

Community/Board Meeting 07 May 2016 Minutes

Minute Taker: Trinh Nguyen

Chair: Peter O'H

Commenced: 9.15 am

Attendance: Julica, Bronwyn, Wayne, Belinda, Luke, Russell, Michael (D for Sue), Trinh, Paul, Dan, Anne W (D), Roger (D for Louise), Denise (D for Rose), Ralph (D), Craig (D), Isaac

Apologies: Rose, Louise, Dennis, Sue

Visitors: Alan

Amendment & confirmation of previous minutes:

Re Committee for Goolawah Cemetery, Denise raised correction, that John T is not part of the committee, which is Ralph, Anne T and Russell.

Read out from Jan GM minutes - "The planning group formed to make recommendations on the feasibility of a Cemetery at Goolawah has done a lot of research, and have come to the conclusion the way forward is to put in an application to the Health Department, in order to move forward on the issues around burial. Anticipated fees of up to \$500 could be associated with an application."

Moved by Ralph that minutes be corrected, seconded by Paul.

Approved unanimously.

Business arising from previous minutes:

1. Purchase of dust signs:

Bronwyn and Denise to decide where poles go, purchase cement and poles if required and direct installation at next Working Bee.

2. Neighbour feedback re erection of dust signs:

Michael C said neighbours are eager for dust signs to go up.

3. Resolution to change our By-Law re speed limits to include access roads:

Denise readout current By-Law No 9: "The speed limit on Goolawah is 20km in residential areas and 40km on connecting roads".

Proposed change: "Members and their visitors are not to drive faster than 20km in residential areas and 40km in non-residential areas in Goolawah and on both access roads of Nevertire and Illa Langi".

To be discussed in the next meeting.

4. Revisions to Finance Policy:

Refer to Treasurer's Report. Work in progress.

5. Outcome of Meeting with Justin & Leah and Directors or their Delegates Saturday 16 April at CK regarding unpaid levies:

Prior to the proposed meeting the Secretary received an email from Leah saying that they were unable to attend as she was in Tasmania.

6. Cemetery Application:

Refer to Business Arising.

Secretary's Report

1. Position of Treasurer's Report in Meeting Agenda:

The secretary suggested that a hardcopy of the report be circulated at the beginning of the meeting to allow members time to absorb it before discussion and approval before General Business at the end. (the report is posted on the website a few days before the meeting anyway).

2. Neighbour Kellie Flanagan has 100 acres for sale for \$375,000

3. New Electoral Boundaries put the Co-op in the seat of Cowper

4. Public Liability for Goolawah

- Building sites are not covered under our Public Liability insurance policy
- Awareness raising: up to to members to decide if they take out Construction Works Insurance, which includes Public Liability. (approx. cost \$1000).
- Members must keep their building sites safe and display relevant legal signage.
- Julica will put a suggestion in the newsletter
- Pete will put a reminder on the website

5. Justin & Leah's Debt

- They currently owe \$4374
- Leah sent the Secretary an email requesting it be read out at the meeting. In summary she says they will sell their Hilux ute to repay

their current Goolawah debt outright and that this will take 4-6 weeks.

Vote to put Resolution to GM:

- **Resolution:** “To refer Justin & Leah’s debt to Debt Collectors if they fail to pay their current Goolawah debt by 27 June 2016”.
- **Secretary to email Leah:** “Failing to pay the current debt of \$4374 outright to Goolawah by 27 June 2016, as per your own proposal in your email, the community will refer the entire debt to Debt Collectors without further discussion”.

6. DA/Access Roads

Mike Dutton is working on Goolawah’s project: quoting on 3 options – all-weather road, sealed in front of residents, all sealed to the standard of the Kinchela Right Bank Road (photo circulated)

Road Report

1. Ralph requests that the next Working Bee trim the bush growing onto Illa Langi and fix potholes on Tallowood.
2. Paul sought interest for a wood chipper to be hired to mulch the roadside bush, and will get costings if necessary.

Membership Report

1. **Enquiries:** Bronwyn had 3 but not heard back; Paul had a couple, and is encouraging enquirers to spend time woofing with members to learn about Goolawah community.
2. **Application by Luke for visitor fee exemption for Jay** approved unanimously
3. **Guest membership fee structure** - Luke requests further discussion about it, suggesting a levy per share rather than per person.
4. Anne noted that Moora Moora community has taken aspects of Goolawah’s membership structure in their own procedures.
5. **Carmel’s lots for sale:** Ralph will offer to help her sell.

Machinery Report

1. **Private tractor use:** Denise noted they recently paid \$10/hour.
2. **Tractor Seat Belt:** Tarrik may have spare one, and Dan to install.

Fire Report

1. **Striker** finished and ready to go. Paul suggest members take the Hi-Lux to their lots to familiarise themselves with its use - he offered to train them.
2. **Trailer:** Roger raised fitting out a trailer for the fire truck.
3. **Asset Protection Zone:**
 - Anyone wanting to mulch or burn in their APZs to contact fire squad (Roger & Paul).
 - The forest mulcher used last year was Jason (imulch.com.au), based in Taree.
 - Roger offered to survey members' sites for fire protection

Treasurer's Report

1. **Adopted** (m. Ralph, s. Dan) unanimously.
2. **Expense Claims** approved unanimously (m. Roger, s. Anne)
Belinda & Paul's claims were submitted but have not shown up in report. Sattwa requested that we accept work claims that have not been submitted on time - agreed.

General Business

1. **Cemetery:** report from Russell tabled. Ralph to liaise with Anne T and proceed with application.
2. **Rainforest Regeneration Project:**
Wayne explained that it's been lead by Rob under Men's Shed, and they would like to make it a community project. And include everyone in planting next week. Rob can also provide education sessions. Wayne will text details. Special thanks to Rob for all work done.
3. **Camp Kitchen:**
Wayne cleans it after Men's Shed and is current caretaker.
Discussion about cleaning up the mess after Pizza Night - the same few people come the morning after - all who participate should help.

The battery may be on its way out as it is only capable of running one light at night - Wayne will talk to Dave L.

Special Thanks to Wayne for all the unclaimed work done at CK

4. Cats & Foxes:

Paul raised idea of paying for professional eradication.

5. Red Hill Fire Shelter:

Anne reported that footings are dug, steel ready to be picked up by James, and we need a Working Bee to do the formwork.