AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of November 12, 2008 – 7:00 pm Agua Dulce Women's Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd, Agua Dulce APPROVED Minutes

Council Members Present: Marilyn Garner (MG)-Corresponding Secretary, Mary Johnson (MJ)-Recording Secretary, Don Henry (DH)-Treasurer, David Aiello (DA),

Gary Hebdon (GH),

Council Members Absent: Donal MacAdam (DM)-President, Jim Jennings (JJ)

Community Members: About 30-35 people in attendance

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	MOTIONS	RESULT/DECISION
1. Call to Order –	By Mary Johnson, Recording Secretary		
Pledge of Allegiance	Regular meeting was called to order 7:12 PM.		
	Pledge of Allegiance led by DA.		
1.A. Election of	MSP: Move to elect Mary Johnson to act a President Pro-Tem for this meeting	M: MG	5-0-0
President Pro-Tem		S: DH	
2. Approval of Agenda	MSP: Approve as submitted	M: GH	5-0-0
		S: DA	
3. Approval of Minutes	MSP: Approve minutes of Regular Meeting of October 8, 2008 as submitted	M: DA	5-0-0
		S: MG	
4. Agency Reports			
4.a. California Highway	Sgt. Rick Miler:		Information Only
Patrol/COPS Team	Officer Tiny Burton (COPS): Team is up and running-serving CHP warrants and coordinating		
	with Deputy Short.		
	Dumping: try to ID with a license plate number. Quick action is needed		
4.b. LA County Sheriff	Deputy Scott Short:		Information Only
	Crime Stats: October: 17 reports		
	Dirt bike complaint: Darling Road (3 pm-5 pm), and kids riding in the dark (9 pm)		
4.c. LA Co Community	Deputy Robert Ferrell: No report		
Police (COPS)			
4.d. LA Co Fire Dept	Carmen Mackey (Community Service Representative): No report		
4.e. Other			
5. LA County Fifth	5.1 Rosalind Wayman:		Information Only
District Deputy	OVOV workshop info		
	Presented "Regulations Applicable to Water Availability Approval Utilizing a Well Water		
	Treatment Device for the Purpose of Procuring a Building Permit." Policy effective 10/23/08. 4		
	Water treatment devices have been approved.		
	Questions on background of 2005 LA Co Ordinance for water quality and quantity of process of		

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	public notification. Are second wells subject to same requirements for new construction?		
6. Council Reports			
6.a. President	Don MacAdam: No report		
6.b. Corresponding	Marilyn Garner: Land Sea Air 4 th Quarter Agenda requirement for Agua Dulce Airport		
Secretary	Since we have had no public requests pertaining to this, can I have a motion to send		
-	MSP: Move to send the stock letter we have sent in the past indicating the Council will	M: DH	5-0-0
	not initiate agendizing the Agua Dulce Airport.	S: DA	
6.c. Treasurer	Don Henry- \$ 22.60, Loan balance of \$120, Net worth -\$97.40		
	Rent \$45 per meeting		
	Insurance \$500 per year		
6.d. Other			
7. Open Forum	No community input		
8. Committee Reports			
8.a. Community	Co-Chairs: Lorene Cangiano (and Mary Johnson)		
Standards District (CSD)	Committee has sent response to County. Expect differences to be resolved. Spring of 2009		
	should be presented to community by Regional Planning		
8.b. Parks & Trails	Chair: Mary Johnson		
	MSP: Move to write a letter to USFS requesting re-opening of Rowher Flats OHV Area as soon as possible to help alleviate illegal OHV use in the area.	M: MJ S: GH	5-0-0
8.c. Land Use	Chair: Marilyn Garner:		
	1.) OVOV Workshops: 11/13/08 Pinetree Elementary School, 29156 Lotusgarden Dr, Canyon		
	Country, 5 pm-8 pm; 11/17/08 Castaic Elementary School, 30455 Park Vista Dr, Castaic, 5 pm-		
	8 pm		
	2.) City of Santa Clarita General Plan Amendment and Pre Zone: Request associated with the		
	annexation of approx 1,992 acres of land generally located east of Shadow Pines Blvd, approx 2		
	miles west of Agua Dulce Canyon Road and both north and south of State Route 14. Item has		
	been continued to a date uncertain to allow for additional time to re-evaluate the project		
	boundaries.		
	3.) RPC Hearing Proposed Amendment to LA Co Code to require a CUP for private schools in		
	A-2 Zoning.		
8.d. Election	Julianne Feuerhelm and Lorna Leslie: Co-Chairs		
	Election Results: Don Henry-568, Lorene Cangiano-461, Annette Fortuna-429, William Alch-238		
	Audit Report received and sealed ballot materials received.		
	Final Committee Action will be when all recommended Bylaw changes have been submitted to		
	the Town CouncilAt least by January regular meeting.		
	Bylaws state President is to appoint Election Committee Organizer for 2009 at ADTC regular		
	meeting of November. Julianne Feuerhelm volunteered to act as organizer.		
	The first week in February of 2009 is the time the Committee needs to elect a Committee Chair.		
	Council thanks the Committee and pollworkers for performing Election Committee duties under		

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	an extreme time crunch and for volunteering for this important Committee.		
	According to Election Procedures, the Council Secretary will give the Council President notice in		
	advance of destruction of election materials 2 years and older. The materials are to be opened		
	in the presence of 2 Council members. Notice is hereby given that prior to the next meeting, all		
	election material 2 years and older will be destroyed.		
8.e. Charter/Bylaws	All recommended changes in Election Procedures should be submitted for review.		
8.f. Film	Chair: Dave Aiello		
	Project: Contact Film LA to investigate voluntary donation to Town Council for production		
	companies using Agua Dulce for filming purposes. Stevenson Ranch Homeowners Association		
	has a film liaison that works with permit approvals and helps to finance their organization. RW to		
9 g Troffic 9 Cofoty	get contact info to DA.		
8.g. Traffic & Safety	Chair: Jim Jennings: No report		
8.h. Integrated Regional Water Management Plan	Don Henry: Nothing to report		
8.i. Water	Chair: Don Henry		
on water	Will review new policy presented by RW for discussion at next meeting		
8.j. Acton-Agua Dulce	Jim Jennings and David Aiello		
School Board	Bond Measure still too close to call		
	Certified when all provisional and absentee ballots have been verified and counted. Election		
	results available on registrar recorders website		
8.k. Ways & Means	Chair: Don MacAdam: No report		
8.I. Emergency	Chair: Gary Hebdon		
Preparedness-Disaster	Great California Shakeout-Nov 13, 5.2 million people expected to participate		
Planning	www.shakeout.org		
	Red flag warning through the weekend		
8.m. Other			
9. Unfinished Business			
9.a. Carousel Ranch,	Executive Director: Denise Tomey Project No R2006-01208, CUP No T200600080		
34289 Rocking Horse Rd Project and CUP	Riding academy that would be used for equestrian therapy programs for children with disabilities along with equestrian related events and community events.		
Froject and COP	Comments by Carousel: Letter from Carousel Ranch dated 11/11/08 read into the record.		
	Comments by Community: caretaker trailer, dust control, reasonable hours of operation (5		
	days per week Mon-Fri or T-Sat, 8 hour day), traffic, prison workers, outdoor lighting, no		
	boarding, occupancy of trailer, limit operations to current levels, maximum number of therapy		
	clients, noise, equestrian trail access, FEMA flood zone, evacuation plan, adequate supervision,		
	animal vaccinations, water quality, fire danger, emergency access, limit to therapeutic riding		
	programs, status quo is ok, uncontrolled growth, maximum number of animals, language in CUP		
	is too broad, threats to neighbors		
	Comments by Council: Council suggested all neighbors attend hearing. Several neighbors		
	have not gotten all issues resolved. Conditions should be added to address those outstanding		

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	issues. MSP: Move to send letter to Regional Planning Commission neither supporting nor opposing the project, but stating the comments and concerns presented.	M: MJ S: MG	5-0-0 MJ to attend RPC hearing
10. New Business			
10.a. Chris Ball's recommendation for citizen oversight and appeals board and endorsement of petition	Citizen's Advisory Committee: To draft and propose new or revised private well regulations for consideration by the Board of Supervisors; to provide administrative oversight of the Dept of Environmental Health; and to provide an Appeals Board whose approval of any issues in dispute for private wells shall be binding upon the Dept of Environmental Health. Comments by Mr. Ball: Loss of property rights, health Inspectors have unlimited discretion, no dispute resolution process, no exemptions listed for additions, recorded covenants will have homeowners state that they acknowledge their water quality is unsafe, regulations are onerous and vague. Request the Council reject the new regulations and approve his resolution. Comments by Community: Is this only for new wells? What about existing wells? If this is for protection, why is this only for new construction? We need a group of people to bridge the gap with public policy and public opposition. Comment letter from CA Senator George Runner indicating his opposition to EH overstepping their bounds. Comments by Council: No recourse or appeals, generalities in policy, beyond the scope of the spirit the laws, our rights are being degraded, the choice of filtration or other action should be left to the private property owner. Private wells for private homes should not be regulated by county government, system and process is set up to fail, an oversight panel is needed because EH has over-extended their power, and this puts a burden on potential home sales. Warning or release is better than all the regs. Concept of oversight board and the resolution approach is a good thing for relief, but language in resolution needs to be rewritten		DH and GH to serve as advisory to review and interact with Environmental Health
	MSP: Move to table item until the new Water Treatment Device Policy has been reviewed	M: MJ S: GH	By consensus
11. Announcements			
12. Future Agenda Items	 WRA Engineering, Borax Mine, Monterey Homes LLC Status of Vasquez Rocks Interpretive Center Update on review of new Water Treatment Device Policy by DH and GH Installation of new Council members 		
17. Adjournment	MSP: Adjournment at 10:05 PM	M: MG S: DA	5-0-0

Respectfully submitted by Mary Johnson, Recording Secretary, Agua Dulce Town Council 2008 APPROVED: 12-10-08