

Minutes of the Vincentia Ratepayers and Residents Association/CCB General Meeting Held Thursday October 15th, 2015 at 7.30 pm - Vincentia Community Hall

Welcome – The President Mr. Bob Proudfoot, welcomed all attendees and especially the Mayor Councillor Jo Gash, and Councillor Patricia White.

Attendance - 32

Apologies – Anne & Paul Spira, Marian Wilson, Robin & Noel Bowman, Len and Jan Murray, Peter Hands, Angela Anderson & Steve Anderson, Graeme & Lyndal Lawless, Lois Friend, David & Jan Coogan, Deborah & Bob Hanlon, John & Bronwyn Ross, Caroline Lamb, Clare Proudfoot, Keith Howard, Sue Walsh, Ken Buckley, Jim Levadetes, Giorgio Antonelli, Lyn Boscoscuro, Liana Boscoscuro, Peter & Sue Amadio.

An apology was also received from the Woolworths **Mr Michael Armstrong**.

Minutes of Meeting September 17 2015 – The Minutes of the previous meeting has been circulated. Moved

Norm Vickery, seconded Tony Thompson.

Correspondence: Correspondence was tabled.

Bayswood: The President has had communication with Glen Elliott of Shoalhaven City Council who is happy to meet to discuss the playground area of Bayswood.

Tree Destruction Signs: He has also made calls to Kerry Thompson and Ian Robertson re the Tree Destruction signs.

Elite Triathlons: No Success as yet to have Mark Emerton address one of our meetings but will continue to try to have him attend a VRRRA meeting.

Treasurers Report: The Treasurer reported that we now have the correct accounts opened for the Association being the Everyday account. Figures vary only slightly from the September report however we will have one major expenditure which after discussion with Council it was decided to continue to pay the Public Liability annual policy which totals \$638.00. See attached Report.

Collingwood Beach Report:

A full report is shown on the VRRRA web site copy of report also attached.

Motion 1. - Collingwood Beach Preservation Group – Sub Committee Monthly Report. The CCB/VRRRA adopt the sub committee's report and that the Minutes including the report be distributed to all Councilors. Moved Bob Pullinger, seconded Terry Bowman. Carried.

Motion 2. – Action Required from Collingwood Beach preservation Group – Sub Committee.

Council be requested to supply soft copies of the full technical reports used for defining Hazard lines and understanding risks, including at least the Worley and Peer review (2011) and the Manly Hydraulics report (2013). Moved Bob Pullinger, seconded Terry Bowman.

Carried.

VRRRA Computer Hard drive:

Much discussion was made amongst members during the meeting with regard to the non recovery of the original VRRRA computer hard drive.

1. Members stated that no request was made to the committee to purchase the new hard drive.
2. Because the original email address was closed down a new email address had to be

established. With this change there were 40 email addresses that had to be re sourced and the new list manually adjusted. This new members' list has taken two months to get up and running. Discussion then followed as to how to retrieve the old hard drive and subsequent records of the VRRRA.

Motion: That the Secretary write to Liz Tooley (former VRRRA secretary) and state that the reimbursement of the hard drive will only be considered upon return of the old hard drive with all VRRRA information intact. Moved David Hopkins seconded John Picot. Carried.

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

Service Station Vincentia:

Due to his fathers' illness Mathew Mackenzie was unable to address the meeting. However he reported that negotiations with Coles Express broke down because of loss of employment and that he had decided to proceed with the upgrade to the Vincentia Service station himself. This will be at considerable cost and should be completed by the end of November, Bringing it in line with the new type service stations that now exist.

Cycle ways:

Members amended the original motions circulated in the Agenda to read:

- a. Bicycles to give way to pedestrians
- b. Riders to proceed with "safe cycling and the motto "ride with safety".
- c. Riders to ring bell when approaching pedestrians on cycleway.

Moved Sandy Easterbrook seconded Col Poulter.

Holden Street Toilet Block:

That we write to Council stating that these toilets need to be upgraded. These receive additional usage due to the cycleway and the increase in tourism over the holiday period. Council should also be advised of the smell which emanates from the sewer pumping station. Moved John Picot seconded Tony Thompson. Carried.

Green Waste: The Meeting decided that the President personally approach John Wells of SCC to explain the issue of the four green waste tip vouchers. At the same time we request Council give us the costings of the large and small red bind so we can advise our members accordingly.

Pittosporum: Programme to reduce Pittosporum. That the VRRRA supports the control of Pittosporum as part of Council's normal maintenance in public areas. Moved Col Poulter Seconded David Hopkins. Carried

Entry to Vincentia:

Reply from Council stating that there are no plans to construct Kerb and Gutter. Councillor White addressed the meeting after members had asked for her opinion to have Items moved up the list. She stated that she covers all the CCBs in the area, that way she has a better understanding of communities' concerns. She suggested that we invite the Councillors of Ward 2 to attend our meetings. She stated that the Council budget will come down next month and that each Councillor will put forward 5 projects in their ward. These will then go to Craig Milburn to be listed then they are deliberated on. These do not necessarily have to be in their ward.

Moona Creek Pedestrian/Cycleway bridge:

1.Council has written that they have advice from their Active Transport Funding

Nominations namely Pedestrian Bridge over Moona creek, they advise that this project will be incorporated over the next three years. It was suggested that we support it but we would like to bring it forward and that the VRRRA put in a request that we seek additional funding from the RMS etc for this purpose. Moved Norm Vickery seconded Tony Thompson. Carried

Bike Racks Vincentia Shopping Mall:

3. Bike Racks in the Burton Street Mall under the Connecting Centres (cycling) Infrastructure program –project budget \$3,060 (\$1500 funding from RMS Active Transport Program \$1560 Funding from Shoalhaven City Council.

Elizabeth Drive to the Roundabout: Kerb and Gutter – Sealing etc.

That the VRRRA write to Council asking that Elizabeth Drive to the Roundabout and side streets heading east be completed, kerb gutter etc. That this be considered to be put on request to the RMS programme – erosion to beach areas in side streets, Federal and State funding to regional roads, plus any further sources they may have. Moved Tony Vukelic seconded John Levadetes. Carried.

Code of Practice: Work is progressing advice will be given at future meetings.

Collingwood Beach Dune Care Reference Group:

The vegetation along Collingwood Beach has been a concern to local residents for many years. In August 2014 a Collingwood Beach Dune Reference Group was formed by SCC and included representatives from the local community. Their role was to discuss and put forward recommendations to address the vegetation on the dunes and the vandalism issue. A consultant NGH has been engaged by Council to develop a dune vegetation plan.

These Consultants will be presenting information (posters and fact sheets) and answer questions from community members. Feedback forms will be available for the community to complete. This will occur on **Friday 6 November between 1 pm and 7 pm and again on Saturday 7th November between 8 am and 11 am. A marquee will be set up on Collingwood Beach or close to the beach,** we have not been informed of the exact location at this stage. A draft management plan for Collingwood Beach will be developed and will document and consider the feedback received from the community during this time through the feedback forms. The VRRRA will inform members as soon as more information becomes available. Council will advertise this event widely, information and feedback forms will be available on councils'website.

Orion Beach:

A resident of 322 Elizabeth Drive has received a letter from Council stating that the pathway will not be completed by Xmas and that the public access will be used over the holiday period.

Close: With no further business the meeting closed at 8.55 pm.