

Good Day Fellow Chamber Members,

I wanted to give you an update from our last meeting that took place on October 25th.

The Chamber voted once again to support our December “Shop n Hop” and agreed to sponsor this local event with a financial contribution of \$500. Terri Dawson, the organizer and founder of this event, made the motion which was seconded by Dawne Fiegen and carried)

It was also agreed that the Chamber would give financial support of \$100.00 towards the Santa Claus Parade, as well as a financial contribution of \$100 to the Lyndhurst Legion for the Remembrance Day Ceremony (proposal by John Sideris, seconded by Cindy Ouellette, and carried)

Aimy Kirkland marketing manager of the 1000 Islands Gananoque Chamber gave an excellent presentation to our members about the advantages of “Amalgamation”. You couldn’t help but be impressed with her sincerity and willingness to make “Amalgamation” a positive transition, I have sent members a separate attachment of the actual motion to be voted on.

It was decided by those present that the vote will take place at our next Chamber meeting between 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm on Nov 22nd. It was also decided that **Members must show up in person to vote.**

- Should the vote be in favour of Amalgamation it was decided that this transition would be done on a trial basis for the year 2018.
- Should the vote be in favour of Amalgamation, a Committee would be formed of existing members and an elected Chairperson would meet with the new Chamber on a monthly basis.

- Should the vote be in favour of Amalgamation it was decided that all “monies” in the Lyndhurst Seeley’s Bay account would remain in the account and that the new Committee would have access to those funds to be used for a worthy project of their choice.
- Should the Chamber be in favour of Amalgamation the membership fee for 2018 would be \$135.60 . The details of the membership fee were discussed at the meeting and those of you who would like these details are welcome to contact Aimy Kirkland at info@1000islandsganchamber.com
- Should the vote be **against** Amalgamation , John Sideris our Vice President will take on the responsibility of setting up a new Board of Directors, with an outline of their responsibilities in order to carry on as the Lyndhurst Seeley’s Bay Chamber.

Whether members choose to vote for Amalgamation or not, I want to express to all members that it has been a pleasure and quite the experience to serve as your Chamber President. I would ask that you accept this as my formal notice of stepping down as President effective November 22nd, 7:30pm.

Mel Magalas