AGUA DULCE TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, December 16, 2010

Special Location: Big Mouth Pizza Co. 33323 Agua Dulce Canyon Road, Agua Dulce, CA

Council Members Present: Don Henry (DH) -President, Lianne Swanson (LS) –Secretary, Annette Fortuna (AF), Lorene Cangiano (LC), David Aiello – Treasurer (DA) And New Council members Scott Griffin (SG) and Ed Porter (EP)

Absent: Alan DiFatta (AD) and Donal McAdam (DM).

Community Members: About 20 community members in attendance

ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING	Motion	Vote
1. Call to order 6:09 pm		
 Agenda: Approval of Agenda – Motion to add reading of ADTC charter immediately after new council members are seated MSP Agenda approved as amended. 	M: LS S: DA	5-0-0
3. Minutes: a. Approval of Regular Meeting of November 10, 2010	M: LC S: AF	5-0-0
b. Approval of Special Meeting of November 23, 2010	M: LC S: AF	4-0-1
4. Council Reports		
A. President Report		
Incoming Correspondence		
 Motion to send a letter to invite Matthew Nores Eagle Scout candidate suggesting he visit our next meeting and ask for the town's support (use sample letter). MSP passed 5-0-0. 	M: LC S: AF	5-0-0
 High speed rail project has begun. ATC sent letter opposing. DH attended meeting, has concerns to be addressed. Rep will address ADTC February. Ken from ATC will attend our meeting in January and address the issue. Not following the existing train tracks. Our school district is also opposed to the project. 		
Outgoing Correspondence none		
Assoc of Rural Town Councils (ARTC) no meeting Nov or Dec		
3) Other:		
 B. Secretary Report – presented Don Henry with a token gift for serving on the Water TAC committee and representing the community so well. 		
C. Treasurer Report – 2633.95 beginning bal, \$25 for tax-exempt app, leaving \$2,508.33		
D. Other		
5. Committee Reports		
A. Election Committee – no report		
B. Water Committee – no water meetings. Starting up again in Jan. first topic will be hauled water.		
C. Land Use/CSD Revision Committee – still not heard back on the last few issues for our CSD . Mary sent a letter.		
D. Disaster Planning – no report		
E. Parks and Trails – no report		
F. Ways and Means – we should discuss another fundraiser at next meeting. Will put on January agenda.		
G. Charter/Bylaws – no report		
H. Film – a lot of filming activity recently.		
Acton/Agua Dulce School Board Liaison – Working on high speed rail opposition. HS project is continuing according to schedule.		
6. Other Business		
 a. LC congratulated the library committee, and Lillian Smith on the library. b. Angeles National Forest will be restoring the Pelona Project for illegal trails. Rowher Flats site improvements are proceeding Will post link on website to info. c. Website: stats on number of hits? – will research 		
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f. Ban on Plastic Bags in 2011.		

g. COC is building a 51,000 sq foot library in the Valencia Campus. h. Interpretive Center committee will have first meeting in January.		
COMMUNITY MEETING:		
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7. Call to order—Pledge of Allegiance 7:15 pm		
Installation of New Town Council Members (Rosalind Wayman, Sr. Deputy to Michael Antonovich).		
 First, a scroll presented to outgoing Town Council Members Lorene Cangiano and Annette Fortuna honoring their two years of service. Don Henry presented AF and LC with a gift and cards of thanks. 		
 Ed Porter and Scott Griffin were sworn in by Rosalind Wayman, along with all council members. 		
9. Reading of Agua Dulce Town Council Charter – new council members		
10. Election of Officers		
A. President – EP nominated DH LS seconded elected 7-0-0		
B. Secretary – SG nominated Lianne Swanson elected 7-0-0		
C. Treasurer – DH nominated DA EP seconded elected 7-0-0		
D. Scott Griffin offered to do some of the tasks of AF, Ed Porter will help. 11. Agency Reports		
 CHP Officer Burton. 2009 219 traffic collisions total, this year 222 so far. 5 fatals 2009, 6 this year. 26 DUI related, 25 YTD. 15 traffic collisions this month. Reminded us to be safe over the holiday season and if we drink, don't drive. 		
 Sheriff Dept – Deputy Scott Short - Have a safe holiday, watch yourselves, we'll be around for next year. A slow month: 1 home accident fell from roof. So just be careful. 		
12. 5 th District Report – Rosalind Wayman – Regional Planning is now streaming their public meetings on planning.lacounty.gov/video so you can see their meetings. Dec is the time of year when the BOS elects chair, and Michael Antonovich is now Mayor. County pension reform, county structure reform, public safety, foster and adoptions, etc. are his issues. Santa Clarita is now an Enterprise Zone. County banned Medical Marijuana shops. No more BOS meetings this year. Dark Skies Ordinance passed for County. Vasquez Rocks interpretive center was funded.		
13. Committees		
A. Election Committee – no report		
B. Water Committee – no meetings Nov or Dec.		
C. Land Use/CSD – Lorene Cangiano and Mary Johnson will remain as chairs.		
D. Disaster Planning Committee – no report		
E. Other Committee Highlights		
14. Announcements – no announcements		
 Carlo Basail had a comment on CSD. Researched CSDs in other communities and saw there were differences in our CSD and we seem to be doing more regulations and detail than others. Maybe not as much detail in Lighting Standards, Storage Containers, Trails, and Lighting District. Wants to revisit. We will take it up next year. Lillian Smith answered by pointing out there is already law on the books that protects property owners from liability in recreational use of your land by horseback riders, etc. Lorene Cangiano responded on the lighting issue. "Dark Skies" is vastly more rigorous than our CSD, and we put it in as a protection against that ordinance. Anything that doesn't 'light trespass" is permitted in our CSD. On trails, we are just trying to preserve our backbone trails and have the County commit to preserving those backbone trails. Storage Containers are not allowed in the County and you are allowed one permitted right now, and we fought to allow a greater number and protect the right to have them. We increased the number allowed. 		
16. Unfinished Business - none	† †	
17. New Business – none		
18. Future Agenda Items – Fundraiser, Vasquez Interpretive Center meeting, January ATC will discuss High Speed Rail, Feb a representative of the High Speed Rail project will be invited to the community.		
19. Adjournment MSP DA moved, LS second MSP 7-0-0 8:09 pm.	M: DA S: LS	7-0-0