



COMMITTEE MEETING – MONDAY 14 OCTOBER 2019

MINUTES

1. **Meeting commenced 7.35pm**
2. **Attendance** Liza Butler, Moira Heath, Kerry Callaghan, Barrie Ellis, Mel Croan, Paula Mullins, Kathy Clifton, Beverley Saunders
Apologies Des Nicholls, Roger Lucas, Allan Baptist, Carrie Jansma-Smith
3. **Minutes last Committee Meeting conducted on Monday 2 September, 2019** - No minutes available.
Business Arising from minutes. N/A
4. **Minutes from last General Meeting held Sunday 15th September, 2019.** - tabled
5. **Correspondence In / Out**
 - a. Letter from Susan Edwards, Shoalhaven City Council, re final approval for installation of picnic table in Watts Reserve.
 - b. Various feedback letters from residents re picnic table in Watts Reserve
 - c. Terms of Reference for BPKCA Skate Park Sub-Committee
 - d. Letter from Maria McCarthy re design of tables for picnic table in Watts Reserve.
 - e. Letter from Kathleen Clifton requesting to be on the BPKCA Skate Park Sub-Committee
 - f. Letter from Melinda Croan re adding Willinga Lake to the agenda
 - g. Letter from Thelma Marr, Shoalhaven City Council re water sampling in Willinga Lake
 - h. Letter from James and Terry Whitehead re ways to stay informed about what's happening in the local area.
6. **Finance Report - Roger Lucas** not in attendance but advised no activity.
7. **Community Projects – Allan Baptist** See attached Addendum
8. **Gantry History Project** – No activity
9. **Community Connect - Barrie Ellis** in contact with Michael Strachan and John Nelson. We expect them to visit the area in November. Barrie hoping for more momentum after the visit. The route has been determined however there is a need to finalise access to the Nelsons land adjacent to the Racecourse Caravan park. John has indicated the lease arrangement proposed by Council is with his lawyers for finalization. Funds from Federal Government have been allocated to council. Waiting on council for Deed of Agreement. Moira expressed concern that there hadn't been any progress by Council on the pathway for around 12 months. Moira accepted that we were working with Council but believed that Council was not responding as proactively as they should be. . Barrie will continue to lobby on our behalf believing his connection with council is the best way to move forward.
10. **NBN Update** – Barrie Ellis advises that NBN staff have been surveying the route between Thrush St and Merry St. Cable should start to be installed in October 2019. There is a new NBN node in Tingira Drive. This means Tingira , Whippinguy, Kywong, Murilla and Marloo will have 18 months to move to NBN

11. **Tennis Courts** – Court resurfacing is complete.
12. **Murramarang Coastal Walk** There will be information uploaded to our website to enable everyone to understand what is being planned. This will be discussed at our next general meeting. Beverley Saunders to respond to letter from Durass Community Association to advise contact details of National Parks officer Michael Phelan who addressed our general meeting in May 2019
13. **Coastal Management – Mel Croan** attended a meeting at Lake Conjola re the Coastal Management plan to discuss Willinga Lake. There are 4 lakes in the Shoalhaven that have independent management plans. These lakes have their water tested very 2 weeks. Willinga is not one of them. Willinga Lake was tested by Shoalhaven Water in March 2019 and had very high readings in contaminants. Willinga only has water tested twice a year. Mel would like to see a more vigorous approach and has volunteered to lobby council on our behalf. Also suggested independent consultant testing. She is hoping that a management plan will be set up for Willinga Lake. There was some talk about the high reading in March being a “rogue” and further testing will be done. Mel walks along the lake every day and has noticed that the behavior of the lake has changed significantly over the years, in particular the vegetation. It is high in algae and has developed a stench. Suggestion that Mel speak to Steve from ANU. Would the university be interested in including Willinga Lake in the marine studies courses as field trips? Barrie Ellis to provide introduction to Steve for Mel.
14. **Watts Reserve Allan Baptist** table to go in at the end of October 2019. Liza Butler will contact Susan Edwards to ask if we have a choice of design/colour.
15. **Rabbit Control** – List of volunteers tabled. Moira Heath to follow up training with council.
16. **Skate Park Liza Butler** has the list of volunteers to be on the sub committee. A meeting needs to be held as soon as possible. Liza to contact members to arrange a date. Roger Lucas wanted to attend the first meeting but he may still be away.
17. **General Business**
 - a. Liza Butler has had a request from someone local to advertise goods for sale on our Facebook site. This is not permitted but the person continues to harass Liza. Bawley Vale Estate was permitted to advertise their wedding morning because it led directly into the Music on the Lawns afternoon which is a community initiative. Liza was advising us, no action to be taken.
 - b. Moira Heath and Beverley Saunders to assist Liza Butler to monitor our FB site for advertising
 - c. Updated Membership list – Mel Croan to organise a group email
18. **Summary of Actions to be taken**
 - a. **Moira Heath** contact council re rabbit control training
 - b. **Liza Butler** to contact Susan Edwards to see if we have a choice of colour/design of picnic table in Watts Reserve
 - c. **Barrie Ellis** to stay with the Community Connect contacts in council re the start of Phase 2
 - d. **Beverley Saunders** to contact Durass Community Association regarding the National Parks contact Michael Phelan regarding the Coastal Walk.
 - e. **Mel Croan** to be our advocate for monitoring the health of Willinga Lake.
 - f. **Liza Butler** to organise meeting of the Skate Park sub committee
 - g. **Mel Croan** to organise group email of up to date membership list
19. **Meeting Closed 8.45pm**
20. **Next meeting. Monday 4 November 2019. 7.35pm**

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETING 14/10/2019

FROM ALLAN BAPTIST

PROGRESS REPORT

1. Awaiting the concept design and costings for the gantry history walk at the end of October.
2. Watts Reserve tables installed end of October.
3. Awaiting the rock drop on the Gantry road end of October
4. Council compliance staff rang to explain that the asbestos issue is resolved and that the issue evolved around checking on all contractors removal processes which took a long time as there had been several changes in contractors mid stream. All OK!
5. We need to organise a meeting with Council staff at the viewing platform to discuss and formalise our proposal and begin the process of design, funding and consultation. Suggest Des take this project on board.