

## **Minutes**

### **Board & Community Meeting 05 November 2016**

**Chairperson:** Peter O'Hara

**Minute-Taker:** Ralph Erthel

#### **Attendance**

Members: Alicia Fox, Dave Launt, Wayne Ellis, Ralph van Hulst, Nityama Martin, Belinda Ball, Greg Ryan, Tarrik Morssi, Daniel Rose

Directors: Craig Singleman, Roger Ball, Ralph Erthel, Bronwyn Little (for Louise Roberts), Denise Cobourn, Peter O'Hara

**Apologies:** Julica, Sattwa, Stuart, Dennis, Denise, Tony, Rose

**Visitors:** Chris Robbins (new owner of Wauchop's block), Todd Henshall & Gemma Dowell, Alison Finch and Emmet Blackwell.

**Minutes** of October AGM (as per website) approved unanimously.

#### **1. Vision Statement**

Phase II under way; Alicia & Anne will inform the community and initiate further consultation when ready.

#### **2. Public Liability**

Confirmed no obligation for a business with worker contracts below \$7,500 p.a in total. As Goolawah is not a *business* ('undertaking' in law) the issue is moot anyway.

#### **3. Goolawah Landcare**

Proposal unclear as no detail; await John Tennock's input in due course.

#### **4. Chris Robbins**

Purchaser of Wauchop's block, introduced himself and expressed his understanding of the access situation - that his access road is the 'brick road' off Frog Hollow - also discussion and recognition that it is not in the correct surveyed location.

David L. will contact surveyors Phyllis & Co to ascertain the correct position, as they have data on file. The meeting understood however, that a right-of carriageway would be granted to the Robbins' by Goolawah if necessary.

In the interim Red Hill residents consented to the Robbins family access via Red Hill Road until the Frog Hollow link is built.

Chris R. hoped that his children (6 & 9) would meet and interact with Goolawah's.

## **5. Member levies**

Secretary to notify four members with levies 'more than 12 months behind' via the same letter sent to Grant Woolcock (who is now current).

## **6. Road Signs**

Many thanks to Roger for finding these on ebay for \$10 each : -

PRIVATE PROPERTY/NO TRESPASSING (30x80cm, red on white)

Approved purchase of 12; discussion about their legal value, how to mount them, etc.

Secretary said they would be useful for liability in accidents on *private roads*.

## **7. DA Committee**

Reported that a new Section 96 Application to vary Consent Conditions for our access roads has been lodged with KSC (\$1,013 lodging fee!).

It proposes that Nevertire remains all-weather gravel, with 4m bitumen for a 400m section in front of neighbours' houses once daily vehicle movements reach 100 or so (this threshold not definitive to allow negotiation).

The seven Kempsey Shire councillors have also each been sent a copy and a request for meetings later this month - to avoid repetition of dodgy treatment accorded the previous application, which was not presented to Councillors and was reported on erroneously and incorrectly by Council staff.

## **8. Cindy's 'visitor/guest': Charley & son.**

Secretary to write to Cindy re-iterating Co-op policy that non-resident members cannot have visitors or guests, but the Co-op has decided on leniency by not charging her for Charley's first two months stay (rather than one), and she will be billed \$10 per day visitor contribution from October 18. Secretary to instruct Treasurer.

## **9. NPWS**

Ralph reported failure to meet their agreement to: repair Illa Langi-Maria River Road intersection; fill holes on Forest Way with roadbase and roll; repair and close access at Carmel's block; and the Coop has not yet received a key to the gate at the causeway.

Repair work was carried out at Forest Way by Larry and Ron, using Ron's tractor. Many thanks to both. Rolling is suggested for the next road works.

## **10. Membership**

Todd and Gemma have applied for membership. Emmett is applying as visitor/guest of James & Alicia. Alison has begun her pre-membership period process.

Shares currently for sale: Carmel's two, Kelly V, Rodney. Inform non-resident members via website and newsletter of increased interest of prospective members.

## **11. Machinery Report**

Three acts of wanton vandalism and theft have occurred in the last week or so:

- removal of the street sign “Illa Langi Road” at Maria River Road intersection,
- graffiti on Fitzpatrick’s container,
- damage to the tractor’s ignition system including cutting wires, and stolen key

It’s possible that recent theft of the Minutes Book from the camp kitchen may have been part of this same “campaign”.

A budget of \$200 was approved unanimously for the purchase of sensor lights to be installed at machinery shed and camp kitchen. Roger will purchase and instal them.

Dan and Nityama will also further research movement detector camera equipment.

Bronwyn will report the incidents to the police so that a record may be commenced.

Slasher (second hand, but in excellent condition ) purchased (\$1,000) from ex-neighbour Brett Campbell and operates very well. Well done and thanks Roger!

## **12. Fire Squad Report**

Roger warns of **Total Fire Ban** today.

**13. Treasurer’s Report** approved unanimously.

Work claims for Dan, Denise and Ralph accepted (one abstention).

Renewed discussion about work claims for Last Resort building – no decision.

## **General Business**

14. Inappropriate comments by Justin Bollard on Facebook page and website were removed by Tarrik and Peter, and Justin has apologised.

15. An interaction between Paul and NPWS personnel was researched and reported on by Stuart (in *absentia*) to general satisfaction - an apology had been made by Stuart to NPWS for any inappropriate behaviour.

16. Directors’ portfolios presented by Peter - a way for directors to assist and better follow developments in all Co-op activities - the list of portfolios to be notified to members, and trialled for next 12 months.

17. Reminder of By-Law 4Aa13 re the need for discretion and sensitivity when entering other members’ sites.

18. Emergency access track to the dam at Chris Jones’ site is badly overgrown and no longer drivable. Access is essential in bush-fire situations and must be maintained. Craig & Roger will speak with Chris.

19. Lot boundary issue: as no survey pegs there, Ralph Van H has agreed on a boundary with Carmel to retain the dam on her site and his container in position.

20. Agreed that Ralph Van H can take clay from Bowl Dam mounds for swale building on his lot. Also noted that it could be good resource for Last Resort building.

Meeting closed at 1100.