

BY-LAWS OF THE MARSING CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Marsing Chamber of Commerce is to promote the economic vitality of Marsing businesses through educational programming, marketing opportunities, and advocacy.

ARTICLE I OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS

SECTION 1: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, shall constitute the Executive Board ("Board" hereinafter) who shall manage and control the business and affairs of the organization. The Board may appoint up to three (3) other members to serve on the Board each year, (such as past President when possible).

SECTION 2: Officers shall be elected, each to serve a two-year term. President and Treasurer to be voted on in even numbered years, Vice-President and Secretary to be voted on in odd numbered years by a majority present at the September meeting, and each subsequent Biennial meeting, thereafter.

SECTION 3: To be qualified to serve on the Board in any capacity, one must be an active member and in good standing.

SECTION 4: At any regular or special meeting of the Chamber, at least three of the four Board members must be present to constitute a voting quorum.

ARTICLE II OFFICERS

SECTION 1: The officers of the organization shall be President, Vice-President, Secretary and a Treasurer. All said officers will be members of the Board.

SECTION 2: The officers shall be elected by the Chamber Members by a majority vote of members in good standing, and the election shall be held biennially at the September meeting. (Reference to Article I Section 2.)

SECTION 3: In case of the death, resignation, or removal of any officer of this organization, the Board, by a majority vote, shall elect their successor, who shall hold office by like tenure for the unexpired term.

SECTION 4: Any officer or agent may be removed by the Board whenever in its judgement the best interests of the organization will be served thereby, but such removal shall be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the person removed. Election or appointment of an officer or agent shall not of itself create contract rights.

SECTION 5: The Vice-President shall succeed the President. This is in reference to Article II. Section 3.

ARTICLE III

MEETINGS

SECTION 1: Monthly meeting will be held by the Marsing Chamber of Commerce. Meetings shall be called to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

SECTION 2: The regular meeting of the Marsing Chamber of Commerce shall be held each month, unless otherwise specified by the Board.

SECTION 3: The annual meeting of the Marsing Chamber of Commerce, shall be held on the second Wednesday of September of each year. for the purpose of electing Officers every other year and for the transaction of such business matters as may be brought before the meeting.

SECTION 4: Special meetings of the members or Board may be called by the President, by a majority of the officers, or by ten percent of the membership. The request must state the specific business that is to be presented at the meeting, or a polling conducted by the President of the Board with a simple majority ruling.

SECTION 5: Notices of special meetings of the membership shall be either mailed, phoned, emailed or otherwise delivered to each member.

SECTION 6: Attendance at all meetings, regular, committee or special must be maintained and submitted to the President or Secretary.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

SECTION 1: Membership in this corporation shall be four classes:

1. Active Membership
2. Individual Community Membership
3. Honorary Membership
4. Individual members as approved by the Board of Directors.

SECTION 2: To be qualified for active membership in this organization, one must be a member of a firm or profession actively engaged in agriculture or business in the community of Marsing, with the set boundary being the Marsing Fire District, or as allowed on individual cases by the Board, if all other requirements are met. In addition thereto, an active member must pay the annual membership fee provided in these by laws.

SECTION 3: The annual membership fee for each member shall be established by the Board. Said Board also shall establish the date or dates, on or before which said annual membership fee

shall be paid. Memorandum of the fee so established, and the date, or dates of payment, shall be incorporated in the minutes kept by the Board, and incorporation shall constitute notice to said active members.

SECTION 4: Active members not paying the annual membership fee within the ninety days after the same shall have become due shall lose their voting rights.

SECTION 5: Honorary membership in this Organization shall be held only upon invitation of the Board. An honorary member need not possess any particular qualifications and need not pay any annual membership fee, nor shall such honorary member have any vote in conducting the business of this corporation.

ARTICLE V

VOTING

SECTION 1: Each active member in good standing of said corporation shall have one vote in conducting the business of the organization.

ARTICLE VI

REVENUE

SECTION 1: No part of the income of this organization shall be used for the pecuniary gain or profit of *any* member of this organization except that the Board may allow compensation for the Secretary and the required assistants, in such amounts as may be determined reasonable.

ARTICLE VII

STANDING COMMITTEES

SECTION 1: The standing committees shall be membership and additional committees as the Board may, from time to time direct. The Chairman of each standing committee or additional committee is to give a report at each regular meeting and at other times the President may direct.

SECTION 2: The Membership committee shall be responsible for keeping membership at a maximum, and when necessary, assist the Secretary or Treasurer in securing dues from the members.

SECTION 3: Special Committees may be appointed by the President at any time.

ARTICLE VIII

PARLIAMENTARY RULES

SECTION 1: All proceedings shall be governed and conducted according to the latest edition of Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

SECTION 1: These by-laws may be altered or amended in any respect at any regular meeting of the members, or at any special meeting of the members called for that purpose, provided that said proposed amendment shall first have been approved by two-thirds of the Board, and shall have been read at a general membership meeting at least 30 days prior, and shall be adopted by an affirmative vote of two-thirds of all members present and voting at such regular or special meeting; provided further that at the meeting voting upon such said proposed amendment a quorum as herein specified shall be present. Upon adoption all members shall receive a copy of the current by-laws.

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