

Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce

Thursday October 24, 2019

Ridgway Confections

In Attendance:

John Sideris President,	Wings Live Bait & Tackle
Mark Jamison	Envericon
Scott Gerrie	1000 Island Septic
Terri Dawson	The Green Gecko
Cindy Healy	Ridgway Confections
Tanya Hammond Director	Write Time & EOFS
Tara Mendiz	Leeds & Thousand Islands Public Library
Ken Davies	Ken Davies Logistics Development
Wendy Banks	Wendy's Country Market, Furnace Falls Farm
Irene Davelaar Director	Sliabhin Custom Apparel

Correspondence John Sideris

1. A letter from local branch 504 Legion's request for funds to restore the veterans lounge. No funding in this years budget to donate to Legion more than the Annual \$50 for their Poppy Fund.
2. October issue of Spotlight was featuring Wings Live Bait and Tackle and the Chamber was showcased for free.
3. A representative from Japan will be speaking in Toronto to Ontario Chamber member. See OCC Website for details.
4. Graphic Works submitted an offer to revamp the Chamber website. And the offer will be declined with thanks.
5. 2020 Membership drive is under way. Membership forms are now available. Each member is to fill out a new form to ensure correctness of information. This terms first new member is Ken Davies and was welcomed to the meeting.

6. Membership drive : October is the Launch of our 2020 Membership Drive. Update from Treasurer – looking into changing Bank for the Chamber to Athens/Elgin BMO to allow for possibility of e-transfer of funds, thus allowing for greater ease of membership dues payments.

2. Minutes: Minutes of September Meeting were read by Irene Davelaar. **A motion was made by Mark Jamison to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Scott Gerrie. Passed.**

3. Treasurer's Report: as submitted by Annick Rousseau and read by John Sideris. There is one new member and invoices have been sent out to outstanding memberships. **Tanya Hammond made a motion to accept Treasurer's Report as presented. Seconded by Wendy Banks. Passed.**

4. By-Laws: The finalized version of the new Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce By-laws was presented. John Sideris thanked Mark Jamison and the Executive for the extra work put into taking the project to completion. **Scott Gerrie motioned that the By-laws be accepted as presented. Seconded by Ken Davies. Passed.**

The Executive now needs to work on setting out the Operating Rules as applies to the functioning of the Lyndhurst, Seeleys Bay & District Chamber under the By-laws.

5. Nominations for Novembers Election:

President – John Sideris

Vice President – vacant

Treasurer – Annick Rousseau

Secretary – Irene Davelaar

Director – Mary Whitney

Director-Terri Wood

Director-Terri Dawson-Declined

Director- Cindy Healy-Declined

Director- Heiner Kamman

Director – Ken Davies

Director – vacant

6. Rewards Program: Presented by Cindy Healy. Cindy created a well planned and informative slideshow presenting a Local Roots Fan Club points shopping concept. There was much discussion and exchange of ideas. Four members in attendance were interested in participating out of a needed 10 participants. **Terri Dawson motioned that it be looked into for the Chamber to financially support Rewards Program project. Seconded by Mark Jamison. Passed.**

7. Peer Update: Josh Mensen . Josh is now able to attend more often as it is winter season. Another Chamber member is still being sought to partner in Peer meeting attendance. Terri Dawson reported that LRC focus at Peer meetings was on Stone Bridge Park, the proposed lookout and parkland on south east side of stone bridge. Mark Jamison reported that S.B. focus was on local property standards and by-laws.

At this time, Mark Jamison presented a Chamber Consultation Opportunity. An invitation was extended to the Mayor's Breakfast, 7am November 14, 2019 at Glen House Resort, 409 – 1000 Islands Parkway, Lansdowne. Topic: "Business Retention and Expansion"

8. Website/Facebook: Tanya Hammond reported to check website for content correctness of their own business information.

9. Village of Lyndhurst Update/Shop & Hop: Terri Dawson submitted a 2019 shop & hop budget listing a \$375 surplus. A progress report was given and 'save the date' cards were distributed for members to promote the event.

Chamber Members were encouraged to enter a float in the Lyndhurst Santa Parade, Saturday November 16 at 2pm in the best interest of keeping the event going.

10. Kingstons Finest Proposal: An advertising opportunity was presented from Kingston Finest to further promote Shop & Hop event. Declined.

11. Village of Seeley's Bay update: Mark Jamison and Cindy Healy reported in Mary Whitney's absence. An AGM meeting for SB will take place 7:30 pm November 6 at the Fire Hall. At which time a representative will present a Hemp growing/manufacturing opportunity for the area. Mark Jamison made information cards available and encouraged members to inform local area landowners.

12. Gan Chamber update: The Gan Chamber update is on its website and was e-mailed to Chamber members. The Gan Chamber continues to ask for someone from LSB Chamber to represent this area and sit in at Gan Chamber.

13. Solar Lighting Update: Scott Gerrie found different lighting has been sourced and tested costing \$150. per light. One light will be purchased and put in place on the Seeley's Bay Hwy 15 sign and observed for a minimum 6 months before more installations. Members were encouraged to make note of lighting quality.

14. New Business: Scott Gerrie will be putting in a Float to promote the Chamber & 1000 Septic. Looking for someone to assist with Float

15. Next meeting: Next meeting to be held 7 pm Thursday November 28, 2019 at Lansdowne Library.

Members are reminded that this meeting is election night and were encouraged to bring filled in Membership forms and fees.

Scott Gerrie made a motion to close the meeting. Seconded by Tanya Hammond. Passed.

Thank you to Ridgway Confections, Cindy and Derek for hosting the meeting in your sweet entertainment loft.