

West Ranch Town Council
Minutes for the Meeting Dated: September 5, 2007

- A. Call to Order at 6:35pm
 - a. Present: Dave Bossert, Ron Meschner Randall Winter, Brian Toqe, Betty Griffin, Don Fleming
 - b. Absent: Betty Griffin
- B. Approval of August Minutes
 - a. Approved 6-0
- C. Treasurer's Report and Banking Update
 - a. Bank account balance – \$2,552.27
- D. Los Angeles County Updates:
 - a. Parks & Recreation
 - i. Youth Soccer starts this Saturday at Richard Rio Park.
 - ii. Outdoor movie – Sat Sept 15th from 8-10pm.
 - iii. Concert on Oct 15.
 - iv. Brit-west Soccer is putting on free soccer clinic on Sept 12th from 6-7:30. Open to anyone interested in soccer.
 - v. Skateboard park committee is not being formed – the purpose is to perform fact-finding and to give direction to the skate parks.
 - b. Sheriff's Update – Lt. Brenda Cambra
 - i. This was a good month because of low crime, but there were still minor burglaries, curfew tickets, etc. Prevention would have been very helpful in all these incidents.
 - c. CHP – Sgt. Lund not present tonight
 - i. One fatal accident recently.
 - d. Newhall Land – Glen Adamick
 - i. Mission Village presentation for next month.
 - e. Suncal Update on Northlake - Ray Pearl, VP of Fwd Planning and Government Relations
 - i. Apr 11 and June 20 City Planning meetings indicated good support from the community. However the project was taken “off calendar” and at this time they do not know when the project will be back on the calendar.
 - ii. Issues: Regional Planning has a number of technical issues to work out.
 - iii. Regarding the school, SunCal hopes to be back before the planning commission before the end of 2008.
 - f. LA County Update – Rosalind Wayman
 - i. None at this time.
 - g. Jeffrey Smith from Film LA.
 - i. Film LA exists through fees charged to filmmakers. Jeffrey works with film industry to be sure the needs of the residents are met in relation to the film industry. Jeffrey coordinates the needs of citizens, producers, city and county personnel as well.

- ii. Numerous residents expressed SIGNIFICANT issues with the current handling of the film crews.
 - iii. Top of Poe Parkway is one site of filming where residents have complained about parking at the top of the hill. Apparently there is work being done in the early morning hours on that road related to film production. Although there are permits required, the residents complain of significant noise.
 - iv. Don Fleming's HOA has just adopted policy that bans filming in the Estates in Westridge.
 - v. Jeff Stevenson is a good contact to discuss this problem.
 - vi. Suggestion was made to have the crews locate in the park parking lot.
 - vii. According to a Stevenson Ranch resident, Pasadena has adopted a 7am to 8pm workday for film crews.
 - viii. Dave Bossert suggested a meeting with the relevant parties who can solve this issue.
 - h. Sue Solomon is running for re-election to the Newhall School Board. Michael Shapiro is also running for the Newhall School Board. Brief speeches were made presenting their case for election.
 - i. Guest Speaker in October will be Newhall Land.
 - j. Guest Speaker in November is tentatively Cameron Smyth.
- E. Citizen Advisory Group
- a. No update at this time.
- F. Election 2008 – Ron Meschner
- a. Proposal to define the timing of the election period. First priority is to tie the timing to the general election. Also the terms are extended to a four-year term.
 - b. One major reason for this change the timing of the decisions for potential incorporation, annexation or status quo.
 - c. Motion made to put on agenda for October vote. Council members will review further and offer suggestions prior to next meeting.
- G. Motion passed to send flowers to Betty while she recovers.
- H. Security & Public Safety
- a. Neighborhood Watch program to continue
- I. Government Relations Update
- a. Westridge/TPC issue
 - i. Still open item.
 - b. Westridge Update – Brian Toqe
 - i. None at this time.
 - c. Southern Oaks Liasons – Randy Winter
 - i. None at this time.

- d. Sunset Point Liason - Chuck O'Connell
 - i. Two signals on the Old Road (one by Chuys and another by Sage Crest Circle) are in process of being installed. These will likely reduce traffic accidents.
 - ii. No parking signs have been approved all the way to Calgrove on the Old Road.
 - iii. LMD issue is still unresolved. Chuck O'Connell presented the problem, potential solutions and likely next steps for the situation. Consultant could put together solutions for about \$2500 fee.
 - iv. Committee would appreciate the support of the County in dealing with the encroachments and financial responsibilities.
 - v. The County has let this go for 20 years and a couple people on the West Ranch Town Council feel strongly that the County and LMD is responsible to maintain these common areas.
 - vi. Letter is proposed to be drafted and sent to Supervisor Antonovich. Dave Bossert to draft letter for the Council to review.

- e. Governmental Status Exploratory Committee Update
 - i. Update from the consultants has been received. Target delivery date is end of October, but that deadline could be extended beyond that. August was not as productive because the County staff were 100% allocated to year-end duties. Requests are scheduled to go into the County within a couple days from now.

- J. Integrated Regional Water Management Plan Update – Randal Winter
 - a. None at this time.

- K. New Business
 - a. Business Cards
 - i. Dave brought samples for review.
 - b. Website – www.westranchtowncouncil.com & .org
 - i. Site is up and running.

- L. Public Comment
 - a. None.

M. Meeting Adjourned at 7:53pm