

**AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL**

**Regular Meeting of Wednesday, March 13, 2013 APPROVED MINUTES**

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

**Council Members Present:** President: Don Henry (DH), Secretary: Mary Johnson (MJ), Clerk: Treasurer: Scott Griffin (SG), Troy Fosberg (TF), Ed Porter (EP), Lou Vince (LV) Matt Wooten (MW) arrived at 6:50 PM

**Council Member-Elect Present:** Scott Keller

**Community Members:** About 15 community members in attendance

<b>TOPIC: DISCUSSION</b>	<b>MOTION</b>	<b>RESULT/ DECISION</b>
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING:</b>		
1. Call to order at 6:01 PM		
2. <b>MSP: Move to Approve Agenda moving Items 9 and 10 after Item 13.</b>	<b>M: MJ S: EP</b>	<b>6-0-0</b>
3. <b>MSP: Move to Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 13, 2013 as amended for item 5)i)</b>	<b>M: SG S: EP</b>	<b>6-0-0</b>
4. Council Reports:		
a. President Report		
i. General		
ii. Incoming Correspondence for Action		
1. Land Sea Air: Agua Dulce Airport Permit Agenda Requirement for first half of 2013: See Item 13.a.i.		
iii. Incoming Correspondence for Notice		
1. "Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), Southern California National Forests Land Management Plan (LMP) Amendment" for review and comment. See Item 13.b.i.		
2. Angeles National Forest (ANF) seeks public comment on off-highway vehicle grant application: See Item 13.b.ii.		
iv. Outgoing Correspondence		
1. Letters to LA County Supervisors opposing Clean Water Clean Beaches Measure		
2. Letter to Phil Doudar of LA County Flood Control opposing Clean Water Clean Beaches		
3. Letter to Land Sea Air regarding requested support of minor modifications of Special Permit 1404-(5)		
v. Notice of Public Hearing: (Received after Agenda was posted) Permit # R2012-02220-(5), CUP 201200127 Applicant: Metro PCS requests CUP for wireless telecommunication facility at 7648-B Escondido Canyon Road, Acton, CA. Hearing is April 16, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at Room 150, 320 West Temple St, Los Angeles, CA Staff Planner: Anthony Curzi email: <a href="mailto:acurzi@planning.lacounty.gov">acurzi@planning.lacounty.gov</a> phone: 213-974-6443. Affected neighbors should contact staff planner directly.		
vi. Notice of Zoning Application		
1. Permits: R2010-01911-(5), SWW 201100001 Project Location: 33601 Steele Avenue, Agua Dulce CA Project Description: Request to allow the sharing of a water well pursuant to Los Angeles County Code Section 22.56.1764 Comment Period: Submit your comments by Friday, March 15, 2013 at 5 p.m. Contact: Gretchen Siemers, Dept of Regional Planning, 320 W Temple St, Los Angeles, CA 90012		

Telephone: 213-974-6443 Fax: 213-680-9660 Email: <a href="mailto:gziemers@planning.lacounty.gov">gziemers@planning.lacounty.gov</a>		
b. Secretary Report: Housekeeping Items		
i. Council Member Roster: confirmed for distribution		
ii. Conflict of Interest Policy Statement: Signed by all members		
iii. Ordered Name Plate and Holder for new Council Member, Scott Keller		
c. Treasurer's Report		
i. Balance: \$1573.78		
ii. Approval of Invoices: None		
d. High Speed Rail Update: Scott Griffin: Lawsuits by Palo Alto, Menlo Park, and Atherton all thrown out by judge. Draft EIR delayed until Fall or Winter of 2013. Weekly updates in Country Journal. 661-434-9700 Website: <a href="http://www.actonhighspeedrail.com">www.actonhighspeedrail.com</a>		
e. Association of Rural Town Councils: Matt Wooten: Absent: DH will follow up to see status		
f. Other		
5. Committee Reports		
a. CSD Revision Committee: Mary Johnson/Lorene Cangiano: Edel Vizcarra will set up a meeting with CSD chair and Parks & Rec staff in attempt to change language back to community approved language.		
b. Election Committee: Chair: Lorna Leslie: Report by Judy Bartlett		
i. Audit Report of February 11, 2013 Special Election: Received Sealed Election Materials received-given to LV for storage		
ii. Financial Report from February 11, 2013 Special Election: Received		
iii. Financial Report from March 2012 Special Election: Received		
iv. Financial Report for year ending 2012 for IRS and CA FTB: Received		
v. Bylaws, procedures, timeline, and communication issues: No discussion		
vi. Brown Act requirements: No discussion		
c. Film: Lou Vince: Nothing to report		
d. Land Use: Ed Porter: In the future will do general report from real estate point of view		
e. Parks and Trails: Mary Johnson: VR Interpretive Center dedication has been postponed. Trees have been planted for screening; outdoor lighting has been lowered to comply with Dark Skies.		
f. Water Stewardship: Don Henry: CWCB Hearing March 12 with BOS: Attendees were split about 50-50 supporting and opposing the measure. ADTC presented our facts being different from the rest of the county. Here in Agua Dulce, 99.6% the same as it was 200 years ago. Rainfall amount that we receive is substantially less. Motion that was approved: Close public hearing. Appoint county rep to work with state RWQCB. Work with business, schools, non-profits, sunset clause. Work toward goal of June or November 2014 for ballot measure		
g. Ways & Means: Troy Fosberg: Looking for increased exposure within the community. Mixer in late May-details next month. Sierra Youth Sports: Weekly sponsorship programs. Next year, they will be responsible for maintaining fields. LA County used to fund this in the past. \$800- \$1500 per month in maintenance. They are looking for sponsors. Discussion determined we cannot sponsor, but we can pass the hat and support the program and work the grill. 165 kids. 38 from Agua Dulce. Sponsorship donation \$50 donation and serving. Support but not sponsorship. Saturday, March 16 <sup>th</sup> 11:00 to 3:00. Available Council members will attend.		
h. Disaster Planning: Gary Hebdon: Absent		
i. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison: Ed Porter: VHS Construction: Reduced plan according to bond measure which is \$13 million. All bids came in over budget. Looking into custom prefab buildings for on time on budget.		
j. Acton Town Council Liaison: Scott Griffin: SCE and TRTP, CWCB, Disaster resiliency		

6. Other Business		
<b>COMMUNITY MEETING:</b>		
7. Call to order at 7:15 PM. Pledge of Allegiance led by SG		
8. Installation of New Council members and Farewell to Retiring Council Member by Rosalind Wayman		
a. New Council Members: Don Henry, Ed Porter, and Scott Keller installed by RW		
b. Farewell and thanks to retiring Council Member: Scott Griffin		
9. Election of Officers for 2013 term: President: DH, Secretary: MJ, Treasurer: TF Clerk: SK, Website: DH, Assn of Rural Town Councils: Rotating Council Members—MJ to take March.		<b>By consensus</b>
10. Reading and discussion of ADTC Charter, Bylaws, Brown Act Key sections of Charter and Bylaws were read and discussed. Election issues and lack of candidates and costs of elections were discussed. Changing the bylaws is a simple procedure. A possible change to the bylaws regarding elections and vacancies will be discussed and agendized at a later date. We want to be sure to include the Election Committee is engaged in the discussion. Some election procedures are unclear and open to interpretation. We'd like to make changes to alleviate some of the vague procedures. Brown Act discussion included highlights of open meeting and transparency.		
11. Agency Reports		
a. California Highway Patrol/Cops Team: Officer Vargus: Stats: 6 DUI, 3 collisions Senior Driving Program: AARP and AAA offer senior classes. Doctor and health care providers and family members can offer evaluations. CHP offers examination of senior drivers behind wheel in stationary setting free of charge through grants.		
b. Los Angeles County Sheriff Resident Deputy: Deputy Scott Short: Absent		
c. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Stephanie English: Dedication of Fire Station 150-March 29, 2013 at 10 AM at 19190 Golden Valley Road, Santa Clarita. Feb 2013 Stats: 1 mobile property fire, 2 natural vegetation fires, 12 EMS calls, 2 hazard conditions-no fire, 5 good intent, 3 false alarms = 25 total. Time change-change batteries. Carbon monoxide alarms are now required. Start preparing for brush clearance.		
d. Acton-Agua Dulce Library: Librarian Valerie Bailey: Handed out program schedule for March. Doing more outreach to community groups to increase library awareness. Wants to tailor some program for teen groups.		
e. Dept of Public Works: Overview of the hauled water study process and time line: Arena Turner CEO staffer and member of Hauled Water Task Force Status Report: Development of a work plan and timeline. Consultant to be selected by Spring 2013, with Initial Study completed by Fall 2013. If EIR is required, 12-18 month before report will be issued. Dale Sakamoto: Dept of Public Works Planning Division works with Consultants. Looking at 3 firms for Initial Study. 16 areas that are reviewed in the Initial Study. The HW Task Force has done their own initial study as a preliminary to understand the magnitude of the process. 43,000 parcels across the county may be affected. All 43,000 parcels existed prior to 2002. No new lots created since 2002. In 2003, the County imposed a moratorium on building a home without a proven well. It appeared the staff presenting didn't understand the water tank requirements for fire suppression for ALL properties in our area. ADTC looking to be engaged in the process of the Initial Study that will possibly move into an EIR. Ed Dingman, Mr. Sakamoto's supervisor, indicated they may seek community input. RW suggested member of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) be included. EIR will be used as a foundation for drafting an ordinance. Not all 43,000 lots may be able to be developed, and some may have adequate water from wells. The initial study may result in a negative declaration.		
12. Fifth District Report: Rosalind Wayman: CWCB recap: 90 days back to BOS and quarterly thereafter. Back to drawing board. May be put on general election ballot in June or November 2014. 4of 5 BOS must vote to get it on ballot. Supervisor Antonovich voted NO. He argued that the State issued mandates without state funding should not be forced. The motion included a sunset date and specific list of projects. Properties that capture rainwater and/or have treatment will be assessed		

<p>differently. RWQCB to work with County and Cities.  Hart Park improvements and dedication. Welfare fraud hotline renewed. Vasquez Rocks grand opening has been postponed until late April early May.  EP expressed concern about lack of pedestrian crosswalks from Middle school to Library. Children have to cross a freeway on-ramp, freeway off-ramp, and Sierra Highway. RW indicated her colleague from Antelope Valley, Norm Hickling is the correct contact. Mark Caddick of Public Works 947-7173 to discuss optical speed bumps and street signage. Concerns about field maintenance for Sierra Youth Sports facility is also Norm Hickling 661-726-3603</p>		
13. President's Report		
a. Incoming Correspondence for Action		
i. Land Sea Air: Agua Dulce Airport Permit Agenda Requirement for first half of 2013 <b>MSP: Move to reply with the standard response we've sent in the past</b>	<b>M: MW S: LV</b>	<b>7-0-0</b>
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i. "Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS), Southern California National Forests Land Management Plan (LMP) Amendment" for review and comment. The proposed amendment would revise land use zone allocations for select Inventoried Roadless Areas within the four forests and amend LMP monitoring protocols. The Draft SEIS considers alternatives for the land use zone allocations and monitoring, as well as the No Action alternative. The Draft SEIS is available for review and comment on the project website at: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php?project=35130">http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php?project=35130</a> The comment period will close on May 16, 2013. Comments may be filed through the project website at: <a href="http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php?project=35130">http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php?project=35130</a> or sent via e-mail to: <a href="mailto:socal_nf_lmp_amendment@fs.fed.us">socal_nf_lmp_amendment@fs.fed.us</a> . Send written comments to the Cleveland National Forest, 10845 Rancho Bernardo Road, Suite 200, San Diego, CA 92127-2107, ATTN: LMP Amendment. The Forest Service will be hosting multiple open house meetings during the comment period. The meeting time and location for our area is: March 28, 2013, 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM, Santa Clara Mojave Rivers Ranger District Office, 33708 Crown Valley Road, Acton, CA 93510		
ii. Angeles National Forest (ANF) seeks public comment on off-highway vehicle grant application: Angeles National Forest officials submitted grant application to the State of California Off-highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division for 2012/2013 grant funding cycle. To view the application, go to the State of California Off-Highway website: <a href="http://www.ohv.parks.ca.gov">www.ohv.parks.ca.gov</a> . For more information and for those without internet access, contact the Angeles National Forest's Santa Clara/Mojave Rivers Ranger District Office at (661) 269-2808 ext 229. The public review and comment period starts on March 5, 2013 and comments must be received by Monday, April 1, 2013. Submit electronic email comments to the State OHMVR Division at <a href="http://www.ohv.parks.ca.gov">www.ohv.parks.ca.gov</a> AND to the ANF at <a href="mailto:rkidd@fs.fed.us">rkidd@fs.fed.us</a> . Submit comments by USPS to BOTH California Dept of Parks and Recreation, Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division, Attn: Grants Unit, 1725 23 <sup>rd</sup> St, Ste 200, Sacramento, CA 95816-7100 AND USDA Forest Service, Angeles National Forest SCMRD, Attn: Ray Kidd, 33708 Crown Valley Rd, Acton, CA 93510.		
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14. Committee Chair Vacancies: Acton Town Council Liaison- Rotating–EP March once a month; Scott Griffin will continue on HSR. All other committee chairs will remain.		
15. Committee Highlight from Administrative Meeting		
a. CSD		
b. Parks & Trails		
c. Water Stewardship		
d. Other		
16. High Speed Rail Update: Scott Griffin: See Item 4.e.		
17. Presentations/Discussions: None		
18. Open Forum: None		
19. Announcements: Sierra Youth Sports See Item 5.g: Pass the Hat resulted in \$167.00 community support Mini pincher found by Judy Bartlett on Escondido Canyon Rd Movie and a Meal Night, March 23 6-8 at Agua Dulce Women’s Club donation to the Santa Clarita Valley Food Pantry		
20. Unfinished Business: None		
21. New Business: None		
22. Future Agenda Items: Discussion of possibly Amending Bylaws regarding Elections.		
<b>23. MSP: Move to Adjourn at 9:45 P.M.</b>	<b>M: MJ S: EP</b>	<b>7-0-0</b>

Respectfully submitted by Mary Johnson, Secretary  
APPROVED: April 10, 2013