

MINUTES OF THE BETTYS BAY RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

on 30 JANUARY 2018 AT CRASSULA HALL, BETTYS BAY

PRESENT

Rudi Perold, (Chairman), Hein Foot, Hilda van der Merwe, Pierre Combrink, Liz Cartwright, Gerhard Bruce, Tim McGavin, Richard Starke, Fanie Krige, Adrian de Kock, Bill Steyn, Jorika Rabie

Apologies : Fanie Krige, Renee Bish,

CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF 28 NOVEMBER 2017

The date of the minutes was corrected to 28 November 2018. Thereafter, the minutes were accepted and signed as a true reflection of the meeting.

NEW COMMITTEE PORTFOLIOS FOR 2018

Gerhard Bruce - Properties (handover by TM over a 2 month period)

Pierre Combrink - Roads and Stormwater

Liz Cartwright - secretarial (less finance) and 2 i/c to Jorika Rabie (Fire)

Renee Bish - Conservation, assisted by Carol Clark

Tim McGavin - Fundraising

CORRESPONDENCE - None were received

FINANCE - Annual Insurances have been paid, leaving a negative balance but this is a phasing issue. The finances are in good order. It was agreed that the IEC could hire Crassula Hall for 2 days for R1250. This was agreed despite threats by the Acting Mayor that Crassula Hall would be taken away from the Ratepayers by the Municipality if the lower rate was not agreed to - despite the fact that the Treasurer had given a full justification for the increased costs.

WARD COMMITTEE - The first meeting will be on 13 February 2018 at 18h00 at Crassula Hall

WCDF - The first meeting of the year will be held on 5 February 2018.

WEB SITE - An oyster Catcher article will be posted on the web site (RS / AdK).

SAND DUNE MANAGEMENT - The Municipality has been asked to clarify which beaches can be used by dogs. The Municipality have not responded to numerous requests to sort out the outdoor public facilities which are in a very poor state, (eg toilets at Bass Lake) ,signs relating to making fires are contradictory etc. A letter will be written to the Ward Committee demanding action, in line with the Ward Committee rules relating to complaints. (TM, RP)

ROADS AND STORMWATER - dust control is expected to start end of March, beginning of April. Myrica is on the plan but Waterfall Road is under question.

The Disa Road short Cut up to Clarence Drive requires attention.

Signage in Bettys Bay, generally, requires a review. Discussions with and corrective action by the Municipality required (PC)

PROPERTY - There is a Plot Clearing workshop on 5 February at the Kleinmond Town Hall between 09h00 - 11h00 (GB, TM)

The wooden structure along Porter Drive is under scrutiny by the Building Inspector.

The 5546 Development at the East end of Bettys Bay is being monitored.

Other comments on properties will be added to the list of Derelict / Problem houses prior to a meeting with the Building Inspector. (2713, storage on Clarence, Upliftment Centre etc)

Clarity will be sought on the legality of Wendy houses and wooden structures which are below the level of a recognised wooden house (TM). The Water Work will be visited (RS)

WATER - The Water works is in poor shape - currently being run by Viola. The Contract to be looked at to see if they are responsible for the building upkeep (RS / FK). A letter has been written by RS suggesting a bad leak, due to excessively low pressure. A response is awaited (RS)

FIRE - Various incidents had been followed up since November and mostly, were resolved quickly. Areas of potential danger (reeds at Bass Lake Bush clearing, conflicting and confusing signage etc) have been identified and action sought (JR, FK).

SECURITY / NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH - 42 incidents from 9 December - 19 January indicates an out of control situation.

A Public Meeting on 20 February regarding the camera project has been organised. The costs suggested were R90,000 (2 poles) and R9000 maintenance monthly. Fundraising becomes vital for this project to take off.

Emergency Planning will be discussed with Neville Michaels. No progress has been made (RP)

CRASSULA HALL - Nothing to report

FUNDRAISING - An agreement of the fundraising priority is required - possibly via a risk assessment (**All**)

GENERAL - A newsletter for the community was agreed to. Fanie Krige will be asked to write an informative brief on a quarterly basis giving a view of what is happening in Bettys Bay. (RP)

The existence of the New Zealand Xmas Trees in the area are coming under focus. Discussions with take place with concerned stakeholders in March / April.

NEXT MEETING - 27 February 2018 at Crassula Hall at 16h00.

Chairman

Secretary