

Community Meeting Minutes 6th August 2016

Minute Taker: Rose Mahar

Chair/Facilitator: Louise Roberts

Commenced: 9:05 am

Attendance: Peter O'Hara, Anne Wilson (D), Mark Doonan, Tony Roberts, Roger Ball, Sue Loudon (D), Mick Clancy, Wayne Ellis, Julica Jungehulsing, Alicia Fox, Bron Little, Daniel Rose, Ralph Erthel (D), Craig Singleman (D), Louise Roberts (D), Rose Mahar (D)

Apologies: James Galletly, Dennis & Denise Cobourn

Visitors: Ralph Van Hulst, Wayne & Jenny Skinner, Brian Alexander

Confirmation of Previous minutes:

2nd July General Meeting

Proposed - Ralph, Seconded - Craig, Unanimous

Business arising from Previous Meeting(s):

1. **SLOW REDUCE DUST signs** – still to be erected. Put on list for next working bee.
2. **Justin and Leah's debt.** Paid most of arrears debt and have made a commitment to continue regular payments. Now current.
3. **Tractor seat belt.** May not be needed due to age of tractor. Thank you Daniel for installing.
4. **Letter to Cindy Munro** regarding breach of the Code of Conduct. Was sent as agreed at July meeting.

Secretary's Report: Ralph

1. **Census night** – Tuesday 9th August. Collector delivered forms to Ralph for individual households. Do online or return via post.
 2. **Grant Woolcock's debt.** Letter to be sent reminding him he needs to keep up regular payments.
 3. **Carmel's shares.** Carmel came to talk about this. They have been cleaning up the blocks. She has the prices set at \$55k, \$60k & \$65k for the separate blocks. Price is negotiable. It was previously agreed that annual levies would be waived for 12 months while blocks were for sale. She has paid levies up to the end of last financial year. Meeting agreed the 12 period should start this financial year to be reviewed at end of year. Carmel has agreed to mark blocks clearly to facilitate easy boundary delineation. Some discussion about possible problems with the access through one block to Ronnie's place.
 4. **John Tennock** needs to update his accounting software and would like meeting to approve \$500 to buy Filemaker Pro.
- Vote: Unanimous

Treasurer's Report: As Tabled.

\$213,835 in account.

Grant Woolcock only overdue member.

Proposed - Ralph, Seconded - Rose, Unanimous.

DA Report: Ralph

Michael Young will call 5pm Monday afternoon to discuss the weight of Dutton's report for negotiations with council and /or court. Meeting on Ralph's verandah.

Road Report: Ralph

- There's a few pot holes appearing on our roads but will hold off with repairs for now.
- Illa Langi Road clearing by Mick Conomos. Mick has made good progress – will need one more day. Discussion ensued re marking narrow culvert opposite the airfield. White posts and reflectors would probably suffice. Ralph will investigate.
- Vote of thanks to Mick and Roger for slashing along road etc. near Frog Hollow.

Membership Report: Tony

- George White - still no paperwork from George.
- Jenny & Wayne Skinner – have completed all paperwork etc. successfully. Had pre-meeting re community approval. All OK. To be ratified today.

Proposed as new members by Tony.

Seconded: Anne

Unanimous welcome.

- Some discussion about hiccups in the new membership process – the paperwork doesn't match the process. Will need revisiting in the future.
- There is a need to replace Tony on the membership committee. Call out to all members to volunteer.

Machinery Report: Roger

New blades for slasher still on order.

Fire Squad Report: Julica, Roger

- Fire truck going great but battery was flat. Possibly needs a new battery. Anne(?) will check if trickle charge is working.
- First date for blocks to be slashed is 15th August but not too concerned at the moment due to recent rain.

Work and Expenses Claims:

1. Issue of Work Cover if we are paying contractors an hourly rate for slashing of sites.

Sue investigated this issue and will send pertinent information to the directors and treasurer. In brief, if we don't pay more than \$7500pa in total we are exempt. We should avoid paying any one individual more than \$450 so that we don't have to pay superannuation.

Thank you Sue for doing this.

2. Work Claim from Paul Martin for 25hours setting up the fire truck.
Unanimous Approval and vote of thanks to Paul.

Review community jobs List:

\$25 per hour added to Community Job List for slashing of sites. Deferred for now until all have a chance to read the work cover information.

General Business Agenda Items:

1. **Tony and Louise** are going on vacation - need members to volunteer for their current roles, i.e. Director, DA and Membership Committees. Roger Ball is taking over as director from Louise. Thank you Roger. Tony's membership role is still open.

2. **Ground Parrot Survey** – Anne

National Parks are looking for volunteers for a Ground Parrot survey. Information is posted on the website.

3. **Red Hill fire shelter** – Anne

The footings have gone in. The timber has been milled. There will be a working bee on the site in a few weeks time.

4. **Vision Statement for Goolawah** – Anne

Anne proposes that the co-op goes through a revisioning process to help make decisions, for the benefit of new members, and to help members know what ideas to advance. Discussion ensued re possible ways of surveying people and providing feedback. The process should involve revisiting and referring to existing Rules. Alicia & Daniel to assist Anne. Will possibly use Survey Monkey.

Proposal: To include admin work on the revision process on the community jobs list.

Proposed: Anne

Seconded: Sue

For: 6, Against: 1, Abstain: 7

5. **Camp kitchen update** - finances and completion of works - Wayne

Trusses were to go up on Wednesday – delayed due to rain. Will go ahead this week weather permitting.

There have been lots of delays to do with the order of the trusses but they were finally delivered last week. Problem is a crane is needed to lift them into place as the cherry picker is not suitable and it is deemed too dangerous for the men.

Unfortunately it was not anticipated that a crane would be needed so it was not

included in the original budget. The cost is \$6600 which means the project will run out of money before completion.

Proposal: To provide an additional sum of \$6600 to cover the cost of the crane for the installation of the trusses.

Proposed: Wayne

Seconded: Craig

For: 11 Abstain:1

6. Rainforest Project - Wayne

Rob still working on it. He has another 100 trees to plant in a couple of weeks. Would appreciate any donations of soil, stakes, tubes etc.

7 Newsletter items – Julica

Deadline - the day after meeting is the deadline for minutes, please hand in all other items not at the last minute but at least the week before. Late items make a LOT of extra work.

Gratitude Round: Thank you everyone

Meeting Closed: 11:15