

LOXTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INC.

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, July 6, 2015

Meeting opened: 7.32pm

1. Welcome

Deb Petch welcomed everyone in attendance.

2. Present

Jane Wilson, Deb Petch, Fred Petch, Mark Howie, Paul Lewis, Jodi Koch, Michael Hitch, Sonya Altschwager, Stephanie Nitschke, Lew Gibbs, Deb Thiele, Annette Winter, Mick Searles.

3. Apologies

Mike Taylor, Darren and Sue McKee, Karen Kilsby, Tracey Orr, Victoria Derilo, Anne Battams, Erica Babbage, Craig Kernich, Bronwyn Proud, Tim Vivian, Julie Hammond, Ryan Seaman, Tully Bates, Crystal Petch, Emma Johnstone.

4. Previous minutes

Motion: That previous minutes of meeting held Monday, May 4, 2015, are accepted as a true and correct record.

Moved: Lew Gibbs. Seconded: Paul Lewis. Carried – all in favour.

5. Business arising

Correspondence – In

- a. Email regarding East Terrace Revitalisation ‘walk the walk/talk the talk’ from Loxton Waikerie Council chamber representative Deb Thiele.

6. Correspondence – Out

- a. Email to Suzie Schultz at council advising of the chamber’s support of future road closures for SA Variety Club bash (August 15) and Sunbeam Car Owners display (September 19)
- b. Letter to Peter Magarey from Old Machinery Group regarding the 2016 event.
- c. July edition of Chamber Chat.

Moved: Annette Winter. Seconded: Jane Wilson. Carried – all in favour.

7. General Business

a. 2015/2016 Membership Report.

Sonya Altschwager said there were now a total of 138 chamber members which is three additional members compared with last financial year. There are now 35 gold members, 59 silver and 44 bronze.

Additionally, filming has now begun on the new chamber TV commercials and feedback has been positive on new choice of music.

b. Request to combine Arts on Terrace TV commercial with Loxton Chamber ‘Loxton Goes to Sale’ commercial.

Sonya Altschwager asked whether there would be any objection to combining the two commercials, as it would save the chamber \$700. Additionally, it would mean the chamber would not be competing against its own commercials for airtime.

Moved: Jodi Koch. Seconded: Lew Gibbs. Carried - all in favour.

8. Reports:

a. Business Watch, SAPOL.

Sergeant Mick Searles said the main item of note was that a charity tin had been stolen from a local business in the past few weeks.

b. Council report, Deb Thiele.

*Deb Thiele said she was pleased with the attendance at the recent public consultation meeting for annual business plan (35 attendees).

*She reiterated that the East Terrace Revitalisation is part of the Loxton Waikerie Council's long term financial plan over 10 years.

*Sonya asked when council's five year strategic plan will be released to the public. Deb said she would chase up. Sonya also asked whether council was planning to apply for further grants for the East Terrace Revitalisation. Deb said future funding would be sought.

*Sonya said there had been expressions of interest from some chamber members to participate in the 'walk the walk, talk the talk' guided tour through East Terrace, showcasing the concepts and changes which will potentially be taking place as part of the East Terrace Revitalisation. Deb said she would continue to liaise with the chamber about possible dates and times.

c. Treasurer report, Mike Taylor. (Absent: no report)

d. Business & Events Manager report, Sonya Altschwager.

*\$1620 in Loxton Gift Vouchers for last month.

* Sunday, August 9, Loxton Goes to Sale.

*Still meeting with Ted Sinoch re: constitution.

Moved: Paul Lewis, seconded: Fred Petch. Carried – all in favour.

9. Guest speaker: Loxton police sergeant Mark Howie.

10. Next meeting

The next general meeting will be the AGM held on Monday, September 7, 2015 at the Loxton Hotel from 7.30pm.

11. Meeting closed: 9.05pm.