



Mentone Chamber of Commerce
Meeting Minutes: 26 September 2017

1. Welcome/Introductions

The meeting was called to order by Chair Pastor George Everett @ 7:14 p.m.at the Rocky Point Fellowship Church, 2116 Mentone Boulevard in Mentone.

Board Members Present

Pastor George Everett, Chair
David Wilder, Secretary
John Bonson
Jim Lotito

Gabe De La Rosa, Vice-Chair
Arlene Blas, Treasurer
Gary Williams
Maribeth Lotito

Chamber members present:

Richard Orbaker
Warren Wendell
Joyce Rapp

Jan Orbaker
Cecil Karstensen

Guests:

Stephen Rogers
Johnnye Scates

2. Approve Minutes of the August 2017 meeting

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

3. Financial Report

U.S. Bank – Checking Account
FINANCIAL REPORT SUMMARY for Period Aug 29, 2017 – Sept 26, 2017

MCC General Account

08/29/2017 Beginning Balance:
\$7379.06

Deposits: \$3016.00

08/28/2017 MCC/Mill Creek Casino Event 3016.00

Checks/Debits: \$2694.35

08/27/2017 Ck#1053 Atlantic Casino Games 1230.00

08/27/2017 Ck#1054 Casino Event Gift Baskets 300.00

08/29/2017 Ck#1055 M.A.C.A. Mailer 500.00

08/31/2017 Transfer funds to COMET 2268- MACA mailer
500.00

09/01/2017 Ck#1051 MCC Bus. Rental - Angie DeLa Rosa
100.00

09/11/2017 AT&T Mobility (on-line) 64.35

09/26/2017 Ending Balance: \$7700.71

Business Savings

Annual Percentage Yield Earned 0.01%

08/29/2017 Beginning Balance
1557.87

08/31/2017 0.01 1557.88

Deposits: None

09/26/2017 Ending Balance \$1,557.88.

4. Communications/Correspondence

There was no information presented

5. Chairman's report

The election for officers for the next three years will be held in October at the regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The following officer seats are up for election: Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer.

6 Mentone Commission

The Chili Cook-Off is to be held at the Moose Lodge on October 21, from 3-7. The mailers have gone out, and some responses are already being returned.

7. Unfinished Business

There was nothing submitted at this time.

8 New Business

Johnnye Scates presented on the issue of establishing a Boutique Medical Marijuana dispensary. She explained in detail the logic behind the establishment

of such a facility. There was a lively back and forth with those present. She was advised that the County has ruled that there will not be any dispensaries allowed in the County area, which includes the unincorporated area of Mentone. Part of the discussion surrounded the State approval of recreational use, and how that may affect the County position on the issue. She was advised to talk with the Field Representative for the 3rd District, and the County planning department. A motion was made by Rich/John to table the discussion at this time.

9. MACA report

The CHP representative –Branden, discussed the current police blotter activities, in the Mentone area.

Jordan Gurnett spoke about Sacramento politics.

There is a concern that the city of Redlands is attempting to access the wells owned by farmers in Mentone.

10 Ways and Means

The chili cook-off needs more volunteers, cooks, and judges. If it goes the way it did last year, there will be some last minute participants.

11 Information

The rail system is planned for construction at the University of Redlands. The development of a new community surrounding the college, is included in the process. There will be meetings on 27/28 September to discuss the issues.

Motion made by Maribeth/Gary to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

REMINDER

The next meeting will be 24 October 2017 (**Immediately following the 7:00 pm COMET Board meeting**). Minutes Pending Approval