Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce <u>MINUTES</u> 7pm Thursday November 28th, 2019 Lansdowne Branch of Leeds and Thousand Islands Public Library 1 Jessie Street Lansdowne

In Attendance:

John Sideris – President	Wings Live Bait & Tackle
Tanya Hammond- Director	Write Time and EOFS
Wendy Banks	Furnace Falls Farm, Wendy's Country Market
Heiner Kammann	Gleanna Lea Farms
Irene Davelaar- Director	Sliabhin Custom Apparel
Annick Rousseau- Treasurer	Berry Homestead Farm
Nancy Penstone	Cedar Knoll Camp
Eric Bull	Cedar Knoll Camp
Rob Taillon	Rob's Shop
Ken Davies,	Ken Davies Logistics Development
Tara Mendiz	Leeds & Thousand Islands Public Library

Correspondence John Sideris

- Canadian Chamber of Commerce Membership update A package was received from Canadian Chamber of Commerce featuring 'essential business services,' such as training, benefits and networking. For more information contact Anick DeSousa, Director, Services <u>adesousa@chamber.ca</u>
- Delta Mill Festival of Lights Tour will be on for four weekends this year. Tours operating Friday and Saturday nights 5pm. To 8:30pm, Nov.29th & 30th, Dec. 6th & 7th, De. 13th & 14th, and Dec. 20th & 21st.
- 3. A cheque for\$10 as a 3rd place prize was received on behalf of Scott Gerrie's –Thousand Island Septic participation in the Lyndhurst Santa Parade, for the Chamber Float. The monies will be returned to the Parade as contribution. It was noted that the Lyndhurst Santa parade is in need of more help. To assist contact Penny's Lawn Care, Lyndhurst.
- 4. A 'Thank you' card was received from Student recipient of \$100 bursary for Small Business Endeavors . From Rideau Lakes High School In Elgin.
- 5. Possible Student placement in the Spring from St Lawrence College through Township.
- 6. A few 2020 Lyndhurst, Seeleys Bay & District Memberships came in. Membership applications and Membership Agreement forms are available at Wings Live Bait and Tackle or on the Chamber Website, as a Downloadable PDF or directly on line.

2. Minutes: Irene Davelaar

Minutes of the October Meeting were presented by Irene Davelaar. Motioned by Rob Taillon be accepted as presented. Seconded by Tanya Hammond. Passed.

3. <u>Treasurer's Report</u> Annick Rousseau

The Treasurer's report was presented by Annick Rousseau. Motioned by Heiner Kamman to be accepted as presented. Seconded by Tany Hammond. Passed

4. Membership/Chamber Agreement.

A Lynhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce Membership Agreement document was presented. **A motion was made by Wendy Banks to accept Membership Chamber Agreement as presented. Seconded by Ken Davies. Passed.** Membership/Chamber Agreement Forms are to be signed and submitted at time of Membership application submissions.

5. 2020 Elections:

President: John Sideris	accepted	
Vice President:	open	
Treasurer: Annick Rousseau	accepted	
Secretary: Irene Davelaar	accepted	
Membership Chair:	open	
Director: Rob Taillon	accepted	
Director: Ken Davies Seeleys Bay & Peer Rep	accepted	
Director: Heiner Kammann	accepted	
Director: Terri Wood 3 rd Signature on Chamber Account accepted		
Director: Josh Mensen Agri Business & Peer Rep	accepted	
Director: Michelle Moulton Gan Rep	accepted	
Director:	open	
Director: Mary Whitney Seeleys Bay Rep	pending	

Most Positions were filled by acclimations. The New Executive was voted on as a whole and accepted. Directors can be appointed or voted on.

We are still looking for: Vice-President Membership Chair/Assistant to Treasurer, as she is stepping down in 2021 Contact Exec if you are interested.

6.TODS Signs Price increase.

Local Businesses that advertise on the TODS signage received letters with a drastic price Increase due to New Government regulations regarding signag. Wendy Banks motioned that a letter be written to address amount of price increase. Seconded by Nancy Penstone. Passed.

John Sideris will draft a letter and have it reviewed by Councillors Mark Jamison and Gord Ohlke. The letter will then be sent to the Executive and then sent to our Local Council, MPP & MPP. Members are encouraged to write the company and local members of Parliament to mediate price rates.

Contact: Local Counsel, MP Michel Barrett & MPP Steve Clark

Canadian TODS ltd. (613)925-1480 120Whitmore Rd. Unit 8 Ste. 200 Woodbridge, Ont. L4L 6A3 <u>www.ontario.interstatelogos.com</u>

7. Website Manager:

Discussion was held as to The Chamber needing a website and facebook manager. Wendy Banks proposed that an \$80/month Website Manager position be posted open to a Chamber Member. Seconded by Heiner Kamman. Passed

A job description and prerequisites for the website manager position with Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber will be posted before Christmas on the Chamber website and facebook.

8. <u>WebSite/facebook:</u> Tanya Hammond reported on the current status of the website. ALL Members are to look at their own Ads on the Website & contact Tanya for any Changes and/or updates.

9. <u>Lyndhurst Update:</u> Terri Dawson sent the update by email. Update was read by John. A steel turkey sculpture was installed at Furnace Falls park.
The Library has new winter hours of Fridays 1-6pm.
Annual Christmas Shop & Hop is on Dec.7th.

10. Seeley's Bay Update:

For updates see SBARA website. Frost Fest is in need of volunteers

11.<u>PEER:</u> Josh Mensen will send in update at a later date.

The Partnerships for Economic Enhancements and Revitalization Committee (PEER) is a committee of community-based groups who are interested in community revitalization and sustainable economic growth.

Members of Peer:

- Chair, to be determined
- Vice Chair, to be determined
- Lansdowne Association for Revitalization (LAFR) Representative:
- Seeley's Bay Area Residents Association (SBARA) Representative:
- Rockport Development Group (RDG) Representative:
- Lyndhurst Rejuvenation Committee (LRC) Representative:
- Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce Representative:
- Lansdowne Agricultural Society (LAS) Representative:
- 1000 Islands Gananoque Chamber of Commerce Representative:
- Secretary: Vanessa Latimer

12.Gananoque Chamber Update:

Check Gan Chamber Website

Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber will be setting up a booth at the Gananoque Business Expo. In the Spring-watch for dates-Chamber Members are invited to attend and assist manning the Chamber Booth and promoting your business.

13.<u>Solar Lighting:</u> Scott Gerrie sent his regrets. Update to follow.

14. <u>New Business</u>: Lansdowne Librarian Tara Mendiz presented an Initiative of local business partnering with the local library as a no cost, low maintenance promotional. A project in which library card holders are given added value service when presenting their card to local businesses. In return the Library association markets/ advertises for the business on Library promotional methods, highlighting a specific business monthly. The Executive is to look into the project further.

Ken Davies presented Rideau Lakes Twp. Business networking meeting which will be held 7pm. December 10, at the Community Hall, 24 Water St., Portland.

15. <u>Next meeting.</u> There will be no meeting in December. Merry Christmas!

Next meeting to be held January 23, 2020. Location in Seeley's Bay to be announced.

9pm. Rob Taillon motioned the meeting be closed. Seconded by Nancy Penstone. Passed.

Thank you to Tara for hosting the meeting at the Lansdowne Library and Congratulations on the Library's 40 years of service in Lansdowne.