD Community Meeting with Regional Planning – Mary Johnson – shared overall results on CSD revision, and said that the county was ready to move forward with the uncontested parts but needed a clear mandate from the Council, and DA asked if we could take it up at the next Council. Lillian suggested that we do a survey of the town in the interim and let more people have a say. The county will do another community meeting to move forward, and we will make it very clear that this is an actual vote on the CSD measures. Will publish the results on our website, per Mary and consensus of council.		
C. Disaster Planning – no report		
D. Parks and Trails: Vasquez Interpretive Center Update – having trouble getting a grading permit. Seems to be resolved as of today, they may be able to start next week.		
E. Ways and Means: Fundraiser Discussion. Discussion of filming fee for Agua Dulce as a suggested donation to ADTC. Drive-in Movie night. Raffle.		
F. Charter/Bylaws		
G. Film		
H. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison		
I. Acton Town Council Liaison (proposed new committee by Scott Griffin)		
6. Other Business		
<i>COMMUNITY MEETING: Report and Present: 7:11 PM</i>		
7. Call to order—Pledge of Allegiance		
8. Agency Reports		
A. California Highway Patrol/COPS Team: Officer Burton – stats for last month 23 traffic collisions but 15 were property damage only 8 were injury, 2 were DUI, no fatals. There was a fatal on Bouquet Cyn - not in Agua Dulce - a pedestrian inebriated coming from a wedding best man 24 y.o.wandering out in street and was hit. Investigation complete, no charges filed, just tragic. Roadway survey for AD Cyn 40 MPH zone. Introduced Mr. Jeff Harkins from Public Works...District Engineer...guest speaker to shed light on the process: Our guest speaker explained Engineering and Traffic surveys for speed limit. Takes speed surveys and 85 th percentile rounded to the nearest 5 MPH. In effect for a 7 yr period. Speed surveys in		

<p>Agua Dulce mostly one in 2001-2002 which is over the 7 yr limit and the speeds can't be enforced except on Davenport Rd (Feb 2006) and Soledad Cyn Rd/Freeway/Crown Valley (April 2006). If the community wishes to proceed with a survey, it might actually indicate that the speed limit needs to be raised not lowered. They can do a speed sample indicating likely results before a survey is ordered. If we don't do a speed survey there is a standard speed limit which is 55.</p>		
<p>B. Los Angeles County Sheriff's Deputy: Deputy Scott Short – somebody in town threatened a deputy. 5 reports month of April. 10 in May. These were 7 burglaries in Acton, 2 in Agua Dulce last month. All the same thing: Entry no force. Unlocked doors and windows.</p>		
<p>C. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English – Brush inspections still continuing. Have 1400 to do. Contact them if you have any questions. Spring drills multi-agency airshow at Wayside, practicing. Left "Ready Set Go" brochure about wildfire preparedness.</p>		
<p>9. 5th District Report – Rosalind Wayman absent. Edell Vizcarra here from County to answer questions on planning or public works.</p>		
<p>10. Committees</p>		
<p>A. Water Committee – Nothing to report on hauled water. Looks like we are making some strides, but at that meeting the head geologist told them that there was a decision saying the Santa Monica Mountains had no water. Minor setback.</p>		
<p>B. Land Use/CSD – Mary Johnson shared the results of the community meeting. Will be published on ADTC website. Total: 8 abstain, 24 no, 35 yes.</p>		
<p>C. Disaster Planning Committee – no report</p>		
<p>D. Other Committee Highlights</p>		
<p>11. Announcements</p>		
<p>12. Open Forum – Matthew Rose from the Library came and spoke about upcoming library programs. Family Communication Workshop, Suicide Prevention Mon Jun13th at 6 pm. June 14th Celestial Exploration. The library does 25 programs per month. Library is busy, the community is using it a lot Talked about the High Speed Rail meeting today, which if they went through with the current plan, would trisect Acton and kill the town. DH will meet with representatives one-on-one along with Acton representatives, when they are able to get a meeting. Carlo Basail made a comment about CSD – 67 people voted for it, and it represents a very small percentage of our 1600+ voters. Sounds like "community organizing" not democracy. Should be legislative.</p>		
<p>13. Unfinished Business</p>		
<p>A. Vasquez Rocks trails/mountain bike issues – update?</p>		
<p>14. New Business – AD asked about ongoing redistricting. Carlo Basail attended the redistricting meetings and provided a report on them. Website address will be published by the Country Journal. Our one and only chance to have input into the process. Assembly, and State Senate, rationale with congressional districts. We had another public discussion about the CSD, pro and con, about whether it protects the community or is additional regulation. Participating were Carlo Basail, Mary Johnson, Lillian Smith, and councilmembers.</p>		
<p>15. Future Agenda Items - Edell will return for update on Hauled Water policy.</p>		
<p>16. Adjournment MSP DA LS 4-0-0 8:24 pm</p>	<p>M: SG S: AD</p>	<p>5-0-0</p>