

LOXTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INC.

MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING

Monday, November 9, 2015

- 1. Meeting opened: 7.35pm.**
- 2. Welcome**
Connie Dziwoki of Genesis Travel was welcomed to the meeting.
- 3. Present**
Deb Petch, Sonya Altschwager, Steph Nitschke, Sue McKee, Darren McKee, Jodi Koch, Sharyn Schlein, Malcolm Dziwoki, Connie Dziwoki, Lew Gibbs, Deb Thiele, Paul Lewis, Kristy Hobbs, Annette Winter, Michael Hitch.
- 4. Apologies**
Karen Kilsby, Jane Wilson, Caroline Tuhoro, Deb Ebert, Fiona Heatherington, Ryan Seaman, Julia Dansie, Matt Stephens, Rhiannon Pinyon, Michael Searle, Louise Burgess, Fred Petch.
- 5. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting held Monday, September 7, 2015.**
Moved: Paul Lewis. Seconded: Deb Thiele.
- 6. Business arising from previous minutes: Nil.**
- 7. Correspondence – In**
Loxton Waikerie Council and SAPOL email reminder for locals to lock their cars and keep their belongings safe.
- 8. Correspondence – Out**
Chamber Chat.
Moved: Sue McKee. Seconded: Kristy Hobbs.
- 9. Business Arising from correspondence: Nil.**
- 10. Reports**
 - a) Treasurer’s Report, Sue McKee**
 - *Auditor’s report has been completed.
 - *New treasurer’s laptop computer and program software has been purchased.
 - *Sue asked whether it would be possible for her treasurer’s report to be emailed out to members in future rather than printing out numerous copies. From now on, it was agreed the report would be sent to Steph Nitschke, who would forward it to members along with the reminder emails on Friday.
 - *Outstanding gold and silver member accounts have been chased up and should be settled this month.

*Due to the closure of the Westpac branch in Loxton, Sue McKee made a motion that chamber take business to ANZ instead.

Moved: Kristy Hobbs. Seconded: Jodi Koch.

*It is a requirement that whatever bank is chosen, they must offer:

- Two signatories to sign
- One cash at call account to be opened
- One trading account
- Online access
- Cheque book
- Deposit book

Treasurer's and auditor's reports tabled by Sue McKee. Moved: Kristy Hobbs. Seconded: Annette Winter.

b) Loxton Waikerie Council report, Deb Thiele.

*The council has welcomed a new Director of Corporate and Community Services John Hausler. Deb suggested that he be invited to the chamber's Christmas drinks next month.

*East Terrace update: work is underway opposite the roundabout on the entrance feature.

*Deb said Director of Infrastructure Tim Tol is intending to touch base with the previous working group as a sounding board when developments differ from concept plan.

*The next development will be the Drabsch Street crossover. However, this will be a long-term project due to the elements involved (pedal prix etc).

*Council is working with local police to improve security at Loxton Pioneer Playground with increased patrols and added lighting.

*New caravan park managers have arrived in Loxton. They are from outside of the area, have 10 years experience and are keen to engage with the community.

Report tabled by Deb Thiele. Moved: Annette Winter. Seconded: Sharyn Schlein.

c) Business & Events Manager Report, Sonya Altschwager

*Preparations are in full swing for Loxton Light Up event on November 28.

Budget is looking healthy at this stage and chamber is \$1700 in the black.

A few changes this year including Santa's Cave opening earlier at 10am, more activities for children waiting to see Santa and more free giveaways on Reindeer Road. Also, there will be two portaloos set up on Murray Street (near pub) and a festive photo booth.

*Anyone willing to volunteer on Light Up Day can contact Sonya.

Report tabled by Sonya Altschwager. Moved: Annette Winter. Seconded: Kristy Hobbs.

11. General Business

*It was discussed that Loxton should have better signage to direct caravans/RVs to appropriate parking in main street for those vehicles. Also the information should be

linked to the Loxton Waikerie Council website. Deb said she would take the suggestions back to council.

*Deb Petch asked members to put forward any ideas/suggestions before the next 'brainstorming' general meeting in February 2016.

12. Next Meeting: Chamber Christmas Party - Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7.30pm, Loxton Hotel.

13. Meeting closed: 8.35pm.