

**LAKE LOS ANGELES RURAL TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010

1. **Call to Order** – President Cole McCandless called the November meeting of the LLARTC to order at 7:09pm, on November 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 at the Twin Lakes Community Church auditorium. He also asked that all cell phones be silenced.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Cole McCandless led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Moment of Silence** – President McCandless called for a moment of silence to be observed.
4. **Welcome & Purpose** – President Cole McCandless welcomed everyone and briefly stated the purpose of the Lake Los Angeles Rural Town Council.
5. **Roll Call & Statement of Quorum** – Roll call was taken by Rec. Sec. Kathy Terrones. Present were Cole McCandless, Kathy Terrones, Elizabeth Andrew, Bob Horsewood, Robin Nute and Donna Sanders. Chris Payne was absent. The two open positions are Vice President and Jr. Alternate. The requirement for a quorum was met.
6. **Acceptance of Agenda** – Cole made the correction that next month's regular meeting would be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> not the 27<sup>th</sup> of December at Twin Lakes Community Church, due to location availability. Robin Nute motioned to accept the agenda with correction and Donna Sanders seconded. There was no discussion and all approved.

**COUNCIL BUSINESS**

7. **Acceptance of October Minutes** – Robin Nute motioned to accept the October Minutes and Donna Sanders seconded. There was no discussion and all approved with one abstention from Kathy Terrones.
8. **Treasurers Report** – The Treasurers Report was given by Bob Horsewood. The balance on Oct. 26, 2010 was \$667.21 there were no receipts, however we did have 3 disbursements in the total amount of \$292.12. Our new current balance on Nov. 23, 2010 is \$375.09. A motion to accept the Treasurers Report as given was made by Donna Sanders and Elizabeth Andrews seconded. Discussion was called for and Elizabeth Andrews requested a reimbursement for her application fee. The council all seemed to agree that that could be taken care of tonight. The vote was called. All agreed to accept the report as given with one abstention by Bob Horsewood. (copies of the Treasures Report and bank statement are attached)

## 9. Committee Reports –

- BYLAWS CORRECTION COMMITTEE – Dominic Fohrenkam reported that the committee was continuing to work on corrections and he would notify members of the committee when he schedules another meeting.
- ELECTION COMMITTEE – Kristi Kennedy before she read her report (copy attached), she wanted to acknowledge some additional volunteers with Thank-you gifts. They were as follows Donna Sanders, Cheryl Horsewood, Bob Horsewood, and Dominic Fohrenkam. The last gift was for Diane (Last name inaudible) who was not present. Kristi then went on to read her prepared report which included the election results (please refer to attached copy of report).
- COMMUNITY STANDARDS COMMITTEE – Donna Sanders announced the next meeting of the CSD Committee would be on November 29, 2010 at Burger Basket @ 7:00pm.

## 10. Community Comments

- ❖ Maurice Kunke – wanted to bring to the Council’s attention:
  - 1) A resident on Highacres near Lake Los Angeles Ave. & 178<sup>th</sup> St. E was conducting repairs on semi-trucks that are illegal activity for the zoning in that area. In addition some of these trucks are being parked on the street, which is illegal itself, and has now also become a traffic and safety hazard.
  - 2) He had noticed (as many of us have) that residents were moving mobile homes onto the rear of their properties. This is already a zoning violation, but now many of these homes are being lived in. This is an added concern such as the added strain to the septic systems.
    - COUNCIL RESPONSE – Cole McCandless and Bob Horsewood discussed with the community that in an effort to be good neighbors the possibility of approaching these residents one-on-one, especially concerning the truck repair issue. There is an attempt to address this issue, in particular, in our Community Standards. In response to the mobile home issue Bob & Cole emphasized that it is good policy, as a concerned citizen, any of us should talk to the individuals first and make them aware of any ordinances they may be violating. Dominic Fohrenkam then made the community aware of the number anyone can call to get information from the county. Concerned citizens can call 211 anytime for county assistance.
- ❖ Kristi Kennedy – had 3 informational announcements.
  - 1) She informed the community that Melita Duncan, from AVHAS who spoke at our August regular meeting, and herself would be starting a program the first week in December called Catch and Release in the area of Ave O and 170<sup>th</sup>. They are asking for cooperation from the community by not setting out cans of food for them. The cats will be caught, spayed or neutered, marked with a little clip to the ear so they know which ones have been done and then released back in the wild. The trapping will actually be done on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.

- 2) She received an email about SR2 still being closed from La Canada Flintridge to Mount Wilson. The excavation is still ongoing and SR2 is estimated to open again in late November.
- 3) She receive an email from Macy's which was directed mainly to the Council members for supporting their Charity Day Grand Opening. It is a special invitation to participate in another discount event called Macy's Friends & Family. (Email & Flyer attached.)

### **OLD BUSINESS**

11. **Town Council Sign** – Robin reported that after the sign had been painted and before it was ready to be written on, it was vandalized with graphiti. So she went out and bought additional supplies to repaint it. However, by the time she got there to repaint it somebody had fixed it for us. Now, provided there is no more vandalism, the sign is now ready to be written on.
12. **CSD Survey request update** – Kathy Terrones reported that after conducting an exhaustive search, the surveys were not found. She did however locate the original notebook with the sign-in sheets and also included was the results of the surveys. She also has provided the newer members of the CSD Committee with a copy of these results. Every effort was made to locate the surveys; however she fears they may have been thrown away. She feels she has done her best but is unable to further comply with this request.
13. **Open alternate seats** – President Cole McCandless announced the two alternate seats on the council were available. John Morawski volunteered for the Sr. Alternate seat appointment. There were no other volunteers for the Sr. Alternate seat. There was some discussion and questions to determine if John Morawski was qualified. Robin Nute then motioned to appoint John to the Sr. Alternate seat. Donna Sanders seconded. The majority of the council approved the appointment.  
President Cole McCandless announced the Jr. Alternate seat was the only opening left to fill and asked if there were any more volunteers from the community. At this time, community member Leanne Prosser was the only volunteer. There was a more in depth discussion and even opposition from the Election Committee Chairperson, Kristi Kennedy as well as newly elected members of the council. Cole then asked for a motion to officially open up the meeting for discussion. Robin Nute so motioned and Elizabeth Andrew seconded. Bob Horsewood then continued the discussion, voicing his concerns. The council then discussed the tabling of this topic. Elizabeth Andrew so motioned and Cole McCandless seconded. The majority of the council agreed to table this issue until the December Planning meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

14. **Certify Election Results** – Robin Nute motioned to accept the Election Report and certify the election results. Elizabeth Andrew seconded the motion. The majority approved and the motion passed.
15. **Explanation/Announcement of the reassignment of seat #3** – Cole McCandless announced that due to the resignation of Scott Lezak, the councils' Jr. Alternate, Donna Sanders, was immediately reassigned to fill that seat

number. Unfortunately due to the timing of his resignation, Donna Sanders no longer had time to turn in her application for re-election and lost her opportunity to serve on the council.

16. **Slate of Officers Committee** – Robin Nute motioned to appoint Cole McCandless as Chairman of the Slate of Officers Committee. Donna Sanders seconded. The majority of the council agreed, Cole McCandless abstained, the motion passed and Cole accepted the appointment.
17. **Audit Committee** – Robin Nute motioned to appoint Kathy Fohrenkam as Chairperson to the Audit Committee. Donna Sanders seconded. The majority of the council agreed, Bob Horsewood abstained, and the motion passed.

### **GUEST SPEAKERS –**

- Norm Hickling – Deputy Field Supervisor for Mike Antonovich – UPDATE: Mike Antonovich voted no on the ban of plastic bags in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles. We are still waiting for an available date from Mike Antonovich to schedule the ground breaking ceremony for the Community Building at the park.
- Sheriff's Department Update – Deputy Ferril sitting in for Deputy Hill. (Some questions were asked and answers given most of which is inaudible on the tape.) The one question that I could make out had to do with STAT's and the answer was that in general the statistics were down in our area.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS –**

- ✓ Dominic Fohrenkam / Park Assoc. – announced that at least 40 bags were given away for Thanksgiving. Coming up: on December 18<sup>th</sup> the Park will be hosting Pictures with Santa & Toy give away. Event starts at 12pm (noon) and the Tree Lighting will be immediately after dark and then the Parade of Lights.

### **NEXT MEETINGS -**

- Planning meeting: 7:00pm on December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010 @ Stephen Sorensen County Park.
- Regular meeting: 7:00pm on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2010 @ Twin Lakes Community Church

### **ADJOURNMENT**

18. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:22pm by Elizabeth Andrew. It was seconded by Donna Sanders. The majority approved and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Terrones, Recording Secretary  
Lake Los Angeles Rural Town Council  
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