

MINUTES for NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETING

VALLA BEACH COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION [VBCA]

Monday 18th November at 1900 hrs – VALLA BEACH COMMUNITY HALL



MEETING OPENED AND ATTENDANCE:	Opened at 1907 hours Attendance 29
WELCOME	<p>President to acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of this land on which we stand the 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>
MOTION BY PRESIDENT	<p>Welcomes from Nambucca Shire Council [NSC] General Manager Michael Coulter, Assistant General Manager Corporate Services Robert Hunt, Councillor Susan Jenvey and Grant Nelson Coordinator Strategic Planning & Natural Resources</p>
PRESENTATION	<p>After the welcome John Windmill raised a motion seconded by Melvyn Best That the VBCA donate on behalf of the community \$500.00 to Valla RFS and \$500 to Valla Beach RFS in appreciation of their commitment to keeping our community safe. There were no objections and approved by the attendees. Before the VBCA can process the donation this has to be approved by the NSC new rules for 355 Subcommittees of NSC, it will be raised at the next council meeting, asking for approval.</p> <p>Grant Nelson Coordinator Strategic Planning & Natural Resources</p> <p>Presentation discussed the NSC'S Saving our Species Program, particularly Koalas The last survey was 2015-with 125 survey sites, 3295Trees were sampled for koala presence, 48 species: 14 were eucalypts, 20 trees recorded koala scats: 7 were different tree species, highest use: Tallowood [66%]:Small- fruited Grey Gum [10%]: all others 5% - 15 active for koala presence [scats] next Stage Development of the Strategy Supply of feed trees to the community Koala Field Day.</p> <p>President – responded to Presentation.</p> <p>By thanking Grant for the detailed presentation and asking Dr John Bennett to head a Koala Sub Committee to follow through and report back the 3 items above, he already has 3 people prepared to join him – Bronwyn Roden, Cr Sue Jenvey and Georgette Allen, more people would be welcome to help John.</p>
APOLOGIES	T&G Suter, P.Sobey, C. Anderson, A.Seccombe, Mayor Rhonda Hoban, R. Wroble, L Townend.
MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	The minutes of previous meeting dated 15 th July were read Moved M. Best Seconded John Windmill
BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES	Business arising – Discussion re Alithia Learning and Anderson Park but covered in General Business, Plus need for signs at the relocated Bus Stop Kuta Ave, and Bike racks, as a few school children are chaining bikes to playground, letter to be sent to NSC

<p>CORRESPONDENCE IN</p>	<p>04.07.19 NSC – Clean Energy Committee – Possibility of Grant for Solar at Hall 04.07.19 Preschool – for AGM Preschool Report 08.07.19 Treasurers report for AGM 09.07.19 NSC – Code of Conduct for VBCA to be aware of. 15.07.19 North Coast Tourism Symposium – 1st August at South West Rocks 15.07.19 Valla Expressions – advise re Art Show asking for volunteers 15.07.19 John Bennett – Motion re NSC produce a Biodiversity Management Plan 15.07.19 Market report for previous 12 monthx 17.07.19 Alison Seccombe – re Location of Net Ball Courts if Grant Approved. 18.07.19 Ferguson Contract Cleaning – Invoice for Hall [Apr- June] 19.07.19 Maya Aimann – Copy of Presentation for 5G 21.07.19 Dr P Sobey, Summary of response to 5G presentation. 23.07.19 Alison Seccombe follow up asking for confirmation of phone discussion. 27.07.19 Tina Giannone – re Location of Net Ball Courts on Anderson Park 27.07.19 Northcoast Internet – invoice for domain name renewal VBMarkets 29.07.19 Alithia Learning – update on plans for community facility at Anderson Park. 06.08.19 Markets & Fairs – asking VBCA to be a member [\$\$\$] 23.08.19 NSC – Acknowledge – VBCA submission re Public Amenities 02.09.19 RMS [Yvonne Bowles] confirming meeting 04.09.19 NSC update on Potential Grant solar panels & batteries at Hall 05.09.19 Lori Warren – update on Hwy Noise – various Emails etc 05.09.19 NSC Review of Public Amenities – details of Submissions 06.09.19 NSC – re J.Bennetts motion Biodiversity Management Plan – next year 06.09.19 NSC re 355 Committees of Management to hold meetings open to Public. 07.09.19 Carole Anderson – re August Market 13.09.19 NSC – confirmation to Residents meeting 19 Sept re Net Ball Courts. 14.09.19 Marcus Sims – Display a T Model Ford for Donate Life at August Market, 16.09.19 NSC re 2019 Community Building Partnerships Program. 17.09.19 RMS – confirmation response to Ray Tumney report by 27 Sep. 23.09.19 Treasurer re merger BCU – P & N how does VBCA vote? 16.09.19 NSC – re Community Building Partnership Program 23.09.19 Treasurer – BCU/ P&N merger how do VBCA vote? 05.10.19 Treasurer – October Market update 81 Stalls [permanent sites popular] 10.10.19 Notes on NSC meeting re Saving our Species Program. 11.10.19 T.Suter re CDAT Grant Process – VBCA successful again [slight changes] 21.10.19 D.Jones – Minutes of Carols Planning Meeting. 22.10.19 NSC – re Christmas Carols and advertising 24.10.19 Valla Community Preschool, copy of Public Liability Insurance 29.10.19 Lions Club of Valla – asking for Help at the Valla Fair – Sunday 5th January 29.10.19 BCU advising Term Deposit due for renewal 30.10.19 Ferguson Cleaning – invoice for Hall Cleaning. 05.11.19 Treasurer – Financial Statement for October 05.11.19 Minutes of VBCA Market Committee meeting. 07.11.19 NSC – advice of 2nd Kangaroo Attack in Valla Beach 08.11.19 Climate Change Adaption Grants- Grants between 10k and 50 k 08.11.19 NSC – RE Promotion of Events in the Nambucca Valley 11.11.19. Dr John Bennett -Motion for meeting re Great Koala National Park 12.11.19 Nambucca RSL Club – re Donation to Christmas Carols 13.11.19 NSC confirming Rally Australia Cancelled 14.11.19 Dr John Bennett – requesting NSC write to State Gov’t for more resources. 17.11.19 Alithia Learning – Carparking option on Anderson Park. 18.11.19 NSC – re New Location for Alithia Learning.</p>
<p>CORRESPONDENCE OUT</p>	<p>10.07.19 NSC – request delay in responding to Rationalising Public Amenities 15.07.19 Minutes AGM 17.07.19 NSC – Confirming Exec Committee for 2019/2020 18.07.19 NSC reply to review of Rationalising Public Amenities 24.07.19 Alison Seccombe – response to Letter re Net Ball Courts location 25.07.19 Copy of August Valla Views.</p>

	<p>29.07.19 Tina Giannone – response to note re Location of Netball Courts Anderson Park 28.08.19 NSC – advise for reimbursement of costs –painting Toilet Block Anderson Park 07.09.19 John Bennett copy of Email from NSC re Biodiversity Plan 13.09.19 Note to residents Max Graham Drive re Meeting – location of Netball Court 27.09.19 Copy of October Valla Views 08.10.19 NSC Register of Volunteer Service Hours 10.10.19 Notes on meeting NSC to VBCA committees re Saving Our Species Program 27.10.19 Guardian – Advertising 18th November GM 27.10.19 NSC invite to 18TH November GM 10.11.19 NSC invite to Carols Night 13th December</p>
CORRESPONDENCE	Read and Moved by John Windmill Seconded Georgette Allen
TREASURER'S REPORT	<p>Treasurer being away, President advised the VBCA is in a good financial position Financial report was available at the meeting, Current Balance including market prepaid sites, less \$6,000 committed = \$11,344. We also have funds in the CDAT account.</p>
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>1] VBCA addition to executive committee - Noelene Casson Nominated by T Suter, Seconded M. Best Noelene was Elected to the VBCA Executive committee. Noeline will become assistant Secretary, replacing Melvyn Best 2020</p> <p>Anderson Park</p> <p>2] We are still looking for sports clubs to use the Park We have been given contact details and waiting a return call</p> <p>2a] Cricket Pitch is completed – Need Cricket teams to use it. May be opportunity for a Women’s Team, waiting for contact details.</p> <p>2b] Net/Basket Ball Court – Funding approved – Location on Northern Side NSC Engineering to draw up plans and confirm total price. Delay in meetings due to the NSC involvement with the Bush Fire danger, hopefully the Court will be ready for the 2020 season.</p> <p>2c] Alithia Learning – Meeting with NSC and Alithia re location on Anderson Park North Side. Karen Cave from Alithia talked about their needs, especially car parking and Toilets close the Shed. The Southern side where the existing toilets are is not suitable for their needs. NSC require about 4 weeks to draw plans for the site, this requires approval from Education Dept who own the land above Anderson Park and also the RFS for access. Michael Coulter advised there could be another option which would be put to Alithia Learning.</p> <p>3] Market Report – John Windmill – We had 72 Stalls in August and 81 stalls at October market, Plans for a bigger December Market are underway, the Market is VBCA’s only way of raising funds which are put back to the community, For ongoing projects.</p>

4] Grants – Tracey Suter

VBCA are involved with The FRRR group grant, [Hand in Hand] this covers the Nambucca Valley, \$60,000 has been received the committee [Hand in Hand] are working on the application for \$900,000.

5] High Way Noise

VBCA Road Noise subcommittee met with the RMS in October to discuss the noise issues. VBCA were advised, that there are no further treatments to be carried out at Valla as obligations to meet specified noise criteria have been met for the Project.

6] Hall Bookings Marja Parker

Hall is booked mornings and evenings, about 70%

7] Carols in the park – Daphne Jones

Next Carols is on Friday 13th December.

Donations for the Fireworks etc. = \$2,800 – well done Carol & Daphne. Daphne has again advised that this will be her last Carols, and would like someone to understudy her this year, to go forward in 2020, **Help** we do not want this Magnificent Event to die, it's the show piece of the Year for Valla Residents. Daphne with the help of Graham and the Subcommittee have put so much effort into this, surely there is a person in the community who could help Daphne and then take over.

8] Art Show –

Will be bigger and better than last year, new Artists, date **4 Jan – 12 Jan**

9] Any other Business

Graham Jones –

Received a request from Veena Tilly

As a result of Bush Fires a number of homes have been lost in the Nambucca Valley, The Rotary Club are working with support groups to assist people. Val from Anglicare on 0413625842 is co-ordinating accommodation for those in need.

The Rotary Clubs are organising fund-raising events – if VBCA would like to join them Contact Dave Banks 0418937946.

Motions from the floor

Dr John Bennett -

Motion 1

That VBCA ask NSC to join with other local councils in supporting the project of the Great Koala National Park.

John – spoke about current and future climatic conditions, this project is a long-term sustainable strategy for our wildlife, for jobs in the

	<p>implementation of the project, for tourism, and is vital for our sustainable future.</p> <p>There were no objections and the motion was passed with 100% show of Hands.</p> <p>Motion 2 <i>That VBCA ask NSC to write to the minister of the Environment deploring the loss of bushfire expertise and resources in NSW NPWS, and also to write to the Minister directly</i></p> <p>Valla Beach is sandwiched between two beautiful nature reserves managed by NSW NPWS, which is under severe pressure. The Public Service Association (PSA) notes that in 2011, there were 289 parks and wildlife rangers, including 28 senior rangers. Last year there were only 193 rangers left and not one senior ranger. The loss of 124 rangers was compounded by cuts to the area managers. Of 50 area managers charged with planning hazard reduction burns, these were cut to 37 with a huge loss of expertise and experience.</p> <p>There were no objections and the motion was approved by 100% show of hands.</p>
<p>MEETING CLOSE</p> <p>AND NEXT MEETING</p>	<p>2035 Hours</p> <p>General Meeting 16 March 2020 at Valla Beach Community Hall commencing 1900 hrs</p>