ALTADENA TOWN COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
January 21, 2020
7:00 p.m.
730 East Altadena Drive
Altadena, California 91001

1. CALL TO ORDER 7:03 PM
1.1 Pledge of Allegiance ______________ Chamber of Commerce – Doug Colliflower
   Introduced by Billy Malone
1.2 Roll Call ____________________________________________ Pat Sutherlen
   Antonio Becerra, Sylvia Vega, Patricia Sutherlen, Dorothy Wong, Gloria Sanyika, Billy
   Malone, Dr. Reginald Wilkins, Victoria Knapp, Diane Marcussen, Nick Santangelo, Jeff
   Simmonds, (12 present)
   Arron Tschida Veronica Jones, Dr. Sandra Thomas . Jennifer Lee (4 excused absent)

1.3 Approve January 21, 2020 meeting Agenda ______________ Pat Sutherlen

   The January 21, 2020 agenda was voted on and approved with the following
   additions: 8.2 Census Tract Report – 4601, 8.3 Census Tract Report 4612

2. OFFICERS’ REPORT
2.1 Chairman _______________________________________________ Billy Malone

   Chairman Malone shared information with the Community regarding Altadena’s
   Homeless Count which was taking place simultaneously with the town council meeting.
   Several council members were participating in the homeless count.

2.2 Vice Chairman ____________________________________________ Pat Sutherlen

   Vice Chair Sutherlen reminded everyone how to request public comment by filling out
   the comment cards and staying within the two-minute time limit.

2.3 Recording Secretary _______________________________________ Pat Sutherlen

   2.3.1. Approve December 17, 2019 meeting Minutes

   A motion was made to approve the minutes of December 17, 2019. A vote was taken and
   the minutes were approved as presented in final form.

2.4 Treasurer _______________________________________________ Jennifer Lee

   The account is funded by donations from the community. Donations are welcomed by
   the Town Council.
2.5 Corresponding Secretary ____________________________ Dorothy Wong

Altadena Community events can be found on the web-site: altadenatowncouncil.org

All meetings are recorded and can be viewed on YouTube.

3 PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS

3.1 California Highway Patrol ___________________________ Officer Cooper

Officer Cooper reported vehicle stats for the month of December as follows: There were 19 collisions, 16 included property damage and six collisions resulted in injuries. There was a total of 3 DUIs. CHP would be participating in the Black History parade on February 15. The parade starts in Altadena and ends in Pasadena.

Officer Cooper also informed the community of 11 new officers reporting to the Altadena CHP office on February 2.

3.2 Altadena Sheriff’s Station ____________________________ No report

Altadena Sheriffs were participating in the homeless count.

3.3 Fire ____________________________ Maria Grycan

Maria Grycan presented the fire report for the month of December. The Fire Department responded to a total of 382 calls, 323 medical calls, 239 transported and 20 traffic collisions, 8 fires of which 2 were structure fires and 2 were caused by gas leaks.

3.4 Map Your Neighborhood ____________________________ Sharon Collins

Sharon Collins reported that 15% of Altadena’s neighborhoods have participated in the MAP Your Neighborhood disaster training. On February 9 there will be a MAP hosted training at the Altadena Country Club from 4-6 p.m. MAP Your Neighborhood focuses on what to do during an earthquake and personal preparedness for any type of natural disaster. This training is recommended for everyone.

4. COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.1 Land Use Committee ____________________________ Diane Marcussen

Councilmember Marcussen reported that there was no land use meeting in the month of December. Meetings are not held when there are no actual items to be voted on. Land Use meets 1st Tuesday of the month.
4.2 Safe Streets Committee ____________________________Dorothy Wong

Councilmember Wong shared information on the new events that the Safe Streets Committee will be hosting. Street Story 101 will be held on February 20th at the Altadena Center. Participants will be able to use the Street Story tool to engage in the collection of information about transportation collisions, near-misses, general hazards and safe locations to travel. UC Berkeley SafeTREC will be at the meeting to demonstrate the use of the Street Story tool. Participants will be able to share stories regarding traffic safety issues.

Learn can learn more about the tool by going to: https://safetrec.berkeley.edu/tools/street-story-platform-community-engagement

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

5.1 Tuskegee Airmen Event _______________________________Eugene Hutchins

Mr. Hutchins extended a personal invite to the community for the Oliver Goodall dedication on Sunday February 16, 2020. Oliver Goodall was a Tuskegee Airmen. Oliver Goodall and his fellow Tuskegee Airman will be honored with the unveiling of a plaque placed at the house in Altadena where Mr. Goodall lived for over 50 years. More information can be found at: www.theolivergoodallproject.com

5.2 Reading Partners ____________________________ Analise Cabral

Ms. Cabral shared information regarding Reading Partners, a non-profit, seeking volunteers to work with children to improve their reading skills. Volunteers are asked to be mentors and tutors.

More information can be found at: wwwREADINGPARTNERs.ORG/LOS-ANGELES

5.3 Amigos De Los Rios ___________________________ Claire Robinson

Claire Robinson shared information regarding the work that Amigos De Los Rios is doing in the community. This organization works to protect and educate communities about climate change. Strom water management and protecting urban communities from the threats of climate change is an important part of Amigos mission. Habitat around Jackson Elementary is part of Amigos’ work.

More information can be found at: www.amigosdelosrios.ORG

6. ALTADENA COMMUNITY REPORTS

6.1 Chamber of Commerce ___________________________ Doug Collifower

Mr. Collifower invited everyone to the Chamber’s Installation Dinner on January 31 being held at the Altadena Country Club. New Board members will be installed and the Business of the Year and Citizen of the Year will be honored.

For more information: www.altadenachamber.org
6.2 Altadena Library

Nikki Winslow, Director

The Library Director, Nikki Winslow share information about upcoming library events with the town council and community. The library has completed its strategic plan and it will voted on by the Board of Directors at the next library board meeting. The library has partner with Census L.A. to make sure the community is informed about and completes the census.

More information on the library's web-site: altadenalibrary.org

7. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Stacy Whitney - Altadena Farmers Market
Sara Griggs - Homeless Outreach/Farmers Market
Granny Shakur - Sheriff - Young Black Man/Resident
Brissa Page - Homeless

8. Census Tract Report -

4603.01 Dorothy Wong - support for framers market

4601 Jeff Simmonds shared information on the community meeting on January 29 regarding Mt. Lowe Median re-landscaping plans by LA County

4612 Reggie Wilkins - reminded everyone of he Eliot Science Night there will be 200 science organizations participating in the science night.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made to adjourn meeting. The motion was unanimously passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m. The entire meeting is available for viewing on YouTube.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CONTENT:

Veronica L. Jones, Recording Secretary