

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, February 12, 2014 APPROVED MINTUES

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

Council Members Present: President: Don Henry (DH), Secretary: Mary Johnson (MJ), Treasurer: Troy Fosberg (TF), Clerk: Steve Cummings (SC), Scott Keller (SK), Ed Porter (EP), (arrived at 6:33, left at 8:05) Lou Vince (LV) (Arrived at 6:33)

Council Members Absent:

Community Members: About 20 community members in attendance

TOPIC/DISCUSSION	MOTION	RESULT/DECISION
ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING		
1. Call to order at 6:30 by DH		
2. MSP: Move to Approve the Agenda	M: TF S: SC	5-0-0
3. MSP: Move to Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 8, 2014	M: SC S: TF	5-0-0
4. Council Reports:		
a. President Report		
i. General: SC: Wireless Tower on Davenport is sand color. Questioned if tower can be camouflaged to look like a tree. SC to look into.		
ii. Outgoing Correspondence:		
1. American Towers-Cell Tower: 6805 Sierra Highway, Agua Dulce		
2. Regional Planning Staff: Umbria Estates-Tentative Tract # 70758		
iii. Incoming Correspondence: Miscellaneous		
1. Alch-Umbria Estates		
2. Webmail		
b. Secretary Report: Nothing to report		
c. Treasurer's Report		
i. Balance \$1,128.22		
ii. AV Bank electronic statements/service charges? No service charges		
iii. MSP: Move to pay Agua Dulce Women's Club Rent Invoice of \$540 Rent	M: MJ S: EP	7-0-0
d. Association of Rural Town Councils: January 29, 2014 TF attended: Presentation by Metropolitan Transportation Authority on High Desert Corridor.		
e. Other: John Joyce of Acton Agua Dulce News—AVEK meeting in January Assistant Superintendent indicated interest in attending a future meeting to discuss options and alternatives for water sources.		
5. Other Business		
COMMUNITY MEETING		
6. Call to order at 7:10 PM: Pledge of Allegiance: Flag Salute led by LV		
7. Agency Reports		
a. California Highway Patrol/Cops Team: Officer Vargus: January statistics: 6 collisions: 7 injuries, 1 dui property damage only solo vehicle. Arrests 15 DUI, 3 misdemeanors: 2 warrants, 1 false display of registration, 1 felony arrest-pursuit with		

stolen motorcycle. Distracted driving: 2011: 3000 people killed in traffic collisions nationwide, 2012 CHP issued 168,000 citations for hand held cell phone use. Start Smart CHP free program directed toward young drivers. Abandoned vehicles, boats along Sierra Highway filled with trash. Following through trying to identify.		
b. Los Angeles County Sheriff Resident Deputy: Deputy Scott Short: 9 reported incidents, no hard stats.		
c. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English: Absent		
d. Acton-Agua Dulce Library: Librarian Valerie Bailey: upcoming program announcements		
8. Fifth District Report: Rosalind Wayman: CSD revision scheduled for final approval on March 4 at BOS		
9. President's Report		
a. Incoming Correspondence for Action: Land Sea Air-Agua Dulce Airport Permit Agenda Requirement MSP: Move to send standard response letter with revised dates	M: SC S: LV	6-0-0
b. Incoming Correspondence for Notice:		
i. Los Angeles County Community Climate Action Plan (CCAP) public review draft available. Comments requested by March 3, 2014. The CCAP will be a component of the Air Quality Element in the Los Angeles County General Plan. For more information and to review the draft, go to: http://planning.lacounty.gov/CCAP		
c. Notice of Public Hearing/Community Meetings:		
i. Notice of Public Hearing of Regional Planning Commission to consider the proposed General Plan Update (General Plan) for the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. February 26, 2014 at 9:00 a.m., 320 West Temple Street, Hall of Records, Room 150, Los Angeles Project No. 02-305-(1-5) Case Materials available at: http://planning.lacounty.gov/generalplan		
10. Presentations/Discussions		
a. Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Environmental Health Division: Angelo Bellomo(AB)-Director of Environmental Health and Jackie Taylor-Director of Environmental Protection Bureau. Report update on plan for implementing recommendations associated with drinking water and wastewater disposal in the 5 th District. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Non-Conventional Onsite Wastewater Treatment Systems (NOWTS): proposed ordinance withdrawn after November 2012 CA State regulations were enacted. Hauled Water: Possible for new development on legal existing lots. Initial study is underway with consultant to be completed by the end of 2014 Minimum Well Yield Requirement: 3 gpm or 2 gpm with additional 1500 gallon storage tank-no change in existing policy. Lower yield will be considered on a case-by-case basis Wastewater Treatment Capacity First Room/2 occupants: No change to existing policy of wastewater treatment capacity for supplement treatment units is 300gpd. Proximity of Septic Systems to Stream Beds: Definition of streambeds and exemption requirements have been consolidated to reflect the USGS definition. Community Comments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hauled water for property owners who had "reasonable expectation of development of their own use." AB: Owners of the property when and if the ordinance goes through would be able to develop and use hauled water. Any "future" owners that purchase land after the ordinance goes through would not be able to use hauled water. After correction by DH, he changed to state that relief was meant for existing legal lots, but not for subdivisions. Why is hauled water okay for existing homes, but not okay for new development? AB: Hauled water is not a reliable sustainable water source and possible contamination of water with transfer of hauled water. Does the County take liability for drought conditions or a health issue from water haulers: AB: probably not High Fire Danger areas were originally exempted from using hauled water. AB: that was removed 		

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selective application of ordinance will be challenging from a real estate point of view • Is there a reason the County stopped allowing hauled water for construction. AB: 2002. Prior to 2002, there was no water quantity requirement. CA State sent a letter to all Counties indicating that hauled water was not a reliable source of water-this was not a mandate-that's when the ban on hauled water and water quantity policy started. • Is there additional cost for review for case-by-case for hauled water? AB: Fees would be assessed to cover costs. • Time frame for approval? AB: immediate approval or denial, but it more info is warranted, process would take longer. • Filtration systems: Point of entry vs. point of use. AB: Covered in handout packet dated April 2011. • Why does EH consider well water more reliable than hauled water. AB: Hauled water is a backup for wells that go dry. Wells have always been an acceptable source of water. Hauled water should not be used as a permanent source. • Minimum well yield requirements-what is the time frame? AB: The current minimum requirements indicate a "reliable" water source. Less yield would not hold up in a drought condition. Given drought conditions, a high yield well will produce longer than a yield well. DH: Yield and recovery needs to be 90% • Why doesn't the Health Dept concentrate on "health" issues with water, ie. water quality and leave the water quantity to the homeowner? • What would have to happen to bring in a municipal water system? Funds available for emergency? RW: approximately \$75,000 per homeowner to connect. DH: AVEK in 2007 it would have cost \$160 million to get Agua Dulce included. \$100 million to improve pumping station, and \$60 million to include AD. Want to invite AVEK representative to do a presentation to give options in April. 		
11. Committee Reports		
a. Bylaws Revision Committee: Lou Vince/Mary Johnson: Nothing to report		
b. CSD Revision Committee: Mary Johnson/Lorene Cangiano: March 4 scheduled for final approval with BOS		
c. Election Committee: Chair: Lorna Leslie: absent		
d. Film: Steve Cummings: nothing to report		
e. Land Use: Ed Porter: 22 homes for sale, average price \$692,000. All property that had reduced appraised taxes are getting seemingly automatic 20% raise in appraised value back to "trend base" close to 2005 and 2006 values.		
f. Parks and Trails: Mary Johnson: Nothing to report		
g. Water Stewardship: Don Henry: AVEK in April		
i. Hauled Water		
ii. TAC Health Dept		
h. Ways & Means: Troy Fosberg/Scott Keller: nothing to report		
i. Disaster Planning: Gary Hebdon: Disaster Resiliency community business roll out was the end of February. 25 to 30 representatives. Community groups are next for next month.		
j. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison: Ed Porter: VHS bids \$10.9 million; total \$12.7 million; completion 2015-2016 school year. AADUSD is still certified and in line for state match of \$14 million		
k. Acton Town Council Liaison: Scott Keller: Nothing to report		
l. Other		
12. High Speed Rail Update: Pam Wolter/Dale Bybee/Scott Griffin: First funding plan was ruled invalid, require a new funding plan. Construction can't start, bonds can't be sold. First section from Madera to San Fernando Valley is 300 miles, upgrading metrolink. Gov Brown went to CA Supreme Court asking for stay...thrown out, must go through the court of appeals. Funding plan must be available by March 18. Cap and Trade funds may be used. 18 months late in construction.		

13. Open Forum: No one		
14. Announcements		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Association of Rural Town Council: February 26, 2014 b. Agua Dulce CSD Revision final approval at Board of Supervisors: March 4, 2014 c. March 9, VR Interpretive Center: Asher 2-4 pm d. Next regular ADTC meeting: March 12, 2014 		
15. Unfinished Business		
16. New Business		
17. Future Agenda Items: AVEK representative in April, Capt Don Ford Palmdale Sheriff-March, Umbria-March		
18. MSP: Move to Adjourn at 9:03	M: SC S: SK	6-0-0

Respectfully submitted by Mary Johnson, ADTC Secretary 2014

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