



Mentone Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes: 27 February 2018

1. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair David W Wilder @ 7:10 p.m. at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

Board Members Present

David w Wilder, Chair

Arlene Blas, Treasurer

Maribeth Lotito, Ways and Means

Pastor George Everett

Warren Wendel

Gabe De La Rosa, Vice-Chair

Jim Lotito Planning

Gary Williams, Ways and Means

Angie Grisafe-De La Rosa

John Bonson

Chamber members present:

Leonette Di Muro

Cecil Karstensen

Stephen Rogers

Steve Hellerman

Guests:

Edith Stetta

Kristin Polk

A motion was made by Arlene/Maribeth to add the following 4 individuals to the Chamber, Leonette, Steve, Stephen, and Warren. MSP.

2. Approve Minutes of the January meeting

Correction: Wendell is actually spelled with one L; Penney is actually spelled Penny. Motion to approve as corrected, Gary/Cecil. MSP

3. Election of Secretary

There were no volunteers at this time. This item will be carried over to the next meeting.

4. Financial Report

**U.S. Bank – Checking Account
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period Jan 30, 2018 – Feb 27, 2018**

MCC General Account

01/30/2018 Beginning Balance: \$5969.19

Deposits: \$100.00

**01/31/2018 Ren: Pastor George (\$25), MACA (\$25), D.Wilder (\$25)
Mem: Steve Hellerman (\$25) 100.00**

Checks/Debits: \$211.12

**02/01/2018 Ck# 1068 MCC Bus. Rental-Angie DeLa Rosa
100.00**

02/06/2018 AT&T Mobility (on-line) 64.50

02/13/2018 Verizon Phone upgrade 46.62

02/27/2018 Ending Balance: \$5858.07

Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%

**01/30/2018 Beginning Balance
1557.92**

01/31/2018 0.01 1557.93

Deposits: None

02/27/2018 Ending Balance \$1,557.93

5. Communications/Correspondence

The Chamber received a thank you card from June Purvis, for her award..

6 Chairman's report

There was no report at this time.

7. Unfinished Business

a. Newspaper discussion

Joyce Rapp, and Gary Williams, both submitted written information on this item.

Joyce submitted the following:

“Mentone Matters does request that the Chamber sponsor an ad to announce the Chamber's events, with costs dependent on the size of ad and pricing structure at the time, but with a 10% discount to the Chamber”

Gary Williams submitted a price list with explanation of how the Chamber's insert would be placed in the Coupon Paper.

Pastor Everett presented an option for the Chamber to support the Gazebo Gazette page in the Coupon Paper.

It was determined, after much discussion, that the Chamber will sell business card size ads to add to the insert for the Chamber, to help pay for the insert.

Motion Leonette/Angie, Steve Rogers voted no, and Steve Hellerman abstained; Motion passed.

8 Unfinished Business

There was discussion of starting a Mentone newspaper. Joyce offered some information about how this could happen. Gary provided an alternative to a newspaper.

Both Joyce, and Gary, were asked to bring written proposals to the next meeting.

9. New Business

a) Friendly Communities/ Community Garden/ Mentone Town Hall. Steve Rogers presented the members with written information on the Friendly Communities, and the County Plan which includes Mentone. Members were asked to take this information home, and be ready to discuss this at the next meeting.

Steve also discussed the concept of establishing a Mentone Town Hall meeting at the Mentone Senior Center. There was discussion on the concept, no decision was reached at this time.

10 MACA

CHP officer Brandon Marcus was present along with Lt. Todd Cole.

The Cal Poly students have presented MACA with the proposal for the Mentone Park.

The next meeting is scheduled for 13 March.

11 Ways and Means

Jim reported that it is time for advertisers, on the Welcome to Mentone sign, to renew, or withdraw their ads. Three of the spaces have already committed to renew, he is waiting to hear from the 4th.

Maribeth reported that the \$300 donated by the Chamber, to the Foster Family Christmas get together, was well received. Mill Creek donated \$500, which allowed for the purchase of gifts for all of the children. Mill Creek also donated the food for the event. There were 60 people in attendance, including parents and children. 6 of the children were teenagers. By all accounts it was a successful event.

12. **Information**

Angie reported that the money provided by the Chamber, for the mailings, resulted in 180 responses.

A plaque was presented to Mill Creek, Jim and Maribeth, for their dedication to the Chamber, and all of their hard work on its behalf.

Steve Hellerman stated that he has up to 6 interns each semester that can be used to assist Mentone with a variety of issues. There needs to be a supervisor for each project, and the project needs to be submitted to Steve before the start of the fall semester.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:08 pm.

REMINDER

The next meeting will be 27 March 2018 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval