

# WRRA Committee Meeting MONDAY 2 June 2008 Wilson Community Hall

## **Minutes**

#### 1 Welcome and Apologies

Meeting opened: 7:35 pm.

Present: Max Zeller (President/Chair), Geoff. Rees (Vice-President), Les Durbin

(Secretary/Minutes), Gwili Crock & Rob Marshall (Committee).

Apologies: Maurice Winter, Kelly Faulkner, Cllrs Barry, Elliott & Delle Donne.

**Absent:** Russell Gorton

### 2 Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on Monday, 7 April 2008 were received as a true record on the motion of Max Zeller seconded by Gwili Crock.

#### 3 Actions arising from previous meeting

- Small Grants Lottery West Application: Kelly to hand over all documentation at a time convenient to her allowing time for a brief meeting to bring Les up to date. Les to complete.
- Electronic Banking Change of account to be postponed until later in the year. Suggest discussion at next committee meeting to finalise with new Treasurer.
- Castledare Land Acquisition/Development Update: A meeting was held at Parliament House, 7 May 2008, chaired by Ben Wyatt MLA WRRA represented by Max. Also present were a Richard Noble representative, 3 reps. from Catholic Homes, Castledare Miniature Rly., Russell Gorton (WWAG) and Rob Marshall (Wilson Parish Council) but no representative from the Planning Commission. There was general agreement with Ben Wyatt MLA that the land acquisition and allied questions should be resolved as soon as possible and he pledged to assist in expediting proceedings and call another meeting at an early date to report progress. Geoff. to keep in contact with Ben Wyatt
- Dual Use Path: The path from the Kiosk area to the end of Watts Road is now complete except for some minor tidying up works and is popular and well used. A connecting section of some 100m. from the end of this path to the end of Surrey Road is now required which may be held up by the current housing construction along some of its length. To follow up with the City Max/Geoff.
- Canning River Boating Strategy: An article appeared in the Canning Times recently supporting our submission and based on its content forwarded by Max. The Sea Scouts have again expressed support of our stance.

#### **Actions arising from previous meeting (Continued)**

- Kent Street Eco-Centre and surrounds: The Eco-Centre is to be formally opened on Saturday, 7 June next and WRRA will be represented by Rob Marshall our new committee member. Rob raised the point that there exists a certain irony in the Eco-Centre being so close to the Works Depot and the contaminents it contains. It is widely known that the Depot is to be re-located at some date. City to be contacted re. intentions and possible timetable Rob.
- Wilson Park Fence & surrounds: Rob has drafted a letter to the City requesting the removal of the Wilson Park perimeter fence which will be sent on WRRA letterhead and copies of all emails to the City and the Canning Times to be sent to Les for filing - Les to mail.
- Leach Highway Trucks: Copies of the WRRA letter of 24 March to Ben Wyatt MLA, copy to Tony MacRae MLA together with their replies were circulated at the meeting. It was agreed that the topic is important enough to include in the newsletter and that the replies were unsatisfactory. Article to be written based on our original questions and our disapproval of the replies. Also letters to the MLAs indicating dissatisfaction with their replies Les
- Newsletter: To be ready for delivery w/e 3 July. Draft to be circulated to article
  authors for vetting Les. Rob's local newspaper article to be forwarded to Les for
  redrafting to be final newsletter article. To organise printing and delivery map Max. Central distribution at Les's, 170, Watts Road.

### 4 Secretary's Report

Castledare & Leach Highway Trucks letters circulated. The Secretary's report is attached.

- Request that a copy of the City reply to Geoff's letter of 11 Feb. re. Castledare Land be forwarded to: Russell Gorton, Castledare Miniature Rly., Terry McManus (Wilson Catholic Parish Board).
- Received listing of seminars in 2008 from Ben Wyatt. Gwili to attend if able.

#### 5 Treasurer's Report

No report tabled - Treasurer unable to attend.

#### 6 Portfolio Reports

Max confirmed that he would not nominate for President at the AGM and would not be present at the 4 August meeting either but would be happy to continue as webmaster and committee member He expressed his disappointment that we were not able to make more progress on the downcoding issue and that smaller building block sizes would be a feature of Wilson and many other suburbs in the future. Despite best efforts by WRRA, State Government were reluctant to exempt Wilson from their re-zoning decisions and the forces arrayed against us were just too powerful to bring about a decision in our favour. He wishes to continue with his interests in local pathways and boating/fishing issues.

Max will complete a President's Report for the AGM to be presented by Geoff./Les

#### 7 General Business

• Advertising: 4 clients have now paid for the next 2 issues. Only Peta Charles Hair Studio outstanding. New advertiser being sought - Max

# **General Business (continued)**

- AGM arrangements:
- ♦ Invitations: 3 councillors, City of Canning Mayor, City CEO or representative, City officials prepared to answer questions on Leach Hwy trucks, Kent Street fence, Wilson U/G Power, general construction update. Ben Wyatt MLA, Geoff. Irons MP. - Les
- ♦ Advertising: Canning Times & Examiner Les
- ♦ Chairman: Joint Geoff./Les, Minutes- Les
- ♦ On the night: Open up & meet/greet Maurice, Desk & receipts Gwili & Kelly, Catering Gwili (box presently with Kelly).
- ♦ Agreed Nominations: President Geoff. Rees, Secretary Les Durbin, Treasurer Rob Marshall. Required nominations for Vice-President & committee members.

#### 8 Next Meeting

The next committee Meeting will be held on Monday  $4^{\rm th}$  August 2008 at 7.30pm at Wilson Community Hall

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 9.25 pm.