



General Meeting Minutes

September 17, 2015

La Crescenta Library Community Room 7:00 pm
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1. Call to Order & Welcome, President Battles 7:03 pm
2. Flag Salute, Jesse Gonzales
3. Invocation, Danette Erickson
4. Roll Call, Recording Secretary Dickson: Present - Battles, Leon, Suh, Dickson, Kang, Beattie, Claessens, Griffin Absent: Davis, Barnes, Studebaker, Rabinov
5. Approval of Agenda for September 17, 2015, Unanimous
6. Approval of Minutes from August 20, 2015, motion to approve Leon, 2nd Dickson, approved unanimously. President Battles
7. First Responder's Reports
 - a. CHP, Officer Cooper
 - i. August 2015 Traffic collisions, 14, (YTD 80), citations 4 (YTD 64), fatalities 0, DUI arrests 1
 - b. Sheriff, Sgt. Gonzales
 - i. Significant arrests regarding the Pinecrest area
 - ii. Haunted Jail, October 30
 - iii. October 1, 7-9pm seminar at Lanterman House
 - iv. 8 burglaries, 3 residential (rear door/window), 5 were businesses (they went straight for register, 4 vehicle burglaries
 - c. CV Water District, drought update:
 - i. Statewide 25% conservation has been met, but many individual organizations that have not met their targets so a fine of \$10,000/day. CVWD has exceeded the goal. Also watching revenue due to lower water sales.
 - ii. Construction of new well at Rockhaven site, online by October 31. 410 acre feet annually which represents about 20% of our groundwater production.
 - iii. Looking at revamping an old well (Well #2).
 - iv. CV Park will get a recharging station to capture rain water.
 - v. hired a consultant for a cost of service and rate study, public meetings: November, January, and February
 - vi. Watering: auto sprinklers should be set to Tues and Sat, but hand watering can be done any day. Do what you need to to keep shrub and trees alive.

vii. 2" of rain at CVWD

8. Public Comments and Community Announcements

- Youth Town Council, Alexis Craucus
 - Prom Plus/ Firehouse, Mary O'Keefe, CV Chamber 5k and CVTC Pancake Breakfast
 - CV Chamber, Running the Foothills at Two-Strike Park, October 24th, 9-12 pm Foothill Clean Up
 - American Legion, adopt a CV soldier
 - Pancake Breakfast, tickets are \$6, proceeds go to youth groups and scholarships
 - La Crescenta Library, Talk like a Pirate Day, October 9-11 Used Book Sale
 - Montrose Chamber, Melinda Oktober Fest, is October 3rd
 - First Annual La Crescenta Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony, Friday December 4th, 6:30pm. Supervisor Antonovich may read 'Christmas Story'
 - Medians on Foothill, \$1 million through Supervisor Antonovich. Initial meeting has occurred. The original plan didn't match the community's vision. CVWD and Chamber have been added to the committee. Information will be back late next week. Then public meetings will occur.
 - Two-Strike Park, winter wonderland festival, importing snow for a weekend in December
 - El Nino - sand and sandbags will be available at Two-Strike Park. Public works will be at next meeting.
 - CVCA Meeting, Sharon Weisman next Thursday at 7 pm, Laura Friedman and water discussion
 - Harriet Hammons, Rosemont is collecting shoes
 - Vickere Murphy from Senator Lui's office, Governor signed bill SB 172, exit exam
 - GUSD Update, Dr. Empey
- Sagebrush: personal opinion that there will be no agreement, therefore the residents will need to present a petition to LA County Organizations Committee. Then go to the State Board
 - Superintendent search, extend application to December 18th. Then the search firm will review applications. This pushes back the new hire until March. However, Dr. Empey can only be interim for a few months. So now there is a search for a 2nd interim superintendent.
 - Sports Medicine classes at CVHS have been approved. Job Training will be connected to these classes for physical therapy, etc.
 - State testing: Rosemont ranked highest of MS, Clark and CVHS are highest among high schools.

9. LA County Fire Update on Fire Season Preparedness, Stephanie English, Carl Flores, and Division Chief
 - a. If you see it, report it
 - b. Lakes are getting low so it's hard for the super scoopers to retrieve water for firefighting purposes
 - c. Sea water/salt is hard on the equipment
 - d. Expecting a hot and windy October
 - e. Sand/Sandbags available at Fire Stations.

10. San Gabriel Mountains Forever, John Monsen
 - a. Asking for a letter of support from CVTC
 - b. Public land from CA14 to CA15 is defined at San Gabriel Mountains
 - c. Supply 70% of open space in LA, recreation for over 3 million people
 - d. Challenges: lack of funding, unprotected wilderness, no trash pick up, no bilingual signage
 - e. It's been one year since Obama signed legislation to protect the mountain range, but did not include all of the mountains (eliminated Tujunga and La Crescenta mountains)
 - f. National Monument has brought more funding and pilot projects. Chilao is reopened, etc.
 - g. Protect watershed and protect undeveloped wilderness land.
 - h. Congress can finish the National Monument
 - i. Motion to sign the letter provided to support the expansion of the San Gabriel National Monument

11. The Trust for Public Land , Paolo Perrone
 - a. Protect San Gabriels
 - b. Parks for People (skate parks, play equipment, etc)
 - c. Protect 4,000 acres in San Gabriel in the last few years
 - d. Exclusive option to purchase 100 acres in the National Monument
 - e. Locally: Verdugo Hills Golf Course (Prop O money)
 - f. County Wide Needs Assessment (looking for park needs in the county)

12. Council Business/Announcements
 - a. Marta Wiggins explains need for serial children's books and Pinola Grant.
 - i. Leon makes a motion for a letter of support for La Crescenta Library Mary Pinola Grant Application, 2nd, Claessens. Passed Unanimously
 - b. Leon moves that CVTC write a letter in support of San Gabriel Mountains Forever, 2nd Griffin, passed unanimously
 - c. Correspondence,
 - d. Comments from Council

Adjournment, 8:52 pm



Community events:

September 19th: 8th Annual Community Pancake Breakfast

CV High School Quad from 7:00- 11:00 AM

Tickets \$6.00 at the door, \$5.00 pre-purchase.

Funds raised go to help Organizations that sold tickets, CVTC Scholarships and the CVTC

October 13th: CV Town Council Candidate Application Deadline

6 Seats are available 3, 3 year terms and 3, 1 year alternate terms.

Election will run from Nov. 6th Friday 5:00-8:00 pm thru

Nov. 7th Saturday 8:00 am- 5:00 pm

Election Location: St. Luke's Church, Sadler Hall North corner of
Rosemont and Foothill.

Absentee ballots and Candidate applications are available on our
website.