

ACTON TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

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April 3, 2006 Regular Meeting
Acton Community Center

Called to Order 7:35 p.m. by Vice President Dick Morris
Ray Garwacki Jr. absent, all other officers and members present.

The minutes of March 6, 2006 regular meeting approved as read.

Ray Garwacki Jr. arrived during reading of minutes and occupied the chair.

Treasurers Report- Jim Connelly reported a balance of \$ 1423.39

ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

Michael Hughes reported receipt of the following

- An invitation to a conference in Baja. {Sister Cities Convention}
- A publication from Fire Dept regarding disaster operations in New Orleans.
- Letter regarding TM62985 dedication of trail easement north side of Banson
- Notice of bicycle race April 9
- Letter from local residents expressing concerns regarding TM52882 {Carson Mesa / El Sastre}

SHERIFF REPORT

• Dep. Robert Ferrell reported on progress of enforcement related to Eagle Butte rehab. They change from a "treatment center" to "living center" and apparently there are no laws governing "living center". Also discussed graffiti and illegal dumping.

PRESENTATIONS

• Sonia Hicks, representing Los Angeles County Dept. of Mental Health asked for input from the Community concerning services that would be desired or needed.

• TM 62985. Crown Valley Road and Banson, 16 lots on 19 acres. Review of progress and changes with respect to drainage mitigation and trail easements.

• TM #21321. Zone change from A1-1 to C3-DP, for the 1.95 acres lot between Jack in the Box and the Acton Auto Center. Discussion regarding types of businesses. Owners will return later in meeting to present list.

• TM 52882. Carson Mesa & El Sastre Rd. 75 lots on 200 acres. Public Hearing Apr 18 Presented some design changes. Discussion primarily involving drainage, access, and traffic increase effects. **Michael Hughes Moved to oppose Motion Carried (unanimous)** Citizens letter to be attached. Jacki Ayer suggested the council try to get Los Angeles County policy concerning flooding in downtown be expanded to other areas. Michael Hughes indicated the importance of citizen to attend Dept of Regional Planning hearings where they have concerns.

• Owners of Country Club Feed (TM 21321) presented list of acceptable types of businesses [Attached]. **Carl Young Moved to approve Motion Carried (unanimous)**

• TM 60464. Cedral and the Freeway. Joel Lafferty presented design changes to try to mitigate drainage issues. Residents in attendance expressed concerns. The Chair suggested that affected residents and developer meet to try to resolve differences.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Coordinating Chair Dick Morris - Nothing to report

Finance, Ways and Means Chair Jim Connelly - Nothing to report

Bylaws - Chair Jacki Ayer

- Has sent draft amendments to members-awaiting response.

Trails, Open Space & Recreation Chair Ray Billet - Nothing to report

Publicity Chair Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Utilities Chair Jim Connelly

- Presented information regarding water quality and gave names and numbers of agencies concerned.

Community Standards Chair Michael Hughes - Nothing to report

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Beautification Chair Mike Foster

- Michael Hughes expressed concerns with apparent trash dump property on Soledad Cyn Rd near Gillespie. Some citations have been issued. Property is apparently appropriately zoned according to Los Angeles County.

Drainage and Roads Chair Carl Young

- Repeated problem at night during wet weather with lack of road marking on Shannondale Rd

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

Friends of Acton Park Liaison Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Community Club Liaison Dick Morris

- Country Dance will be April 8.

Acton Chamber of Commerce Liaison Ray Billet

- Adult Easter Egg hunt coming up-involving local businesses.
- "Taste of Acton" to be April 30 at Acton Community Center.

Traffic Committee Chair Bill Davis - Nothing to report

Library Committee Liaison Michael Hughes - Jacki Ayer

- Next meeting scheduled for April 11.

Emergency Response/Disaster Planning: Michael Hughes - Nothing to report

School Board Liaison Michael Hughes - Nothing to report

- Deadline for submission of Master Planning Surveys is April 7..

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN FORUM

- From the gallery, Edie Jeske expressed concerns about the preponderance of bright lights apparently in violation of the Acton Community Standards Ordinance. Some discussion of Acton Community Standards Ordinance enforcement.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair announced the next regular meeting to be held May 1, 2006, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center.
Planning Meeting to be held April 17, 2006, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center.

Meeting adjourned 11:00 p.m.

Michael Hughes
Secretary