

## LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

December 10, 2018

- Call to Order -Michael Publicker- 7:00
- Pledge to the Flag - Michael Publicker
- Roll Call - Ed Simms-
  - Michael Publicker- present, Peggy Fuller- present, Jessica Reaves- present, Chris Benjamin- present, and Ed Simms- present.
- Approval of October Minutes - Ed Simms
  - Peggy Fuller brought up a correction was necessary to the minutes. Under “new business” the names of the banks needed to be added. Peggy then moved to accept the corrected minutes, and Chris Benjamin seconded, and the corrected minutes were accepted
- Treasurer's Report - Peggy Fuller
  - California Bank and Trust account started out with \$6740.70 at the 1st of November. Put in money from Oktoberfest and paid out expenses for Oktoberfest for an ending balance of \$7200.63. Still have 3 CD's at California Bank and Trust. The Edward Jones account beginning balance needs to change to \$2507.08 Another correction was to change the CD at Edward Jones to \$15,000. Total assets are \$104,210.81. Peggy brought up the possibility of moving the accounts at California Bank and Trust to the Edward Jones because the interest is so much better. Will be discussed in the Finance committee meeting.

### Guest Speakers

- Erik Villa and David Lee came from L.A. County Public Works Traffic Division to update Council on current and ongoing traffic studies. Recently completed a study at Elizabeth Lake Road and Ave O-8 West. They installed additional curve warning signs because of collisions there. Motorists were taking the curve at high speeds. Currently doing a study for a possible all way stop at ELR and Bouquet Canyon Rd. and Godde and ELR. Will look into a study for ELR and 90th to see if additional controls should be added. The only way to change speed limits is to conduct a traffic survey based on prevailing speeds which may not be helpful to lowering speed limits in the area. The intersection of Bouquet and Vasquez was brought up because of more delay for locals. Their study indicated that the volume was about 4:1 Vasquez: Bouquet resulting in the re-configuration. Modification was made to accomodate

more vehicles. There is a signal planned for that location. The limited visibility from Bouquet was also brought up. A blinking stop sign was suggested by a community member for ELR and 90th. The traffic engineer responded that there is currently a pilot program to study their effectiveness and which locations they would be suitable for. They will look into possibility of more advanced warning signs. They expressed that they rely on feedback from the community as well as accident reports in their follow up studies. They were asked about a possible emergency call box in Bouquet Canyon but they did not know if their dept handled that.

There was not a representative from the Sheriff's department present

Officer Dave Muniz of the CHP Newhall office reported that there were 22 citations, 1 DUI arrest and 9 collisions on their jurisdiction of Bouquet. Their office went from 10 hour shifts to 8 hour shifts which results in more units on the roadway each day. He mentioned that they attended a meeting for the Bouquet Restoration Project. He acknowledged that using a mile marker number when reporting an accident is helpful. Also that dash-cam video is helpful evidence for investigation and/ or prosecution. They did an operation on San Francisquito from covert locations that netted several speeders and a few reckless driving arrests. He noted that it would be difficult to perform that type of operation on Bouquet because of the winding road and lack of long range visibility.

Officer Dave Morales of the CHP Antelope Valley office reported that there were 6 collisions and 15 citations since Halloween on their jurisdiction of Bouquet. They keep a log of all their interactions with drivers. They have fewer officers than Newhall and divide their time over a large area. They keep a log of all their interactions with drivers. He said they have to split their time between the trouble areas of San Francisquito, Bouquet, and Angeles Forest Highway.

- Committee Reports
- Association of Rural Town Councils - Peggy Fuller
  - ARTC does not have a meeting until the end of January. The board of supervisors will have a meeting in LA that will have remote access at the Lancaster Library on 12-11
- Community Relations- Jessica Reaves
  - Getting an e-mail list together and looking for people to get involved. Communicating with Alice Benoit to put updates on TC Facebook page and the website.

- Finance Committee - Peggy Fuller
  - Scheduling time and dates for committee meetings for the fourth Monday of each month starting at 5pm with the finance committee and 5:30pm for the Land Use committee. Because that Monday falls on Christmas Eve the date is changed to Thursday, 12-27 at 5pm. The Public Safety Committee will meet at 6pm.
  
- Land Use Committee - Peggy Fuller
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- Community Health and Safety Committee- Chris Benjamin
  - A lot of concerns about the 4-way stop at ELR and 90th were answered by the traffic engineers earlier.
- Water Committee - Peggy Fuller
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- LVIA Announcements
  - LVIA home tour and craft fair made good money. There is a possible New Years Day trail ride and at the end of January a Lazy Lasagne Night.
- SERTOMA Announcements
  - Made \$300 with toy drive. Senior dinner had fewer participants than prior years. .
- Neighborhood Watch Announcements
 

Dark until January.

CERT will hold a CPR class in Jan. or Feb.

Reached the 2nd phase of the B-pod project with a second container. Solar panels, lights and shelves have been installed by the Scouts of America. Ethan Haggard is the eagle Scout volunteer who raised \$1400 for provisioning and fulfilling the Pod.
- WAVHS Announcements
  - Had Memorial Wall brick dedication and book sale.
  - A non-profit has taken over the Louis Bell property and is converting it to use for a program called First Responders First for PTSD treatment for first responders.
- General Public
  - Need a laundromat in this town
  - Drainage issue alongside new driveway needs to be addressed.
- TC Members Comments

- Ed Simms questioned if the council was notified of the Bouquet Restoration Project meeting the the CHP officer had alluded to in his presentation. Peggy will contact Donna from Bargins office to inquire about it. In attendance to tonight's council meeting is Daniel Divita from Bargins office. He also will look into the matter.
- Old Business
  - Nothing
- New Business
  - Swear in and pledge of the new board was conducted by Daniel Divita from Supervisor Bargins office
- Adjourn
- Jessica Reaves made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:24,Chris Benjamin seconded the motion, and all were in favor.