



Mentone Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes: 29 April 2014

1. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Pastor Everett at 7:15 p.m. at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

Members Present

Pastor George Everett, Chair	Ginger McNiff, Vice-Chair
David W Wilder, Secretary/Treasurer	Arlene Blas
Gabe DeLaRosa	Angie DeLaRosa
Jim Lotito, Ways and Means	Maribeth Lotito, Planning

Guests

Yvonne Bird
 Carmen Avilas
 Vicki Lauden
 Stephen Rogers

2. Approve Minutes of the February 25 meeting

Correction: under #5 3 line, add n to the word ot. Motion to approve as corrected by Jim/Maribeth MSP.

3. Financial Report

FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period January 1 - March 31, 2014

MCC General Account

01/01/14 Beginning Balance		\$ 3,202.78
Deposits	\$ 7,642.00	
	Checks/Debits	\$ 3,750.00
03/31/14 Ending Balance	\$ 7,094.78	

Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned		0.050%
01/01/14 Beginning Balance		\$ 1,532.24
03/31/14 Ending Balance		\$ 1,532.37

2013 Dividends Earned

\$ 0.79

4. Unfinished Business

On the website: Dion has not been available to discuss turning over the website. The Board wants a member of the Board to be in control of the website. Arlene has extensive experience in this area and has volunteered to update, and manage the site. David will go to Dion and let her know of the change in management of the website. A link from Mill Creek's website will lead to the Chamber site. Other businesses will be asked to do the same, with the Chamber site linking to the businesses in the community.

Pastor George has removed the lettering from the bottom of the Welcome to Mentone sign.

5. New Business

Angie and Yvonne have rented the building next to Arthur's for a real estate office. They have volunteered to host the Chamber within this office. The phone line will be moved to this location. (1911 Mentone Boulevard) The sign for the Chamber will be moved from Mill Creek to the new site. Jim made the motion to create a Mentone flag, seconded by Maribeth MSP. Jim will talk with his suppliers about the cost.

6. MACA Report

Gabe reported that the Sheriff's Department spokesperson discussed the drug situation in Mentone, as well as other crimes in the area. The usual speakers were not available at this meeting. The next meeting will be on the 13th @6:30 pm, located at Mill Creek.

7. Chairman's Report

Steve Rogers, and Stafford's Orchard have both joined the Chamber. The Mentone sign is no longer lit, George will talk with the previous supplier of lighting power. It might be beneficial to convert to solar lighting.

A bylaws committee was established. The members are Arlene, Ginger Angie and Gabe. They will bring their recommended changes to the Board in May. There should be a vote on recommended changes at the June meeting, once everyone has had a chance to review the recommendations.

8. Ways and Means

a) A casino night is being planned for July. Possible days of the week are Thursday or Sunday. The theme being discussed is a "Hoe-Down" Western. There was discussion about the need for donated prizes, so that the proceeds come to the Chamber instead of being used to pay for prizes. More to come.

b) Golf Tournament: Jim reported that the tournament was a success. But here again a substantial amount of money went to paying for the prizes.

9. Information

It was reported that the Beach Boys auto shop may have closed. The Mentone Beach Bar and Grill is looking for a buyer. Tom's restaurant has been cleaning up the property. There was discussion about these issues.

Motion made by JimGabe to adjourn MSP. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

REMINDER

The next meeting will be May 27 2014 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval