

West Ranch Town Council

Minutes of the Meeting Dated:

Wednesday, October 7, 2015
Stevenson Ranch Library Community Room
25950 The Old Road, Stevenson Ranch, CA 91381

MINUTES

A. Call to Order/Welcome/Introduction of Council Members — Dave Bossert

- 6:30 p.m. Call to order. Welcome/Introduction of Council — Dave Bossert

_ Present: Dave Bossert, James Zimmerman & Rick Ryan.

- Absent: Don Fleming & Chuck O'Connell.

B. Approval of prior month's minutes — Motion by Rick Ryan. Second by James Zimmerman. - Approved 0<3).

c. Treasurer's report and banking update — James Zimmerman

-No change.

D. L.A. County Updates.

a. Stevenson Ranch Library — Matt Gill

- Matt Gill gave the following report. The library has been opened for six months. 50,050 people have utilized its services and 131,000 items have been checked out. Mr. Gill described programs and workshops. Mr. Gill announced that the Friends of the Library is formed and will be having its first meeting on October 16, 2015 at the library at 6:30 p.m.

b. L.A. County Parks and Recreation Department Report — Doug Newell

-Doug Newell gave a report concerning upcoming events and programs at The Richard Rioux Park including the Halloween Festival on Saturday, October 24, 2015 between 3:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. including free admission, candy, prizes, refreshments, costume contest for ages 1-10 for trophy prizes, stage entertainment, jumper and much, much more. Mr. Newell also announced that the Flag Football Program for 2015-2016 is forming with coaches' registration to occur on November 21, 2015, player registration to occur on January 9, 2016, coaching meeting on February 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in the park office, practice starting on February 8, 2016, with an 8-game season starting February 27, 2016 and ending April 23, 2016. Mr. Newell also announced the Winter Break Camp for January 4, 2016 to January 8, 2016, 10:00 am to 3:00 p.m., including crafts, games, etc. Mr. Newell also mentioned the Turkey Toss on Wednesday, November 25, 2015 from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

c. L.A. County Sheriff's Liaison Report — Deputy Kevin Duxbury

- Deputy Duxbury reported 10 vehicular burglaries and six petty vehicular thefts (from unlocked cars) in the community during the reporting period as well as only one mail theft reported noting reduction due to extra patrols, home help, etc. Deputy Duxbury also announced the Safe Shred on Saturday, November 7, 2015 from 7:00 am to noon for documents, small electrical disposal, hard drives, etc.

d. California Highway Patrol Liaison Report — Officer Christopher Proper

- Officer Proper announced 16 reported motor vehicle accidents mostly in the Valencia Market Place Shopping Center, a road rage incident at the end of Valencia Blvd. (apparently related to school drop-off, resulting in no charges for the all verbal incident), 3 DUI arrests, etc. He also discussed the water main break, the Start Smart Program for 15.5 to 18 years old at the Newhall Library on November 14, 2015 and the Canyon Country Library on November 17, 2015. Officer Proper also mentioned that the very last Castaic Love Ride will occur on October 18, 2015 with an expectation of 10,000-15,000 attendees.

e. Newhall Land Status Report — Alex Harrell

- Mr. Harrell reported that on September 29, 2015 the Mission Village Project decision was affirmed by the California Court of Appeals.

f. L.A. County Supervisor Antonovich's Office Report — Rosalind Wayman

- Ms. Wayman was unable to attend.

E. Guest Speakers: Millie Jones, Field Deputy, 12th District, Council Member Mitchell Englander's representative; Juvenal Arroyo, COLA Road Maintenance Supervisor, Castaic; and Andre Hollings, Field Representative for Assembly Member, 38th District, Scott Wilk.

- Millie J. Jones gave an extensive report regarding roadway improvements and planned improvements for the future to The Old Road/San Fernando Rd/Balboa "corridor." Ms. Jones noted that there are 20,000 commuter vehicles per day using his corridor and three different jurisdictions responsible for repairs and improvements, including the County of Los Angeles and two City of Los Angeles Council Districts (12th and 7th). Ms. Jones reported improvements made by the 12th District for the City of Los Angeles including transportation improvements, street lights and signals, curb and gutters, additional lanes and other Improvements which are planned by the Bureau of Street Services (such improvements being out to bid to start in mid2016 taking a year to complete). Ms. Jones reported funding issues regarding decreased revenue because of better mileage from gasoline automobiles and electrical automobiles.

- Juvenal Arroyo, who replaced Bob Holmes, reported that there are no current plans by the County of Los Angeles to work on the Old Road south of Pico to the city line.

- Andre Hollings reported procedures to bring to the attention of Assemblyman Wilk problems with potholes and other issues. State budget problems were explained, etc.

F. Old Business: - Dave Bossert

- Mentryville Coalition is meeting on Thursday, October 8, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Room of the Stevenson Ranch Library. Further report to follow.

G. New Business:

- a. Candidates to succeed Supervisor Michael Antonovich for the 5th District, including Kathryn Barger and Mitchell Englander, were invited to address the West Ranch Town Council next spring.
- b. County Wide Parks and Needs Assessment — Dave Bossert

There was a meeting to be attended by Dave Bossert on October 15, 2015 to work on this needs assessment program.

H.Public Comment:

- James Zimmerman announced his retirement from the West Ranch Town Council having served for about 13 years. The audience showed their appreciation for James' consistent support of the community and his commendable volunteerism.

I.Adjournment:

- Next meeting is Wednesday, November 4, 2015 to be held at the Stevenson Ranch Library.

RJR/rjm