



Vincetia Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc.

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VINCETIA RATEPAYER AND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING 18 April 2019

DRAFT MINUTES

The meeting opened at 7:30 Chaired by VRRRA President Roslyn Vickery

Attendance 64

Councilors Present: Patricia White, Jo Gash, Greg Watson, Annette Aldrick, Nina Cheyne and Kay Gartner

1. Welcome

President welcomed councilors, special guests and speakers:

- Carmen McCallum (Greens Candidate)
- Fiona Phillips (Labor Candidate)
- Grant Schultz (Independent Candidate)
- Milton Leslight (United Australia Party Candidate)

2. Apologies

Warren Mundine (Liberal Party Candidate), Katrina Hodgkinson (Nationals Candidate), Mathew and Chemene McKenzie, Tony and Jazz Vukilic, Leeth clayton-Brandt, Jo Pullinger, Lance and Jen Sewell, John and Bronwyn Ross,

3. Guest Speakers

Fiona Phillips

A mum of four, a former TAFE teacher and have been married to her husband, a small business owner, for 21 years. Born at Nowra and raised on a dairy farm at Terara/Worrigeer, I have lived in the Gilmore electorate for over 40 years, with family dairy farming origins in the Gilmore electorate dating back to 1856 at Broughton Vale and also Jaspers Brush near Berry. Now we live at Callala and raising four teenage children with her husband.

First got involved in politics in 2009, by leading the difficult but successful six-year community campaign to save Nowra's community pool. In October 2015, the new Nowra Aquatic Park was opened for the first time - rebuilt as part of a revitalised riverfront for our community.

Carmen McCallum

A pharmacist, have been a Greens member since 2004 and we moved to the Shoalhaven area in 1978, to reside first in Vincentia and, later in North Nowra and Cambewarra. Married to Howard, who served in the Navy as a helicopter pilot and we have four grown-up children. Howard's naval postings took us to California in 1985-87, where one of their children was born, and then to the RAAF Headquarters in Glenbrook in the Blue Mountains in 1993 where we lived for almost 20 years. we returned to Cambewarra in 2012.

My involvement in pharmacies has given me a wide range of business and social experience. I owned the West-End Pharmacy in Berry Street, Nowra for almost nine years and, as a result of my husband's postings, have worked in almost 50 pharmacies both as a casual and as a locum.

Grant Shultz

Running as an Independent Candidate for Gilmore, because I believe our electorate needs and deserves a strong representative who is focussed on the people, not party politics.

I am a local, and have owned and operated several successful small local businesses. My wife Beck grew up here and we are raising our children here - we aren't going anywhere! We are passionate about our communities and have worked at a grass roots level to make them better.

Gilmore and its people deserve better. I will be a strong voice in Canberra advocating on behalf of our community to ensure whoever forms Government takes notice of the priorities we have for our region.

Milton Leslight

Have worked in a variety of varying sized organisations from multi international public companies to small private companies. Have experience across the local government, automotive, textile, real estate, hospitality, retail and business consultancy sectors. As a local shire councillor, I stopped a 25% rate increase, successfully had flying foxes relocated and returned a major employer to the area.

4. Confirmation - Draft Minutes from February 2019 VRRRA/CCB Meeting

Ross Popplewell moved that the minutes be accepted subject to notation for the following:

- (a) Huskisson Triathlon. Invitation sent by Council on 12th March 2019 to the VRRRA to the meeting to be held by Council on 18th March. This meeting was part of the DA conditions.
- (b) Jervis Bay Road intersection. Reference to the political advantage of raising this, in particular for the forthcoming Federal election.

Resolution; Minutes were unanimously accepted

5. Actions arising from the February 2019 minutes

- (a) Huskisson Triathlon

- It is unlikely Jervis bay Road will be closed for future Huskisson Triathlons because of the input of the Police position on this, thus no road closures in Vincentia,
- little attention to detail that events were timed to allow opening of Woollamia Rd at various intervals throughout the day,
- Elite Energy is very appreciative and will work with the two VRRRA volunteers who marshalled at the event, in particular their input on lessons learnt on how to make it a safer environment for Community and Triathlon participants using the Moona Creek Bridge in the future.

(b) Jervis Bay Road Intersection

Discussion and back ground on the VRRRA/CCB input to the public exhibition of the 17/18 Integrated Strategic Plan making no mention of this as a critically important strategic item, together with submission on the public exhibition of draft Worroving Heights Development Plan. It was suggested the committee take the opportunity to bring this to the attention of those participating in the Federal Election based on the six questions submitted to the Premiers Community cabinet in Nov 2018. The six questions in some way or the other require critical strategic decisions and probably across all tiers of government.

6. Treasurer's Report as at 16 April 2019

Financials

Current Balance \$3,272 Includes donations of \$250.

- \$200 from Elite Energy for volunteers at Huskisson Triathlon

Motion; That the financial report is accepted

Moved by Bob Pullinger seconded by Dawn Thompson

Resolution; accepted with 0 against the motion

New Secretary

Update to Authorised signatories to bank account with IMB.

Motion; The treasurer is requested to complete and submit the appropriate forms to reflect the appointment of Luciano (Lou) Casmiri as the Secretary and an authorised signatory on the bank account held by the Vincentia Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc "VRRRA" with the Illawarra Building Society "IMB"

Moved by Bob Pullinger seconded by Dawn Thompson

Resolution; accepted with 0 against the motion

7. Collingwood Beach Preservation Group (CBPG) Report

The report is available on the VRRRA website containing updates on:

- Viewing Platform in the Demonstration site at Berry Street
- Surveillance Cameras
- Other vegetation issue – "City wide Draft Vegetation Vandalism Strategy"
- Dune Vegetation Management Plan
- The status of the Coastal Management Program "CPM".
- Beach Erosion – Risk assessment on discharge of Storm water

Motion; That the Collingwood Beach Preservation Group – Sub Committee Monthly Report is accepted as presented

Moved by Dawn Thompson seconded Megan Johnson

Resolution; accepted with 0 against the motion

8. Other Business

- President Roslyn informed meeting about correspondence in reference to Exhibition of Modification Request for the Shaolin Temple (letter attached to this minutes) and about VVCC correspondence offering to assist with Facebook and request to have access to the Burton St Courtyard Notice Board was discussed and although there was general support for the request it was agreed that VVCC will discuss at the next VVCC exec meeting and provide a formal reply to VVCC

- Norm Vickery addressed the meeting stating that:

The grant of 1.7 mil which will be matched by Council has been approved however as the Government is now in caretaker mode we will have to wait until after the election to be signed off by the new party.

Various grants have been given to build the Amenity Block, covered play area, adult change facilities, all weather pathway to Balfour beach etc planning is underway and these are not subject to a political change.

- Update in General Business for Community participation in
(a) Growth Management Strategy –

This document is intended to be placed on Public Exhibition by Council in May 2019.

- (b) The Shoalhaven Integrated Strategic Plan 2019

Our (SCC) Priorities (Community Strategic Plan)

4 Year Delivery Program;

1 Year Operational Plan; and

Resourcing Strategy.

Councillor Patricia White informed the meeting the process is likely to be similar to the Community Discussion sessions held last year, to be held at various locations around the Shoalhaven in May 2019. The locations have yet to be resolved by the SCC.

The ratepayers and residents for Vincentia are encouraged to participate and copy the VVCC of items for which they might express interest to Council at the Discussion sessions.

The next VVCC meeting will be held on 20 June

- Guest speakers at this meeting will be Sam Gordon of Jervis Bay Mussels and Bill Hancock who has written a comprehensive report on the possible repositioning of the Shoalhaven District Hospital to South Nowra.
- All are welcome to attend

Meeting closed at 9:50pm