



Mentone Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes: 28 April 2015

1. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Ginger McNiff at 7:06 p.m. at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

Board Members Present

Ginger McNiff, Vice-Chair
Arlene Blas, Treasurer
Jim Lotito, Ways and Means
Gabe DeLaRosa

David Wilder, Secretary
Maribeth Lotito, Planning

Chamber members present:

Erin Franco
Penny Smith
John Bonson

Guests:

Steve Roger
Sgt Jeff Bohner

2. Approve Minutes of the March meeting

Correction to the Financial Report: the monthly bill for AT&T is \$72.08. Minutes approved as corrected Jim/Maribeth, MSP.

3. Financial Report

U.S. Bank – Checking Account
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period Mar 31, 2015 – April 28, 2015
MCC General Account
03/31/2015 Beginning Balance: \$9,854.36

Deposits: \$150.00
03/31/2015 Renewal Ck# 1088 Mill Creek Cattle Co. 25.00

Renewal Ck# 2015 A NoteWorthy Realty/ Mentone Thrift Store	50.00	
Renewal Ck# 5298 Ginger McNiff/ Damascus Gate Ministries		50.00
Renewal cash EMI Coaching (Erin Franco)		25.00

Checks/Debits: \$226.08

04/03/2015	ATT Monthly Bill (on-line)	72.08
04/09/2015	Ck#1014 Postmaster (P.O. BOX annual dues)	154.00
04/28/2015	Ending Balance:	\$9,778.28

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Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%		
03/31/2015	Beginning Balance	1557.58
03/31/2015	Interest paid	\$0.01 1557.59

Deposits: None

04/28/2015	Ending Balance	\$ 1,557.59
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4. Communications/Correspondence

Arlene reported that she had a phone call to verify a business in the community. She researched, and found that the business is in Mentone. Questions were asked if the businesses are listed anywhere. The answer is: businesses are listed on the Chamber's website, and listed in the Gazebo Gazette.

5. Chairman's Report

Ginger reported that George's Mother-In-Law is turning 100 today. Ginger reported that the Gazebo Gazette will be delayed until May. Erin reported that the Face Book site is being accessed by more people.

6. Unfinished Business

The sign has not been updated as of yet.
Erin reported on the progress for the Mentone Cleanup. The date is set for 13 June @ 7:30 am at 1911 Mentone Boulevard..
Ginger reported that she has found a t-shirt manufacturer that will provide shirts for \$8.36 per shirt. We need 70 shirts, the cost will be between 5 and 6 hundred dollars. Jim advised looking at the printing company he works with for a better price..

7. New Business

Materials were handed out advertising the upcoming “coffee with the Supervisor”. This will be held on Thursday 30 April @ 8-9:30 am, at the Mentone Senior Center. This is an opportunity to ask the Supervisor questions. John Futch advised coordinating questions with others, so that you are not all asking the same question.

Erin reported that the new Ministry movie presentation was well attended, even though it was raining. Now the opportunity is available for advertising on the movie screen. At the beginning of the movie ads will be run for all participating businesses.

8. MACA Report

Gabe reported that Dave Matza from Assembly member Mike Morrell’s office explained what has been happening in Sacramento.

Scott Riley from the CHP was also present and discussed the return of the truck driver that is speeding around the area.

The concept of the community garden is attracting more attention from influential people.

Gabe also stated that he and Steve would be joining the Board of the Mentone Senior Center. They hope to maintain the 501c3 status of the organization.

Gabe reported that a letter to Cal Trans District 8, and the Highway Commissioner is being sent to raise the issue of the number of deaths on Mentone Boulevard In the last 20 years, and requesting a lowered speed limit..

9. Ways and Means

Jim reported that he has not been able to get the time to work on the Mentone flag, but will send the information to the next meeting.

10. Information

Sgt Jeff Bohner, San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department, answered questions about aw enforcement efforts in Mentone. He explained that traffic enforcement in Mentone is the purview of the Highway Patrol.

Steve reported that MACA will be at the Air fest at Hanger 24 for fund raising.

Motion made by David/Jim to adjourn, MSP. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

REMINDER

The next meeting will be 26 May 2015 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval