

Lyndhurst, Seeley's Bay & District Chamber of Commerce

March 29, 2019 - 7 pm

Lyndhurst Fire Station

Members in Attendance

John Sideris – President, Wings Live Bait

Dawne Fiegen – co Secretary, Wiltse Creek Studio

Annick Rousseau – Treasurer, Berry Homestead Farm

Wendy Banks – Furnace Falls Farm, Wendy's Country Market

Jean-Sebastien Gagne – Berry Homestead Farm

Robert Taillon – Rob's Shop

Tanya Hammond – Insurance Broker - Eastern Ontario Financial Services

Irene Davelaar – Sliabhin Custom Apparel

Heiner Kammann – Gleanna Lea Farms

Cindy Healy – Ridgeway Chocolates

Connie Zeran – Beyond the Arbour

Megan Basten – 1000 Island Septic & Construction

Dawn Kirkby – Let it Grow Greenhouse

Karen Cornish – Finest Magazine

The meeting came to order at 7:05 pm

Correspondence:

Shorelines Casino is hosting a Networking Night Business After 5 Event On April 10 from 5:30 – 9 pm. For members of the 1000 Islands Gananoque Chamber. Please visit their website for more details.

The Lansdowne Fire Department was looking for a donation towards their annual Bullhead Dinner. Rob proposed that the Chamber donate \$100.00. Seconded by Dawne

FABN has requested a donation towards their programming to be held at Kendricks Park this summer, as well as assist families of children that could not afford to go. A discussion was held regarding the amount to donate. Dawne proposed that the Chamber donate \$150.00 – the cost to send one child to camp for one week. Seconded by Annick. The cheque will be sent with an accompanying letter to the recipient's family so that they know where the donation came from.

The Lower Beverley Lake Association membership is due. Dawne proposed that the Chamber renew their membership at a cost of \$60.00. Seconded by Wendy Banks.

Minutes: Dawne Feigan

The minutes of the February meeting were read. Ann Motioned they be accepted as presented.
Seconded by Connie

Treasurers Report: Annick Rousseau

The Treasurers Report was read. Dawne motioned they be accepted as presented. Seconded by Karen.

Facebook/Website: Tanya Hammond

Tanya shared the current metrics of our online presence and continues to monitor and update the sites. Check your own Business profile on the Website and make sure it is up to date.

PEER: Megan Basten

Josh Mensen and Megan Basten represented the Chamber for the Monthly PEER meetings and Rob Tallion will attend if either is unable to attend.

Megan attended the meeting this month and with this meeting being the first one of the current council, elections were held and a discussion of how the group would like to proceed (working group or committee) was the main topic.

Amount of involvement by Chamber Reps will be determined on their availability

Lyndhurst Update:

1. Pitch in Village Clean Up Day - Saturday April 27. Meet at the Lyndhurst Library bag and gloves provided and coffee, juice & snacks available to start the day.
2. The Lyndhurst Rejuvenation Committee will be meeting in early April (date TBA). Election of the executive board will take place. Contact Terri Dawson if you are interested in joining this group. 613-928-1196
3. Annual Plant & Sidewalk Sale – Saturday May 18. Anyone is encouraged to have a yard sale and if you live outside the village, there are first come, first serve spots available at Furnace Falls Park. Plant donations gratefully accepted. Contact Martha at 63-928-2989

Seeley's Bay Update:

1. The annual Pitch in/Village Clean Up Day will be held on April 27 from 10 – 12. Bags and gloves are available at the Nest Egg and a thank you BBQ will be held at noon. Rain date: April 28
2. Two people are attending the Teeny T iny Summit this year on April 4. This event focuses on the economic development of small places. If anyone would like to attend, the cost is \$40.00, www.teenytinysummit.com
3. Seeley's Bay website has been upgraded and is working faster. www.visitseeley'sbay.ca
4. The organization for the annual Red Canoe Fest is underway and will be held on June 1 with details for this event available on the website.

1000 Island Gananoque Chamber Update:

There was correspondence from Michelle regarding our proxy for decisions being made at their chamber last month. Michelle felt that as a member of the executive committee of the 1000 Island Gananoque Chamber that it may be a conflict of interest for her to use our proxy to vote.

2019 Directory Update: John Sideris

Directory submissions are being sent to Printer by John

Solar Lighting:

Waiting for spring for work to start.

First Aid Course:

Five Chamber members attended the First Aid Course and have received their certificates.

Advertising opportunities:

Vacation Travel Guide /KOA/Kingston's Finest

The Chamber has received 3 advertising opportunities. Discussion was held regarding these opportunities. No decisions were reached and it will be discussed further by the Executive committee.

Dawne motioned that the Executive meet to discuss a budget for advertising. Seconded by Tanya

See attachment for details of the 3 Advertizing.

Annual Spring Meet & Greet

The Meet & Greet will be held at the Seeley's Bay Fire Hall on Thursday April 25th at 6 pm. Members are welcome to set up a display table at 5 pm.

New Business

Cindy Healy presented a video of a "small town" Loyalty Rewards program that she feels offers an excellent opportunity for local businesses. The organization is currently upgrading their program and Cindy will update us at a future date.

May Meeting: Lyndway Hills Golf Course in Lyndhurst

June 8 – Interactive Agricultural Event/ Small Business Expo at Furnace Falls Farm Contact Wendy Banks at 613-561-2177 or by email wendy@wendyscountrymarket.com for booth registration and event info.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:47 pm