

East Mountain Chamber of Commerce

Meeting Minutes—August 6, 2009

President Bill Walters presented Senator Sue Wilson-Befort with a plaque to thank her for helping procure the building that houses the EMCC offices several years ago. We will mount the plaque somewhere on the building. The Senator noted that the building came about as a way for her to thank the chamber for its support of her some 15 years ago. She explained that because of an anti-donation clause in New Mexico, she couldn't give the building to the chamber, and thus, the building belongs to the Village of Tijeras with access for the Chamber office.

New Member Carol Hocke of One Stop Business Shop gave a presentation. She described her business as customer service oriented, offering a small supply of office products, FAX services, PO boxes, copying, laminating, print and graphic design. She noted that 75 percent of the business is bulk mail preparation. The business gives back to the community by donating printing for the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs, United Blood Services, and printing missing children fliers.

The board discussed with the membership canceling credit card processing as the fee the chamber pays is not worth the limited usage.

Goodie bag items are due by Aug. 18 for the golf tournament. Quantity 150. Solid items only; no paper.

Member of the month is Not Just Closets.

Susie Clay won the 50-50 drawing. Jeff Burdette, Clean Air Technologies, won a meeting door prize of an Avon gift basket, provided by EMCC member Diane Shoudt. Special Events Marketing. Jacob Sena, Compass Bank, won a meeting door prize of a year membership to SASS, provided by Single Action Shooting Society.

Lori Webster announced all of the fund-raising activities upcoming at East Mountain High School.

There will be a movie in the park on Aug. 22 at Los Vecinos.

Lt. Andy Nazario, Bernalillo County Sherriff Department, who is retiring in four months, said there is a "business" called A&P Construction that is not licensed and is running a scam in the area, taking money to pave driveways and then disappearing. Deputy Walker is taking reports and the attorney general is involved.

Ellen Ashcraft motioned to vote on the bylaws by major section changes. John Jones seconded it. There was discussion particularly about the way board officers are chosen. In the end, Wayne Clay motioned to approve the bylaw changes on how the officers are elected, Jeff Burdette seconded it, and the change was passed. Wayne Clay motioned to accept the bylaw changes regarding the nominating committee, Wally Gordon seconded it, and it passed. Wayne Clay motioned to accept changes to the bylaws on handling board member vacancies. Peggy Moeller-Mead seconded it and it passed. Finally, Lori Webster motioned to accept all other bylaw changes. Peggy Moeller-Mead seconded it and all were passed.