



COMMITTEE MEETING – MONDAY 6 APRIL 2020

MINUTES

1. **Meeting commenced 7.40pm**
2. **Attendance** Liza Butler, Moira Heath, Kerry Callaghan, Barrie Ellis, Des Nicholls, Roger Lucas, Allan Baptist, Carrie Jansma-Smith, Beverley Saunders
Apologies Mel Croan
3. **Minutes last Committee Meeting conducted on Monday 4 March, 2020** – not available
Business Arising from minutes. N/A
4. **Correspondence In / Out**
 - a. OUT - Draft letter to council re funding for gantry walk
 - b. IN - Email from Karen Jones re pollution in Willinga Lake
5. **Finance Report - Roger Lucas** Finance Report tabled and accepted
Moved: Roger Lucas
Seconded: Beverley Saunders
6. **Community Projects –**
 - a. **Kerry Callaghan** Kerry has been following up on a seat to be erected at/near Merry Beach. The original proposal was Wooroonga Cres & Merry Street Reserve but as there are houses nearby both Allan Baptist and Kerry expressed concerns that there could be issues such as the ones faced in Watts Reserve. Marie O'Connell suggested the end of Boomer Cres and Kerry has confirmed that the site is ideal as it is not near houses and the site is on a natural rise offering views of Merry Beach. A proposal will be drafted to council notifying the variation of placement of seat and requesting they attend the site for approval. All were in agreement. Allan to assist with the wording of the letter if required.
Moved: Kerry Callaghan
Seconded: Roger Lucas
Roger Lucas suggested a plaque be funded in recognition of Brian & Marie O'Connell.
Moved: Roger Lucas
Seconded: Beverley Saunders
 - b. **Viewing Platform, Gannet Beach** - waiting for communication from Clinton Croker
7. **Gantry History Project – Allan Baptist** presented a draft document for presentation to council showing costings and design. Also formal letter requesting support and funding of \$100,000 to keep the project moving. Some minor changes were requested in wording. It was noted that the presentation is very professional. Allan was thanked for his continued efforts and professional approach. A page on FB and also in Messenger will be devoted to the gantry Project to keep the community informed and engaged. Allan will make the changes, send copies to the committee and proceed with the proposal to council
Moved: Allan Baptist
Seconded: Barrie Ellis

8. **Community Connect - Barrie Ellis** Engineers have advised John Nelson they are 3-4 weeks away from a revised plan
9. **NBN Update – Barrie Ellis** advises that nodes have been placed at Bundle Hill Road and John Nelson’s property to achieve better/faster delivery of NBN. It is understood the fibre installation has been completed. The launch is slated for later in April
Liza Butler advises that there is no NBN in the new street, no lines have been run. There are ongoing issues which may take up to 2 years to rectify.
10. **Coastal Management** – no activity. Mel Croan was not in attendance. Email from Karen Jones will be forwarded to Mel.
11. **Watts Reserve** – 5 lilli pillis have been planted. No further activity.
12. **Rabbit Control – Moira Heath** advises this is on hold. Meetings are not allowed until Covid virus restrictions are lifted. It will not run now until spring at the earliest.
13. **Skate Park** – No action. **Roger Lucas** is not in favour of any meetings at the moment believing it should be put on hold until further notice. It was noted that meetings using ZOOM are quite successful with people who have attended meetings face to face in the past but probably not as successful if people are unfamiliar with each other. It was also discussed that as a committee we have provided members for the Skate Park subcommittee to support the proposal and to assist with our experience dealing with council but did not expect to be driving the movement. Liza Butler to email other members on the subcommittee to advise our opinion that this project should be put on hold at the moment.
Moved: Roger Lucas
Seconded: Beverley Saunders
14. **GoFundMe – Roger Lucas** provided financial statement to 6 April 2020.
15. **Reserve Subcommittee** – Liza Butler has emailed Captains of Bawley RFS and Kioloa RFS asking them to undertake a risk management review on reserves in our area. This is the first requirement before we can proceed any further
16. **Micro Grid** – on hold at the request of Endeavour Energy. Barrie Ellis observed that Endeavour Energy may be a little late in their proposal noting that these schemes are government funded in some states.
17. **Emergency Plan Meeting / Debriefing** - on hold. Perhaps September if restrictions are lifted.
18. **Advertising Meetings** - we have a list of approx. 200 mail addresses for local home owners. Also using FB page and the Messenger. A proposal to use all mediums at our disposal to advertise items of interest to the public. The Gantry Project will be one of the projects advertised this way
19. **General Business**
 - a. **Use of Face Book for Covid19 information.** Liza Butler advised that a post that was intended for information had received very negative response from some members of the public. Liza was upset by the activity and deleted the post. It was generally considered that there is a lot in all forms of the media about the pandemic and perhaps we should steer clear of Covid19 on our FB page.
 - b. **Advertising Agenda for Executive Meeting.** Future executive meeting agendas will not be published on FB. Only the open public meeting agendas. Minutes of all meetings to be published after they have been approved.
 - c. **Project funding / outcomes** may take longer to achieve due to resources of council being directed elsewhere at the moment. In addition, council will be offering payment options for the 4th instalment of the rates. They cannot offer a complete waiver due to legislation. These reductions may result in funding shortfalls in some areas which may affect our projects. It was considered that

we will continue to lobby as always. Roger Lucas noted that it is not wise to ask people to come into our area for work while there are restrictions in force due to pandemic. Each case will be considered on merits and dealt with accordingly.

- d. **Des Nicholls** expressed concerns for people and businesses in our area after the bush fires and now having to deal with restrictions due to pandemic. At the very time we need people to support our community they are being told not to come. All at the meeting feel the same concerns aware that the impact will be catastrophic for some.

1. Meeting Closed 9.05pm

2. Next meeting. Monday 4 May 2020. 7.35pm