

CAPTAINS FLAT COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

MEETING

7.00PM THURSDAY 13th DECEMBER 2007

MINUTES - CONFIRMED

1. Attendees and Apologies

Peter Marshall (Chair) John Sandow (Secretary) Judy Cross, Chris Sandow, Anita King, Kylie Nicholas, David Parker (part).

Apologies: Claudia Koelndorfer, Sandy Pollard, Melissa Pollard, Catherine Moore, Maggie Shanahan, Ed Whalan.

2. Minutes of previous meeting

Accepted with minor corrections. [Moved Chris Sandow; seconded Judy Cross]

3. Business arising

a. Preschool action item still outstanding – Peter had since written to Steve Whan and emailed copy to Catherine Moore.

b. Redirection of traffic on small roads. Peter indicated that the Police Accountability Committee met irregularly but that we could expect to hear of any outcome.

[and from previous Action List]

c. Talk to the fire brigade re appearance by Santa, and to the fire brigade and SES re sausage sizzle at Carols. Deferred to Carols discussion.

d. Arrange MC, order candles and contact bagpiper for Carols. Deferred to carols discussion.

e. Peter to advise participants re Regional Partnerships meeting. Done.

f. Peter to forward FCP payment. Done.

g. John to write to Jim Maclachlan (Mayor) and Peter Bascomb to thank the Council for attending meeting and invite follow-up event. Done.

h. Chris to investigate audit rates – B Comensoli & Co. Not required as Ed will audit books.

i. Letter of thanks to Serge from Peter and Hall Committee. Done.

j. Peter to enquire what activity is planned on the mine rehabilitation agenda. Carry over.

k. Membership and advertising in STARTS. Peter confirms we need to be members to use this advertising medium.

l. John to check Council actions re road renaming. Both Council actions confirmed by Kim Salton as having been done.

m. Judy to send generic Constitution template to Peter. Done

n. Provide Association Membership forms at meeting. Carry over.

General Business Item brought forward – Captains Flat Pre-School

David Parker (parent, Jingera Pre-School) provided the Community Association with his observations regarding the threat of closure of the Pre-School. His principal concern is

that while the Queanbeyan and Districts Pre-School Association continues to pay lip service to Captains Flat, it may not be in their interest to support the Pre-School. Given that licenses are limited in number and given that the QDPSA wants to establish a new pre-school in Jerrabomberra, it may be that the Captains Flat facility is unlikely to gain much support from its “parent” association. David advises that he is still gathering facts and that he intends taking the matter further. He will keep the Association informed.

4. Correspondence

Out: To Steve Whan re Captains Flat Pre-school.
To Jim Maclachlan and Peter Bascomb thanking for holding Council meeting at Captains flat and inviting another next year.
To Gordon Cunningham re weed control along Kerr’s Creek

In: NSW Heritage Council – Application for funding for mine entrance display not eligible as no interpretation plan available.
OAMPS insurance renewal – paid.
Council agenda and minutes.
Bank statement.
Canberra Times account – paid.

5. President’s report

The Regional Partnerships meeting held on 5 December had been informative and the presenter (Ian Coillet) had expressed some enthusiasm for a number of the projects that had been mooted; notable the village sporting facilities. The program appeared ready and able to assist the Association to put project proposals together.

Peter had discussed the poorly pruned trees in Kurrajong Street with Gordon Cunningham at the last Council meeting. The Council appeared willing to replace them. **Action: The meeting agreed that Peter should pursue this offer and invite Council to proceed to replace the trees.**

6. Treasurer’s report

The report (prepared by Ed Whalan) was accepted as tabled
[Moved Anita King; seconded Judy Cross]

7. Community organisations’ reports

The meeting noted that presentation of these reports was variable and that frequently there was little of importance on which to comment. It was agreed that future reports would be prepared on an “as needs” basis and circulated ahead of the meeting with the agenda.

- a.** Captains Flat Rural Fire Brigade – no report.
- b.** SES – no report.

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8. Subcommittees’ reports

- a.** Markets – report tabled (attached)
- b.** Ball

Chris Sandow reported that the Ball had been very successful with all of the 140 tickets sold and generally positive feedback. The band had received mixed reactions but it was always difficult to please everyone. (The President would have been a lot happier if the singer knew the words). The proceeds of the Ball will support the Community Art Program of the Captains Flat Primary School. There were many prizes and the donors had all been formally thanked. Photographs taken by Barbie Robinson had been displayed at the December markets. It was suggested that additional sponsors could be approached for 2008 including Ironbark P/L.

c. Mine Mural

John Sandow reported that the application to the NSW Heritage Council had been rejected. Other funding opportunities remained and these would be investigated.

9. Representatives' reports from Palerang-wide Section 355 Committees

- a. Mines Rehabilitation Committee – Action: Peter to email Scott Brooks for an update.**
- b. Palerang Heritage Committee – No report (however it was noted that the Association is awaiting erection of signage in the cemetery).*
- c. Palerang Tourism Committee – It was confirmed that Elizabeth Estbergs was the nominee. There was no report.*
- d. Palerang Cultural Development Committee – This committee has been constituted and Peter is the representative. Its activities will include Australia Day presentations.*

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10. Representatives' reports from Captains Flat-only Section 355 Committees

a. Hall

Chris Sandow recorded that 2 new trestle tables had been purchased and these had been used at the ball. There is a need for 2 more tables for use at both the ball and the markets.

b. Wilkins Memorial Park

Representatives on this Committee are Peter Marshall, Anita King (Association) and Elizabeth Estbergs (herself). Claudia Koelndorfer has also nominated.

11. Reports on other projects and activities

a. Website

Brian Joyce requires any amendments/additions to the website by 5pm on Tuesdays. He updates the site on that evening.

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12. General business

a. Carols.

A lack of initial support for the Association's efforts in organising this event had threatened its cancellation but the Rural Fire Brigade and SES had rallied and had now offered to run the evening. Anita King moved a vote of thanks for Chris

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Sandow's initial efforts and the Association expressed its delight that the event had ultimately won the support of all contributors.

Plans for the evening included keeping the pool open until 6:30pm and the traditional sausage sizzle. Claudia continued to contribute to the program and running sheet.

b. Wilkins Memorial Park and BMX track works

Kylie {surname} is an Office Manager for the Defence Media Unit. She has written to Palerang Council offering to engage defence personnel in repairing the lights at Wilkins Memorial Park and building a BMX track (to appropriate specifications). The intent of the offer is to provide defence personnel with a "real-life" training exercise and at the same time to make a contribution to the Captains Flat community. Kylie would have made the Community Association aware of the offer in the first instance had she known of the Association's existence. Kylie is awaiting internal feedback before she can advise whether the project can proceed. The Association expressed its appreciation that the offer was being considered and promised support as needed and appropriate.

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13. Next Meeting

7.00pm Tuesday 15th January 2008