



MINUTES

November 17, 2011

La Crescenta Library Community Room

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1. Call to Order & Welcome 7PM President Davis
2. Presentation of Colors by the CV High School JROTC and Flag Salute led by Boy Scout Troops 303, 317, 118, 319, 288 and 507 coordinated by Harriet Hammons
3. Invocation by the Boy Scouts telling what they are thankful for from the library, to fire, police, veterans and more.
4. Roll Call Absent were Robbyn Battles, Dr. Suh, Odalis Suarez, Charley Shelton Recording Secretary Erickson
New members present in audience were Frank Beyt and Mike Claessens
5. Approval of Minutes from October 20, 2011 Todd moved and Charlie Beatty seconded. All approved.
6. Presentation to Dr. Joe (Dr. Joseph Graziani) Councilmember Harry Leon
Dr. Joe was one of the founders of AYSO Region 88 in Glendale some 35 years ago and has refereed ever since. Ross Bolson Asst Regional Commissioner of AYSO spoke of all that Dr Joe has done for AYSO and offers his thanks from the whole AYSO community in Glendale. Glendale is the largest region in the whole country, bigger than many states. Dr Joe spends every soccer weekend running up and down the field for the kids. He teaches others how to referee as well. President Carter asked him years ago to help find peace between Israel and Egypt. He speaks 7 languages fluently. He has written books as a chiropractor and is a musician as well. The Town Council was proud to salute him.
7. First Responder's Reports
 - a. CHP Officer Kevin Denmon passed out statistics regarding citations for last two months comparing them to previous year. It was interesting that the citations and accidents are down since the new Officer Rodriguez took over our area. They still have complaints from the Rosemont area due to parents dropping off students on the east side of Rosemont. They are to drive through the drop off zone.
On Orange Ave the radar trailer has been there for 3 weeks and seems to have reduced problems.
Chips for Kids drive for toys for children will be next month. He will take any unwrapped toy we bring to our mtg or drop off at Walgreens.
The CHP offers baby car seat inspections free of charge and recommends new car seats after 6 years.
 - b. Los Angeles Sheriff Captain Silversparre passed out the crime report and commented on a parent over-disciplining their children so that they had to take children away. House burglaries were due to unlocked doors, key under the mat and an available ladder to reach second floor access. He asked that we call right away if we see something suspicious. In La Canada there were 5 burglaries in one day but they were not alerted for an hour and a half, too late to catch the thieves. Cell phones are being taken at CVHS. Last night there were 3 vehicle burglaries. Deputy Jorge Valdivia told of the sheriff toy and food drive in Dec. Last year they delivered 2 baskets of food and toys to children under 12 to 150 families in the Foothills. They will have containers around town to collect food and unwrapped toys. They have been doing this for 21 years.
Harry Leon asked about commercial trucks parking overnight on Foothill Blvd by OSH, Ralphs and on the La Crescenta Avenue freeway overpass. Since La Canada and Glendale will not allow they seem to be coming to our area. They have been warned to park elsewhere and will get a ticket. Harry said Crosstown Towing has been parking for 6 months. They will call this to the attention of their early morning crew. Charles Beatty asked if we could tell them where they can park. It's the trucker's job to find a place to park.
Captain Silversparre told of false fire inspectors getting people to sign bills and being billed for a fire inspection. Do not sign anything. Only the Fire Dept. does inspections at no cost.
8. Public Comments and Community Announcements
 - Roger Young, CV Fire Safe Council thanked Steve Goldsworthy for his service to the community before he goes off the council.
 - Mike Baldwin, American Legion said the Veterans' Day ceremony had 400 names submitted for their Walk. They have been going to schools and the children who collect \$25 in donations for their new wall will get to walk next to their float in the parade. Upcoming events include the Canteen Night at the Woman's Club on Dec 8th at 6 pm, Pancake Breakfast in February and the spring 5k run. By June 2012 they hope to have raised the funds needed for the Two Strike Memorial Wall to be finished by end of summer. Warren Spayth, VFW 1614 Commander thanked Cheryl for letting them put a thermometer showing their fund raising progress in her front yard. Cheryl asked that they fold a flag the council received from the military Koegler family at a future meeting.
 - Marta Wiggins, La Crescenta Library will have artists at library tomorrow night 6:30 to 8 pm who did the paintings displayed around the community room. Next month will be teen artist presenting their art.
Mother Daughter Tea is Dec 10th and she can take up to 60 people so sign up early for a Winter Wonderland.

- Steve Pierce, CV Chamber of Commerce by Cheryl to remember the Montrose Christmas Parade Sat Dec 3rd.
- Mary O'Keefe, Prom Plus and Fire House prom Plus will not have the traditional home tour this year due to lack of new homes to tour. Instead they will have a Holiday Boutique at St Luke's with a tour of the firehouse and the church. Handmade crafts will be featured Dec 10th 9 to 4pm
The firehouse needs food to feed 45 to 50 kids on Tuesdays and another 45 Rosemont kids on Thursday morning.
 - Charles Beatty thanked the council for volunteering for Oktoberfest and presented checks to the council and to the Womans Club from the Montrose Chamber.
 - Marti Marshall mentioned Scouting for Food this Saturday with sorting at the American Legion Hall from 10 to 4

9. Introduction of Frank Gonzales, Deputy Director, East County Community Services Agency by Al Evans. We are now to be in the East County instead of the North County.

There are 2 ongoing proposals for CV Park - the outdoor Theater which Robert Thomas started and a skateboard park which Mary O'Keefe presented from the Fire House kids. It could be a portable skate park.

The Transition from North to East should be simple and Al is not leaving. East is headquartered out of Baldwin Park.

Frank Gonzales was with us for our first Arbor Day and our rained out one as well so he knows our area from the past.

Cheryl asked about the Dog Park status. Construction should start by Dec 1 with completion in late April.

Mike Claessens asked about the Two Strike baseball field being locked. They ball players were concerned about dogs ruining the fields before baseball games but said the field is now unlocked. Dogs should be kept on leash with fines about \$300 given out by park police. Al can be called any time 661 510 4149.

10. Public Works Presentation 2011-2012 Winter Preparation and Status –Pat Wood of LA county Flood Control presented statistics to prepare us for the rainy season. Last year we had 39 inches of rain which was 144% of normal. This year is to be a La Nina not as severe as last year but no one knows for sure.

We have 10 debris basins in the unincorporated area with 3 enlarged in 2010. Starfall went from 15k to 28k cubic feet, Pinelawn from 32k to 48 k cubic feet and Pickens from 125k to 156k cubic feet. A new culvert above Canyonside was installed in 2011 with a 6ft pipe to divert the runoff into Pickens Canyon. The K rails will remain to deflect runoff from structures. Do not try to dam the flow but implement protection measures. The entire presentation is on their website dpw.lacounty.gov/wrd/fire. The Hotline is 800 214 4020. They will update notifications at 7am and 5 pm on their Care site dpw.lacounty.gov/CARE. Sediment disposal sites remain Dunsmuir in Glendale and May in Sylmar or local landfills at School or Sunshine. Harry Leon asked about La Tuna Canyon for debris. They prefer gravel pits in the valley.

11. 2011 CV Town Council Election Report and Slate of Nominations for 2012 Officers – Election Chair Cheryl Davis reported the election results for Sat Nov 5th with 7 candidates and one withdrawing leaving only 6 so all are winners. We received 8 requests for AV ballots. The requests were available one month before the election. 3 AV votes came in after the deadline. The regular 3 year seats go to Danette Erickson, Frank Beyt and Charles Beatty with alternates being Odalis Suarez, Robert Thomas and Mike Claessens. 159 ballots were cast with 2 being disqualified for they voted for more than 3 candidates. Of the \$240 collected for candidate fees only \$50 was spend to feed the volunteers who worked the election.

The slate of officers is President Cheryl Davis, VP Frank Beyt, Cor Sec Robbyn Battles and both treasurer and rec sec are open at this time. Nominations from the floor at Dec meeting are accepted. Supervisor Antonovich will be here to install us in Dec and we will have a Holiday party arranged by Todd Thornbury. Todd will also email us details for the Christmas parade.

12. Council Business

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| a. Correspondence | None | |
| b. Approval of September & October 2011 Treasurer's Reports | Not ready | |
- Dennis reminded us of Silent Auction for \$500 gym certificate is ongoing on our website for \$200 opening bid.

13. Committee Reports and Items from Council

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| a. Residential R1 Subcommittee | no report | Councilmember Thomas |
| b. Foothill CSD Correction Subcommittee | no report | Vice President Goldsworthy |
| c. CV DAPC Alcohol Sales Sub-Committee | no report | Councilmember Suarez |
| d. Charles Beatty Art Walk in Montrose this Saturday from 9 to 4pm | | |

14. Announcements

- La Crescenta Freeway Off-ramp Cleanup – Sat November 19, 8:30-9:15 a.m.
- Montrose Christmas Parade – Sat December 3, 6:10 p.m.
- CV Woman's Club & CV Chamber "CV USO Canteen Night" - Thu December 8, 6:00-9:00 p.m. at the La Crescenta Woman's Club (4004 La Crescenta Ave.) \$25 Admission includes a drink ticket and dinner will be buffet. Dress: 1940s, Military, or anything to the era. Proceeds benefit the Two Strike Memorial Wall.
- **CV Town Council Regularly Scheduled Land Use Meeting in the La Crescenta Library Community Room – Thu December 8, 6:30 p.m.**
- La Crescenta Freeway Off-ramp Cleanup – Sat December 10, 8:30-9:15 a.m.
- **CV Town Council Meeting in the La Crescenta Library Community Room - Thu December 15, 7:00 p.m., includes seating of the 2012 Council, election of 2012 Officers and Holiday Party**

15. Adjourn at 8:44 PM

Danette Erickson, Rec Secretary