

**LOXTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INC**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2013

**Meeting opened:** 7.35pm

**Welcome:** Deb Petch welcomed all to the meeting with a special welcome to new member Ted Sinoch, and congratulated Ryan Seaman on the birth of their new baby.

**Present:**

Sharyn Schlein, Michael Taylor, Michael Searle, Marian Woodberry, Julie Hammond, Michael Vowles, Ryan Seaman, Ted Sinoch, Donna Felder, Deb Petch, Jodi Koch, Sonya Altschwager, Annette Winter.

**Apologies:**

Ann Biele, Peter and Lisa Kollman, Chelsea Ling, Peter Evans, Paul Lewis and Trevor Petch.

**Previous Minutes:**

Motion: That the previous minutes of 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2013 are accepted as a true and correct record. Moved Sharyn Schlein. Seconded Michael Taylor – carried.

**Business Arising:** Nil

**Correspondence:** Nil

**Business Watch Report :**

Presented by Michael Searle, SA Police

- Graffiti problem has been sorted and people reprimanded.
- Various car break-ins – encouraged to always lock cars.
- Concern about dark area near the gazebo – Michael Vowles to follow up with council regarding lighting.

**Treasurers Report:**

Presented by Michael Taylor.

Michael Taylor moved that the report be accepted. Seconded Marian Woodberry. All in favour.

**Council Report:**

Presented by Mike Vowles

- Main Street Funding
- Roses near new playground have been shifted – 12 stolen
- Tatiara Council encouraging youth with various programs for fruitful outcomes with keeping young ones employed in the region. Food for thought and consideration for our region.
- Ski Club – Keen to move to Lion Park because of busyness at boat ramp.
- The overall vision plan for the Sporting Club has been adopted.
- Loxton Research Centre – funding.

Michael Vowles tabled his report. Ryan Seaman moved that it be accepted. Seconded Ted Sinoch. All in favour.

## **Business & Events Report**

Presented by Sonya Altschwager

### **Loxton Means Business**

- Finalising printed material
  - Shopping and Services Guide
  - Gift Voucher
  - Advert in Southern Life – showed the artwork – due out 25<sup>th</sup> September
  - RAA Motor Magazine Advert – November
  - Mildura Living – February
- Sonya will be starting to input data for the Online Business Directory – Encourage members to think about what information and photos they would like on their listing
- Gift Vouchers – Sales for August \$1375.

### **Light Up Day**

- New Sponsor – The Mitolo Group - \$2,000
- Street closure – Street open until 3.30pm on Light Up Day
- Sonya completed volunteer induction with Christmas Lights Committee as directed by Loxton Waikerie Council.
- Santas need to have Police Check. Chamber to cover 'volunteer cost' of Police Checks
- Liaising with Loxton Mens Shed regarding Santas Cave
- Lights Brochure finalized
- Co-ordinate Program of Events
- Mick Kelly confirmed for entertainment on Lights Up Day

Sonya Altschwager tabled her report. Marian Woodberry moved that it be accepted. Seconded Julie Hammond. All in favour.

### **General Business**

- Council suggested that we work together to submit a nomination to Main Street SA Awards in the category of 'Outstanding Partnerships'.  
The cost will be \$75 for submission and Sonya's wages for the time taken to put it together.

Sharyn Schlein moved that we support Sonya and Peter in putting together a submission. Seconded Annette Winter. All in favour.

- It has been suggested that we have the District Council of Loxton Waikerie's logo on our Chamber's website recognizing their support.

Ted Sinoch moved that we acknowledge the support of having the District Council of Loxton Waikerie's logo on our website. Seconded Michael Taylor. All in favour.

- Banner – Suggest that we look into selling advertising space on street banners from January to November. These would go in the spots where the Christmas Banners go during November and December.  
Various discussions – look into further. Consider town of Kalgoorlie Boulder as they have the same thing.
- Positive editorial in The Loxton News
- SALA – very positive day – Congratulations to the Council for the event. Thank you to Tony Walker for the space provided for the Junk Art Sculptures.

- Future Funding – Perhaps start headway with marketing consultant.

### **Next General Meeting**

To be held 4<sup>th</sup> November 2013, 7.30pm at the Loxton Hotel.

**Meeting Closed:** 9.10pm