



LEONA VALLEY TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

March 14, 2022

Meeting Conducted at the Community Building

- **Call to Order** - 7:00pm
- **Pledge of Allegiance** – All – Led by Michelle Flanagan
- **Roll Call** – Marie Davis

Michelle Flanagan - President	Present
Jay Bonham – Vice President	Present
Marie Davis – Secretary	Present
Judy Anaya – Treasurer	Present
Marian Wright – Member at Large	Present

- **Deputy Report** –
 - There was a classic vehicle stolen from Leona Avenue on February 4th. There is currently no suspect information, but because of the unique needs and placement of the vehicle, law enforcement believes it was stolen by someone who was familiar with the vehicle.
 - There was a break in at a home on Leona Avenue, no suspect information.
 - There were three successful marijuana grow house raids in the last couple of months.
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- **Approval of Minutes** – Marie Davis
 - Motion to approve the February 14th meeting minutes was made by Marian Wright, seconded by Judy Anaya.
 - Michelle Flanagan – Yes
 - Jay Bonham – Yes
 - Marie Davis – Yes
 - Judy Anaya – Yes
 - Marian Wright-- Yes
 - Motion passed.
- **Treasurer's Report / Finance, Ways and Means**– Judy Anaya
 - See Separate Treasurer's Report for full details
 - Total LVTC assets as of February 25, 2022, are \$112,209.61
 - The CD that matured has been deposited into the money market account.
 - The website renewal fee of was paid
 - All filings are up to date.

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- Judy Anaya made a motion to keep the existing websites and emails associated with LVTC thru GoDaddy.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham No
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes

- **Committee Reports**
 - **Community and Public Relations** – Marian Wright
 - The Facebook page has been active with comments and posts from residents
 - **Community Health, Safety, and Welfare** – Jay Bonham
 - The studies for Bouquet Canyon Rd and Elizabeth Lake Road are still under way. They should be finished in the next 30 days.
 - There is a study going on regarding the placement of a school bus stop in the area of 90th street West and Elizabeth Lake Road.
 - **Los Angeles County Public Works Graffiti Removal Program** – Ari
 - Ari from Public Works explained that help for graffiti removal is available thru the county of LA. After graffiti is reported by residents, the graffiti will be removed within 72 hours. The number to call is 1-800-675-4357.
 - **Community Standards and Land Use** – Michelle Flanagan
 - Land use Meeting regarding Ritter

- The LVTC filed an appeal with the City of Palmdale regarding the decision to move along with the Ritter Ranch project using decades-old studies. The Palmdale City Council meetings are set sporadically and can be difficult to plan to attend, however; as of this morning, the next Palmdale Land Use meeting will be on April 6th. The exact time is unknown.
 - Parks and Recreation Letter to Public Works is on hold
 - LAFCO letter update and status – on hold.

- **Closed Session**
 - Marian Wright made a motion to enter into closed session at 7:33. Marie Davis seconded.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham Yes
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes
 - Motion passed



- Judy Anaya made a motion to end the closed session at 7:46. Marie Davis seconded.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham Yes
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes
 - Motion Passed
- **End Closed Session**
 - During closed session, the LVTC discussed expenses for filing appeals with the city of Palmdale and expenses for lawyer fees.
- Judy Anaya made a motion to raise the previously approved amount of funds for the appeal with the City of Palmdale to 2500.00.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham Yes
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes
 - Motion passed
- Judy Anaya made a motion to approve a legal expense budget up to \$10,000 to hire attorney Alene Taber to assist with the appeal process. Marie Davis seconded.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham Yes
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes
 - Motion passed
 - Karen Bryan advises the International Dark Skies Association needs a 250.00 application fee in order to move on with the process. At this time, it is unclear if Leona Valley will need to make any changes in order to qualify to be part of the association. Issues may be identified as we move along with the application process. The light levels in the night sky will need to be measured at some point during the application process.
- Marie Davis made a motion to approve paying a \$250.00 application fee to the International Dark Skies Association. Judy Anaya seconded.
 - Michelle Flanagan Yes
 - Jay Bonham No
 - Marie Davis Yes
 - Judy Anaya Yes
 - Marian Wright Yes
 - Motion passed



- **AV Supervisor's Comments and Updates** – Charles Bostwick
 - Indoor mask mandates have been lifted.
 - Trucking Company update. The Trucking company building was raided by the Sheriff's department.
 - The trash notice that was in the mail is regarding the state law that requires all residences to sort out their waste into categories. The garbage disposal districts discussions have been in response to the new legislation.

- **Council Member Comments**

- **Public Comments**
 - Kathy Owen reports that there are multiple homes for sale that were recently used for or had planned to be used for Illegal Marijuana grow houses.
 - William Elliott donated \$200.00 to go toward the LVTC legal expenses for the appeal process.
 - Peggy Fuller asks to be given access to the zoom link in order to attend the ARTC meetings because none of the current LVTC members are able to regularly attend.

- **Action Items**
 - Michelle Flanagan – contact Suzan with ARTC to get Peggy access to the meetings.

- **Motion to Adjourn** – Meeting adjourned by consensus at 8:09pm.