

ACTON TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

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December 5, 2005 Regular Meeting
Acton Community Center

Called to Order 7:36 p.m. by President Ray Garwacki Jr.
Ray Garwacki Jr., Dick Morris, Michael Hughes, Jim Connelly, Ray Billet, and Carl Young present.

The minutes of November 7, 2005 regular meeting approved as read.

Treasurers Report- Dick Morris reported a balance of \$ 1358.12.

ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

Michael Hughes presented:

- An invitation to attend a meeting with Dept of Regional Planning regarding General Plan update Dec. 14 2:00 p.m. at Descanso Gardens.

Dick Morris announced

- Services for Madge Rogaczewski to be held Dec. 9 in San Fernando Valley. Memorial will be Dec.10, 11:00 a.m. at Acton Community Center.

PRESENTATIONS

- The Chair presented the following slate of officer nominees and opened for additional nominations (none):
President - Ray Garwacki Jr.
Vice President - Dick Morris
Treasurer - Jim Connelly
Secretary - Michael Hughes

Dick Morris Moved to accept the slate as presented - Motion Carried (unanimous)

• Dick Morris announced receipt of seven applications for three available council positions. One application has been withdrawn (Edie Jeske). The remaining Applicants are:

Jacki Ayer, Charles Brink, William B. Davis, Chris Demyen, Michael D. Foster and Cyndi Pattison.

Each applicant gave a resume' of their experience and qualifications and responded to questions from the council.

The Chair called an executive session and the council retired to the kitchen to discuss the appointments.

Upon their return:

The Chair announced the removal of David Eisner as he has moved and has missed more than 3 consecutive meetings thus creating the third available council position.

The council members completed their ballots.

The Chair then appointed Edie Jeske and Calvin Oglesby to collect and tabulate the ballots.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Coordinating Chair Dick Morris

- Repeated the announcement for the general plan update meeting in La Cañada, Dec. 14.

Finance, Ways and Means Chair Jim Connelly

The Chair appointed Jim Connelly to chair this committee.

Bylaws - Chair Jacki Ayer - Nothing to report

Trails, Open Space & Recreation Chair Ray Billet

- From the gallery, Cyndi Pattison reported on the ceremony honoring Darrel Readmond.

• • Balloting Results :

• Edie Jeske and Calvin Oglesby submitted results of balloting and The Chair announced Jacki Ayer, Bill Davis and Mike Foster were selected to fill the available positions. Ray Garwacki Jr. performed the swearing-in and the new members were seated. .

• • Committee Appointments

The Chair made appointments as needed for committee chairs and liaisons and are as reflected in these minutes.

Publicity Chair Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Utilities Chair Jim Connelly - Nothing to report

Community Standards Chair Michael Hughes - Nothing to report

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification Chair Carl Young - Nothing to report

Drainage and Roads Chair Carl Young - Nothing to report

Santa Clara River Steering Committee Liaison Ray Billet - Nothing to report

Community Park Committee Liaison Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Community Club Liaison Dick Morris - Nothing to report

Acton Chamber of Commerce Liaison Ray Billet

- Elizabeth Billet announced the Chamber Christmas party Dec. 13, 6 p.m. at the home of Jim & Ethel Schutte.

Traffic Committee Chair Bill Davis - Nothing to report

Library Committee Liaison Michael Hughes - Jacki Ayer

- Michael Hughes reported on last meeting. Reviewed plans for new building. Construction expected to begin in 2007.

Emergency Response/Disaster Planning: Michael Hughes

- Still waiting for Norm Hickling to set up meeting to resolve access issues with Sheriffs Dept policy.
- Reported on trails meeting in Santa Clarita. Looking at animal rescue/evacuation options.

School Board Liaison Michael Hughes

- Swearing in for new members will be Thursday Dec. 8.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Jim Connelly reported on status of storage lot at northeast corner of Sierra Hwy. and Red Rover Mine Rd. Property is appropriately zoned and fenced. Problems with graffiti are referred to Beautification Committee. If units parked on road right-of-way should be referred to Calif. Highway Patrol.

NEW BUSINESS

- Dick Morris introduced Sheriffs Dept Dep. Robert Ferrell, who discussed increases in service for unincorporated areas with new funding availability.
- Jacki Ayer announced the Rick Hall project will be on Board of Supervisors agenda in January (probably 23rd) and suggested the Acton Town Council have representation on this issue. Dick Morris indicated this would be discussed at next planning meeting.
- Some discussion of Brown Act awareness and compliance. Michael Hughes suggested to place on agenda a reiteration of posting of agendas and locations for same.
- Carl Young and Ray Billet expressed views on recent meeting of Forecast Homes Homeowners Assn.

OPEN FORUM

- From the gallery, some discussion of problems arising from attempts to prevent equestrian activities at Forecast Homes.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair announced the next regular meeting to be held January 2, 2006, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center. Planning Meeting to be held December 19, 2005, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center.

Meeting adjourned 9:05 p.m.

Michael Hughes
Secretary