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Minutes of General Meeting held at CWA Hall, Barnes Bay, Sunday 12th January, 2020.

Opened: 11.05am Megan Weston Chair.

Present: 19 - M. Weston, K. Duncombe, R. Davis, F. Davis, L. Champine, N. Weetman, L. Story, J. Kobylec, S. Gaskell, K. Smith, M. Wallace, J. Boyer, D. Boyer, C. McDougall, L. Haigh, L. Graham, T. Rayner, S. Bastone, J. Self.

Apologies: 12 - W. and K. Darby, G. Van Randen, J. Pforr, M. Pforr, G. Kingston, S. Kingston, D. Andrews, R. Andrews, B. Weston, T. Story, R. Woodburn.

Previous Minutes: L. Story, 2nd J. Self. Carried.

Business Arising:

Cool Room: There have been some issues with key pad details not being given to the suppliers and courier until the 2nd week of January. This facility is a 6 month arrangement.

PowerPoles: Megan Weston wrote to Min. Michael Ferguson in relation to issues relating to safety issues around the reconstruction of Alonnah/Lunawanna Main Road. Concerns have been raised by the community in relation to the reconfiguration of the new road impacting on 3 existing power poles. The other issue is the apparent width of the newly sealed section of the road. Whilst the roadway has been widened considerably, the new asphalt section is only 5 metres in width, which is considerably narrower than other main roads. Megan requested clarification on the plans for the power poles and also whether the final width of the new sealed road will conform to standards.

Bruny News: Contrary to previous advice, Barry Weston will now become Editor of the Bruny News.

Correspondence:

Letter of appreciation from North Bruny Fire Brigade for BICA's donation of a defibrillator, which is now available for the North Bruny community.

Thank you card from Bruny Island District School for BICA's donation towards their final assembly.

Celebrate Bruny Day Certificate of Appreciation received for BICA's contributions to the Bruny Island Community.

Megan Weston has written to Natalie Hayes, and all members of the DAP advising that previous information supplied to that committee in relation to BICA's involvement in the Madfinch and Castles "community vision" statement is incorrect. BICA has not been involved in the circulation of any material to DAP Bruny Island, and has had no input nor been involved in the writing nor funding of these papers.

Letter from Alex Matysek outlining the DAP's support to progress a discussion on a Micro-Plastics collection bin trial on Bruny Island. It is hoped that such an initiative will have a positive effect on the visitor experience by empowering both visitors and locals to improve the beach foreshore environment. With support from community organisations, Local Government, tourism bodies and industry, in time, a trial program may well demonstrate the benefits to our environment and on the visiting bird populations.

Letter from Alex Heroys, Destination Southern Tasmania, re the "Island for an Island" funding initiative suggested by Nick Hadow to assist Kangaroo Island recovery.

Correspondence between Megan Weston, Nick Weetman, and Tony Ferrier re discussions on current TasWater project on water standards in Adventure Bay from the Kingborough Council Consultative Forum. Megan also advised BICA will vigorously pursue the issue of domestic rainwater tank capacity, and commercial usage, as part of the new state wide planning scheme. TasWater is believed to be preparing a 'Master Plan.'



Notice from Tourism Tasmania re Australian Bushfires .This discusses fire impacts, bushfire appeals and an update on Tourism Tasmania's marketing campaigns.

Informative notice was received from PMAT on the Glamorgan Spring Bay Council Draft Local Planning Rules.

Letter received from Debra Werrett, a North Bruny resident querying a possible regulation on numbers of visitors to Bruny. This to be discussed at a later date.

Copy received of letter by Peter George, Interim Chair of TAMP, to Mr Wes Ford, Director of EPA Tasmania re the new well-boats about to come into service. TAMP understands these boats do not require licences to operate in Tasmanian waters, and suggests urgent questions be addressed about effluent from these vessels. TAMP is seeking assurance there will be complete transparency of the processes under which these vessels operate..TAMP is also concerned with the amount of freshwater required, and the impact of noise and light on coastal communities. All this information needs to be made public to ensure all necessary requirements are met.

Motion: That the correspondence be received. Moved: L. Champine 2nd: J. Boyer. Carried.

REPORTS:

Financial Report: Treasurer, John Kobylec said BICA's financial position was fine, and monies are steadily coming in from back-debtors.. Moved: J. Kobylec 2nd K. Smith

BICHSAC: A workshop will be held on 4th February with Dr Michael Ashby, to discuss possibilities for the future development of independent living units on the Island. Training for Volunteer Community Visitors will now be through the Kingborough Council Volunteer Program.

MEN'S SHED: David Boyer reported that the book boxes will be handed to Bruny Island Arts this week. Suzi Edwards is to conduct the workshop to decorate the boxes on 21st January. Work continuing with Grietje Van Randen and the school children on the Blue Farmer project.

BSA: Bruny Island presented an excellent submission, but as this is still under Parliamentary Privilege, no information is available on the website as yet.

LIBRARY: Progress was reported as "steady."

QUARANTINE STATION: Next Open Day will be 9th February.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Fran Davis suggested BICA should donate to the Bush Fire Appeal, and also within this context, to Wildlife Rescue. Sue Bastone suggested Raptor Rescue. Jenny Boyer suggested donations both to Red Cross and Wildlife Rescue eg: WIRES. After discussion, it was decided President of BICA would contact the Bruny Island Fire Brigades to offer assistance in the purchase of necessary equipment.

Motion: That BICA donate \$1000 to Red Cross Bushfire Appeal. Moved: D. Boyer 2nd: Tony Rayner.

Projects for 2020:

Green Waste disposal across the island will remain a BICA project for 2020.

Jeff Self suggested that BICA organise a workshop to address water issues on the island including the use of solar powered hydropanels.

David Boyer raised the issue of upgrading the BICA Website and indicated and indicated that he had a contact who would be willing to assist. Megan Weston will follow up.

Hillary Cane is editing the Walks publication. Sue Bastone advised than any political party will print booklets free of charge for works of this type.

Megan Weston moved a vote of thanks to Reg and Fran Davis for their works over the past 10 years on behalf of the Bruny community. Moved: M. Weston 2nd: J. Kobylec.

Fran Davis then resigned as Secretary, and on behalf of herself and Reg thanked the BICA community for their patience, support and friendship.

Meeting closed: 12.35pm.

Next Meeting Sunday 9th February 2020, 11.00am at Lunawanna Memorial Hall, Lunawanna.