

Goolawah Co-operative General Meeting

Agenda 11 December 2021

Commence: 9.00am

Minute Taker: Rose Mahar

Chairperson: Craig Singleman/Peter O'Hara

Acknowledgement of Country Yahway - Barri Dhungatti

Housekeeping: Reminder regarding meeting etiquette (Rule 49 Standing Orders at GMs).

COVID: Please check current restrictions before attending the General Meeting.

Voting: Inactive members are not permitted to vote at a GM either in person or via a proxy (Rule 41 Voting).

Attendance:

Directors:

Apologies:

Visitors:

Proxies:

Confirmation of previous General Meeting Minutes: (Chairperson)

PROPOSAL: To accept the previous minutes (signed by Chairperson)

PROPOSED:

SECONDED:

Business arising:

1. Special Resolution

To adopt Goolawah Co-operative rule amendments for Rules 4, 5, 19c, 21, 22, 25, 34, 42, 43, 52b,d.

Rationale: Since the full revision of the Co-operative Rules was adopted on the 19.1.19, the Policy Committee has been keeping note of any rules requiring amendments. Regular revision of the Rules is good practice and ensures the co-op complies with Co-operative National Law (CNL) and Co-operatives National Regulations (CNR). There is some scope to adapt rules to suit the particular activities of the co-op.

Note: *No feedback received during the consultation period from 15.10.21 to 12.11.21.*

PROPOSED: Denise Cobourn

SECONDED: Peter O'Hara

2. Speeding signs on Frog Hollow / other signs (Nick)
3. Introduced species – management plans received

3.1 Suggestion for discussion, possible vote in Feb, (Sam W.):

"Expanding the no cats and no dogs by-law so that animals considered invasive/feral by the department of agriculture, water and environment are not allowed in Goolawah. If the community supports this, suggest it applies to new animals not existing ones." Feral animals currently include: cane toads, camels, cats, deer, goats, horses, foxes, pigs, rabbits and water buffalo. (<https://www.awe.gov.au/biosecurity-trade/invasive-species/feral-animals-australia>)

4. Disputes and Rule Breaches Policy (Wayne and Nick)
5. Cattle on co-op – phone numbers of cattle owners.

Director's Meetings:

DM Minutes 6th November posted on website (13 members attended the open invitation to discuss DA road progress). Any questions or comments?

Secretary's Report:

DA Report (Wayne):

DA Committee Meeting 23rd October and summary of progress / timeline posted on the website.

Ordinary Resolutions:

1. To approve additional funds of \$21,611.90 to pay current invoices from Hones Lawyers (\$7,401.90) and the McLaren Traffic consultants (\$13,860).

Rationale: The original budget did not include the Traffic Impact Assessment report, the Pre-lodgement work or the costs for the Town-planner. With these inclusions further funds are required to pay current invoices. Although there are unspent funds in budget of \$2,640 this will be used to fund Lawyer's costs to review pre-lodgement Council comments.

Total Budget for DA Roads	Spent	Unspent	Current Invoices
32,080	29,794.3	2,640	21,611.90

PROPOSED: Wayne Skinner

SECONDED: Board

2. To approve \$7,500 plus GST for the lawyers to prepare and lodge the appeal papers with the Land & Environment Court (LEC).

Rationale: Per the Timeline, the board sees the next steps after lodging the Amendment as lodging an Appeal with the LEC and then meeting with Council in a Conciliation conference. The Lawyers estimate the cost between \$4,000 and \$5,500 (excl GST) for the Lodgement of the Appeal step which would occur if the Council refuse the Amendment or do not respond in 41 days after the Amendment is submitted to council.

PROPOSED: Wayne Skinner **SECONDED:** Board

3. To approve \$30,000 plus GST to continue the process of meeting with Council through an S34 Conciliation Conference.

Rationale: Lawyers estimate the costs to reach the s34 conference (conciliation meeting with council) at \$25,000 - \$30,000. These figures accord with the initial estimate of \$55,000 to \$65,000 provided by the Lawyers last year but does not include the cost of the work required to be carried out by traffic or town planning consultants. If further funds are required before the next GM then a Special General Meeting will be called for the purpose of asking Members whether to continue and if agreed requesting further funds.

PROPOSED: Wayne Skinner

SECONDED: Board

4. To allow \$10000 for the cost of each Consultant (Traffic Engineer and Town Planner) for work up to the Conciliation Conference.

Rationale:

The Lawyers recommend that the board allows between \$5,000 and \$10,000 for each consultant's costs up to and including the final hearing (although we hope that the proceedings will be capable of resolution by way of an agreement between the parties at or prior to the s34 conciliation conference).

If further funds are required before the next GM then a Special General Meeting will be called for the purpose of asking Members whether to continue and if agreed requesting further funds.

PROPOSED: Wayne Skinner

SECONDED: Board

Policy Report (Denise):

Revised draft Guest Policy posted on the website for discussion and voting at the February GM.

Treasurer's Report & Work Claims:

PROPOSAL: To accept Treasurer's Report and Work Claims.

PROPOSED: John Tennock

SECONDED:

Road Report (Craig):

Machinery Report (Kevin and Ralph):

Membership Report (Julica):

Proposals:

1. To accept Natalie Lawler as eligible for Membership of Goolawah Co-operative and to ratify her as a joint member with Gerard Shea.

Rationale:

Natalie has fulfilled all requirements & successfully went through the membership process .

Proposed: Justine Shaw

Seconded: Julica Jungehülsing

2. To accept Caleb Reid-Boquist as eligible for Membership of Goolawah Co-operative

Rationale:

Caleb successfully went through the membership process, has fulfilled all requirements.

Proposed: Trinh Ngyuen

Seconded: Marty Cole

Fire and Flood Report (Craig):

Fire Management Plan

Land Care Report (Craig):

- Forest trails

- New Dam

Proposal:

To approve a new dam on Red Hill, built and funded by a group of members.

Location would be behind the lots of Jac/Ric/Sam/Erika/, possibly connecting to the existing big dam. It would be completely on community land.

Rationale

Several members don't have access to dam water due to the location of their shares in the moment.

They'd like to build this new, large dam to improve irrigation options and water collection.

Proposed: Marty Cole **Seconded:** Frank Dykshoorn

Social Committee Report:

Project updates:

1. Red Hill Last Resort
2. Accessible toilet (Wayne)
3. Camp Kitchen (Bronwyn)
4. Red Hill Boomerang Garden
5. Red Hill Playground

6. Cemetery

General Business:

1. Regular working bees
2. Dave Van Megchelen's proposal to update and maintain roads
3. Outback survey

Next Director's Meeting: Saturday 8th January 2022 Camp Kitchen 9:00am *(If you'd like to attend, please email a request to the Secretary at secretary.goolawah@gmail.com at least 48 hours before the meeting).*

Next General Meeting: Saturday 12th February 2022 Camp Kitchen 9:00am