

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OF THE PEARLY BEACH RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION HELD AT 10h00 ON 17 FEBRUARY 2017 AT THE COFFEE LOUNGE, PEARLY BEACH

The Chairperson welcomed everyone to the meeting and opened in prayer.

PRESENT : Messrs Peter Burton-Moore, Dave Kunneke & Alderman Coetzee, (*ex officio*)

Ms Shirley Coetzee; Isolde Smith; Nelia Hurter, Vivienne Burton-Moore

APOLOGIES : Messrs Mike Lamb, Jason Stonehewer

APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED 9 DECEMBER 2016

The previous minutes were approved. Proposed by Peter and seconded by Vivienne.

CONFIRMATION OF OFFICE BEARERS AND PORTFOLIOS

All committee members were re-elected to serve another year at the AGM held on Thursday, 5 January, 2017. It was agreed that all members retain the portfolios allocated to them in 2016. All office bearers were re-elected to serve in 2017. Proposed by Shirley Coetzee and seconded by Nelia Hurter.

Secretary	Vivienne Burton-Moore
Treasurer	Peter Burton-Moore
Membership Secretary	Isolde Smith
Fundraising	Mike Lamb
Bldg Plans & Developments	Nelia Hurter
Infrastructure & Disaster Management	Dave Kunneke
Conservancy Representative	Jason Stonehewer

FINANCE AND MEMBERSHIP:

The books of the Association need to be audited within the next couple of months. Pete to contact the current auditor and request a pro-bono audit. If not possible, he should advise Alderman Coetzee who will take further action.

Isolde confirmed that we have 44 paid up members and reminders have been sent to additional home owners who have paid their 2016 subs. Pete to inform Isolde if there were any further payments made in January/February. 2/.....

REPORT-BACK FROM WARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC MEETING HELD IN ELUXOLWENI ON THURSDAY 9 FEBRUARY

Alderman Coetzee and Vivienne gave feed-back from the above meeting. The main issues raised at this meeting were firstly the vandalism of the soccer field ablution facilities as well as the irrigation system. Alderman Coetzee asked for proposals to repair and maintain these facilities. He then proposed that the ablution facilities be repaired but only after the residents have cleaned up the site. He also offered to place a caretaker there during the day, but the residents would need to arrange someone at night. If this vandalism occurs again the facilities will be boarded up.

Secondly, all home-owners in Eluxolweni have received wheelie bins which were accepted and signed for. The signed contract stipulated that home-owners are responsible for the bins and if damaged or lost could carry a R500 replacement cost. It was requested by a resident that the municipality also take responsibility for the care of the bins when emptying them and not throw them on the ground.

REPORT-BACK ON PEARLY AFFAIRE 2016

Overall the 2016 Affaire was a success with a small profit being made. Gary Muller, one of the stall holders has offered to invite and advertise the 2017 Pearly Affaire at other markets he attends. The time of the 2017 Affaire will change to the afternoon/evening. Time to be confirmed. The date set is Thursday 21 December with the Carol Service taking place on Wednesday 20th. Karin from the club would be approached to co-ordinate her Christmas market with the above dates.

CONSERVANCY MATTERS

To be held over to next meeting as Jason was not present.

INFRASTRUCTURE UPDATE

Shirley thanked Dave for his concise reporting and the many photographs taken. Dave commented that the roads were generally in good condition with only a couple of problem areas. He confirmed that ongoing maintenance is taking place. Some of the boardwalks were still in need of repair. It was also suggested that more signs be made warning people of tortoises in Pearly Beach. Alderman Coetzee confirmed that funds which will become available after the new budget starts in July would be used to improve Castle Beach which we are hoping will receive Blue Flag status.

Nelia is concerned about plot clearing and manual clearing of the verges as this was no doubt a threat to tortoises and other small wildlife.

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Some committee members volunteered to walk in front of the mowers and remove any tortoises in its path. Alderman Coetzee would let us know when the verge mowing was planned. Shirley will speak to Jason to try and initiate an education program highlighting our natural resources.

Isolde mentioned that there were many plots which were in need of clearing. Alderman Coetzee explained that this needs to be reported to the municipality, after which a letter is written to the home-owner. If there is no response, a court order is issued and if there is still no response, the home owner is held in contempt of court and would receive a summons.

BUILDING PLANS AND DEVELOPMENTS

January 2017

Resort

Erf 2140 – Addition

Erf 2369 – New House

Village

Erf 357 – 27 Arcadia Street – Boundary Wall

Erf 457 – 1 Service Street – Addition

VILLAGE GREEN

Shirley mentioned that a main feed pipe appears to be leaking on the Village Green. This has been reported to Paul de Villiers.

GENERAL

Dave to follow up with Mike Lamb regarding the trees promised to us by Grootbos. Alderman Coetzee confirmed that the municipality would plant the trees and set up an irrigation system.

A letter was received from a home-owner complaining about the rubbish receptacles which line the streets. He believes these should be removed as they are an eye-sore and are rummaged through by animals. All weekend visitors should dispose of the rubbish at the drop-off zone. Bins are available outside the gate for this purpose.

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It was suggested that the drop-off zone be left open at weekends so people can throw their rubbish in the containers provided. Alderman Coetzee will report back to the committee on this issue.

It was confirmed that there is a R 3500 penalty for rubbish left on the side of the roads. Alderman Coetzee has requested a recycling bin be provided at the Drop Off Zone. A committee member pointed out the rubbish bags and rocks are positioned outside the window at the Roobier and that these should be removed. This was noted.

Alderman Coetzee mentioned that there are "doggie-doo" bags and dispensers available for purchase. The committee were able to view these dispensers on a slide show. Although everyone present felt it was a good idea, the majority said the system would be abused. Shirley would refer this to Jason to discuss at Conservancy level.

Alderman Coetzee advised the meeting that an amount of money would be set aside from the new budget for light tarring of approximately 2 kms of gravel roads in Pearly Beach. Some roads have already been identified and these would be prioritized.

Alderman Coetzee confirmed that he would attempt to organize another meeting with SAPS after Vivienne raised a number of questions received from concerned residents. He asked that an agenda to be sent to him from interested parties so he could present this to SAPS. In an attempt to contain crime, Dave suggested a boom be erected at the entrance to Pearly Beach. Alderman Coetzee responded that this would not be possible as it was illegal.

With nothing further to discuss, the meeting was closed at 12 noon. The next meeting will take place on Thursday 9 March at 14h30. Venue to be confirmed.

CHAIRPERSON

SECRETARY

DATE