



# MINUTES

## April 16, 2015

*La Crescenta Library Community Room*

1. 7:04 pm Call to Order & Welcome by President Battles
2. Presentation of Colors by the CVHS JROTC & Flag Salute led by Vice President Leon
3. Invocation by Vice President Leon
4. Roll Call (Present: Robbyn Battles, Harry Leon, Cheryl Davis, Mike Claessens, Desiree P. Rabinov, Lisa Griffin, Charles Beatty)
5. Approval of Agenda for April 16, 2015 (BB, HL: unanimous approval)
6. Approval of Minutes from March 17th, 2015 (HL, CB: unanimous approval)
7. First Responder's Reports
  - a. CHP: presented crime stats
  - b. CERT/Red Cross: Paul Dutton provided overview of both groups' activities
  - c. Sheriff: presented crime stats
  - d. CV Water update: MC discussed MWD mandatory water rationing announcement
  - e. GUSD: Jennifer Freeman Board member-elect thanked the community for their support
8. Youth Town Council Report: presented list of activities
9. Banners in La Crescenta/Montrose by President Battles/Land Use:
  - Provided compliance update, discussed options that would not violate the County's code including amending CSD and partnering with other organizations.
  - CV Chamber offered support for business owner education, discussed banner restrictions and the impact on local businesses.
  - Questions about who will enforce banner restrictions on out-of-town businesses
10. Jewel City Ride & Bikes for Orphans by Elizabeth Manasserian & Frieda Bazikian: presented group's activities. Elizabeth shared the upcoming Jewel City ride fundraising event that is slated for Sunday, June 7th starting at 7:00 am at Verdugo Park, Glendale, Sign up for any of the three rides depending on your skill level and abilities, such as 50 mile Glendale to La Crescenta and back, 25 mile from east to west Glendale and family 7 mile ride around Verdugo Woodlands. go to [www.jewelcityride.com](http://www.jewelcityride.com) to register and bike routes. Desiree Rabinov is putting a team on behalf of the Town Council. Sebouh Bazikian, founder for Bike 4 Orphans, presented an update of their successful program of raising funds for orphans in LA County and internationally. Teenagers from Clark, Glendale and CV high cycling clubs were involved in partnering with Bike 4 Orphans. They are seeking new donors with a goal to raise add'l \$10,000 by December 2016. Go to [www.bikes4orphans.com](http://www.bikes4orphans.com), Facebook: bikes4orphans
11. LA- RICS Communication Tower by Wendy Stallworth-Tait/LACSD presented written message of support from Sheriff McDonnell; and PowerPoint project presentation (project shrunk from 231 to 63 sites)
  - o Public Comments
    - Resident Steve Pierce lives on Rosemont-questions why tower located on Mt. Lukin

- Resident, [rolamasri@sbcglobal.net](mailto:rolamasri@sbcglobal.net) Shields St.-concerned about effects of microwave radiation on children and others
- Topanga Cyn. resident, concerned about health impacts to first-responders, lack of County technical expertise, cost to taxpayers, Electromagnetic hypersensitivity
- Greg H., La Canada resident, seeks status of Briggs Station tower construction
- Resident, Upper Briggs area, concerned about tower broadcast span
- Upper Rosemont resident: questioned area coverage with reduced system (from 231 to 63 sites)

Motion: “refer to LUC to provide public outreach and a forum for further discussion” HL, CB: unanimous approval)

12. Land Use Update CSD by Councilmember Davis: Options For Use will provide written plan for community impact mitigation and provide school occupancy load

13. Motion to Request Medians on Foothill by Councilmember Rabinov:

*“The CV Town Council is requesting the following based on continued requests from our residents:*

*Identify and secure funding for medians along Foothill Bl. corridor between Biggs and Pennsylvania within the next 12 months. We would ask the County to initiate community outreach within 30-45 days to receive feedback on design, location and overall support. Additionally, we would recommend the medians and curb extensions to have an aesthetic and pedestrian friendly improvement to Foothill Bl. utilizing native and drought tolerant landscaping while adhering to the water conservation and mandatory restrictions as well as incorporating bio-swells and stormwater biofiltration system, as appropriate, within the medians and curb extensions.* DR, CB: unanimous approval

14. Earth Day - May 2 by President Battles: “hug a tree”

15. Public Comments and Community Announcements

- CV Chamber discussed activities
- CV Community Organization: discussed actives
- American Legion Post 288, Vice Commander Gerry Collins discussed activities
- Lisa Griffin for Mary O'Keefe, Prom Plus and Fire House discussed activities
- Marta Wiggins, La Crescenta Library discussed activities
- Kim Mattersteig discussed Briggs Cyn evac. drill on 5/2/15 @ 9am

16. Council Business

- a. Correspondence reviewed by Corresponding Secretary Davis
- b. March Treasurer Report put over to next meeting in May
- c. Scholarships status discussed by Vice President Leon
- d. Letter supporting SAFE by President Battles
- e. Pancake Breakfast by H. Leon: tentative date is Sept. 5
- f. Prayer Breakfast, May 19

9:35 pm Adjournment.