

Menifee Citizens Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 1, 2011

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mark Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:31 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Present were: Chairman, Mark Cooper, Committee Members: Bill Beeman, Christine Schwartz, David Johnson, Eric Miller, Ernie Ordonez, Gloria Sanchez, Jason Roth, Leah McGee, LeAnn Coletta, Mark Cooper, Vice Chairman Marty Rosen, Nan Miller, Pete Peterson, Secretary Phoebe Irey, Tom Giedroyce and Rob Johnson, Senior Manager, Community Improvement, Outreach & Communication

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the meeting on July 11, 2011 were approved.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

6. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Tom Hall, a volunteer with the Riverside County Sheriff's Office, gave a very informative presentation on the Menifee Crime Watch. Mr. Hall reported that the Menifee Strike Force Unit has assisted the sheriff/police force since 2004. They are on call 24/7. They typically respond within 40 minutes. This year to date, 613 man hours have been donated. Applications to apply to be a part of the Crime Watch were shared. Training is free for drivers, observers and base operators. Training usually lasts from six to eight weeks. Rob Johnson thanked Mr. Hall and his other volunteers for the wonderful work they are doing. Crime Watch members have helped with many community events, Race for Humanity, Movies at the Park, Sheriffs' Night Out, and graduations, to name a few. They also monitor certain zones of the city as well as do vacation checks. They are greatly appreciated.

5.2 Katie Pritchard, Community Services Director, gave a power point presentation highlighting the many activities her organization participates in with the city. Her presentation was followed by a question and answer session. Rob Johnson commented on what a great help Katie is to the city of Menifee.

6. MEMBER UPDATES

Leah McGee reported that many trees in Quail Valley are hanging so low over the streets that it is very difficult for emergency vehicles to get down the streets. She also commented on a large sinkhole on Normandy. Ernie Ordonez shared that bath salts sold at smoke shops are becoming a big problem. Mark Cooper agreed, commenting that he had heard kids asking for it. Christine Schwartz reported that there had been many very loud fireworks in her area on July 4th. Tom Giedroyce was also aware of the problem. He also reported that fire hydrants are still missing in his area. Nan Miller reported that the road repairs on Encanto been completed. Marty Rosen was happy to announce that the Texas Roadhouse is on its way and should be open by Thanksgiving.

7. CITY LIAISON UPDATE

7.1 Project Updates

Rob Johnson shared the Landscape Enhancement Project which is to be presented to the City Council at its next meeting.

7.2 Upcoming Events and Programs

There are no new events or programs to share.

8. DISCUSSION OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

Upcoming agenda items include possible presentations by the City Manager and Sun City Concerns.

One item for discussion in adding the salute to the flag to the beginning of our meetings.

9. ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.