

# **Bettys Bay Ratepayers Association -** **Bettysbaai Belastingbetalersvereniging**

**Meeting of the Committee held at 16H00 on Tuesday 25 October 2016 at Crassula Hall.**

Attendees - Adrian, Jorika, Tim, Rudi, Heinie, Hilda & Richard.

- 1) Welcome - Rudi welcomed all those who attended.
- 2) Apologies - Wilna.
- 3) Confirmation of previous minutes - Confirmed.
- 4) Additions to the agenda to be discussed under the relevant portfolio:
  - a. 4.1 Sand Dune Invasion.
  - b. 4.2 The way forward in respect of The Buzz.
- 5) Matters arising from the minutes - To be discussed under various portfolios.
- 6) Correspondence - As per Secretary's register.
- 7) Finance - Adrian
  - a. The financials for September 2016 were distributed to the Committee. No queries.
  - b. Financial position is in a healthy state at present.
  - c. Crassula Hall shows a surplus of R6946-12 YTD as at September 2016. Overstrand Municipality have yet to charge us for the insurance on the building.
  - d. The use of the hall by the Pilates group and the relevant fees payable cover the basic monthly running costs of Crassula Hall.
  - e. Adrian has arranged with ABSA for internet banking to operate on our account with effect from 1 November 2016. He will be the sole controller with SMS advices being sent by ABSA to Rudi for withdrawals exceeding R500-00 for control purposes.
  - f. R100-00 donation received by Rudi from Joubert for the Neighbourhood Watch.
  - g. Tim advises that a golf day at Kleinmond Golf Club under the auspices of Bill Steyn for the Neighbourhood Watch has been arranged for 18 December 2016.
  - h. The Craft Market has booked the hall for 18 days from 31 March to 17 April 2017 at R800-00 per day with a deposit of R2000-00. The deposit has been paid and the total income of R14400-00 is welcome.
- 8) Ward Committee Report Back - Rudi
  - a. It appears that the Overstrand Municipality will in future not recognise individual complaints which could lead to an increase in membership of the BBRA.
  - b. It appears that the decision to limit the number of items to ten per Ward on the wish list is a decision of Province. This is not acceptable to us.
- 9) WCDF Report - Heinie
  - a. Heinie reported that at the AGM on 11 October 2016 the following committee members were elected:
    - i. Chairman - Bob Broom
    - ii. Vice-Chairman - Mervin Milner
    - iii. Treasurer - Tommy Snibbe

- iv. Secretary – To be allocated.
  - b. An advisory committee has been set up comprising of seven members with four coming from the WCDF and the others from business and other interested organisations. This committee will interact with the Overstrand Municipality which is a move in the right direction.
- 10) Federation – Heinie
- a. No meeting has taken place recently but one is scheduled for the new year where a decision will be taken as to the future of this committee.
- 11) Portfolio Matters –
- a. Web Site – Donn
    - 1. The Buzz – Vacant – Donn has commenced incorporating adverts on the home page of our web site. He is experiencing difficulties in getting the advertisers to provide their material in the format required. Adrian will discuss with him and personally contact advertisers where necessary.
    - ii. Adrian to contact Helen and get back the MS Publisher software from her.
  - b. Sand Dune Management, Beaches & Amenities – Hilda.
    - i. With the approval of the dune maintenance plan by Province and the cost required to implement parts thereof Adrian suggested that the BBRA donate R2000-00 towards the effort as this matter has been on our agenda for years. The committee agreed.
  - c. Roads & Storm Water – Wilna.
    - i. The Municipality has not cut back the bushes on Highlevel Road.
    - ii. There is ongoing correspondence between Prof. Schutte and the municipality about the drainage situation in Diastella Road. This has been going on since August 2015.
  - d. Property, Planning & Development – Vacant
    - i. The matter of the use of the erf on Sea View Drive which was decided in court on 29 September 2016 against the Overstrand Municipality, apparently due to the failure to prove the use thereof for purposes other than residential. Their attorney will now reopen the case on another tack.
  - e. Water, Waste & Sanitation – Richard
    - i. Richard advises our water is of good quality although the PH is low.
    - ii. We have enough water of the foreseeable future.
    - iii. Water lost has improved but Richard states that the pipe replacement program seems to have come to a halt.
    - iv. The clearing of vegetation in the Davids Kraal river has not happened.
  - f. Fire & Emergency Services, Security & CPF – Jorika & Tim
    - i. The disaster/fire plan is still awaited from Marlu. Fire plan for the whole of Overstrand received but this does not address the problem. He was instructed to advise us of the plan for the holiday season by Neville Michaels but has not done so.

- ii. Jorika advises that four members of the Volunteer Fire Fighters attended training at Pringle Bay.
  - iii. No meeting has taken place between members and Marlu Rust in terms of his commitment.
  - iv. On 5 November 2016 between 09H00 and 14H00 an open day will be held at the Pringle Bay Fire Station.
  - v. Adrian advises the following results from the advice to members of the "Data Dot System". 316 E-Mails sent out, 182 opened and only 79 accessed the circular. Richard advises he is aware of only one member taking it up. On these figures it is not worth pursuing.
  - vi. Jorika advises that group ops take place regularly.
  - vii. Docs training took place on 8 October 2016 in Pringle Bay.
  - viii. There is apparently a group of young white guys from outside Bettys Bay perpetrating burglary in our village.
  - ix. An incident took place recently where two coloured guys attempted to Hijack a ladies car from her in Rooi Els at 09H00 in the morning.
  - x. Accreditation has been applied for the Neighbourhood Watch with DOCS.
  - xi. A bring and braai is to take place at the Crassula Hall on 12 November 2016 to attract members to the Neighbourhood Watch.
  - xii. WST is obtaining premises next to the garage and are getting their registration in order.
  - xiii. Adrian to supply Tim with a list of E-Mail addresses for our members so they can be approached on behalf of the Neighbourhood Watch.
- g. Hall – Heinie
- i. We have invoiced the IEC for damage and cleaning of the hall after use.
  - ii. Heinie has replaced the damaged cistern in the ladies toilet.
  - iii. WST request for use of the hall at 18H30 on Wednesday 26 October 2016 has been cancelled.
  - iv. With the cancellation of the booking of the hall by Koekemoer from Australia the deposit would be refunded less an admin charge.
- h. General –
- i. A discussion took place around the issue of fines being levied by the Municipality re baboon proof bins with Heinie mentioning the following:
    1. The Municipal bins are not baboon proof.
    2. Such bins are expensive and some residents could not afford same.
    3. Fines are not issued on an equitable basis.
- i. Next Committee Meeting – 16H00 Tuesday 29 November 2016 – Crassula Hall

**Chairman**  
**Secretary**