

ACTON TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

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June 5, 2006 Regular Meeting
Acton Community Center

Called to Order 7:31 p.m. by President Ray Garwacki Jr.
Michael Hughes arrived late, all other officers and members present.

The minutes of May 1, 2006 regular meeting approved as read.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS / CORRESPONDENCE

- Notice of Public Hearing June 7, regarding negative declaration on C.U.P. at 7601 Soledad Cyn Rd.
- Note from local resident expressing appreciation for clean up of graffiti near her home.
- Notice from Dept. of Public Works regarding new franchise waste disposal system. Survey has been mailed to property owners and meetings have been scheduled for June 20, and June 24.
- Notice of Public Hearing Dept of Regional Planning 500acre tract in unincorporated area of Santa Clarita.
- Announcement of 10-year anniversary celebration for Hi Desert Health Systems Advisory Council-June 22.
- Notice of mandatory Spay / Neuter / Microchip ordinance for Dogs.

SHERIFF REPORT

- Dep. Robert Ferrell reported apprehension of a tagger from Santa Clarita and related info on new station at Sierra Hwy. and Ave Q..

PRESENTATIONS:

- Cid Morgan, United States Forest Service gave an update on progress of the proposed District Office. Some delay on the closing of the sale of their Sierra Madre property, but plans are going ahead and ground-breaking is expected in 2007, with a move in 2008.
- PM 062810. Four lots on 20 acres northeast corner of Shannondale and Shannon Valley. Dick Morris Moved to support - Motion Carried (7-1) (Carl Young dissenting)
- TM 52882. South of Carson Mesa West of El Sastre (75 lots on 200 acres). Dennis Crane reviewed changes made. Continuing concerns regarding maintenance of flood control drainage facilities and ingress / egress. Need more time to resolve issues. The Chair announced a Special Meeting on this project to be held in conjunction with the Planning Meeting of June 19.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Planning & Coordinating Chair Dick Morris

- Los Angeles County is proposing public meeting on questions of well testing in Agua Dulce . Bill Davis Moved to communicate with Agua Dulce to work out date and location to include Acton - Motion Carried (unanimous).
- Discussion of Dept of Regional Planning interpretation of setback application. Code definition of yard is no structures. Jacki Ayer has drafted letter explaining Council position. Michael Hughes Moved to send letter - Motion Carried (unanimous).
- Jacki Ayer has also drafted letter regarding maximum allowable impervious surface per Acton Community Standards Ordinance, which Dept of Regional Planning is not enforcing. This letter will be brought up at next regular meeting.

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

Bylaws - Chair Jacki Ayer - Nothing to report

Trails, Open Space & Recreation Chair Ray Billet

- Backbone trails approved by Dept of Regional Planning will go to Regional Planning Commission, then to Board of Supervisors.

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 Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Drainage and Roads Chair Carl Young

- Has contacted Norm Hickling regarding striping on Shannondale and Shannon Valley - no response yet.

Santa Clara River Steering Committee Liaison Ray Billet

- Meeting in Placerita Cyn June 15 regarding irrigation water run-off.

Friends of Acton Park Liaison Mike Foster - Nothing to report

Community Club Liaison Dick Morris

- Country Dance will be June 10
- Los Angeles County public meetings June 20 and 24.
- Mobile Medical Clinic June 7
- 4th of July activities
- Have installed new heating / air conditioning - would appreciate donations to help pay for it.
- Carl Young inquired as to Acton Town Council having booth at 4th of July.

Acton Chamber of Commerce Liaison Ray Billet - Nothing to report

Traffic Committee Chair Bill Davis - Nothing to report

Library Committee Liaison Michael Hughes - Jacki Ayer - Nothing to report

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

School Board Liaison Michael Hughes

- Applications will be forthcoming to replace Cyndi Oberhansley, who will be leaving.
- Some change by State regarding use of Gym at Vasquez High School. Nothing can be done until after Aug. 31.
- Carl Young inquired as to source of salaries - Michael Hughes indicated they come from the district.

Election Committee Chair Carl Young

- Working on materials. Recruited Edie Jeske and Elizabeth Billet to committee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

• Jacki Ayer asked Norm Hickling how to get counties attention on issue of maximum impervious provision in Acton Community Standards Ordinance . Suggested work with Dept. of Public Works.

NEW BUSINESS

OPEN FORUM

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair announced the next regular meeting to be held July 17, 2006, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center. Planning Meeting (and Special Meeting) to be held June 19, 2006, 7:30 p.m. Acton Community Center.

Meeting adjourned 9:38 p.m.

Michael Hughes
Secretary