

WRRA Committee Meeting MONDAY 4 August 2008 Wilson Community Hall

Minutes

1 Welcome and Apologies

Meeting opened: 7:35 pm.

Present: Geoff. Rees (President/Chair), Les Durbin (Secretary/Minutes), Rob Marshall (Treasurer), Maurice Winter, Gwili Crock, (Committee), Graham Barry, Joe Delle Donne, Lindsay Elliott (Councillors), Kelly Faulkner (outgoing Treasurer)

Apologies: Max Zeller

Absent: Russell Gorton

2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday, 2 June 2008 were received as a true record on the motion of Geoff. Rees seconded by Gwili Crock.

3 Actions arising from previous meeting

- Small Grants Lottery West Application: Application complete, mailed 14 July with receipt received 24 July. Application made for a grant of \$2000 to purchase a laptop computer which will take up to 4 months to process. Les
- Castledare Land Acquisition/Development Update: A letter to be sent to Ben Wyatt MLA re. the next meeting to report progress. Geoff to draft, Les to mail with AGM minutes enclosed.
- Canning River Regional Park (CRRP) Meeting on 14 Aug. Geoff . to attend
- Dual Use Path: The connecting section of some 100m. from the existing path behind Surrey Road to connect with Watts Road is now complete. We shall continue to lobby for the path to be completed to the Kent Street Eco-Centre over time Geoff.
- Canning River Boating Strategy: Letter received from the City reporting back on our submission of 21 March last. The letter was read out and to be given to Max for scrutiny to report back next committee meeting Max.
- Wilson Park Fence & surrounds: No reply received as yet to Rob's letter to the City. Noted by Steve Atwell at our AGM and it will receive attention shortly.
- Leach Highway Trucks: Nothing has changed since our AGM. Listed on our to do list for this year to keep lobbying for early introduction of 12.5m. restriction Les to monitor.

Actions arising from previous meeting (continued)

- Kent Street Eco-Centre and surrounds: Rob wrote a personal letter to The Premier, Alan Carpenter re. supporting the City of Canning to remediate the contaminated site at the Works Depot, Kent St. Mr. Carpenter advised that the Dept. of Conservation (DEC) had received no notification that the site was a known or suspected contaminated site. Rob will write a letter of thanks to the Premier for his search of the records and other information. He will also draft a letter to City of Canning Council seeking clarification and an explanation of the extent of the possible contamination at the Works Depot site
- Crime and Seniors' seminars: Gwili attended both for WRRA and said how well
 they were organised with State Government putting a lot of effort into explaining
 current thinking and the way forward on the topics both of which created much
 interest and were well attended meetings. Brochures and additional information
 are expected in the mail shortly to be filed for future reference.- Gwili to give to
 Les.

4 Secretary's Report

Report listing of in/out mail, most concerned with the finalisation of the Lotterywest Grant and AGM correspondence. Report attached.

5 Treasurer's Report

Report tabled showing a healthy balance of \$2942.11 with a membership already, so early in the year, at 65 - very encouraging.

- Noted that the printing costs were substantially above normal but partly explained by extra AGM mailout printing. However, we had approx. 150 newsletters over as well as some 100 President's Reports. Suggested we do not order so many next time.
- Kelly has handed over to Rob, the incoming Treasurer, who will open a new
 account at the local Bendigo Bank for WRRA and liase with Kelly to close our
 Anglican Bank account and transfer over, also re-arranging the authorised
 signatures for the new account. Rob

6 Portfolio Reports

Councillors asked to raise current topics and take questions:

- Council Meeting re. Riverton Café/Kiosk development will be held 6.00pm.,13
 August. The meeting is to raise awareness of the development and invite comment and public input after which, council will decide whether to proceed. Geoff. and Les to attend.
- Cllr. Elliott asked that the AGM minutes item re. U/G power should clarify that the suggested cost of \$2500 is for the house connection. Les to amend
- Councillors noted that the Mayoral Election would be held 2-9 Oct. with the count 16 Oct.
- The councillors shared our concern about the spate of crashes on Fern Road recently, particularly those on the Jetty Park frontage. Cllrs. Delle Donne & Elliott suggested that WRRA should re-start lobbying of City and Main Roads. To be an agenda item for next meeting and be considered in any discussions over the kiosk redevelopment.

There being no other items not already covered, either at this evening or at the recent AGM, the councillors withdrew from the meeting with thanks for their attendance.

• President listed topics to be pursued in the coming year. See portfolio allocations below.

7 General Business

- Advertising: Peta Charles Hair Studio still outstanding for newsletter advertising payment Maurice
- Portfolio allocations.
- Webmaster, River boating/Centenary Park river frontage development. Newsletter printing - Max
- Completion deep sewer South Wilson monitoring, socials & Hall opening -Maurice
- ♦ Catering & U/G power monitoring Gwili
- ♦ Kent Street area incl. fence & Depot contamination Rob
- ♦ Newsletter editor, Fern Road traffic relating to Kiosk redevelopment & Leach Hwy. trucks Les
- ♦ Land acquisition Castledare/CRRP Geoff. & Rob
- ♦ Riverton Jetty Park Kiosk redevelopment Geoff. & Les
- ♦ Extension of Dual Use Path Stage 2. Geoff.
- River Guardians: Rob provided application forms for this organisation under the Swan River Trust umbrella. Membership free until year end then \$60/annum. Agreed WRRA should become involved. Les to mail form.
- Mayoral Election: Rob declared a personal interest in the election and the stance of candidates re. cleaning up contaminated areas notably the Depot site.
- Noted that the appointment of the CEO, City of Canning should be public on 5
 Sept. Agreed we should invite the appointee to our next meeting, 6 Oct. Les
- Request from Rob to find out if storage/archiving of our old records is available with the City or Riverton Library. Les to investigate.
- Geoff. as chairman, noted the late hour of this meeting and said that every endeavour would be made to finish at 9.30pm in future.

8 Next Meeting

The next committee Meeting will be held on Monday 6 October 2008 at 7.30pm at Wilson Community Hall

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 10.00 pm.