

# LOXTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INC.

## MINUTES

### GENERAL MEETING

Monday, December 14, 2015

1. **Meeting opened: 7.32pm.**
2. **Present**  
Deb Petch, Stephanie Nitschke, Fred Petch, Darren McKee, Sue McKee, Karen Kilsby, Jane Grant, Michael Hitch, Sharyn Schlein, Sally Goode, Annette Winter, Mick Searle, Joy Kloesters, Sheree Cameron, John Hausler.
3. **Apologies**  
Sonya Altschwager, Paul Lewis, Deb Ebert, Caroline Tuhoro, Sally Goode, Deb Thiele, Michael Searle, Bronwyn Proud, Jane Wilson, Julie Hammond, Dennis Hentschke, Lew Gibbs, Kristy Hobbs.
4. **Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting held Monday, November 9, 2015.**  
**Moved: Sue McKee. Seconded: Annette Winter.**
5. **Business arising from previous minutes: Nil.**
6. **Correspondence – In**  
Julie Noble re: Terrace Gallery dissolution.  
Deb Thiele re: Council congratulations.  
Mark Howie re: Light up night wrap up  
Sally Goode re: Light up night congratulations.  
Tax invoice template with chamber's new ANZ account details.  
Tim Whetstone: congratulations to the Loxton Christmas Lights Festival Committee for bronze medal at 2015 SA Tourism Awards.
7. **Correspondence – Out**  
November/December Chamber Chat  
**Moved: Karen Kilsby. Seconded: Sharyn Schlein.**
8. **Business Arising from correspondence: Nil.**
9. **Reports**
  - a) **SAPOL, Mick Searle**
    - \*19 police attended Loxton Lights Up event last month but there were few problems to report.
    - \*Three arrests have taken place around town relating to thefts in the past few weeks.
    - \*Police are still urging locals to lock up their valuables to ward against thefts.**Moved: Karen Kilsby. Seconded: Annette Winter.**

**b) Loxton Waikerie Council, John Hausler**

Following on from the chamber's November meeting, council has reported back on queries surrounding parking for larger vehicles (RVs/caravans) in the main street.

\*John said council had the power to issue parking fines to any vehicles which park inappropriately, but have to consider whether it is worth issuing a ticket to someone who is just passing through. Council is also concerned it may send a negative message to visitors to the area.

\*John advised council was working towards developing better signage to direct RVs and caravans to appropriate parking, but has to work with other government bodies to do so.

**Moved: Sue McKee. Seconded: Sharyn Schlein.**

**c) Treasurer's Report, Sue McKee**

\*Sue reported that the chamber is looking at a \$2500 profit from the Loxton Lights Up event.

\*The new bank account has been opened with ANZ, with a bonus 1.85 per cent interest.

\*All outstanding membership fees have now been paid to the chamber.

**Moved: Sue McKee. Seconded: Annette Winter.**

**d) Business & Events Manager Report, Sonya Altschwager**

\*On Light Up Day, \$306.75 in donations was collected at Santa's Cave.

\*Huge crowds attended the event.

\*The afternoon was quiet for traders between 1pm-4pm.

\*Overall, positive feedback has been received regarding this year's event.

**Moved: Karen Kilsby. Seconded: Darren McKee.**

**10. General business**

**Debrief on Loxton Lights Up.**

\*Fred Petch said his shop was very busy on Light Up Day in the morning, and then there was a lull once the street was closed off by council. However, people continued to flow through the shop later in the evening.

Fred indicated he was "more than happy" with the day's trade.

\*Karen Kilsby said the bottle-o trade was slow but the bistro was busy.

\*It was suggested that next year chamber think of a way to get some food down the bottom of East Terrace for families attending.

\*Deb Petch wished everyone a merry Christmas. She also urged members to attend the February 2016 meeting, and put their ideas forward for the year ahead.

**11. Meeting closed: 8.09pm.**