



## **Mentone Chamber of Commerce**

### **Meeting Minutes: 28 July 2015**

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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor George Everett at 7:10 p.m. at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

#### **Board Members Present**

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

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

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

John Bonson  
Jeff Chase

#### **Guests:**

Assemblyman Steinorth  
David Matza, Field Representative – Senator Mike Morrell  
Socorro Pantaleon, Field Representative – Assemblyman Steinorth

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

Correction: Under MACA; change the next meeting will include information on Senior Financial issues, presented by Andy Douglas: to provided information. Minutes approved as corrected Angie/Erin, MSP.

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

U.S. Bank – Checking Account  
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period June 30, 2015 – July 28, 2015  
MCC General Account  
06/30/2015 Beginning Balance: \$9,113.34

Deposits: None

Checks/Debits: \$ 130.73		
07/03/2015	ATT Monthly Bill (on-line)	79.73
	Annual website renewal (123ehost)	50.00
	International Processing fee	1.00
07/28/2015	Ending Balance:	\$8982.61

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Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%

06/30/2015	Beginning Balance		1557.61
06/30/2015	Interest paid	\$0.01	
	1557.62		

Deposits: None

07/28/2015	Ending Balance	\$ 1,557.62
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**4. Communications/Correspondence**

John Bonson payed his dues.

**5. Chairman's Report**

Jeff Chase presented on the Welcome to Mentone Sign. He proposed a vinyl sign cover with a picture and wording overlay. He also proposed adding 2 boards to the one hanging under the sign. Local events could be advertised on these sign boards. (It was recommended that the website for the Chamber be placed on the sign as well as other printing.) The cost for the vinyl cover would be \$154.20 for placing the picture on the vinyl, and \$50 for the wording. It will also cost between \$150 and \$200 to install the vinyl cover. He stated that he could have the sign covered within 2 weeks of receiving the necessary picture, and wording. The picture must be sent electronically in at least 300 dpi. A motion was made by Gabe to authorize up to \$500 for this project. Arlene asked that all bills be itemized when submitted for payment. Second, on the motion was made by David. MSP.

**6. Unfinished Business**

Arlene passed out two flyers, for the upcoming Chili Cook Off. One was to the vendors. This requested \$20 for booth space. It also outlined the requirements for participation. The other flyer was for the general public. Both flyers contained the date/time/location of the event. There will be baskets available for purchase, and the money raised will go to COMET for the proposed park. The \$5 suggested

donation for attending will go to Amethyst Bible Church. The fire department will have demonstrations at the event. There will also be a Kid's Corner.

Clean up Day – Erin reported the next cleanup day will be on August 9<sup>th</sup> from 7:30 to 9:30. This day should go very well as the majority of the cleanup was accomplished last time.

**7. New Business**

A request was made to add the Mentone Women's Club to the agenda in the future.

**8. MACA Report**

Gabe reported that Andy, from Public Works, and his secretary Ronnie, were in attendance and talked about the project of replacing the Bridge on Greenspot road. Residents in the affected area complained that they would need to drive an extra 17 miles just to get home. It has since been learned that the project has been delayed until next calendar year. The representative from the water conservation program came and talked about the community garden. It looks very good for the garden project. They are currently working on the water delivery system for the garden. They are trying to decide on whether to drill a well, or just connect with the Redlands utility service. Chris, from the Sheriff's department was also in attendance and spoke about the recent rash of car break-ins. He recommended that owners take all valuables out of their vehicle so as to reduce the temptation, for thieves.

**9. Ways and Means**

Jim and Maribeth have been very busy with their restaurant, and were unavailable.

Erin will talk with Jim about the proposed flag for Mentone. She should have an answer by the next meeting.

**10. Information**

Assemblyman Steinorth reported that he is on a District Break. He is enjoying renewing connects in the District. He explained about some of the bills that he has sponsored which have been either moved to the Senate, or in some cases have been signed into law. He explained that Socorro Pantaleon, from his office will continue to bring issues to his attention. Anyone with issues relative to Cal Trans should contact his office as soon as the issue is identified. Gabe explained about the letter sent to the Highway Commissioner and offered to send a copy to the Assemblyman. The Assemblyman also explained the program he is involved with to reduce the numbers of animals in the 5 shelters in his district. (The shelters are in San Bernardino City, Devore, Redlands and Rancho Cucamonga.

Angie reported that she has called the representatives of the properties along the Boulevard where the weeds have grown out of control. She has also reported some of the properties to Code Enforcement. It was suggested that Code Enforcement also be contacted about the weeds growing in the sidewalk, and curbs and gutters, along the highway.

Motion made by Angie/Gabe to adjourn, MSP. The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

**REMINDER**

The next meeting will be 25 August 2015 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval