

**West Ranch Town Council**  
**Minutes for the Meeting Dated: August 2, 2006**

- A. Call to Order / Roll Call:
  - a. Meeting called to order at 6:33 pm by Ron Mechsner.
  - b. Present: Paul Ash,, Randal Winter, James Zimmerman, Betty Griffin, Brian Toqe, Ron Mechsner
  - c. Absent: Dave Bossert
- B. Approval of June Minutes
  - a. Approved by a vote of 6-0.
- C. Treasurers Report
  - a. New balance of \$2189.75.
- D. Presentations to the Council
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- E. County Business
  - a. Parks and Recreation Department
    - i. Doug detailed Park & Rec programs for July / August
      - 1. Student Soccer registration taking place now. Still need coaches and players.
      - 2. Summer Concerts in the Park; sat August 12, 2006. JD Hall Band – Rhythm & Blues Classic Rock band.
      - 3. Dog Training 8 week program on Saturday mornings. 9am to 10am from July 29 to Sept 16.
      - 4. Girls Softball league starting in September. Recruiting for three divisions from 8yrs to 15yrs.
    - ii. Ron asked about the tennis court status – Doug was to
    - iii. Betty asked about the skateboarding areas. Doug said is has been pretty too hot to judge the attendance. Some kids have been out to the skate park, but they are hoping for more.
  - b. Supervisor Antonovich’s Office – Bob Hauter
    - i. Bob was not present.
- F. Committee Reports
  - a. Community Liaisons:
    - i. Randall Winters - Southern Oaks:
      - 1. Working on issue with gate and 24-hour guard.
    - ii. Brian Toqe – Westridge:
      - 1. Westridge HOA still having elections for community delegates.
    - iii. Chuck O’Connell – Sunset Pointe / Enclave:
      - 1. Parking in front of Chuy’s restaurant is still an issue.
    - iv. Stevenson Ranch HOA:
      - 1.
  - b. Election Discussion
    - i. Ron suggested thinking earlier rather than later about generating turnout. We do not have an official election committee at this time in the bylaws.

- ii. What would it take to get our election included in the general election? Paul Ash indicated that we are not allowed to be included in the same general election “book”, but we are allowed to set up a separate booth at the same time and location – an independent booth. We would need at least two volunteers at each location. Paul Ash is to provide report regarding (1) existing election guidelines and (2) potential of using general election polling place. If the County would like this, then we should discuss what support may be provided.
- c. Security Committee
  - i. We have had several incidents of car break-ins. These have all been related to visible items in the car. It would be helpful to get the word out that the usual targets are items visible from outside the car.
  - ii. We may want to look into updating security cameras at the fountains in Stevenson Ranch.
- d. Government Relations Committee
  - i. Homeless shelter.
    1. Total of 36 possible properties were narrowed down to 9 properties. Criteria is based on how close to residential, industrial and commercial. Also based on transportation and job accessibility.
    2. Six properties are in the City. Two locations are in disputed County or City locations. One location is in the County at entrance of Hasley Canyon where temporary fire station was located during construction. Per Bob Hauter, the land where temporary fire station may be actually city land, but was only granted to the City with express condition that it would never be a land bridge for annexation.
    3. Homeless shelter will be in the same location this year as last year.
  - ii. TPC Club
    1. Paul Ash spoke with Gary Morgan today and with Glen Adamick as well. Will set up meeting for probably middle of August at the course so we will be able to discuss the site.
- e. Public Safety & Security:
  - i. LA County Sheriff – Deputy Zarkowski, Patrick Rissler, Sgt. Wallace
    1. Comp USA building update – graffiti still and issue and they are working with contacting the owner. Property management has been contacted as well.
    2. Fountain graffiti by Vons
    3. Racing on Pico Canyon – Highway patrol is aware of this as well.

4. Patrick Rissler – Neighborhood Watch: need to be proactive and not reactive. Contact for Officer Rissler is 661-799-5159; email is [parissle@lasd.org](mailto:parissle@lasd.org) for setup of meeting by blockwatch captain.
  - a. Paul asked about how large the geographic areas are to be. Long streets may need to be split up – the point is that the group has home easily in sight.
5. Ron added that skateboarding is still a problem. Town Council to request information on forming an ordinance, but that is not a quick fix solution. Sgt Wallace suggested keep the ball rolling with the Justice Department.

ii. CHP

1. School started on August 16, 2006 and CHP was asked to have a good presence.
2. Ron mentioned that Mallory is a problem for speeding.
3. Chuck O’Connell said that traffic on the Old Road at Chuy’s is excessive.
4. Pico Canyon parking of big rigs – Randy said that he thought it was illegal. CHP said they can ask them to move, but it is not illegal in the location they are thinking we are discussion – near Ralphs. Randy requested that no-parking signs be installed. CHP to confirm whether the zone is in fact a no-parking zone.

G. Old Business

- a. No old business to address.

H. Public Comments

- a. Has DR Horton complied with suggestions for La Quinta.
- b. Thanks to the Councilmembers for volunteer work at the July 4<sup>th</sup> Show.
- c. Thanks to the Council on behalf of Waste Management.
- d. Thanks to Waste Management for changing service back to Mondays.
- e. Per Glen Adamick, Lennar is in process of fixing the sprinkler system to the tree that was identified as dying.

I. Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm.