



Mentone Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes: January 31 2017

1. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor George Everett @ 7:09 p.m.at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

Board Members Present

Pastor George Everett, Chair
David Wilder, Secretary
Jim Lotito, Planning
Angie De LaRosa
Pastor Rudolph Dimery

Gabe De LaRosa
Arlene Blas, Treasurer
Maribeth Lotito, Ways and Means
John Bonson
Penny Smith

Chamber members present:

Wilbur Purvis
June Purvis

Guests:

Socorro Puntelleon
Jordan Gurnett
Warren Wendel

2. Approve Minutes of the November 2016 meeting

The minutes were approved as submitted. Angie/Maribeth. MSP

3. Financial Report

U.S. Bank – Checking Account
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period Nov 29, 2016 – Jan 31, 2017
MCC General Account

11/29/2016 Ending Balance: \$7442.91

Checks/Debits: \$300.00
11/30/2016 Ck#1039 Maribeth Lotito – Youth Group Donation 300.00

Ending Balance:		\$7142.91
December 2016 – Beginning Balance:	\$7142.91	
Deposits: \$1225.00		
12/05/2016 Mentone Bill Board Signage Rental 6 mos.		
1200.00		
12/12/2016 Check Membership One Stop Mail		25.00
Checks/Debits: \$208.39		
12/01/2016 Ck#1038 Office Depot ink		45.34
(Renewal letters, finance rpts, Adopt Hwy Cleanup flyers)		
12/05/2016 ATT Monthly Bill (on-line)		63.05
12/08/2016 Ck# 1040 Chamber Space Rental		100.00
(A Noteworthy Realty - Angie Dela Rosa)		
12/31/2016 Ending Balance:		\$8159.52
January 2017 – Beginning Balance:	\$8159.52	
Deposits: None		
Checks/Debits: \$162.97		
01/04/2017 ATT Monthly Bill (on-line)		62.97
01/06/2017 Ck# 1041 Chamber Space Rental		100.00
(A Noteworthy Realty – Angie Dela Rosa)		
01/31/2017 Ending Balance:		\$7996.55
Business Savings		
Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%		
11/29/2016 Beginning Balance		1557.78
11/30/2016	0.01	1557.79
12/31/2016 Interest paid	0.01	1557.80
Deposits: None		
01/31/2017 Ending Balance		\$1,557.80

4. Communications/Correspondence

A letter was received from the library identifying openings for employment at the library. Copies were provided for posting. There are 32 libraries in the County. A recruitment notice was read for the County Grand Jury. The jury will serve from July 2017 until June 2018. The job is 3 to 5 days per week, and pays a \$25 daily stipend, and mileage and parking fees. There was a notification from LAFCO (Local Agency Formation Commission), concerning annexation, by Redlands, covering 21.09 acres, on Wabash. There is a meeting in the LAFCO offices on 9 February, concerning this annexation.

5. Chairman's report

The Chairman did not have a report at this time, due to being hospitalized during January.

6 Unfinished Business

Following up on the discussion in November, the Orange Show Citrus competition. This year the theme is "Citrus Strikes Back". The competition is in May and runs from 4-7, and 11-14. Setup is from 30 April - 3 May. The question of whether the Chamber would participate this year was raised. A motion was made by Maribeth, seconded by Angie that the Chamber participate. MSP. There will be a committee formed to work on this project.

7 New Business

There was no new business at this time..

8. MACA report

Lt. Caudel, from the County Sherriff's Department, introduced Deputy John Minard as the Deputy assigned to the Mentone area. Richard Carnell, from the San Bernardino Water Conservation District, discussed issues relative to the community garden, the 2 ½ acres at Sapphire will be used for the garden. There is also discussion about more acreage bordering the river. Pastor Dimery has offered access to the church property for an upcoming community fair, in June. Gabe will provide more information at the next meeting.

9 Ways and Means

Jim reported that the annual Golf Tournament will be held in April this year. He will be working on signing up sponsors. The Calimesa Golf Club is under new ownership. This may cause the Tournament to relocate. Maribeth reported on the sponsored "Foster Kids" event, held at Mill Creek. The money donated by the Chamber allowed her to buy watches, and T-shirts for the teenagers. There were 150 kids in attendance. Food was provided by Mill Creek, and McDonald's. Interestingly, kids are not automatically dismissed at 18 years of age. There were a couple of 20 year olds in attendance.

10 Information

Pastor Dimery reported that his church's Law Enforcement Appreciation Day went very well. There were representatives from the County Sherriff's Department, the CHP, and Redlands Police Department. The CHP explained the new laws taking effect in January, such as the prohibition against using "two ear" headphones in the car. County, and Redlands have reciprocal service agreements: so if the County Sherriff's Department cannot respond, the Redlands Police Department will be dispatched.

A warning was provided about a young woman breaking into houses in Mentone. She walks in and claims it is her house. The law enforcement has arrested her several times, but she is always released the next day. The key is to keep your doors locked.

Motion made by David/Angie to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

REMINDER

The next meeting will be 28 February 2017 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval