

Community Meeting Minutes

1st September, 2018

Chairperson: Craig Singleman (D)

Minute taker: Lexie Gonzalez (D)

Chairperson signature: signed

Commenced: 9.11am

Attendance: Ralph Erthel, Russel Childs, Kevin Harper (D), David Launt, Trinh Nguyen (Deputy D), James Galletly (D), Alby Hunter, Ralph Van Hulst, Michael Clancy, Jim Ronchetti, Cindy Pascoe, Callum Lawson, Wayne Ellis, Roger (D) and Belinda Ball, Alan Blake, Dan Rose (D), Anthony Griffin.

Visitors: Helen Lawson, Nicola and Bruce Hore (and baby Axle), Sainttina de Moleay,

Apologies: Alicia Fox, Julica Jungehuelsing, Peter O'Hara, Bronwyn Little, Rose Mahar.

Confirmation of previous minutes: Proposed: Ralph E. Seconded: Dan

Approved unanimously

Business Arising from previous meeting:

1. Profit & Loss analysis- To be brought up at next AGM by John Tennock
2. Policy & Guidelines committee update - Updates are currently posted on the Goolawah website for community to review and leave a comment/response. Thanks to Denise, Roger, Peter, Belinda and Bronwyn for all their valuable work on this project.

Secretary's Report:

Nothing to report

Roads Report:

Seeking Legal Advice re KSC vs Crown Lands (Ralph) - we are now under Grafton office instead of Taree. Ralph recommends trying to get Kempsey Council to take over the road instead of Crown lands. This will improve our access and eliminate the threat of fines we get from Crown lands when we attempt to fix and maintain our own roads and surrounding areas.

Ralph would like to ask lawyer how to move from here?

Proposal: For Ralph to seek legal advice of Michael Young about roads and Crown land.

Proposed: Ralph E. Seconded: Michael Clancy

Approved unanimously

DA report

Vehicles Per Day - Geraldine discussion with Shane Reinhold ???

Passing on graded road to the council

Discussion about tarring road and maintenance thereof.

Discussion about current repairs of our roads

Chris Robbins has kindly made a contribution to Goolawah roads and will continue to pay \$500 annually.

Membership Report

Current people going through membership are:

- Astara and Pele - have attended one meeting and have stayed a few days.
- Bruce, Nicola and Axle Hore - Completed first week of stay attended 2 meetings. Paperwork in progress.
- Steve Campbell - membership application received, yet to attend a meeting and stay on Goolawah.
- Felicity, Jason, Natalie and Sarah - membership application received, paperwork in progress.

Proposal: Sainttina eligible for membership

Proposed: Griff

Seconded: Lexie

Approved unanimously

Chris Jones has been advised by email and paper mail about the process involved for Via to become a Guest of a member.

Note - After this meeting Chris responded that Via is overseas at the moment and will follow up when she gets back

Goolawah members are reminded that we voted in January in favour of information regarding shares for sale to be provided during the applicants first week of stay. Applicants are not being given information about which shares are for sale prior to their stay on Goolawah and especially not before an application has been submitted. The membership process introduces people to living in a co-operative and allows people to understand what it entails to live here. Please support the membership policy that we voted in.

Membership guides are allocated to applicants based on case load, they are not to be selected by individual members in order to avoid bias and getting friends through membership.

Machinery Report

Frankie working on sun shade and safety bar at front of tractor

New coupling bought for fire trailer being fitted this afternoon

Tow bar/hitch made (by Frankie) for fire truck to be able to tow water vessels.

Fire Report

Fires season has commenced. A permit is required for burning off anything larger than a small camp fire.

If people are using the Goolawah fire truck (Striker) please let someone know, preferably Roger, if the fuel tank is empty so that it can be topped up and be ready when we really need it.

Please return drip torches and any other equipment back to shed after using them.

Russell suggested that Goolawah could consider cost of getting a community mulcher. Idea supported by several members.

ACTION - Alby to research cost of mulcher and bring information to next meeting

Discussion about further slashing and maintenance of fire trails and asset protection zones.

Fire committee will need to work closely with Forest Conservation group (Clancy and Rob). It has been noted that Leptospermum has become a weed species on Goolawah. Working bees needed to remove leptospermum tubers up to 15-20m of either side of North Gate (?)

Northern section hasn't been burned through since 2002.

Continue with current fire plan.

Treasury:

Provided by John Tennock

Work claims

Proposed: Ralph E. Seconded: Lexie

Voted unanimously

General Business

- Working Bees: Nobody is showing up to working bees. People need to be reminded prior to actual event.
- Signage Committee - no response from anyone at meeting.
- Thank you letters to RFS brigades - Ralph has written and sent thank you letters to the Crescent Head Rural Fire Services.
- Last Resort update - Walls drying out. Ready for the next step -rendering walls and closing roof. Different members have been allocated responsibility for specific sections of the build.
- Communal water supply at Burrendong & Bowl update - Problem in abeyance
- Access tracks/ roads/ block boundaries - do we need a survey? (Rose)

Read for on behalf of Rose by Trinh - access tracks are difficult to access as people have blocked areas due to the domino effect of people moving pegs

Rose asking for community to discuss whether community wants to have all the habitable areas surveyed again? At what cost?

A tree corridor/pathway is being created between Aaron's site and Justin's site

Pathway is currently on Aaron's site.

Community discussion arrived at the point that surveyor not necessary at the moment.

- Privacy - Lexie brought up topic that people are requesting phone numbers of other Goolawah members. Most members at meeting agreed that they would not like their phone numbers being passed on to other members without being asked first. Passing on other members phone numbers to people outside the co-op or even within the co-op without their permission could be considered a breach of privacy.
- Mugs - The camp kitchen is experiencing a shortage of mugs. Please return any borrowed mugs back to camp kitchen or please kindly donate a mug (preferably ones without chips in them, please).

Gratitude Round

Meeting Closed at 10.54 am