

WAUCHOPE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY INC

MEETING 13-05-08

MINUTES

Commenced: 6pm

President welcomed all members to meeting

Apologies: Terry Burn, Karen & David Cane, Varan Freestone, Neroli Reid, Ken Weismantel, Angela Johnston, Loris Hendy, Melinda Robinson, Col & Di Amos

Attendance:

As per attendance sheet

Minutes Previous Meeting:

Accepted as correct – moved Barry Breckenridge, 2nd Sherral Carney

Business Arising:

No business arising

Treasurers Report:

No report, treasurer absent

Membership Report:

President welcomed new member - Hastings Country Music Assoc.

President's Report:

President, along with other members attended the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal Launch at the Old School. \$15,000 raised – an amazing effort. Agreed that Secretary send letter of congratulations to Patty & Garrick for their hard work & dedication to this event.

Correspondence

In:

2 x bank statements

4 x council minutes & papers

Cancer Council –Community Relations Coordinator

Pictorial – Chrissy Jones “Walk about Wauchope”

Wauchope Heated Pool Committee – info & membership form

PMH Council – Workshop “Addressing Needs of Entrepreneurs”

Out:

PMH Council – concerns delay re pedestrian crossings

General Business:

1. Business Enterprise Centre – discussions re Chamber joining this organization. Moved Anne Periera, 2nd Adrienne Van Spanje
2. Pedestrian crossings in High Street – no reply from Council. Sue to re-send letter.
3. Christmas Committee – agreed to plan earlier this year to be more co-ordinated than last year. Suggestions re promoting Sarahs Crescent as a drawcard to Wauchope. Maybe only one major event, rather than numerous smaller events as occurred last year.
4. Suggested by Carolyn Fowler that Chamber write to Council to consider moving monthly Farmers' Markets to Bain Park. Meeting agreed that we do not suggest to Council that Trevor Sargeant be reinstated as the organizer of the markets. Proposed Adrienne Van Spanje- 2nd Jenny Pursehouse. Secretary to write to Council.
5. Jenny Pursehouse gave members an update on cbd Master plan & Wauchope deviation. Traffic study figures previously given by Council were 12 years old. New counts now been started. Final results re figures could take a long time because of Council's need for analysis, consultants etc.
6. A questionnaire has been circulated amongst some truck drivers to gauge their opinions on using High, Cameron & Blackbutt
7. Another questionnaire is being prepared for the retailers in High Street for their opinions on trucks traveling through the main street, noise, pollution etc. Adrienne offered to formulate questionnaire.
8. The findings of both questionnaires will be presented to Council.
9. Discussions followed re a calendar of events/community directory 2008. A new comprehensive booklet for Wauchope was also discussed. This would involve more comprehensive maps, more information than the current Wauchope brochure & also possibly advertising . Sherral Carney, Peter Daniels, Myrna Hitchcock, Barry Breckenridge, Sue Carson offered to assist.
10. Eva Cassegrain gave an update on fig trees in Hastings Street.
 - # trials parking rear to kerb have been undertaken
 - # one retailer only complained re loss of loading space & some parking spaces (7). Some members commented that this concerned retailer should have come forward earlier
 - # Council doing traffic survey in Hastings Street
 - # negative reaction to angle parking by some shoppers

There being no further business, meeting closed at 7.15