

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE PEARLY BEACH RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION, HELD AT 10:30 AM ON 22 DECEMBER, 2015, IN THE PEARLY BEACH CLUB HOUSE, PEARLY BEACH.**

**PRESENT** : 29 members - their names are recorded in the Attendance Register attached to the original of this minute.

**APOLOGIES** : Mike and Shirley Lamb; Rian Smit, Ralph Immerman; Dirk & Alta van der Westhuizen, & Dave Kunneke

**WELCOME & DEVOTIONS**

The Chairperson, Shirley Coetzee welcomed everyone and presented a slide show as part of the devotions. The meeting was then opened in prayer.

**CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

The Chairperson presented her report for 2015. The full report is attached to the original of this minute and can also be viewed on the PBRPA website at [www.pearlybeachratepayers.co.za](http://www.pearlybeachratepayers.co.za) The outgoing Treasurer, Steve Peck was thanked for his contribution to the upliftment of Pearly Beach. as well as his sterling efforts with regard to conservation in the area. The 2015 management committee members were thanked for serving the Pearly Beach community over the last 12 months.

Members and their families were invited to attend the Christmas Celebration on the village green that evening at 19h30 and an invitation was also extended for members and visitors alike to support the Pearly Beach Affaire to be held on Wednesday, 30 December 2015 from 11h00 onwards.

**GUEST SPEAKER**

Nico Opperman who is the Pearly Beach representative on the Gansbaai CPF addressed the meeting and stated he would forward the CPF report to members who indicated their interest. He then introduced Capt Rautenbach from the Gansbaai SAPD.

Perlemoen poaching remains an ongoing issue in the area and Capt Rautenbach reassured the meeting the SAPD are attending to the problem and results should soon be visible.

Capt Rautenbach then urged residents to be aware of their surroundings and to protect their property by ensuring that doors and windows are locked when their premises are unoccupied.

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Housebreaking in Pearly Beach has increased over the past few months, but still only represents 8% of the total number of break-ins in the greater Gansbaai area. He reiterated the need for residents to keep descriptions of their appliances, particularly serial numbers of television sets. He recommended that photographs also be taken of appliances and electronic equipment, as this would assist in identifying any property if it has been recovered. He again stressed the importance of a neighborhood watch system and implored Pearly Beach residents to establish an effective neighborhood watch in the village.

Capt Rautenbach stated that the SAPD have no plans to establish a satellite police station in Pearly Beach in the foreseeable future.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE 2014 AGM**

The minutes of the 2014 AGM held on 30 December, 2014, had been circulated to members via email and had also been posted on the website and village notice board. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Beatrice Bollmann and seconded by Lindsay Halkett.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The Treasurer, Steve Peck then presented the financial report. This report will also be available for viewing on the Association's website at [www.pearlybeachrarepayers.co.za](http://www.pearlybeachrarepayers.co.za)

### **ELECTION OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

The Chairperson asked Cllr Coetzee to preside as Electoral Officer for the election of the 2016 Committee. Cllr Coetzee proposed that the same procedure be followed as was implemented in 2014 where the Chairperson was appointed by the meeting and then the members of the management committee. He requested that the office bearers be appointed by the new committee at their first management meeting. This was agreed to by the meeting. Cllr Coetzee then called for nominations for Chairperson. Shirley Coetzee was nominated by Nelia Hurter and seconded by Jason Stonehewer.

It was proposed that the 2015 committee be re-elected if they were prepared to serve again. This was unanimously approved by the meeting. Nelia Hurter then nominated Peter Burton-Moore to serve on the 2016 committee. This was seconded by Shirley Coetzee and accepted by Peter Burton-Moore.

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**REPORT BY THE WARD COUNCILLOR**

Cllr Coetzee informed the meeting that a new court has been established in Hermanus which is dedicated to hearing municipal cases. Residents were urged to obey municipal by-laws to avoid prosecution.

Registration for the upcoming election will take place during February and March 2016 and he requested that everyone ensure that they are registered in the area where they reside, as in a local government election, voters may only vote at the polling station where they live.

There being no further business to discuss, the Chairperson thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the meeting at 12h05.

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