

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, November 10, 2010

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

Council Members Present: Don Henry (DH) -President, Lianne Swanson (LS) –Secretary, Annette Fortuna (AF), Lorene Cangiano (LC), Alan DiFatta (AD), and Donal McAdams (DM). David Aiello – Treasurer (DA), joined the meeting in progress. Lorene Cangiano (LC) left the meeting in progress.

Absent: none

Community Members: About 10 community members in attendance

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING	Motion	Vote
1. Call to order 18:01		
2. Agenda: Approval of Agenda	M:LC S: AD	6-0-0
3. Minutes: Approval of Regular Meeting of October 13, 2010	M: AD S: LC	5-0-1
4. Council Reports		
A. President Report		
1) Incoming Correspondence		
a. Rim of the Valley Scoping Presentation – Most recent meeting Oct 13, check website for further info, we will be sent results of further scoping meetings.		
b. Medical Marijuana Dispensary Ban in Unincorporated LA County		
c. OVOV October Power Point presentation – applies to SCV and includes Agua Dulce. Meetings 11/16, 12/8, and in January.		
d. Rodda/Agua Dulce Property press release – 243 acres east of city limits of SCV. Conservation area, greenbelt, wildlife corridor acquired by city of Santa Clarita.		
e. California High Speed Rail updates – getting closer to reality, Acton is concerned about this and tracking route. Will be underground on the other side of the freeway, out of the ground in Acton ½ mi SW of the HS. One train every 12 minutes each direction is the target. Right under both the schools. AF has been following this for the Council. Said there could be some houses affected in Agua Dulce. MSP; ADTC invite the High Speed Rail people to come and talk to us and tell us the route, and how it will affect us. MSP: Don Henry will invite representatives for January meeting and will attend Friday's meeting.	M:LS S: DM	6-0-0
f. September 11 Memorial Float – would like volunteers from Agua Dulce		
g. Nick Fernandez Boy Scout Letter - AF has created a certificate from the Council and Scott Griffin will present at 12/12 meeting.		
h. Newhall Redevelopment Project correspondence – redesign of downtown Newhall.		
i. Other		
a. Letter from Jim Duzick expressing concerns about the comments in the Council Forum regarding our relationship with the City of Santa Clarita, and reminding us that their friendship was valued in the past mining disputes.		
5. Outgoing Correspondence		
A. None		
6. Assoc of Rural Town Councils (ARTC) – They would like our support		

in opposition to solar projects within their areas. LC has said we cannot jump on board that without polling the community for its opinion. We need more details on their project and opposition.		
7. Tax Exempt application process status – Mary Johnson said we have tax exemption for the feds as 501c4. Donations and contributions are not tax deductible to the donor. Mary has filed for State exemption; it is not the same. Needs financial info from DA. Will cost \$25 to FTB. MSP pay \$25 to FTB for tax exempt status 7-0-0.  <u>DAVE AIELLO JOINED THE MEETING IN PROGRESS 6:35P</u>	M: LC S: AD	7-0-0
8. Other:		
A. Secretary Report – no report		
B. Treasurer Report – got our \$400 deposit back from school Booster Club fundraiser. Ending balance is 2633.95.		
C. Other - DH - recent Library meeting, Mike Antonovich will do stonework to complete library and they met to approve.		
9. Committee Reports		
A. Election Committee – no report, will take up later		
B. Water Committee		
a. Technical Advisory Committee 3 <sup>rd</sup> Quarterly Report – TAC had no meetings Aug Sept, no meetings Nov and Dec. Rewording to make more user-friendly. Then document is up for item changes. There is a lot of “chatter” about the County Water reps not responding to the community meeting questions in writing, as promised.		
b.		
c.		
d.		
C. Land Use/CSD Revision Committee		
a. CSD - final community meeting pushed into New Year, but points are resolved.		
b. OVOV zoning, Women’s Club – follow-up report, Mary Johnson. C-3. Motion to approve draft letter in support of that zone change. MSP: authorize and send letter as drafter M L S S AD 7-0-0		
D. Disaster Planning – last meeting Oct 27 <sup>th</sup> , next meeting is in February. Checking acct 694.85. Wants to change banks to avoid checking fee – DA will talk to bank, subaccount of ADTC. Website license extended 5 yrs. People asking for animal disaster preparedness seminar, maybe mid-summer 2011. Looking at a neighborhood information plan because of recent fires. Circles of neighbors. Overlapping coverage. Disaster Committee		
E. Parks and Trails – Interpretive Center: they still have not finalized the contract. He’s bring drawings, we’ll meet, report at next town council.		
F. Ways and Means – no report		
G. Charter/Bylaws – Election committee as a standing committee worked well. New CSD boundaries are within bylaws, also worked well. LC steps down from chairing committee, willing to come back if needed.		
H. Film – DA got a call to see if whole town was in TMZ. The answer is yes. AF says they are trying to raise permit fees by 3x or so...so there might be a slowdown.		
I. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison – School taxes have gone up to about 31.50 per 100K of value due to the bond. \$25 was only an estimate. We have lost population, property value, and that’s what it came out at...		
10. Other Business		

<p>A. Other – AF - talked to Doc about nameplates. Will let us know a charge amount.</p> <p>B. AF - When using Lang’s property to hang banners, we are asking that people be more respectful of their fence.</p>		
<p>Lorene Cangiano left the meeting in progress 7:15 pm</p>		
<p><b>COMMUNITY MEETING: Report and Present: 7:20 PM</b></p>		
<p>11. Call to order—Pledge of Allegiance</p>		
<p>12. Agency Reports</p>		
<p>A. California Highway Patrol/COPS Team: Officer Burton – thanked the Town Council for their support. Stats: 22 traffic collisions, no fatalities. RE: Complaints about speed in school zone of the elementary school, tickets issued this month. Some of the offenders are the parents. Stopped an armored vehicle for speeding on AD Cyn Rd. Talked to school principal. Reminded everyone to take inventory of vehicle, i.e. tires, wipers, etc. Talked about following distances. On the freeways, be aware of anything out of the ordinary, and report it.</p>		
<p>B. Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Deputy: Deputy Scott Short – Special Olympics and Cops for Causes had a big fundraiser week of plane crash. Helicopters with no lights, have infrared. Complaint from citizen re low flying aircraft and helicopters, they were County Fire...Brush fire across from Winery. 13 stats: 1 domestic violence, assault with deadly weapon, 3 burglaries for guns and jewelry (incl. Lang), Left cameras and laptops, etc. Afternoon and night. Somebody been to house or worked at house. Crime goes up @ holidays so be aware.</p>		
<p>C. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English – not present.</p>		
<p>13. 5<sup>th</sup> District Report – Rosalind Wayman – Interpretive center design is incorporating community input and will complete prelim by December. Community said the water system looked large, and public health has been working with them for 2 years and allowed them to design 50% less. NOWTS is continuing work, may complete by December. Goes from TAC back to review by community.</p> <p>Hauled Water: Responses to community meeting comments taking a long time but expected by end of November. Feasibility of using hauled water revised report may be submitted by EOY.</p> <p>Requirements and Procedures for Potable Water draft – put by outside consultant into plain English (CDM). Then goes to TAC again, then draft to community (Mar?). OVOV: In formal review period and comment on DEIR, on web and AAD Library by 11/23. Revised draft includes air quality. Filming fees going up. Board of Supes voted 3-2 to adopt higher fees and new fire code. Antonovich and Knabe voted “no.” A lot of concern about his.</p>		
<p>14. Committees</p>		
<p>A. Election Committee – no report</p>		
<p>B. Water Committee</p>		
<p>a. Potable Water Requirements Draft Document</p>		
<p>b. Water Conservation Requirements for Unincorporated LA County</p>		
<p>C. Land Use/CSD – no report</p>		
<p>D. Disaster Planning Committee – highlights covered.</p>		
<p>E. Other Committee Highlights – Interpretive Center committee is headed by Judy Bartlett, contract not yet signed. December.</p>		
<p>15. Announcements – Veteran’s Day Ceremony in Newhall, Elsmere Canyon Dedications, Veteran’s Day Celebration in Acton at the</p>		

Park., Rose Float for 9/11 Memorial wants community help.		
16. Open Forum – Lillian Smith commended AD Civic for Veteran's Day Event last weekend.		
17. Unfinished Business – AF made list of her duties so they are covered.		
18. New Business		
19. Future Agenda Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. 9/11 Memorial Float Rose Bowl next mtg</li> <li>b. High Speed Rail reps for January</li> </ul>		
20. Adjournment MSP M:LS S: DA	M: LS S: DA	5-0-0