



## **Mentone Chamber of Commerce**

### **Meeting Minutes: 25 August 2015**

#### **1. Welcome/Introductions**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor George Everett at 7:20 p.m. at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

#### **Board Members Present**

Pastor George Everett, Chair  
David Wilder, Secretary  
Maribeth Lotito  
Gabe DeLaRosa  
Penny Smith

Erin Franco, Vice-Chair  
Arlene Blas, Treasurer  
Jim Lotito  
Angie DeLaRosa

#### **Chamber members present:**

John Bonson  
June Purvis

#### **Guests:**

Dave Ahlers  
Jordan Henk  
Stephen Rogers  
Michael Batt

#### **2. Approve Minutes of the July meeting**

Minutes approved as submitted Erin/Maribeth, MSP.

#### **3. Financial Report**

U.S. Bank – Checking Account  
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period July 28, 2015 – August 25, 2015  
MCC General Account  
07/28/2015 Beginning Balance: \$8982.61

Deposits: \$205.00  
07/30/2015 Renewal John Bonson 25.00

08/07/2015	Chili Cook-off	Bulletproof Suspensions	sponsorship	
	20.00			
08/07/2015	Chili Cook-off	Mentone Gazebo Gazette		20.00
08/07/2015	Chili Cook-off	American Auto Basket	sponsorship	45.00
08/21/2015	#3195 Chili Cook-off	Keska Sugar Shack	sponsorship	
	20.00			
08/07/2015	#1897 Membership	Casa Maya (Saeed Shapoori)		25.00
08/10/2015	#5908 Membership	American RV & Auto (Hector Lopez)		25.00
08/21/2015	#438 Membership	American Book Art (Juan Gonzalez)		
	25.00			
	Checks/Debits: \$ 98.48			
08/03/2015	ATT Monthly Bill (on-line)			79.73
08/10/2015	Annual domain name renewal (123ehost)			18.75
08/25/2015	Ending Balance:			9109.13

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Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%

07/28/2015	Beginning Balance			1557.62
07/31/2015	Interest paid	\$0.01		
	1557.63			

Deposits: None

08/25/2015	Ending Balance			\$ 1,557.63
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**4. Communications/Correspondence**

Contact was made with Code Enforcement concerning the weeds on the boulevard. Specifically in the two lots across from the Self-Storage facility. It was recommended that contact be made with Cal Trans District 8.

**5. Chairman's Report**

Pastor Everett deferred to Jordan Henk, who presented information on the Redlands city General Plan workshops. Jordan explained that he is the Mentone representative to the city Citizens Steering Committee. He encouraged all Mentone residents to either attend one of the meetings (27<sup>th</sup> of August @ 6 pm located in the Community Center on Lugonia, or the 29<sup>th</sup> of August @ 10 am at the Joselyn senior center in Redlands.) He explained that there is also an online survey that can be completed. It is imperative that Mentone residents let the City

of Redlands know what they wish to see developed in Mentone, and more importantly, what they do not wish to see done in Mentone. The City of Redlands is “built out”, so they are looking at more densely development. The city is looking at bringing rail back. The Chamber has asked MACA to facilitate a meeting on Saturday 8 September on the subject. Jordan explained that he would request a representative from the city to attend and explain the process, and go over the maps of the area.

**6. Unfinished Business**

Arlene passed out two flyers, for the upcoming Chili Cook Of, and the map of the booths. Michael explained about the fire trucks that will be in place at the event. The event will take place on September 19<sup>th</sup> from 4-8 pm at the Amethyst Bible Church. There will be 10 booths on site. There will be a total of 20 chili cookers. The Mill Creek restaurant will be proving the plaques for the winners. There will be awards for 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place, and people’s choice.

Clean up Day (Adopt- A – Hwy) – Erin reported the next cleanup day will be on August 29<sup>th</sup>, from 7:30 to 9:30. It seems that there is more trash to pick up this time.

**7. New Business**

There are 3 new members for the Chamber. Certificates went to members and Business

**8. MACA Report**

Gabe reported that Dave Matza was in attendance along with John Futch. A discussion was held on the high number of accidents on the Boulevard. Also in attendance was a representative from the CHP, and the Sheriff’s Department. Discussion was held on the number of automobile break-ins. The letter sent to the Highways Commissioner has been provided to the Sheriff’s Department, CHP, and the local elected officials.

**9. Ways and Means**

Jim and Maribeth have been very busy with their restaurant. They requested someone else take over this function. Arlene, Erin and Angie are already functioning as Ways and Means, and Planning.

**10. Information**

Gabe announced that Cal Trans is preparing to install additional lights on the Boulevard. They are working with the electric company, and a contractor to complete the job.

Motion made by Erin/Maribeth to adjourn, MSP. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

**REMINDER**

The next meeting will be 29 September 2015 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval