

Culburra Beach Progress Association Inc.

Minutes for monthly meeting 7th February 2018

Banksia Community Hall, Fred Evens Lane, Culburra Beach 2540

Meeting started at 7.00pm

Apologies as per book

Minutes from last meeting: Mvd: Alan Pendleton Sec: Ray Sutton

Welcome to new members and special guests

Business arising from the previous minutes: Nil

Correspondence In

- **Shoalhaven City Council** – Mia Way Bushcare Action Plan
- **Culburra & Districts Chamber of Commerce** – Agenda for the AGM
- **Culburra & Districts Chamber of Commerce** – Minutes of Meeting 5th December 2017
- **Curleys Bay Recreational Community Park Project** – February Report
- **Culburra Beach Chamber of Commerce** – Call to Action NBN
- **Shoalhaven City Council** – Plans for the Year Ahead

Business Arising from the Correspondence: Nil

Reports:

- **Treasurer-** The bank balance as at the 31st December 2017 was \$29,159.17. The market money for December was \$875.00, January was \$1525.00, and February was \$1,021.00. Our Treasurer Noelene Welch put forward a motion that the Progress Association donate \$10,000.00 to the Culburra Beach and Districts Men's Shed. Seconded by Ray Sutton. The motion was carried.
- **Market Co-ordinator** –We had 40 Stalls at the February market. There were a few stalls from Berry Markets as the Berry Markets were closed due to the Berry Show.
- **Bugle** – There are a few new advertisers. Distribution has been exceptional. There have been 450 copies distributed this month so far.
- **Chamber of Commerce** – A representative from the NBN attended the meeting and explained what was happening with the NBN at Culburra Beach. There have been some cultural issues which will be not be resolved until January 2019. Some leads to houses will be copper but some houses will have fibre to the kerb. There will be a campaign to stress that every house has fibre to the kerb. Copper is no good in coastal areas where there is high salinity. A suggestion was made to invite the NBN representative to our Meeting in March. It was advised that residents do no rush in to sign up to a provider as residents will have 18 months to decide which provider they want to sign up with. The meeting was also told that Mr Brian Muller had been runner up to Citizen of the State.

- **Men's Shed** – The colour of the Men's Shed shirts is maroon with white embroidery. There was a total of 20 men turn up to the 7th February meeting. The manager at IRT has been very helpful. The Electrician has been in the Shed. There are a few projects on the go. The Shed is open Wednesdays from 9am – 1pm. There will be a delegation going to Sydney to purchase what equipment is needed. The Shed has had an invitation to visit the Men's Shed at Moss Vale. Alan Liebert asked how long the shed will come under the Progress Association. The reply was that it would be for the next twelve months.
- **Skate Park** - The Skate Park is progressing well. They are only using all Australian Products. Gym equipment is being installed. There will be a walking group starting this Thursday coming. Infant area is finished. There will be five picnic tables going in. All equipment will hopefully be installed in a fortnights time. The opening of the Skate Park will be towards the end of March. There will be some new trees planted to provide shade. A sign will be erected listing all the businesses and others that have helped with the construction of the Skate Park. Alex said there might be a small amount of money available to build a Unisex toilet. Hopefully Council might contribute some money towards this. There will be no off-street parking. There will only be kerb side parking. There have been signs erected saying that motorists are approaching a play ground area. There will be new crossings on Prince Edward Avenue. Alex said that the Doggy Do Bags have been installed and are going well. Burradise is still under construction. Hopefully will be the same format as last year.
- Before the meeting continued to General Business Bob Shimmen wanted to bring everyone up to date of the Survey that was carried out. Of the 2000 distributed we had 225 surveys returned. One of the issues concerned was the shared pathway. He said that council was still giving their standard answer that there were no funds available at this time. He said that this was not good enough as they keep on putting the rates up but don't seem to spend any of the revenue at Culburra Beach. They should be doing more for our community. There was a suggestion made that the local radio station should be contacted as ask them to ask our council some questions about where the money is spent.

General Business

- Jack Kerr asked that the tables and a few chairs be left out after the meeting.
- Ken O'Day raised the issue of the one-way traffic at the shopping centre. He was informed that we have had no reply from council on this matter. A suggestion was made that if there is no reply from council maybe the issue needs to go to the Ombudsman.
- Ken O'Day raised the issue of the 100km Zone going past the Industrial Estate. He said that this was dangerous as it was impossible for trucks to turn out of the entrance and for cars to slow down in time for them to do so safely. A suggestion was made to move the signs both ways before the Industrial Estate.
- Alan Pendleton suggested that maybe the speed should be reduced to 80Km. He suggested that the 100km be moved back beyond the hill on the outward journey

and maybe make it 80km at the start of the hill on the inward journey coming into the 50km zone.

- There had been a complaint made about the dog sign as you come into Culburra Beach. It is a distraction and there is no room available to park there. It was suggested that the sign be moved next to the Information sign.
- Alex suggested a What's on in Culburra Beach sign be erected. Lester said it had been discussed at Chamber of Commerce.
- Steve said that Council should be asked to assess the speed limits with strong reasons why we want them assessed.
- Ken O'Day said that if you are going 100km over the slight hill which makes it difficult to see vehicles at the give way sign at the entrance to the Industrial Estate.
- Alan Pendleton raised the issue of the 40km speed at the flood gates. This was decided after the inspection of the bridge and it was decided until the work is done on the bridge that this was a safer speed especially as there are heavy truck using the bridge.
- Ken O'Day raised the issue of the parking at the shopping centre. Bob Shimmen said that there had been countless letters sent to council regarding this issue. We have asked for speed humps and asked that the parking on the road side be changed to rear to the main road. We have also requested that the centre opening be closed as this is very dangerous for vehicles going east to west. There is also the problem of the trucks parking at BWS. They block the roadway and it is very hard for vehicles to get past.
- There was a motion made by Carol Kelly that we purchase a microphone so that people with hearing difficulties be able to hear what is being said at the meeting. The motion was carried.
- Alex asked if members of the Progress Association would help to erect the Doggy Do Bags. Ray Sutton said that members of the Men Shed would be happy to help. Need to have clarification from council before this could go ahead.

Correspondence out:

- Email sent to Councillor's Joanna Gash and Councillor Mitchell Pakes inviting them to attend our monthly meetings.
- Email to Traffic Committee re the slowing down of traffic out of and into Culburra Beach and the car park at the shopping centre
- Letter to Shelley Hancock re the slowing down of traffic out of and into Culburra Beach and car park at the shopping centre

Meeting closed at 8.20pm

