



General Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2015

La Crescenta Library Community Room 7:00 pm
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1. Call to Order & Welcome, President Battles
2. CV High School ROTC/Flag Salute, Troop 288
3. Invocation, Father Kirby; St. Luke's Episcopal Church
4. Roll Call, Recording Secretary Dickson
Present: Battles, Dickson, Leon, Studebaker, Claessens, Barnes, Beatty, Rabinov, Griffin, Kang
Absent: Davis, Suh
5. Approval of Agenda for November 19, 2015, President Battles 1st Leon, 2nd Studebaker
6. Approval of Minutes from October 15, 2015, President Battles 1st Betty, 2nd Rabinov
7. First Responder Reports
CHP, Officer Cooper - paperless report writing means no report could be generated this month.
Collisions on the 210 fwy Waltonia to Lowell: 104 collisions in 2013 ; 124 collisions in 2014; 126 collisions in 2016
Explorer program starting out of Altadena office; ages 14 years to 20 years old, co-ed.

Sheriff , Sgt. Gonzales - burglaries 2 in October, burglaries YTD 25 which is comparable to the last 3 years.

CV Water District, DM Tom Love - Gov Brown extend water conservation until October 2016. CVWD continues to exceed mandatory water conservation rules; in October exceeded by 7%. June - October exceeded by 31%.
Water Main rupture on Pennsylvania Ave. Glenwood pipeline had 4 leaks and therefore has been prioritized in the repair list.
Water and Sewer Rate Study: Currently using an inclining rate structure, evaluate a budget rate structure - however, its a costly rate structure to implement at the beginning due to data gathering.
Upcoming workshops in January and February
Dedication of New Well 16 at Rockhaven. January 19th will be the dedication.
8. CV Youth Town Council, Alexis Karakes
Entrepreneurs of Tomorrow in January
Talent show for Senior Center

Holiday Festivities Award

9. Public Comments and Community Announcements
 - La Crescenta Library
 - Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony begins at 5:30 pm with a puppet show
 - Mother/Daughter tea December 12th
 - CV Historical Society - dessert potluck Monday, December 14th
 - Holiday Gift Extravaganza, December 9th, 4pm - 7pm
 - Book Club 2016 list has been released
 - VFW/American Legion - Mike Baldwin
 - Christmas Weekend - Christmas Tree Lighting December 4th, 5:30 pm
 - Snow Day December 5th, 10 am to 2 pm at Two-Strike Park
 - Montrose Christmas Parade, December 5th, 6 pm
 - LA County Parks Needs Assessment, Dickson
 - Christina Hawes, RE: Community Earthquake response and schools
10. Friends of Rockhaven, Joanna Linkhorst
2011 purchased at \$8.25 million
Vartan Gharapetian is working with Rockhaven
11. The Doctor's group potential Rockhaven Investor their vision: Timothy Pylko MD, Annette Ermshar, PhD, Dan Swartz, David Houk
 - Plan to redevelop Rockhaven into a mental health facility.
 - Including a subterranean parking garage for 150 parking spaces
 - Keep the qualities of Rockhaven with modern facilities. An institution for those who need a place to stay that isn't a hospital. Those with depression, OCD, and agoraphobia who need a residential facility.
12. 2016 Nominating Committee, Slate of 2016 CV Town Council Officer, Studebaker
To be voted on December 17th meeting. Additional nominations can be done from the floor.
 - President: Leslie Dickson
 - Vice President: Harry Leon
 - Treasurer: Desiree Rabinov
 - Corresponding Secretary: Lisa Griffin
 - Recording Secretary: Cheryl Davis
13. CV Town Council Election Report, Vice Pres. Leon
Voting: November 6th, and November 7th at St. Luke's
9 candidates for 6 open positions; 222 walk-in voters, 40 absentee votes.
Lisa Griffin 16/9%
Mike Claessens 16.7%

Sophal Ear 14.8%
Aram , 1st alternate
Joann Stupakis, 2nd alternate
Charles Beatty, 3rd alternate

14. CV Town Council Business/Announcements

By-Law change make Land Use a standing committee (second reading)
Recording Sec Dickson

1. We have to remove Land Use from "Special Committees"
2. We have to add Land Use as a Standing Committee. This is what I have from 2014 when we formed the current Land Use Committee. I removed alternates as Land Use discussed and would all like to be voting members. There is no residency requirement as we had actually invited a non-resident to interview, although he was a business owner in unincorporated.

The Land Use Committee shall provide a public forum to review and deliberate discretionary projects in the unincorporated areas of La Crescenta and Montrose. Oak tree permits will not be heard unless it involves a Heritage Oak tree. The Committee is not a Design Review Board. The Committee takes instruction from the Town Council, reports to the Town Council after each Land Use meeting, and makes written recommendations to the Town Council, who then makes recommendations in writing to the appropriate Hearing Officer or Department of Regional Planning prior to any upcoming hearings. Prior to starting a project, the Land Use Committee shall present to Town Council and the Town Council shall vote whether or not the Land Use Committee has instruction to work on the project.*

There will be nine members on this Committee and a quorum requires five members. At least 2 members of the LUC to be CVTC members. Members of this committee will serve a three year term and should consider the commitment involved including time, attendance at Land Use meetings, attendance at Hearing Officer/Regional Planning hearings, site visits, and the need to do significant community outreach including notifying and speaking with neighbors affected by a proposed project prior to a Land Use Meeting or Hearing Officer/Regional Planning meeting. Land Use meetings will be held the second Thursday of the month starting at 6:30 PM, with a written recommendation being prepared and presented to the Town Council one week later at its monthly General meeting.

Member Qualification Requirements include:

- Land Use candidates must be interviewed by the Interview Committee which includes the Land Use Chair and Co-Chairs. Interview committee to include a LUC/CVTC member.
- The Interview Committee will make recommendations to the Town

Council to fill the Land Use Committee.

- One committee member will be appointed Recording Secretary who is the custodian of the Committee's records and minutes. The Recording Secretary shall call the rolls; ensure that minutes are taken and certify the correctness of the minutes of each regular meeting and enter them in the official minute book. In the event of their absence, the Recording Secretary is responsible for finding another Committee member to assume their responsibilities.
- Absenteeism amounting to two out of any six consecutive Land Use meetings without an excuse acceptable to the Land Use Chair shall indicate a lack of interest in serving. The Land Use Committee's Recording Secretary shall be responsible for keeping attendance records.
- The committee members must be approved by the regular Town Council membership at a General Meeting.
- In the event that a regular member of the Committee does not complete his/her term, including, but not limited to resignation, discipline, or removal from the Town Council or Land Use Committee, a replacement shall be appointed by the Land Use Chair and ratified by a majority vote of the regular members of the Town Council.
- The regular Town Council will appoint a minimum of one regular member to represent the Town Council at Regional Planning/Hearing Officer Hearings.

Member Submission Requirement

*Discretionary: All items which require a hearing by either the Regional Planning Commission or Hearing Officer.

Motion to approve: Rabinov 1st, Studebaker 2nd: Motion passes unanimously

Correspondence, Corresponding Secretary Davis

Treasurer Report, Treasurer Studebaker: Motion 1st Claessens, 2nd Rabinov: Passes Unanimously

Code Enforcement Illegal Signage Foothill, President Battles: 45 businesses will be cited for illegal signage.

GUSD Sagebrush Update, Pres Battles

As has been noted several times GUSD made a promise to our community to have regular quarterly meetings. To include and not be limited to CVTC, Chambers and other community organizations. There have been none scheduled by the Board in the past 6 months. This continues to go to our point about the lack of communication and free discussion with our community.

The last time Superintendent Empey was here, August 2015, he stated, he does not see the Sagebrush issue ever coming together even with the intervention of the consultant.

I am not sure how this statement could be made considering both districts are having their first face-to-face with the consultant on December 1.

There are several other options that are being suggested by the consultant, due to those not being discussed with the districts those items would not be released.

Questions: Could the agreement and/or transfer happen without going to a vote of the electorate?

If a waiver of procedure was enacted.

For this to be approved both parties would have to show there was no contention or objection to the County Office Department of Ed.

This certainly not likely due to the years of contention and recent objections.

There is currently no petition submitted by anyone regarding Sagebrush.

With the current meeting schedule if there is to be some type of agreement using the consultant it is likely to happen near the end of December.

Adjournment **9:05 pm in memory of Esther Norbett**

Community events:

November 16- 23rd, Donate a large ornament for the La Crescenta Christmas Tree

Ornaments should be min. 6 inches wide or long, purchased or homemade, dropped off at the La Crescenta

Library, Robbyn Battles office - 2606 Foothill Blvd. or delivered to the November 19th Council meeting.

November 26th, Happy Thanksgiving

December 4, 5:30- 7:30 pm - First Annual Supervisor Antonovich & CV Town Council sponsored

La Crescenta Christmas Tree Lighting main Tree in front of the La Crescenta Library

December 5, 10:00am - 2:00 pm Supervisor Antonovich sponsors "Snow Day" at Two Strike Park

December 5, 6:00 pm 39th Annual Montrose Christmas Parade