



Bruny Island Community Association Inc.

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Minutes of General Meeting held at CWA Hall, Barnes Bay Sunday 12thth November 2017

Opened 11.10am Fran Davis, Chair.

Present 15 J Kobylec, R & F Davis, M Weston, K Duncombe, J & D Boyer, G & S Kingston, L Graham, L Haigh, C Sell, D Grace, K Midson, J Marsh

Apologies 7 R Sandford, T Thomas, M Smit-Vereijken, T Butcher, J Self, L & T Story

Previous Minutes Moved J Kobylec 2nd J Boyer that previous minutes be accepted – Passed

Business Arising

1. Shield for School “We Care Award” – Fran Davis displayed the blue gum burl prepared by Lachlan Story which will be given to Jo Waldron, Principal Bruny School. This will be a BICA sponsored perpetual trophy. This will record which younger student receives the prize each year for most valuable school community engagement.
2. Copy of Hansard received from Lara Giddings – re her representation on fixing the broken white line on Adventure Bay Road. It was agreed that Fran should continue to chase up the Department of State Growth till this matter gets fixed.
3. Committee members meeting with TasWater – Fran Davis advised some members of committee recently attended a meeting with representatives from TasWater to discuss water supply issues on Bruny Island. They advised monitoring equipment had recently been installed to continuously remotely measure various data on how much water is being used and how the aquifer is performing. Data will need to be collected for a certain period of time before any long term decisions can be made on the future supply of potable water on Bruny Island. Discussion took place about water supply issues on both ends of the Island.

Correspondence

- Letter from Elise Archer, Minister for Environment and Parks, in reply to our letter re situation on the Neck.
- Letter of thanks to Premier for his grant of \$5,000 towards the BICAL survey.

Moved M Weston 2nd J Boyer that corro in be accepted and corro out be ratified – Passed

Financial Statement

Tabled Moved R Davis 2nd J Marsh that it be accepted – Passed

Reports

Historical Society – Kathy Duncombe advised there was a presentation on the history of the Iron Pot at the Adventure Bay Hall this afternoon. There are several other events organised for November which have been published in the Bruny News.

German Choir Concerts – Christa Sell advised that the German choir would be performing at the Adventure Bay Hall at 6.00pm on Saturday the 18th of November and at 11.00am on Sunday the 19th of November. There will be some nibbles available at the venue. Christa also thanked Reg Davis for his help in promoting the concerts.

Men’s Shed – David Boyer advised all is proceeding well in completing works for the shed fit out.

Bruny News – Reg Davis advised the current distribution of the Bruny News is 550 copies per month which is raising approximately \$2,000 in advertising revenue each month. There are around 90 subscribers and it is going from strength to strength.

BICHSAC – Fran Davis advised that several community members attended a recent meeting as observers which is good for transparency. Fran read out a report from Tasmanian Health Services which was presented at the meeting. They are currently working on a response to a letter published in the November Bruny News regarding issues at the Health Centre.

BIAC – John Kobylec reported on some issues that were discussed at the October BIAC meeting.

1. Ragwort – Council's NRM Project Officer Rene Raichert spoke about the ragwort eradication program on Bruny which will continue into the future. Letters have been sent to landowners who have ragwort on their properties that need eradication. Rene said that some property owners were not complying with these notices. Unfortunately the process for enforcement of these notices can be quite expensive. Council is looking at issuing fines in the future. Rene advised that eradication of Patterson's curse is a higher priority than ragwort as there is more chance of eradicating it. She has to operate within a limited budget.
2. Ian Ugarte and Simon Want from IC4 Developments did a presentation on their proposal regarding Low Cost Housing on Bruny. While the specifics of the proposal have yet to be determined, in essence it involves the following – (a) Transfer of ownership and management of the existing Glensyn Units and property; (b) Development of additional low cost units on this site; (c) Sale of the vacant Council owned land south of and next to Hotel Bruny; (d) Development of affordable accommodation units on this land. Council has resolved to give in principle support to the proposal, subject to consultation and support from stakeholders, followed by a more detailed submission.
3. Bruny Island Liveability Study – Four members of BIAC have nominated to be part of the process of selecting a consultant to conduct the study. For Council, who will drive this process, this study will also assist in prioritising future community services and capital works programs on Bruny Island, negotiating maintenance contracts with the Department of State Growth, reviewing waste management options, and refining planning scheme provisions. It therefore has a number of practical applications as well as providing an opportunity to obtain an objective understanding of local community opinion.
4. Bruny Island Airstrip – A motion was passed “That the Bruny Island airstrip continues to be owned by Council as a community facility and that Council continues maintenance responsibilities.
5. Pedestrian Bridge Alonnah Main Road – Constable Justin Wolfe has written a letter to the OIC of the Kingston Police Station expressing his concerns about the safety of pedestrians and cyclists using the road across the Alonnah Bridge and supporting the community in their efforts for safety improvements to be evaluated and implemented.
6. The Neck Development – Concern was expressed that the new toilet block would not be built before the opening of the parking area. This issue has since been resolved with Council recently approving a minor amendment to the planning permit in regards to the location of the toilet block and its design.

Discussion took place about the possible sale of the Glensyn units at Alonnah. It was moved by M Weston and 2nd by S Kingston that BICA write to Kingborough Council expressing concern about the proposed sale of the Glensyn units to a property developer who could change the guidelines for occupying these units. It should also be noted that this property was donated to the community of Bruny Island – Passed.

General Business

1. Air Traffic – Lyndon Haigh expressed concern about the increased air traffic over North Bruny. Discussion took place and it was resolved to write to the relevant department to find out what rules and regulations are used to manage air traffic over the whole of Bruny Island.
2. Grant Applications – Fran Davis spoke about several grant applications that had been received by BICA recently and that had been recommended by the Committee. After discussion it was moved by J Boyer and 2nd by L Graham that \$1,000 be granted to the Bruny Bowls Club towards the cost of installing new LED lighting throughout the Club – Passed. It was noted that the Bruny Bowls Club is used by several community organisations that hold many fundraising functions every year and the venue is provided free of charge. It was further moved by D Boyer and 2nd by J Marsh that \$490 be granted to the Adventure Bay Hall Committee for the provision of new tables – Passed. It was then moved by S Kingston and 2nd by D Boyer that \$1,300 be granted to the Bruny Island SES for the provision of storage units for their new vehicle – Passed. It was moved by J Kobylec and 2nd by K Duncombe that

\$2,000 be granted to the Cork Club to be distributed for the benefit of the Bruny Island community – Passed.

3. Speed Limit at Roberts Point – Lindon Haigh suggested a lower speed limit be implemented for a certain distance for traffic disembarking from the ferry at Roberts Point. He noted the queues waiting to get off the Island are sometimes lined up to the top of the hill and children are wandering around while waiting for the next ferry, thus creating a safety hazard. It was resolved to write to the Department of State Growth to investigate the lowering of the speed limit in this area.

Guest Speaker

Kevin Midson, Labor candidate for Franklin, addressed the meeting and talked about his background. Kevin then offered to field questions after the meeting.

Meeting Closed 12.30pm

Next meeting Sunday the 10th of December at Bruny Bowls Club, Adventure Bay at 11.00am