



## MECCA COMMUNITY COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF MEETING FOR OCTOBER 21, 2009

65250 Cahuilla Street, Mecca, CA 92254

Jaime Gonzales, Reporting

1. Swear in new member → Jaime Gonzales
2. Meeting called to order @ 6:10PM
3. Pledge of Allegiance led by: Maria G. Machuca
4. Roll Call:
  1. Celia Garcia → Absent
  2. Mike Bozick → Absent
  3. Maria G. Machuca → Present
  4. Jaime Gonzales → Present
  5. Cipriano Montes → Present
5. Rotation of Officers:

Jaime Gonzales made motion to nominate Celia Garcia for chair, Maria G. Machuca 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carries. Jaime Gonzales made motion to nominate Maria G. Machuca as Vice-Chair, Cipriano Montes 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carries. Maria G. Machuca made motion to nominate Jaime Gonzales as Recorder, Cipriano Montes 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. All in favor, motion carries.
6. Approval of minutes → No Minutes
7. Staff Reports:
  - a. Riverside County 4<sup>th</sup> District Representative - Leticia De Lara → No Supervisor until governor makes an appointment, current term ends in June
  - b. Economic Development Agency (EDA) – Update
    1. Fire Station Project to start January 2010 and completed by January 2011, Boys & Girls Club is Work in Progress → working on water lines, Street Improvements → 15 Streets to be completed (Ave 66<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Street) current work is being done by CVWD on infrastructure, Senior Center Site → Vandalism & fire @ site, County in escrow to buy land, can demolish & clean up area once county has full ownership, Question from Manuel Montes (resident) Skate Park → would like to be involved in design, Overpass (Highway 111 & Railroad Tracks) → Will ask transportation to come next year, Signage on construction (Street improvements) needs to be more visible.
  - c. Sheriff Department:
    1. Dove Season started on September 1<sup>st</sup> → 7 citations, DUI check point will be coming soon, Enforcing Curfew 10PM-6AM → Parents will be held accountable, patrolling areas of VMR's hang outs
  - d. TLMA → Update of the *Mecca Additional Dwelling Unit Overlay Zone Ordinance* to address unpermitted housing in Mecca—Decision from Riverside County Planning Commission – Bob Lyman

1. Approved by Planning commission waiting for BOS-Email
- e. Code Enforcement: Newsletter, Community Clean & County Overtime
- f. Fire Station: Capt. Shawn Mata ( Mecca is 1 of 96 Stations in Riverside County)
  1. Working & Helping with school programs → Battalion Chief Veta.

8. New Business

- a. Present CERT Awards – Table
- b. CERT Training presentation at Mecca Family & Farmworkers’ Service Center on November 13-15, 2009
- c. Mecca’s Fourth Annual Desfile de Luces – December 7, 2009 at 6:00pm-Maria G. Machuca and Jaime Gonzales on planning committee
- d. Presentation from the Boundaries Revision Subcommittee of the Building Healthy Communities Coachella/Thermal Initiative-Megan Beaman Carlson
- e. CRLA Information, CA Endowment-Funding Areas-Coachella/Thermal, Boundaries to expand to Mecca, Have on next agenda-Action Item for a representative from Mecca to sit in Collaborative meetings
- f. 2010 Census discussion – Update and action-Table

9. Public Comments:

- a. CHP → 5 complaints, Big Trucks can NOT park on street.
- b. Desert Recreational v → Hunted House

10. Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

-EDA, CERT Awards, Building Healthy Communities – Action item, 2010 Census – Action item, Letter to Western Environmental – Action, COD Mecca/Thermal Presentation

Jaime Gonzales made motion to adjourn meeting @ 7:39PM, Cipriano Montes 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor, motion carries.

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