

Regular Meeting of Wednesday, January 14, 2026 APPROVED Minutes

In an effort to allow the most inclusive participation, this meeting will be held in a **Virtual** setting

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85863597371?pwd=jtmgai9Nob5bYkzbVYYArT8D1YdiJQ.1>

Meeting ID: 858 6359 7371 * **Passcode:** 759152 * **Dial in Number:** 1 669 900 9128

Council Members Present: President-Don Henry (DH), Secretary-Mary Johnson (MJ), Treasurer-Chris Yewdall (CY), Clerk-Kathryn Segura (KS), Nate Frink (NF), Cliff Grimes (CG)

Council Members Absent: None

Community Members: About 14 community members and agency reps in attendance

TOPIC/DISCUSSION	MOTION	RESULT/ DECISION
ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING: Regular Council Operations: 6:30 PM: Open to Public		
1. Call to order by DH at 6:30 PM		
2. Roll Call: Present: DH, CY, KS, NF, CG, MJ Absent: No one 6 out of 6 members present establishing a quorum		
3. MSP: Move to Approve Agenda as Submitted	M: CY S: KS	6-0-0
4. MSP: Move to Approve Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 12, 2025	M: CG S: KS	6-0-0
MSP: Move to Approve Minutes of Non-Business/Holiday Celebration Meeting of December 10, 2025	M: MJ S: KS	6-0-0
5. Council Reports:		
A. President Report		
i. General: Virtual Meeting Format: Cindy Grimes, volunteer co-host of meeting		
ii. Outgoing Correspondence:		
iii. Incoming Correspondence: See Community Meeting, Item 18.B., C., and D.		
iv. Miscellaneous Incoming & Webmail:		
a. Truck Storage on A-1 zoned property. Referred to Zoning Enforcement		
b. Questioned if Residential Drug Rehab was approved by ADTC. Indicated Agua Dulce New Beginnings did not contact the ADTC and referred to LA County Code and Zoning Enforcement		
B. Secretary Report:		
i. Updated Roster approved by all to be sent to ARTC Directors and Supervisor Barger's office		
ii. Conflict of Interest Statements to be signed is completed		
iii. Letter from ADTC to AAD Amateur Radio Club to clarify expectations in order to continue affiliation		
C. Treasurer's Report:		
i. Election Committee Account: \$3,276.17		
ii. General Account:		
a. Beginning Balance: \$11,130.63		
b. Zoom Subscription Renewal: \$167.10		
c. Ending Balance: \$10,963.53		
iii. Combined Account Balance: \$14,239.70		

iv. US Bank Change in Signature card Appt needed for MJ and CY		
D. Association of Rural Town Councils: No meetings in November or December		
E. Moment of Silence Suggestions: Dave Aiello, former ADTC member	Approved	By Consensus
F. Other: Committee Chair Assignments: Inactive Committees: Charter/Bylaw, Community Options, Community Standards District Revisions, Ways & Means. Committees-Council as a Whole: Land Use, Traffic & Safety. Election Committee Chair-Lorna Leslie, Film Committee Chair-Kathryn Segura (KS), Parks & Trails Chair-Mary Johnson (MJ), Water Stewardship Chair-Don Henry (DH), Disaster Planning Chair-Chris Yewdall (CY) NF inquired if the ADTC had representative to attend the ARTC meetings. ADTC has participated when they are tackling similar issues that affect our community. Most of the Town Councils that regularly participate in ARTC are based in the Antelope Valley.		
COMMUNITY MEETING: Reports and Presentations: 7:00 PM: Open to Public		
6. Call to order by DH at 7:03 PM Moment of Silence Honoring former Council Member David Aiello. Pledge of Allegiance and Flag Salute led by CG		
7. President: Virtual Meeting Format: Introduction of Cindy Grimes-Community Volunteer co-host of meeting. If participants want to record the meeting, press the record icon, request permission in general chat or direct message to co-host Cindy Grimes.		
8. Agency Reports		
A. Los Angeles County Sheriff Resident Deputy: Deputy Martinez: amartin@lasd.org Palmdale Sheriff Station: (661) 272-2400. 2025 Stats: 6 Part 1 crimes, 19 property crimes which is a 13.64% decrease from 2024. Response time for non-emergency/priority calls is 87 minutes. CY announced the Castaic Sports Complex Renaming Ceremony Honoring Deputy Ryan Clinkunbroomer is January 16, 2026 at 10 AM at 31230 Castaic Rd, Castaic.		
B. California Highway Patrol/Cops Team: Officer Allen: DAllen@chp.ca.gov Officer Delgado: cdelgado@chp.ca.gov Office Number: (661) 600-1600. Reported December stats. Details on fatal crash December 6., 2025 on Sierra Highway at Anthony Rd. Westbound car passing over double yellow had head on collision with eastbound car. Investigation continues. CY: questioned what CalTrans division would handle the December 24 th RTG property stormwater runoff that closed 2 lanes. Officer Allen wasn't sure of boundaries; thinks it may be Newhall Maintenance Yard. MJ suggested to reach out to Josie G of Public Works who seems to have good contact with CalTrans staff.		
C. Los Angeles County Fire Dept/Community Service Rep: Maria Grycan: maria.grycan@fire.lacounty.gov December responses were announced. 2 fires: 1 trash fire northbound 14 south of Agua Dulce Canyon Rd, 1 vehicle fire southbound 14 south of Agua Dulce Canyon Rd. CERT training started with 14 participants.		
D. Acton-Agua Dulce Library: Librarian Jim Wall: jwall@library.lacounty.gov Absent		
E. Dept of Public Works: Josie Gutierrez: JGutierr@dpw.lacounty.gov (626) 458-7135 Absent, but sent report that the illegal dumping on Agua Dulce Canyon Rd north of Soledad Canyon Rd has been removed. The testing came back negative for hazardous waste so the road crews were able to remove the pile last month. Deputy Martinez arranged to have a solar powered camera set up in that area for surveillance. CY and DH acknowledged the Public Works is clearing areas along Sierra Highway in efforts to reduce future flooding.		
F. LA County Parks-Vasquez Rocks: Park Superintendent Sarah Brewer sbrewer@parks.lacounty.gov (661) 268-0840 Cell: (626) 696-6805 Absent but sent report. Historic pepper tree was lost due to heavy winds and rains during Christmas holiday. Park closes at 5 PM thru the end of February, March 1, the park closes at 7:30 PM. Lower canyon of the Pacific Crest Trail sustained heavy erosion and damage during storms; use caution. PCT Association will assist with repairs. Upcoming programs: February 15, 2026-Lunar New Year Celebration and February 21, 2026-Black History Month Celebration and hike.		
G. Other:		
9. Fifth District Report: Stephanie English: SEnglish@bos.lacounty.gov Isabell Yaralian: IYaralian@bos.lacounty.gov (661) 287-3657 Absent.		

A. Updates		
10. CA 34 th Assembly District: Assemblymember Tom Lackey: 661-267-7636 Anna Zarley Anna.Zarley@asm.ca.gov Absent		
11. CA 23 rd Senate District: Senator Suzette Martinez Valladares: (661) 257-1204 Tanya Mikhail tanya.mikhail@sen.ca.gov Antelope Valley Latino Leader Summit: January 30, 2026, 9 AM to 1 PM, Antelope Valley College. Absent		
12. US 27 th Congressional District: George Whitesides: Shannon Hurst, Field Representative, Shannon.Hurst@mail.house.gov (661) 477-6012, Maria Unzueta, District Director, Maria.Unzueta@mail.house.gov (661) 568-4855 Reported that Congressman Whitesides helped constituents secure over \$15 million in federal benefits last year and announced \$3 million in appropriations for public safety projects, including the relocation of Fire Station 81 and safety equipment for the Lancaster Police Department. Community project funding applications reopening in the spring. Fire Station 81 will be relocated to Agua Dulce Airport property. Concerns about the effect of homeowners insurance with the relocation and potential traffic issues. LA County Fire rep, Maria Grycan emphasized that the new location would better serve the jurisdictions needs. More details to follow as timeline becomes clearer.		
13. LA County Water Plan		
A. Santa Clara River Watershed Area Steering Committee: Measure W: Watershed Coordinator Amanda Begley abegley@treepeople.org Heather Turpin hturpin@treepeople.org 818-522-9738 Next Santa Clara River Watershed Steering Committee meeting: January 15, 2026, 1 PM to 3 PM, Santa Clarita City Hall, 23920 Valencia Blvd. For more information, visit: https://safecleanwaterla.org/watersheds/santa-clara-river/ Links and details can be found on agenda at https://safecleanwaterla.org/santa-clara-river-watershed-area/ under “Meetings and Events.” FREE Online Training for Well Owners: January 26, 2026 6 PM to 8 PM: Register at https://www.events.rcac.org/assnfe/ev.asp?ID=4996		
B. SB 552: Small, At-Risk Task Force Working Group for LA County Drought Resilience Plan (County DRP) to achieve meaningful and long-term improvements in water resilience. MJ included as a representative of domestic well owners. CY invited as a small water system representative. Nothing to report		
14. Waste Management: Kwincy Little: klittle@wm.com 661-902-1993 Absent		
15. Presentations/Discussions:		
16. New Business:		
17. Old Business:		
A. PSPS-SCE: New Government Relations Officer for SCE-Chris Perry who will attend the February meeting		
i. Collaboration with Acton Town Council, City of Santa Clarita, Acton-Agua Dulce Unified School District		
B. RTG Investments, Agua Dulce Residential Project – TT50385: Chris Yewdall		
i. General Update: Concerns about stormwater runoff, licensing issues and an insurance investigation regarding a propane contract that was determined to be invalid due to natural gas infrastructure already in place. Water board settlement agreement seems to have disappeared.		
ii. Determination on next steps: No action		
iii. Information from Community Group Save Rural Agua Dulce: adneighbors2021@gmail.com Absent		
18. President’s Report		
A. General:		
i. 2026 ADTC Meeting Format: In an effort to be most inclusive with community participation and effective communication, the Council will continue with virtual meetings and have an in-person/hybrid meeting twice a year. Virtual meetings will be January, February, March, May, June, July, October, November. The in-person/hybrid meetings will be April and September. Location of the In-Person meetings will be the Agua Dulce Women’s Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, Agua Dulce. December will be In-Person ONLY. August is dark for Summer Break. Based on public participation, we may revisit and amend this schedule and format		
B. Incoming Correspondence for Action:		
i. LA County General Plan Tune-Up Program: A limited scope update meant to correct inconsistencies and errors and align with current County practices and State requirements. For details on the project go to:		

<p>https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/general-plan/general-plan-tune-up/ You can view the draft document at: https://planning.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/General-Plan_redline_draft1.pdf To view the Zoom meeting from December 10, 2025, click HERE Comments are due by January 22, 2026 via email to genplan@planning.lacounty.gov or by USPS to 320 West Temple St, 13th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90012</p>		
<p>C. Public Hearing/Community Meetings/Workshops:</p>		
<p>i. CalRecycle Addressing Illegal Disposal in the Antelope Valley: January 14, 2026, 6:30 PM, Online via Zoom. Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88410949159?pwd=iPEBsYbYas2TZqaTJ44eLmEZQF7s4r.1 Event Login: Meeting ID: 884 1094 9159 Passcode: 536932, By Phone at 669-900-9128</p>		
<p>ii. Notice of Public Hearing LA County Hearing Officer: CUP for Sweetwater Farms Market at 33301 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd to authorize the sale of alcohol for off-site consumption. February 17, 2026, 1 PM, at Hall of Records, 320 West Temple St, Room 150, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or virtual online at bit.ly/Zoom-HO. Meeting ID: 824 5573 9842 Project No. PRJ2025-000788</p>		
<p>iii. Notice of Public Hearing LA County Hearing Officer: A retroactive Oak Tree Permits to authorize removal of 2 dead oak trees at 10002 Soledad Canyon Rd. February 17, 2026, 1 PM, at Hall of Records, 320 West Temple St, Room 150, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or virtual online at bit.ly/Zoom-HO. Meeting ID: 824 5573 9842 Project No.2019-004160</p>		
<p>D. Incoming Correspondence for Notice:</p>		
<p>i. Oak Tree Permit Ordinance Update: LA County Planning is working on an update to the Oak Tree Permit Ordinance (OTP) to streamline the permitting process, encourage planting new oak trees, and further encourage redesign to preserve and minimize impacts to oak trees. For details of the project, go to: https://planning.lacounty.gov/long-range-planning/oak-tree-program/</p>		
<p>ii. Regional Planning Plans Filed:</p>		
<p>a. 35099 Penman, new steel storage building</p>		
<p>b. APN: 2813022025, application for well yield permit</p>		
<p>c. 33165 Sierra Pelona, 2351 sq ft addition and remodel to main SFD, 900 sq ft garage withn 900 sq ft guest house, 1600 sq ft workshop, pool</p>		
<p>d. 9825 Sweetwater Dr, legalize patio cover 898 sq ft and 272 sq ft patio demo, approval of unpermitted detached 3,025 sq ft fabricated metal building for and existing SFR</p>		
<p>e. 9520 Escondido Canyon, install ground mount solar, inverters, ESS</p>		
<p>f. APN: 3214020057, install new manufactured home on empty lot</p>		
<p>g. 11223 Lewis Hill Dr, build a 288 sq ft free standing solid roofed patio cover to existing SFR</p>		
<p>h. APN: 3214013017, preliminary parcel map for lot merger</p>		
<p>i. 13123 Reservoir Ave, authorize conversion of existing 678 sq ft detached garage to a one store 678 sq ft detached ADU, accessory to an existing 1618 sq ft SFR</p>		
<p>j. 33301 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd, Sweetwater Farms Market, site plan review to create a 285 sq ft seating area within the deli section of operating grocery store</p>		
<p>k. APN: 3216007006, future plans for existing shed</p>		
<p>l. 33030 Barber Rd, remove 2 unhealthy scrub oaks</p>		
<p>m. APN: 3211013078, building barns and family patio</p>		
<p>19. Open Forum: None</p>		
<p>20. High Speed Rail</p>		
<p>21. Committee Reports:</p>		
<p>A. Election Committee: Chair: Lorna Leslie lornaleslie@gmail.com Determination of holding a special election in January/February for 1 open seat or continue with 6 members for this year and fill vacancy at the 2026 Election.</p>		

B. Film: Kathryn Segura 5 production shoots in December		
C. Parks and Trails: Mary Johnson: heavy rains forced trails to be closed to equestrians for a number of days. DH-sad to see the fallen pepper tree. Heavy winds and rain without trimming can result in tree and limb breakage		
D. Water Stewardship: Don Henry:		
E. Ways & Means:		
F. Disaster Planning: Chris Yewdall/Gary Hebdon: CERT Training in second week. Looking for volunteers in March for the final class. 16" of rain from rain event that started December 24 th in Sleepy Valley.		
22. Announcements		
A. Household Hazardous Waste and E-Waste Collection: First & Third Saturday of each month, 9 AM to 3 PM, 1200 West City Ranch Rd, Palmdale, Environmental Collection Center		
B. Community Connect-Free Trivia Night January 24, 2026, 6 PM, Agua Dulce Women's Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd. Reserve your spot by sending an email with details to communityconnect.adwc@gmail.com		
C. Association of Rural Town Councils: January 28, 2026 7:00 PM-via Zoom		
D. Next ADTC meeting February 11, 2026. Meeting will be virtual via Zoom		
23. Future Agenda Items: SCE Rep, Chris Perry February		
24. MSP: Move to Adjourn at 7:56 PM	M: KS S: CG	6-0-0

Respectfully Submitted: Mary Johnson, 2026 ADTC Secretary

APPROVED: February 11, 2026