



ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL

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MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JUNE 15 2010

7:00 p.m. Altadena Community Center

1. CALL TO ORDER (7:05 p.m.)

1.1 Pledge of Allegiance-----Tecumseh Shackelford

1.2 Roll Call

CT	Member	Status	CT	Member	Status
4601	Phil Barela	P	4610	Tecumseh Shackelford	P
4601	Gino Sund	P	4610	Gene Campbell	A
4602	Greg Middleton	P	4611	Allan Wasserman	E
4602	Okorie Eizeme	P	4611	Gaurav Malhotra	E
4603.01	Alice Wessen	E	4612	Ruth Edwards	P
4603.01	Doug Colliflower	P	4612	Jamie Bissner	P
4603.02	Ken Roberts	P	4613	Susan Goldman	E
4603.02	Sandra Thomas	E	4613	Lorie Judsen	P

P: Present; E: Excused Absence; A: Absent

2. OFFICER'S REPORTS

2.1 Recording Secretary -----Alice Wessen

Motion to accept the minutes for April and May. Motion made by D. Colliflower, second by L. Judson. No discussion. Minutes approved.

2.2 Corresponding Secretary---Jamie Bissner

Letter from Assemblyman A. Portantino inviting ATC to participate in the 2nd Annual HIV Testing Day.

2.3 Treasurer-----Tecumseh Shackelford

Report submitted, current balance \$1563.79.

2.4 Vice Chair----Ruth Edwards

Reported on the ATC Executive Committee meeting preparation of the agenda, discussion of the well-run elections by R. Meyer. She reported that a letter from an Altadena resident accusing three Council members of ethical violations was reviewed by the Executive Committee. The issue was use of their name and title as council members in an ad endorsing an assemblyman. The assemblyman's office was contacted for details, and a letter of apology was sent to Chair Sund, noting that it was clerical error. In the review, each of the council members also said that they did not give any permission to use their names in that manner. The incident is closed with no further action required. It was emphasized that the Council cannot use their name or position for any endorsement or personal gain, a key element of the Ethical Standards.

2.5 Chairman-----Gino Sund

Chair Sund congratulated the Election Committee chaired by R. Meyer on a good election. There were four contested races and many votes, and while reports of some issues of conduct were reported, the ATC takes the

Ethical Standards quite seriously. He noted that the new council will be seated in July. He commended S. Goldman for her six years of service to the ATC, being replaced by candidate D. Marcussen.

Chair's annual verbal report for July 2009 – June 2010 was provided noting key points of resolving ethical issues, replacing mail drop boxes at 3 locations,
Due to the large number of public present it was decided to move Public Comment up in this agenda.

(10.) PUBLIC COMMENT

3. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

3.1 Altadena Sheriff's Station-----Roosevelt Johnson (Captain Steve McLean)

Lt.. Johnson reported 187 arrests in May, 79% misdemeanors, 20% felonies. He introduced Lt.Joe Dempsey, a new Lieutenant in charge of detectives at the station.

3.2 California Highway Patrol-----Officer Ming Yang Hsu

Offc. Hsu reported that any concerns with speeding should call 626-296-8100 and request to speak to him or Tom Miller. There was some speeding at_____ that was of concern and was being monitored.

4. 2010 ELECTION

4.1 ELECTION COMMITTEE REPORT-----Bob Meyer

Committee Chair R. Meyer reported that the election was covered by the Pasadena Weekly and the Star news, with 739 votes being cast, 639 in contested races. For example in 2009 and 2010 respectively, 4610 had 10 voters and then 190 this year; and 4613 had 6 versus 89 this year. He thanked the 45 volunteers which are essential for the election. Meyer noted issues to address:

- campaigning near polls, suggests to move the limit from 100 to 300 feet
- presence of other active supporters, also to 300 feet distance
- problematic when some candidates wanted to monitor the polls, that is the task of the Election Committee
- some people wanted to vote without identification, so better guidelines on what ID to accept
- consider a poll open mid-week

Meyer says that the Election Rules should be revised prior to next year's election

5. SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

5.1 WAPAC-----Gene Campbell/Ken Roberts

Nothing to report.

5.2 WATER TASK FORCE-----Marietta Kruells

Plan to meet June 23 and will report at July meeting.

6. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

6.1 Chamber of Commerce-----Doug Colliflower

6.2 Altadena Library-----Cassandra Mitchell(Barbra Pearson)

Highlighted the summer reading program.

6.3 L.A. County Parks Dept-----Lorraine Martinez

6.4 Sheriff's Support Group-----Bill Westphal

7. CENSUS TRACT REPORTS

8. OLD BUSINESS

Members were reminded to place orders for ATC shirts.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Review of Ethical Standards

9.2 Nominating Committee for new Town Council officers

The Officer Nominating Committee was appointed with K. Roberts as Chair, and including P. Barela and S. Thomas. The schedule is to notify the Committee if you are willing to serve as an ATC Officer by June 29; July 6 recommendations will be determined; officer elections will be held at the July 20 meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15p.m.