

WANDI PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (Inc)

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2014 AT 7.30PM AT
THE WANDI COMMUNITY CENTRE, 302 DE HAER ROAD, WANDI**

1. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT:

Wayne Tentori (President)

Les Whiddett (Vice President)

Janet Carr (Vice President)

Peter Hegarty (Treasurer)

Chris Barnes

Robyn Carter

Debbie Cocks

Rod Cocks

Catherine Garlick

Henry Garlick

Debbie Tentori

Wendy Cooper (Guest)

Fay Treeby (Guest)

Steve ? (Guest)

APOLOGIES: Ken Workman (Secretary) - Henry Garlick took the minutes.

2. WELCOME The President opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

3. CONTRIBUTIONS OF RESIDENTS/GUESTS

Representatives from the Vote Kwinana group came to provide information on the upcoming amalgamation vote in February 2015. Discussion was had with WPA on the Vote Kwinana campaign. Key points from the presentation were:

- Voting finished by 7 February 2015
- Pushing to vote
- 9000 votes must be cast
- Please cast a 'Yes' or 'No' vote
- Not compulsory to vote
- Wanted people to be aware of their democratic right to vote
- Wanted to get Wandi residents interested
- Go to City of Kwinana's website for your Questions/Answers
- More information out to make a decision after Christmas, see City of Kwinana's website and facebook page
- Further information can be found by visiting the Local Government Advisory Board/ Current Inquiries/ 1. Metropolitan Local Government District Inquiries webpage
- Kwinana Council supports a 'No' vote

Advantages:

- They see no advantages in amalgamating Kwinana and Cockburn Councils together

Disadvantages:

- Change of signage, letterheads and other IT expenses alone will cost 6 million
- Expect rate increases initially
- Likely to cost 7 million dollars at least to complete
- Expect job losses in the long-term
- Comparisons were made to the Eastern States council amalgamations, in particular rural Victoria

WT thanked the representatives from Vote Kwinana for addressing the WPA Committee

4. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

Catherine Garlick moved that the minutes of the meeting held on 19th November 2014 be accepted. Seconded by Debbie Tentori. PASSED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

The President thanked Les & Marilyn Whiddett for hosting the WPA Committee Christmas Party on Sunday 14 December 2014.

6. CORRESPONDENCE:

There was an absence of correspondence as Ken Workman (Secretary) was away with work commitments.

Correspondence In:

1) Email from Bendigo Bank RE: Community Sector Banking Proposal.

Details an enquiry by PH with Bendigo Bank, asking if they can do a better deal in regards to making our money work better for us in comparison to our current arrangements with Westpac.

2) Honeywood Residents Group information flyer produced by them outlining their general objectives.

Correspondence Out: Nil

7. REPORTS

7.1 PRESIDENT

WT and LW attended the Kwinana Council Christmas Thankyou Volunteer Organisation community function on 5 December 2014. It was an enjoyable evening. W Tentori thanked Carol Adams via email.

7.3 TREASURER

PH circulated Treasurer's Report Dec 2014 to the committee members.

The BAS for this month was \$600. PH will book in for our annual Audit. Any other bills will need to be finalised by February 2015. The \$1000 fee for auditing has already been pre-approved.

Catherine Garlick moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted and the accounts be paid. Seconded by Janet Carr. PASSED.

1) Security System:

PH advised the committee that Satellite Security has installed the new security system into the Hall as of today, and was given assurances from Satellite Security that this new security system has the capacity to include all the new buildings due to start construction in early 2015. The systems will work together and that it is future proofed.

2) Options for Bendigo Bank

- Interest rate for our working account would be worse off at 1.12% as opposed to our current 2.60%
- Better for term deposits as rate is the same as Westpac
- PH suggestion: keep half available on call for new building

Bendigo will still cost us. If we hold off changing over, we would save \$400. The question is "Do we support Bendigo?" - this question was put to the committee. PH said his comparison is a snapshot as it stands today. This comparison attempts to quantify the potential earnings from both banks. Fees will increase with Bendigo to \$10/month. Say we invested an amount with Bendigo Bank at an investment rate of 3.05% into a term deposit; the monthly fees could be too much to be a viable option.

Decisions:

Do we:

1st Option: Pull money out of our Cash Reserve Bonus account with Westpac at 2.60%, say \$50,000 and move this amount into a Bendigo Bank term deposit account? We would need to do some paperwork for example getting our nominated signatories re-done.

2nd Option: Wait 6 months

3rd Option: Move completely over to Bendigo Bank

There is the potential for community grants if we were to bring our accounts over to Bendigo bank. If we do move we would have to do it after the Audit. A further discussion on this topic will happen in January meeting where the committee will need to make a final decision on the matter.

Les Whiddett abstained during this discussion topic due to a conflict of interest.

7.4 FACILITIES

Bookings and use of facilities continues with \$2400.00 collected as income due to a busy month from Caravans, there were 40 Caravans (a big group) and Gypsy Rovers Caravans (12 to 15 Caravans). The Hope Valley Dancers had their Christmas Party.

Water was carted in to fill the water tanks due to a large gathering of people camping and using facilities, at a cost of \$260.

Debbie Cocks asked for \$500 to be pre-approval for maintenance.

Previous month is paid up. Gilmore College has paid in advance this Friday. Wood Carvers are also paid up.

Pat de San Miguel– a long standing local and active community member as a fire fighter, long serving Fire Chief, sadly passed away. The service and wake will be held on Monday from 2 PM. Open to the community to attend. DC asked if the Committee would approve the Committee to donate the cost of the hall hire i.e. hire the Hall free of charge. ***Debbie Tentori moved it, Catherine Garlick seconded it. PASSED.***

Coming up:

Hope Valley Dance Group

Following Saturday Treeby family get-together

Perth New Beginnings New Years Eve

More water will need to be brought in, so have ordered 2 full tanker loads. Currently ¾ of a tank remaining.

Starting to get temporary bookings for new building – e.g. wood carvers. Bookings for January and February 2015 filling up early.

RC noted Barbecue went down. Wasn't working - circuit breaker. Fixed blown security lights.

City of Kwinana – Council brought evacuation signs. No muster point

Smithy to store boxing gear until February in shed, under veranda. Donating \$150 for rent for space.

7.4 PROJECTS

Committee thanked the hard work and tireless efforts of Les Whiddett and Rod Cocks for getting the new building underway. The proposed new building for Wandu Community Centre had the approval for the tenders to go out, we should expect some movement on the site in about February 2015.

Limestone car park – RC anticipates problems to come

Need x2 conduits x1 for security. Security meeting discussed the work needed.

Started to talk to groups – about moving of clubs to the new building and timing. If built in 6 months – that is only 5 committee meetings. We need to give them plenty of time. All the groups need to be settled. Need to sit down, work out where everybody goes.

- Look at spaces
- Smithy into shed, need to move space, numbers increasing

7.5 SOCIAL

Christmas wind up occurred

7.6 LANDCARE

CG and HG attended on behalf of the committee the end of year environment volunteer thank you event held by City of Kwinana on Sunday 7 December at Sloans Cottage in Leda . It was an afternoon tea with sandwiches. Both received certificates. CG thanked everybody for all their hard work over the year.

Proposed a networking opportunity every quarter for the environmental groups/friends groups to learn from each other.

There are some trained people in the Living smart sustainability 6 weeks courses – could look at having those available of people are interested.

Action: CG to follow up with Angela on seed collecting.

7.7 WEBSITE

RC has done some work, posted the last minutes, and the E watch newsletter. Our new form is available for the hire of the hall and the conditions in pdf. Form emailed to Ashley it has been approved. Removed the sentence re “take notice of signage”.

Best way forward is to see how it goes and can update as needs.

JC – DC to sight the liquor licence and tick box.

RC was on contact form for Smithy’s Boxing Gym and so was getting emails meant for him. RC has fixed the problem now, so Elly now gets them.

HG noted couldn’t get access to the back end of the website to do update. HG to follow up with RC if remains a problem.

8. WANDI WARBLER

JC provided update on the coming preparation for the next issue - Due out 26 January 2015

JC asked for people’s contributions by the 6 January (final date 9 January)

Printers quote was picked up by LW and given to WT. LW has no computer currently. WT to email everybody the quote out of session. There was some talk about expected costs:

\$1.10 for colour

A5 flyers - Black & White

A4 colour

A5 b/w

But nothing concrete as we didn’t have the quote from the printers.

Honeywood area:

Action: need to confirm number of houses – CG/JC to find out from Shahan

Quantity: ~500 A5 flyers

The January edition of Warbler is 12 pages plus membership forms

Rural area: Quantity: 250

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Action: LW to forward info to Committee on costs of printing out of session to agree on printing costs and numbers.

Committee decided to give a \$1000 be pre-approved for printing costs subject to out of session agreement.

Peter Hegarty moved and Debbie Tentori seconded. All in favour. PASSED

Carol Adams Advertisement proposal for Vote Kwinana was discussed. Agreed that a balanced opinion should be represented in the Warbler. The committee agreed that it was important to vote. Can put the Vote Kwinana website information in the Warbler. The Mayor's section in the Warbler can provide Carol the means to put her message across.

Action: It was decided to decline Carol Adams advertisement, JC to advise. The committee decided it was important to vote and make this make this position known in the Warbler.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

CG showed the Honeywood Residents Group flyer. BBQ sausage sizzle at the movie night went really well. The Honeywood residents group raised \$426.00 from their sausage sizzle at the Satterley event on 13th December 2014. They are looking to be First responders and so the money raised may go towards the purchase a Cardiac Resuscitation unit.

LW said on 8 January 2015 Magenup Equestrian Centre and Wandi Progress Association representatives were getting together for their second meeting. This meeting is a chance to strengthen the interaction between the two communities. Meeting will discuss ways of managing and how to make better use of our area and working with our community.

9.1 Honeywood residents group Nil

10. NEXT MEETING Wednesday 21 January 2015 at 7.30pm

Meeting closed at 9:45 pm