

AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL
 Regular Meeting of October 8, 2008 – 7:00 pm
 Agua Dulce Women’s Club, 33201 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd, Agua Dulce
APPROVED Minutes

Council Members Present: Donal MacAdam **(DM)**-President, Marilyn Garner **(MG)**-Corresponding Secretary, Mary Johnson **(MJ)**-Recording Secretary, Don Henry **(DH)**-Treasurer, David Aiello **(DA)**, Gary Hebdon **(GH)**

Council Members Absent: Jim Jennings **(JJ)**

Community Members: About 40-50 people in attendance

TOPIC	DISCUSSION	MOTIONS	RESULT/DECISION
1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance	Don MacAdam, President Regular meeting was called to order 7:10 PM. Pledge of Allegiance led by DA.		
2. Approval of Agenda	MSP: Approve as amended moving to have Agenda Item 10. a. Carousel Ranch moved to come after Item 5. Fifth District Report	M: MJ S: GH	6-0-0
3. Approval of Minutes	MSP: Approve minutes of Regular Meeting of September 10, 2008 as submitted.	M: MG S: DM	6-0-0
4. Agency Reports			
4.a. California Highway Patrol/COPS Team	Sgt. Rick Miler: No Report Officer Eric Stevenson (COPS): Introduced Officers Burton, Peterson and Wong who will be working with him in Agua Dulce, Castaic, Val Verde, and Stevenson Ranch. Officer Burton will be our rep.		Information Only
4.b. LA County Sheriff	Deputy Scott Short: September-9 occurrences that resulted in reports Fraud calls with credit cards have increased. Trespass problem—people taking hot wire/barbed wire, removing it from property and string the wire across a road. Emergency calls from cell phones should verify address of emergency.		Information Only
4.c. LA Co Community Police (COPS)	Deputy Robert Ferrell: Nothing to report		Information Only
4.d. LA County Fire Department	Carmen Mackey (Community Service Representative): No report		
4.e. Other			
5. LA County Fifth District Deputy	5.1 Rosalind Wayman: Road improvements are included in \$7.3 million budget from VR interpretive center. OVOV plan anticipated to be at BOS Feb-Mar 2009. CSD will be included in OVOV. OVOV workshops: 11/6/08 Santa Clarita Sports Complex, 11/10/08 Rancho Pico Jr Hi in Stevenson Ranch, 11/13/08 Pinetree Elementary in Canyon Country, 11/17/08 Castaic Elementary, Castaic. Tentative RPC Public Hearing: 2/25/08 6:30 pm Castaic Sports Complex.		Information Only

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	<p>CSD will be included in OVOV.</p> <p>Mark Caddick of Public Works: Bridge on Vasquez Canyon Rd, plans completed, contract to be awarded in April 2009, work to commence in June 2009, completion in 9 months. Entire road from Sierra to Bouquet Canyon to be reconstructed scheduled for spring of 2010.</p> <p>Larry Hensley of Parks and Recreation: Brush clearance questions. LA County looking to take jurisdiction from State of the California Hiking and Equestrian Trail near Anthony Rd and Hierba. 10 acres north of Hierba is owned by LA Co for a possible future park.</p>		
6. Council Reports			
6.a. President	Don MacAdam: Nothing to report		
6.b. Corresponding Secretary	Marilyn Garner: Correspondence from resident regarding cluttered aisles at Peppertree Market. Response to be sent directing her to Building and Safety.		
6.c. Treasurer	Don Henry: -\$237.40 DH provided short term loan of \$260 to cover liability insurance payment of \$252.96.		All Council members agreed to donate \$40 to DH to cover the short term loan.
6.d. Other			
7. Open Forum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 32222 Agua Dulce Canyon Rd-possible rave parties • Chris Ball-unincorporated LA County-25 acres, 8 lots. Having trouble with Environmental Health for wells and septic; yield tests and water quality (arsenic) Petition for citizens committee as oversight and appeals board • Thanks to Council for the patience in Carousel Ranch with neighbors • "Mary" tree on Sierra Highway 		
8. Committee Reports			
8.a. Community Standards District (CSD)	<p>Co-Chairs: Lorene Cangiano (and Mary Johnson)</p> <p>Received latest response from Regional Planning with language change suggested. Committee met 9/23/08—some county language changes were accepted, some Committee language was accepted, some language may change intent. Committee response will be sent. Only a couple areas where we are not far apart. Should be out to community by Spring of 2009.</p>		
8.b. Parks & Trails	Chair: Mary Johnson: Nothing to report		
8.c. Land Use	<p>Chair: Marilyn Garner:</p> <p>1.) Roy Ramey Water Distribution Facility: Project No R2005-00055, CUP No 200500005—BOS Public Hearing 10-28-08</p> <p>2.) 7230 Michael Street, Guin/Herz: Parcel No PM069445: Create 2 parcels on 12.49 acres. Regional Planning Hearing Officer Public Hearing 11-4-08</p> <p>3.) ADTC Comment on LA County Draft General (recognition of CSD) Available at: http://planning.lacounty.gov/generalplan</p> <p>MSP: Move to send the draft letter as presented to LA Co Regional Planning</p>	<p>M: MJ S: DM</p>	6-0-0

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8.d. Election	<p>Julianne Feuerhelm and Lorna Leslie: Co-Chairs Candidate Announcement: Billy Alch, Lorene Cangiano, Annette Fortuna, Don Henry (incumbent) Three seats available Candidate Forum: 10-12-08, 3:00 pm at Agua Dulce Women's Club, bake sale by Agua Dulce Royal Court, Election Committee will screen questions from the public. Current Town Council members are encouraged to attend Candidate Forum. Absentee Ballot Application must be in by 5:00 pm, 10/21/08 by mail or to a member of the Election Committee. Poll Worker Application distributed. Presentation of recommendation of changes to Election Procedures for review by Bylaws Committee</p>		
8.e. Charter/Bylaws	<p>Proposed clarifications submitted by Election Committee MSP: Move to table all changes to Election Procedures until after Committee has completed the entire process and include all recommended changes for review.</p>	<p>M: MJ S: DM</p>	<p>6-0-0</p>
8.f. Film	<p>Chair: Dave Aiello: Nothing to report</p>		
8.g. Traffic & Safety	<p>Chair: Jim Jennings: No report</p>		
8.h. Integrated Regional Water Management Plan	<p>Don Henry: Nothing to report</p>		
8.i. Water	<p>Chair: Don Henry 1) Environmental Health and County Counsel reply to Well Water Treatment Devices Up to this point, requirements have been for NEW construction. Recently, some previously permitted wells have gone dry; property owners drill new well and find out they must now meet the new quantity and quality requirements. 2005 Ordinance by BOS including chemical contaminants—What is the background and notice to the public when this was approved? Long term ramifications 2) Acton TC comment on Chloramines Public water companies are switching from Chlorine to Chloramines. Agua Dulce does not have any public water, Coussoulis project is a future project that will introduce public water. This will increase nitrate exposure to our ground water. This will impact the residents near the Santa Clara river. DH to discuss with Acton Town Council member, Jackie Ayer.</p>		<p>RW to research the background and the process that the 2005 ordinance took for the approval process. And if second wells required to do testing for water quality and quantity the same as requirements for new homes.</p>
8.j. Acton-Agua Dulce School Board	<p>Jim Jennings and David Aiello: Nothing to report</p>		
8.k. Ways & Means	<p>Chair: Don MacAdam: Nothing to report</p>		
8.l. Emergency Preparedness-Disaster Planning	<p>Chair: Gary Hebdon: CERT Training starts 10/14/08 for 5 weeks in Lancaster New service offered by City of Santa Clarita allows residents to subscribe to email and/or text alerts in the case of a local emergency. To subscribe, please go to www.santa-clarita.com or call 661/259-CITY for more information</p>		

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	11/13/08: Great Southern California SHAKEOUT, 7.8 simulated earthquake www.shakeout.org Agua Dulce residents should think about seismic restraints for water tanks.		
8.m. Other			
9. Unfinished Business			
10. New Business			
10.a. Carousel Ranch, 34289 Rocking Horse Rd Project and CUP	<p>Executive Director: Denise Tomey Project No R2006-01208, CUP No T200600080 CUP Application for riding academy that would be used for equestrian therapy programs for children with disabilities along with equestrian related events and community events: 34289 Rocking Horse Rd. Nonprofit, founded 11 years ago, in Agua Dulce for 3 years, service 90 children per week. Improvements: clean up of property Operating under a clean hands waiver. Requesting a cover to their existing arena. Community comments: location of mobile home, dust, easement for Baskett Road (future road), lack of supervision, fire camp prison workers (discontinued), classification of CUP-riding academy vs. therapeutic riding, density, hours of operation. DM suggested Carousel Ranch work with the neighbors to address their concerns prior to the public hearing.</p>		Carousel Board of Directors will meet with neighbors to work out concerns and report back for next meeting.
11. Announcements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Military Family Appreciation Day hosted by Assemblywoman Audra Strickland, , Camarillo Ranch House, Camarillo, CA, 10-19-08 • CERT Training in Lancaster 10/14/08 		
12. Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WRA Engineering—Davenport Rd, Borax Mine, Monterey Homes • Action Item for Chris Ball's recommendation for citizen oversight and appeals board/endorsement of petition • Carousel Ranch CUP 		
17. Adjournment	MSP: Adjournment at 10:05 PM	M: DM S: MG	6-0-0

Respectfully submitted by Mary Johnson, Recording Secretary, Agua Dulce Town Council 2008

APPROVED: 11-12-08