

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, May 10, 2017 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), Treasurer-Troy Fosberg (TF) (arrived at 6:43), Clerk-Ed Porter (EP) (arrived 6:38), Candy Clemente (CC), Scott Keller (SK), Lou Vince (LV)

Council Members Absent:

Community Members: About 20 community members in attendance

TOPIC/DISCUSSION	MOTION	RESULT/ DECISION
ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING: Regular Council Operations:		
1. Call to order by DH at 6:34 PM		
2. MSP: Move the Approve Agenda as submitted	M: MJ S: CC	5-0-0
3. MSP: Move to Approve Minutes of April 12, 2017 as submitted	M: LV S: CC	5-0-0
4. Council Reports:		
A. President Report		
i. General:		
ii. Outgoing Correspondence:		
a. Recommendation to Supervisor Barger to investigate acquisition of property adjacent to Vasquez Rocks to establish a community park with a multi-use facility. Sent 4/13/17		
iii. Incoming Correspondence: See Community Meeting, Item 11.A, B, C., and D.		
iv. Miscellaneous Incoming & Webmail:		
B. Secretary Report:		
i. Weekly Case Filing Reports from Regional Planning-EPIC LA		
ii. Certificate of Exception conversion to Certificate of Compliance: 8144 Escondido Canyon Rd (Zoe International)		
iii. TUP: Reyes Winery, 10262 Sierra Highway: Food & Wine Event with local wineries		
iv. IRS and CA FTB tax documents filed electronically May 5, 2017		
v. Webmail issues: MJ having trouble with website server email. May switch to a Gmail account. Will change website to reflect change if needed.		
vi. Website Clean Up: Documents are loading up website. MJ will work on cleaning up website to free up space and make it more current.		
C. Treasurer's Report		
i. Beginning Balance: \$4,861.69		
ii. Expense Paid: \$252.96-State Farm Liability Insurance		
iii. Ending Balance: \$4,608.73		
D. Association of Rural Town Councils:		
i. April 26, 2017: Quartz Hill Library, 5040 West Avenue M2, Quartz Hill, CA 93536 AV RICS Presentation, EPIC LA Sign-Up, State Groundwater Sustainability Act Meetings April 18, 19, SEA Ordinance Draft 7-RPC May 17, 2017, Measure H-Homeless, Hauled Water Meeting, AB 366, A 367. No ADTC rep.		
E. Other: SB 366 and SB 367, Gentle Barn Traffic Issues, Dirt Truck Traffic		
5. Other Business:		

COMMUNITY MEETING: Reports and Presentations: 7:00 PM: Open to Public		
6.	Call to order by DH at 7:13 pm	Pledge of Allegiance and Flag Salute led by EP
7.	Agency Reports	
A.	California Highway Patrol/Cops Team: Officers Hallgren: Local Stats: 15 Collisions: 9 property only, 5 with injury, 1 hit & run. 7 Arrests: 6 DUI, 1 hit& run. 1 fatality on San Francisquito Canyon Road. Increased enforcement in area with regular patrols and Officer Powers is Commercial Enforcement. Not so much speed, but weight violations.	
	i. Commercial dump trucks: Speed and Safety	
	ii. Gentle Barn Parking Traffic Safety	
B.	Los Angeles County Sheriff Resident Deputy: Deputy Scott Short: 8 Reports: 2 suspected child abuse, 2 grand theft, 1 theft from locked vehicle, 2 burglary, 1 cultivation of marijuana. Palmdale station is 26 deputies down.	
	i. Commercial dump trucks: Illegal dumping	
C.	Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Division Chief Greg Hiesel: April Stats: 42 incidents: 3 vehicle fires, 28 EMS, 2 service, 1 hazmat, 4 good intent, 4 false alarms. New PIO is Maria Grycan. New Battalion Chief: Mike Halverson. Brush Clearance/Fire inspections will be starting.	
D.	Acton-Agua Dulce Library: Librarian John Elford: Introduction of New Librarian--Jim Wall. Announcements of upcoming programs and activities. May is amnesty month for library fees.	
E.	Other: Building & Safety: Jim Gustin: LA County Building and Safety in Santa Clarita: Dos and Don'ts of additional dirt without a grading permit. He urges the public contact his office prior to excavation or fills. 1) If fill will support a structure, a grading permit is required. 2) On a hill that is steeper than 5 to 1. 3) Cannot obstruct a drainage course. Fill less than 1 foot deep is allowed as long as it doesn't obstruct a drainage course. 3 feet deep is ok as long as total fill is less than 50 cubic yards (5 loads). Up to 20 cubic yards (2 loads) has no maximum depth. If you live near a wash and lost dirt with the rains, that dirt can be replaced. Notice of uncompacted fill doesn't require engineering and formal grading permit. His department will react to all complaints that he can see from the road.	
8.	Fifth District Report: Rosalind Wayman: Gentle Barn: CHP officer will meet with Gentle Barn owners and/or managers to discuss safety and request barricades and flashing caution signs (2 in each direction). June 28 th Association of Rural Town Council meeting will have a discussion regarding Parks and Recreation Measure A. TUP requirements. Does Gentle Barn need to have a TUP for their Sunday open houses. 500 to 1000 people per Sunday. Zoning questions.	
9.	CA Assembly District 38 Report-Assemblyman Dante Acosta: Wyatt Woodson: Absent	
10.	Presentations/Discussions:	
A.	Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan (SCVAP) Clean Up Project: David McDonald, Regional Planning Community Studies North Section. The proposed project is very limited in scope and calls for a Plan Amendment and Zone Change Ordinance to correct errors made during the process to update the Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan (and related Plans) and to address some simple fixes to other parcel errors and anomalies. Currently there is a small section of the Agua Dulce CSD that is in the AV area Plan. This project will change the boundary and include that area in the Santa Clarita Valley Area Plan. (Lillian Smith area). MJ questioned about the Heffley area. It was in the Santa Clarita Valley Plan, but when the AV area plan was updated, they were switched over with no public input. Lillian Smith questioned why the residents north of Sierra Highway were not included within the Agua Dulce CSD.	
B.	Vasquez Rocks Open Space potential expansion: AV Audubon Society-Don Goeschl, President and Jason Zink, Conservation Director. Requesting a letter of support to expand open space and habitat at Vasquez Rocks Natural Area on the eastern border. ABSENT	
11.	President's Report	
A.	General:	
i.	Report on Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Local Meeting: April 18, 2017, 6:30 pm at Acton Community Center, 3748 Nickels Avenue, Acton, CA Officials from State and Los Angeles County provided objectives and actions required to comply with the SGMA.	

<p>AB-1739, SB-1319, and SB-1168 signed in 2014 as a 3 bill package to set up a framework for sustainable local groundwater management. Water district representatives and LA County Dept of Public Works are the agencies that will take action on our area. Based on officials at the meeting, Agua Dulce (Acton Basin) area is “low priority”. Acton (Acton East Basin) seems to be misaligned with AV area subbasin. They will work on modifying the boundary to have Acton removed from the AV area and then to have the realignment classification changed to “low priority”. Public has some concerns about metering wells. Any usage of less than 2 acre feet per year (1800 gallons per day every day) is not required to do anything for compliance.</p> <p>Basin Boundary Modifications State of CA has released “drought” designation.</p>		
<p>ii. Letter to Regional Planning Director, Richard Bruckner regarding the inaccuracies within the Draft Environmental Report for the Proposed Single Family Residential Hauled Water Initiative and the consequences of the errors. SB 1263, AB 366, AB 367 MSP: Move to send draft letter to Director of Public Works, Mark Pestrella copying Dale Sakamoto and Director of Regional Planning, Richard Bruckner softening “irresponsible” language.</p>	<p>M: EP S: CC</p>	<p>7-0-0</p>
<p>iii. Measure A-Safe, Clean Neighborhood Parks and Beaches: Meeting for June 28, 2017 ARTC meeting.</p>		
<p>B. Incoming Correspondence for Action:</p>		
<p>C. Incoming Correspondence for Notice:</p>		
<p>D. Public Hearing/Community Meetings:</p>		
<p>i. Regional Planning Commission Public Hearing: Significant Ecological Areas (SEA) Ordinance Update Draft 7. May 17, 2017, 9:00 am, 320 West Temple St, Room 150, Los Angeles, CA 90012. The ordinance continues to regulate the permitting, design standards, and review process for development within the SEAs but provides additional information and clarity as to how best to conserve and preserve resources in the SEAs. Send comments via email to sea@planning.lacounty.gov or via USPS to: SEA Program, Environmental Planning and Sustainability Section, Regional Planning Department Floor 13, 320 W. Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012. For details: http://planning.lacounty.gov/sea/meetings</p>		
<p>12. High Speed Rail Update: Pam Wolter/Dale Bybee/Scott Griffin: Absent</p>		
<p>13. Committee Reports:</p>		
<p>A. Bylaws Revision Committee: Lou Vince/Mary Johnson: Inactive</p>		
<p>B. CSD Revision Committee: Mary Johnson/Scott Keller: Inactive</p>		
<p>C. Election Committee: Rosie Heffley: Liaison to ADTC: Nothing to report</p>		
<p>D. Film: Candy Clemente: Local filming continues</p>		
<p>E. Land Stewardship: Ed Porter: Nothing to report</p>		
<p>F. Parks and Trails: Mary Johnson: Nothing to report</p>		
<p>G. Water Stewardship: Don Henry: Well levels are increasing</p>		
<p>H. Ways & Means: Troy Fosberg/Scott Keller: Nothing to report</p>		
<p>I. Disaster Planning: Gary Hebdon</p>		
<p>i. Neighborhood Watch Update: Looking for 20 people, so far, he has just a handful of interested people.</p>		
<p>ii. Partnership with Agua Dulce Women’s Club to deliver essential emergency services locally in the event of a regional disaster. Women’s Club (Community Center) will serve as the casualty collection center for displaced and injured residents. The kitchen facility will provide meals to first responders and displaced residents. Disaster Preparedness supplies will be housed at the Community Center. A HAM radio center will be maintained by the Radio Club within the Community Center. Mail Theft issue: Informed mail delivery from USPS. See link on http://www.addisasterplanning.com/ Community Comments: On-street parking safety issues.</p>		
<p>J. Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison: Ed Porter: A charter school application submitted. Location is the former Tony Alamo church in Sleepy Valley. Former superintendent’s consulting contract has been terminated by Dr. Woodard.</p>		

K. Acton Town Council Liaison: Lillian Smith: SGMA, drive-throughs		
L. Other:		
14. Open Forum: Potential kennel with 200 to 300 dogs on property on the north side AD airport. 8144 Escondido Canyon Road-Zoe International. They have filed a Certificate of Exception conversion to Certificate of Compliance.		
15. Announcements		
A. Association of Rural Town Councils: May 31, 2017 Quartz Hill Library Meeting Room, 5040 West Ave M-2 Quartz Hill, CA 93536		
B. Next regular ADTC meeting: June 14, 2017, Agua Dulce Women's Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd, Agua Dulce, CA		
16. Unfinished Business		
17. New Business		
18. Future Agenda Items:		
A. Palmdale Sheriff Captain Dennis Kneer:		
B. Access Requirements Ordinance: http://planning.lacounty.gov/aro		
C. Community discussion of roadblocks developers and builders are experiencing when attempting to build single family homes-septic's, water, juniper woodlands, grading, etc.		
D. Richard Bruckner of Regional Planning, Dennis Hunter of Building & Safety, Environmental Health, and Fire Dept. for discussion of development roadblocks Adjournment		
E. Zoe International: Development at 8144 Escondido Canyon Road		
19. MSP: Move to Adjourn at 9:35 PM	M: EP S: EP	7-0-0

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Johnson, ADTC Secretary 2017
APPROVED: June 14, 2017