

Minutes for GENERAL MEETING of VALLA BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION [VBCA]



Monday 23rd April 2018 at 1900 hrs – VALLA BEACH COMMUNITY HALL

MEETING OPENED AND ATTENDANCE:	Opened at 1903 hours - with 17 names on attendance sheet
WELCOME	<p>President acknowledged the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we stand the [Gumbanga] Gumbaynnggir Nation. We pay respects to the Elders, past, present and future ... and we say a special welcome to any indigenous people present here today.</p> <p>Special Welcome to Mayor Rhonda Hoban and General Manager Michael Coulter of Nambucca Shire Council [NSC], with a big thank you for the road and parks maintenance in Valla Beach. Welcome everyone here.</p>
APOLOGIES	C. Vincent, P&M.Rundle, J.Bennett, B.Rodden, R&C Wrobel, Cr D.Jones, C.Anderson, M.Beven D Jones, G Suter
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	General Meeting dated 20 November 2017
BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES	Nil – this was agreed to be discussed in General Business.
CORRESPONDENCE IN	<p>09.11.17 NSC -final invoice and reconciliation for hall grant 14.11.17 David Dawson – confirms Petition was tabled 20 September. 14.11.17 NSC – Grant Nelson re Deep Creek 15.11.17 CDAT – 2017 confirmed \$3000 with conditions 19.11.17 Lana Whitney – Why Caravan parked at entrance to Valla Reserve 21.11.17 NSC Carols Approved 8 Dec 2pm – 11pm 28.11.17 North Coast Regional Plan 2036 [John Windmill] 30.11.17 NSC [Grant Nelson} Deep Creek Closed 02.12.17 Treasurer – Dec market a record \$\$\$ 21.12.17 Melinda Pavey – re Petition road noise 4 points 28.12.17 NSC re LALC complaint re the placement of the Thong Seat middle Valla 31.12.17 Treasurer – Financial Statement 31 December 02.01.18 NSC – re Possible Acquisition Land & Building – Valla Community Preschool 03.01.18 NSC – reply to Treasurer – re donations [Carols to RFS, Valla Voices etc] 04.01.18 Mayor – re road noise and diamond grinding. 12.01.18 Lana Whitney – re removal of Norfolk Pines Anderson Park 15.01.18 NSC Matt Leibrandt – Trees removed were Radiate Pine [a weed] 16.01.18 Lana Whitney – reply to NSC correspondence 20.01.18 NSC report re Valla Growth Area [copied from NSC meeting 30.11] 30.01.18 Details of TAFE contact with LALC re seat locations. 01.02.18 Ferguson Contract Cleaning invoice for Oct – Dec 12.02.18 AEC Terry Witchard re check hall for next Federal Election 07.02.18 Freya Paton – not happy with Charges will not proceed with Art Show. 23.02.18 NSC – invoice for Trailer REGO 24.02.18 J.Windmill, confirming the NSC will build a new toilet block Valla Reserve 01.03.18 Georgette Allen – re Gov’t Bills re Charities and donations 02.03.18 FRRR – Small grants for Rural Communities 02.03.18 NSC – invite Nambucca Shire Tourism Strategic Plan 11.03.18 Busways – Daniele Jones - vbl response re Move Bus Stop Kuta 11.03.18 LALC vbl response from Chels, Wants to meet and discuss Thong Seat - 18.03.18 Peter Sobey – re ECOBAG VBCA look into selling at Market 21.03.18 NSC – re additional waste services for Market & Carols 25.03.18 BCU – will sponsor & supply a Gazebo for VBCA market office. 27.03.18 Argents Hill Hall – 24th June Bake ‘n ’Roll competition</p>

	<p>28.03.18 Valla Preschool – 2018 committee 29.03.18 Playgroup – requiring a letter of support for upgrading etc Hall Grounds 05.04.18 NSC – Deep Creek ICOLL Valla Beach Interpretive sign. 05.04.18 BCU requesting invoice to pay for Gazebo 10.04.18 OMD – Laura Allen -request from Telstra/NBN to use Hall Grounds – 11.04.18 Preschool – reply with suggestions use of Grounds Telstra/NBN 13.04.18 Preschool – 35 year Anniversary, asking for input from VBCA 17.04.18 OMD – Accept hiring agreement use grounds 2-5 May inclusive Telstra/NBN 17.04.18 NSC – RE Island in Cockburn St, will be weeded not native species no mowing 18.04.18 John Kingston re High Way Noise and concern re grinding will not occur. 18.04.18 NVTA – 2ND Edition Town Maps 18.04.18 NSC – Hwy noise follow up with Melinda Paveys office 19.04.18 Melinda Paveys office – Confirming trial for grinding will begin mid 2018. 19.04.18 OMD – Public Liability insurance for 2-5 May Telsta/NBN 20.04.18 Peter Sobey re Thong Seat and ALC suggested placement</p>
CORRESPONDENCE OUT	<p>15.11.17 NSC invite to Community Carols 03.01.18 Treasurer – to NSC re Making Donations 04.01.18 LALC – reply to letter to NSC asking for meeting to discuss. 15.01.18 NSC – Tim Woodward – re Removal of trees Anderson Park 16.01.18 Lana Whitney – response advising the trees are not Norfolk Pine 30.01.18 Peter Sobey – meeting with Local Aboriginals re Valla Environment Group. 30.01.18 Tracey Suter – re Thong seat process 30.01.18 Treasurer – Costs for hiring hall for art show. 14.02.18 Busways requesting Bus Stop at Kuta be relocated 21.03.18 NSC – it appears it is NSC that places Bus stops not Busways. 22.03.18 NSC – Form re waste collections submitted. 26.03.18 NSC – Invite to attend GM on 23 April 26.03.18 Guardian Newspapers – form for community pages re GM 30.03.18 Playgroup, letter to FRRR re Grant for enhancement of hall grounds. 13.04.18 NH ALC re meeting to discuss Thong Seat 16.04.18 NSC re lack of maintenance – Island in Cockburn St. 19.04.18 OMD – Laura Allen invoice for hire of grounds Telstra/NBN promo 20.04.18 OMD – confirming VBCA banking details 23.04.18 NSC – Community Grant Project Completion documentation.</p>
CORRESPONDENCE	Read and Moved by Melvyn Best seconded G. Jones
TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>Financial report up to 31st March 2018 presented and moved by Assistant Treasurer P. Sobey Seconded by J.Kingston The VBCA have a healthy bank balance, our share of the Community Grant is covered, [Top Dressing Anderson Park] the cancellation of the February Market did affect the balance. Overall with the CDAT grant we are in a good position for the future.</p>
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>1] Top Dressing - Anderson Park – NSC have this planned for 2nd half of this financial year, 1a] No response from Clubs to use the sports field? John Kingston will start discussions with local sporting clubs once top dressing completed. 2] Aboriginal Land Council – complaint re Thong Seat Peter Sobey has taken charge of this issue, discussing the thong seat location, with ALC, agreeing a different seat would be acceptable, it appears if the thong seat and the seat at main beach were swapped the ALC would accept this, More discussions are needed.</p>

3] Market Report – John Windmill.

The cancellation of the February market affected our funds, The introduction of permanent sites has proved popular with stall holders, it is more work for the Market Sub Committee, but in time will be a big benefit. April Market was a success, more food vendors, great music, and a mixture of stall holders, the weather made it a popular spot to browse meet friends, have coffee and food.

John Kingston to be congratulated in approaching BCU again for funds to buy a Gazebo for use as a Market Office. He was successful in his pitch, BCU are donating a Gazebo, Printed with VBCA Logo, and words Market Office will be available for the June Market.

4] Carols – 2018 Friday 14th December –

Planning is in place, Daphne Jones who has been the mainstay from the start of this successful venture – Carols in the Park – is looking for help and an understudy, as Daphne really needs a rest, this year would be a good year for someone to be prepared to take over for the Carols in the Park 2019.

5] Relocate Bus stop in Kuta Ave, refer letter to NSC

Michael Coulter NSC GM has advised the NSC engineering dept are planning to move the Kuta Ave Bus stop further along Kuta Ave to an area on Anderson Park. As requested by the community for safety reasons, away from the Valla Beach Road intersection. The VBCA will be advised when plans are finalised, this will then be advertised on the existing Bus Stop and the Market Face Book page, and notes to local schools.

6] Highway noise update by John Kingston

Note from David Dawson – Senior Electorate Officer for the Hon Melinda Pavey MP Member For Oxley

Re Low Noise Diamond Grinding Trial – Valla

A] The Tender process for the diamond grinding on the concrete surface has now closed and tenders are currently being assessed.

B] At this stage, we expect the trial to begin mid -2018

C] This trial will provide Roads and Maritime with more information as to whether low noise diamond pavement grinding is a viable option in reducing traffic noise on upgrading sections of the Pacific Hwy.

D] Following the outcomes of the trial Roads and Maritime may consider its use in future projects as a low noise pavement option. At this stage there are no further plans to apply this treatment to other completed upgraded sections of the highway.

Discussion centred on Noise Monitoring, before and after the trial, the Sub Committee led by John Kingston, are waiting for replies from the RMS re the original noise monitoring, which removed data from the Valla Monitors. Lori Warren has been waiting months for real answers to her questions about the Noise Monitors [The RMS reply but do not answer the real questions, she is concerned that this trial will go the same way, re noise monitoring, etc.

John Kingston put a motion which was Seconded by Graham Jones and was passed unanimously by the residents at the meeting.

Motion

“That (i) VBCA endorses Nambucca Shire Council Mayor Rhonda Hoban to seek clarification regarding RMS’ willingness to undertake noise monitoring, and that (ii) if noise monitoring is not going to be undertaken by RMS, then VBCA undertake ‘crowd funding’ for noise monitoring to take place; and that (iii) VBCA authorise their appropriate sub-committee to undertake researching quotations for same, with all such future written correspondence to be on VBCA letterhead, and that (iv) two separate quotations be obtained, and Nambucca Shire Council be advised of costs involved, and that (v) VBCA approach Council with a request to fund 50% of the cost of said noise monitoring; and that (vi) VBCA authorise their appropriate sub-committee to seek clarification from RMS regarding the location and distance involved for the proposed diamond grinding.”

The Mayor indicated that she would write to Melinda Pavey asking

- a] Will noise monitoring be conducted before and after the trial
- b] Specific locations and distances for the diamond grinding treatment.
- c] Will the results of the trial and noise monitoring be made public
- d] Is there a time frame for start & completion of trial etc.

A copy of the letter will be sent to the VBCA Highway Noise Subcommittee.

7]Valla Urban Growth Area –

Michael Coulter discussed the VUGA presenting photos of the area which has been approved for more than 10 years, Including Residential, Industrial a local Centre, Business Park, Primary Production, etc.

Michael answered questions from the residents and indicated that the development should commence next year.

8] Interim results of Residents Survey

there were 21 replies to the Survey, attached to April edition of Valla Views, with residents suggesting improvements to the Valla Area, a list of recommendations from the survey was given to the attendees to prioritise the top 3, the committee now have to itemise these suggested improvements and report back to the community for

	<p>approval, before talking to the NSC.</p> <p>9] Any other business</p> <p>9a] Telstra/NBN will have a promo car at Hall 2-5 May Residents are invited to visit and ask questions about the NBN etc.</p> <p>9b] Ecobag – Peter Sobey discussed a recyclable paper bag to replace Plastic, which the VBCA could produce with help of local sponsors and sell at the Market, or local shops. – this is an environmental plus with the Major Supermarkets removing plastic bags from 1st July. Peter will obtain costs and check sponsors to submit to the VBCA committee as a fund raiser.</p> <p>9c] Tracey Suter advised that the Art Show held in January this year was a success and that the Art Sub Committee will require the Hall in January 2019 to run a second show, they have requested help in the VBCA supplying plinths to display the various pieces of Art, this will be discussed at the next Executive committee meeting.</p> <p>10] Motions from floor – REFER ABOVE</p>
MEETING CLOSE	2045 hours
NEXT MEETING	Annual General Meeting on Monday 16 th July 2018 at Valla Beach Community Hall commencing 1900 hrs

Next Market – Saturday 2nd June 2018

Carols in the Park Friday 14th December at 6pm

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Also check out the Market Face book page at www.facebook.com/vallabeachmarkets