

General Meeting

Date: 1st June 2019

Minute Taker:
Trinh Nguyen

Chairperson:
Peter O'Hara

Commenced:
9:05am

Attendance: Ralph Erthel, Kevin Harper (D), Tony & Louise Roberts, Ralph Van Hulst, Craig Singleman (D), Clint & Noemi Campisi, Petra Kussler, Wayne Ellis, Bronwyn Little, Cindee Pascoe (D), Jim Ronchetti, Trinh Nguyen (D), Dan Rose (D), Peter O'Hara

Apologies:
Alicia Fox, James Galletly, Mick Clancy, Rebekah Gorline, Alan Blake, Julica Jungehuelsing

Visitors:
Shannon Ryan

Welcome To Country

Confirmation of previous minutes:

Bron & Denise

Requested Amendment:

"Questioned why Directors approved an amount beyond the \$2000 specified in the Delegation Manual without any member notification, and why By-law 16 wasn't followed, and why users of the dam aren't contributing to the cost".

Proposal: To make the above requested amendment to the minutes and approve them

Proposed: Bron

Seconded: Cindee

Approved unanimously

Other suggestions & comments:

Request your discussion point is minuted if you want it in the minutes

Minute taker reads back the minutes at the end to confirm if necessary

Business Arising:

Regarding payment and reimbursement for Ironstone Community Dam

Proposal: The meeting endorses the total payment of \$4950 to contractor Glen Chidgey for rehabilitation of Ironstone Community Dam and to reimburse Mark Doonan \$1950 for his part paying on our behalf.

Proposed: Ralph

Seconded: Kevin

Approved unanimously

Other comments:

The meeting also agreed to Mark making further improvements to the community dam at his own cost.

2. Query of the Directors for unauthorised approval of expenditure for Ironstone Dam

Peter reminded the meeting of the Delegation of Authority (Finance section 6), which only allows for -.

Emergency expenditure \$1000 approved by quorum of directors and secretary
Operational expenditure as per budgets
Contingency expenditure between GMs by community approval to \$2000

Peter's suggestion: Directors to review the delegation of authority, propose new financial limits, (e.g. Directors allowed to spend \$2000 in between meetings on our behalf), bring it to community to approve, with any other update changes.
Peter is happy to be part of this process.

Suggestions from Craig - when all else fails use common sense, where does it say the directors can move the community forward in a responsible way?

Suggestion from Louise - The delegation manual is a document of trust, also happy to be part of the review process

Suggestion from Dan to seek approval from community for emergency opportunities - e.g. SMS to respond within 12 hours to phone tree

Action: Cindee agreed on behalf of the Directors to undertake the review of the Delegation of Authority, as discussed.

Secretary's Report
Ralph - Nil to report

DA Report

Ralph - Council may be checking member DA compliancy soon.

Louise - a motion in 2016 was approved to pass on to the offending member any fine received by the co-op from council regarding non-compliance of DA.
The co-op sent out a letter re: your responsibility to complete the DA.

Peter from Denise - \$10,000 individual fine plus \$30,000 for co-op for illegal occupants

Cindee - (from Justin Fitzpatrick) council building certifier mentioned names of allegedly offending members and his replacement also knows them.
Page 19 of rules details how members indemnify the co-op for any fines etc in regards to council and law etc
The main concern is if a member cannot meet its obligations to indemnify the community and the awkward position this puts the community in.

Craig - The reality is it costs less money to comply then it is to pay the fine!
We should encourage members to comply.

Tony - Let's update our ground truth, put it out to the community to request compliance.
Check the council portal (DA Tracker) to see if members have an active DA.

Action: Secretary to
Contact council regarding a list of members not complying
Update listing of Goolawah member DA's
Letter to members reminding of DA responsibility

Road DA Report:

Peter - "A formal master DA Modification of Consent Condition has been given by council which allows us to complete Nevertire road according to a modified road plan, which will allow the Co-op to satisfy the consent conditions

Ralph and I met Kevin Hall last Tuesday on Nevertire to get a debrief on the outcome of previous Friday's meeting between KSC and our consultants

He has achieved an excellent outcome for us, by coming up with a compromise acceptable to Council, as per his email to us afterwards:

"Design brief for Nevertire Rd is scarify existing gravel road to a depth of 100mm & compact. Add 100mm new gravel base coarse (DGB 20) & 2 coat bitumen seal

Typical cross section 5m seal, 0.5m gravel shoulder (refer cross section I gave you). Typical cross section is applied to

Ch 50 to Ch 420

Ch 850 to Ch 1150

Ch 1310 to Ch 1670 (20m past last driveway)

The remaining parts of Nevertire Rd upgrade will not be widened, with only work being to scarify existing gravel road to a depth of 100mm & compact. Add 100mm new gravel base coarse & 2 coat bitumen seal

Ch 420 to Ch 850 (physical constraints being existing fences, drainage channel & power poles)

Ch 1150 to Ch 1310 (to avoid existing tree & traffic calming device)".

- the 'type 3' spec of 6m seal + 2 x 1m shoulders (total 8m width) is reduced to 5m seal + 2 x 0.5m edges (total 6m width). Apparently 2 cars pass each other safely at 5m.

- the 'typical cross section' to apply in front of the neighbours and for the first 400m off MRR - in between, the seal width would vary and be made to fit the existing road space.

- Council will also accept the seal to stop about 20m on our side of the nearest neighbour driveway, leaving the last 130m to the Co-op as gravel if we prefer."

Proposal: The meeting agrees in principle to tar the last 130m to the Goolawah end cattle grid, pending final costings

Proposed: Ralph

Second: Dan

Approved Unanimously

Kevin Hall will now prepare a road design plan along the lines explained above, for confirmation by our community before it goes to Council for endorsement and stamped approval. Kevin H can then proceed to get costings for geo-tech work, and then we can seek quotes for the construction phase of the road. At present it appears Fishers is the only asphalt supplier but we may be able to get competitive quotes for the road build up.

Internal Road Report:

Kevin - Internal Pothole Challenge

Action: 8-10 people at least needed for Working bee to fill potholes organised for 22nd June

Machinery Report:

Ralph V - a new clutch plate on the old slasher

Sites requiring slashing- Alan Carter and Aaron Beahan

Membership Report:

Trinh - Caleb Reid on hold while in Paris, Shannon Ryan in progress

Cindee - Ginny Reid in progress

Lexie - Steve Campbell progressing with Rodney's site, ratification possible at July meeting, no news of Indo & Kylie
Alicia - no news on Jason & Flick

New membership applications for:
Natalie Lawler Joint Member with Gerard Shea
Debra and Thomas Rose (who attended Last Resort working bee)

Visitors still requiring either Joint Member or Guest of a Member applications include:
Via from Chris Jones share
Davina from Mark Green's share

Fire Report:

New Fire Warden - Frankie?
burn offs along Northgate done by Men's shed

Action:
Ralph to contact Hobbs to slash Illa Langi on good neighbour basis, i.e. no charge.

Landcare and Management Report:
No action

Treasurer's Report:

Proposal: A motion to approve the treasurer's report, including the financial policy update, which will also be referred to the directors review of the delegation of authority.
Work claims to be approved minus the repetition of Trinh's work claim from May.

Proposer: Ralph
Seconded: Kevin
Approved unanimously

Social Committee:

Monthly Community Dinner Theme: Curry-oke! -June 15 at Camp Kitchen
Details to go on website and phone tree.

Last Resort Report:

Dan - last working bee went well, outsiders helped, three external walls rendered
James has submitted a budget extension and proposal for finishing off Last Resort to be discussed with Directors. Was not received in time to print and present to meeting due to technical error.
Suggestion to investigate paid workshop for 'outsiders' to help finish the earthworks rendering.

Directors Report:

Cindee - regarding building a budget for End Of Financial Year, and for future community projects, no comments or proposals have been submitted to directors.

Trinh - Could interested members look at expenditure for rolling projects maintenance budgets and decide whether we will roll over the amounts for the next year.

General Business:

Due to confusion regarding General Meeting Agenda setting, we agree to centralise it through the secretary as follows.

The Draft Agenda to be created by the Minute-Taker.

And forwarded to the Secretary no later than the Monday before the meeting.
Secretary to email to Directors on Tuesday before the meeting.
Directors have until Thursday to submit agenda items.
Secretary to email Final Agenda for the website on the Thursday before the meeting.
The Secretary will print out a copy of the Final Agenda for the Chairperson on the day of the meeting.

Cattle Grid on Northgate needs clearing out, a major job, might have to lift it. Kev to investigate.

2nd Fire Striker Shelter - Peter gave James a suggested proposal to go under Last Resort project and be organised by Last Resort crew.

Wayne - regarding the new defibrillator
Proposal: The community buys defibrillator pads for children under eight years.

Proposed: Wayne
Seconded: Dan
Approved Unanimously

Gratitude Round

End of Meeting: 11:44am