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BHPA Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 20 August 2024 at 7pm in the Bonny Hills Community Hall

Welcome by Chair/President: Paul Poleweski

Acknowledgement of Country: We acknowledge and pay our respects to the original custodians, the Birpai People and their elders past and present, on whose land we walk, work and live.

Attendees: (As per attendance sheet)

Paul Poleweski; Tony Robinson; Bill Howell; Roger Barlow; Pam Barlow; Ian Richardson; Ross Smith; John Drinan; Ian Simpson; Helen Smith; Bob Smith; Virginia and Graham Cox; Kathy Regan.

Apologies : Paul and Mel Galland and Sue Poleweski.

Conflicts of interest: Nil

Acceptance of Previous Minutes of meeting held 16 July 2024

Moved: Roger

Seconded: Kathy

Membership Update (Pam Barlow)

Pam continues to contact members who have not paid their 2024 annual fee, with a number of deposits being received, as can be seen in the Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report (Funds held and financial transactions since last meeting)

BONNY HILLS PROGRESS ASSOCIATION (BHPA)		
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS FROM 13 JULY TO 13 AUGUST 2024		
1) Community Support/Members Account (500031361)		Balance 13 AUGUST
Balance 13 July 2024	\$1,291.96	
Receipts		
Member Fees	\$105.00	
Payments		
CH Chamber Membership	\$70.00	
		\$1,326.96
2) Community Strength Account (500111729) \$142.41		
and Comm Strength Inv Account (100519540) \$25780.11		
Balance 13 July 2024	\$27,350.90	
Receipts		
Bank Int	\$74.52	
Payments		
Bands Hall Fee Cost	\$91.00	
Hall Sign Balance of cost	\$45.00	
Transfer to Events Account	\$1,366.90	
Total of both accounts		\$25,922.52
3) Grants Account (500204783)		
Balance 29 Feb 2024	\$0.00	
Receipts		
Payments		
		\$0.00
4) Events Account (100474271)		
Balance 13 July 2024	\$671.10	
Receipts		
Art Prize 2025 Sponsors	\$850.00	
Transfer from Comm Strength	\$1,366.90	
Payments		
Bands at Bonnys Costs	\$1,038.00	
		\$1,850.00
\$1000 Base Balance + Art Prize 2025		\$1,850.00
TOTAL FUNDS HELD AT	BANK	\$29,099.48

Moved: Paul P
Seconded: Pam B
Carried: Unanimously

Correspondence In and Out

			July/Aug
PMHC	Nicole Kossieris	Community Satisfaction Survey	July 18
	CHCC	Membership of CHCC acknowledgement	July 19
Deborah Kelly	KAB	Tidy Towns entry reminder	July 23
Brad Harrison	BHPA Member	Information/email query	July 23
	CHCC	Login details	July 26
Leslie Williams	NSW Gov	Newsletter information	July 28
Deborah Kelly	KAB	Tidy Towns update	July 31
Deborah Kelly	KAB	KAB Congress at Regents Park 28/29 August	Aug 2
Rod Bucton	CHCC	CHCC - August Escape Issue	Aug 2
David Gillespie	Com Gov	Newsletter information	Aug 2
PMHC		Have Your Say	Aug 5
PMHC		Response re Housing for our Future submission	Aug 9
Rachel Sheppard	PMHC	Housing Strategy information	Aug 11
	CHCC	Membership payment receipt	Aug 14
Deborah Kelly	KAB	Congress Registration details	Aug 16
Leslie Williams	NSW Gov	Newsletter	Aug 16

OUT			
Kathy Regan	PMHC	Integrated Transport Plan submission	July 20
Paul Poleweski	CHCC	Membership Application and Payment	July 24
Paul Poleweski	PMHC	Draft Operational Plan response	July 30
Roger Barlow	PMHC - Lucilla	Offer too good to refuse followup	July 30
Kathy Regan	Kylie	Followup re U-Turn Bays at HMD Intersection	Aug 14
Kathy Regan	Ryan	HMD Overpass followup correspondence	Aug 14

General Business needing discussion and/or actioning:

a) CCAT 's future?

Paul referred to a response from PMHC dated 26 July 2024 relating to the Operational Plan and Reserves Master Plan which included the following statement - "We are reviewing our approach to CCATs and will look at better ways to engage with the community".

Where that takes the whole point of CCATs going forward is unknown.

b) PMHC "Have your say" items:

- Housing for our Future documents

Alex Gray, PMHC, thanked us for our input. A framework for development will be put in place over the next 12-24 months;

- Draft Integrated Transport Plan

Kathy sent a response with some suggested changes. In return PMHC replied with some minor adjustments to the published plan.

- 24/25 Op Plan approved

Not surprisingly most of the proposed operational cuts to services because of the 0% rate freeze have now been avoided, with funds found from other Council sources.

- BH Reserves Master Plan (RMP)

Roger and Paul reported that the RMP has not been scheduled for actioning by PMHC in its Recreation and Open Space Action Plan, but "is still on the radar" according to their letter of 26 July. Roger has also sent communications to PMHC representatives about the need for action but has not had a response from them. It was therefore proposed we wait until after the election to pursue this. He also noted that the two-week response protocol to emails council receive does not appear to be followed and will they will be questioned on this as well.

Action: Roger to pursue this with PMHC once the local elections have occurred.

Action: Ross to get in touch with PMHC re RBR from the Landcare perspective.

c) Bands at Bonny's Event held Saturday 20th July

Aaron Johnson and Jock Garvin both expressed appreciation of BHPA taking the initiative to support and promote local youth bands. A summary of the BHPA organisers thoughts and feedback about the event and whether we want to have further similar events again has been put together by Kathy. A meeting to review that feedback and possibly decide on its future is scheduled Mon 2 Sept.

Action: Outcome of that meeting to be advised at Sept Committee meeting.

d) Obtaining feedback from Hall users about possible sound equipment upgrade

Bill confirmed that probably only one Hall user would use the equipment proposed for this upgrade.

Action: Following discussion, it was decided not to progress any upgrade of sound equipment for the Hall. Item is now closed.

e) BHPA Constitution changes

Roger's proposed updated Constitution was shared with the committee for input. Roger received a number of responses including a detailed one from Ian Richardson.

Ian R suggested we change the notion of 'household' membership to individual membership because of the possible legal implications of what this might mean if there was an incident. He suggested the simplest way might be to have individual members and if they live in the same house they could be 'associates' and pay a minimal amount to also have a vote.

Discussion ensued, including Roger advising he had spoken to Fair Trading. He also advised because of the concerns raised he would be involving an ex BHPA secretary, Phil Hafey to cast his eyes over the membership issue and come up with the most workable solution.

Action: Roger to see if Phil is OK to assess from correspondence at hand or if he would prefer to have meeting with some of the Committee to ensure all factors are clear to make a determination. The plan is to have a clear and agreed wording in the Constitution that is not open to misinterpretation to present to the Committee at the next meeting

f) Compiling a list of initiatives that could be progressed with Community Grants

Paul thanked those who have responded with suggestions of Grant supported projects listed below:

- Shade cover for the Rainbow Beach Reserve playground
- Signage at various walking path and sites of historical significance.
- Modify/make safer bus stop opposite Post Office in Ocean Drive
- More shaded seating in Rainbow Beach Reserve
- Extend “yellow brick road” footpath that runs along side Duchess Creek to Beach St – it currently ends behind caravan park leaving 100 metres of dirt/mud to walk over to get to street.

g) Frequency of meetings and agenda format – Feedback received

Following feedback from Committee members, the majority of who wanted monthly meetings to continue, it was agreed to keep the monthly meeting format.

In terms of the agenda and minutes, Paul P was open to having them modified and asked for persons wanting that outcome to indicate how that can be achieved.

Action: Ian S and Roger agreed to discuss further with Paul P.

h) Progression of New Member welcome letter and Information Package to new Committee members

These initiatives are on hold pending finalisation of the related Constitution.

i) Status of review and upgrade of BHPA website and Facebook page

Roger will progress when other matters he is addressing can be finalized.

Other on-going business items being monitored

j) PMHC still to decide on Proposed Modification to DA at 976 Ocean Drive, Bonny Hills

PMHC advises determination of the modification is still pending

k) Stormwater/Sewerage monitoring of any new issues/poor readings.

Ross reported that there has been only one recent instance of high ecoli in Saltwater Creek.

l) Electrify 2445 – industry conflicted over best and most efficient approach to take

Working toward a public meeting for interested community members to get information regarding solar and home batteries.

Action: Tony to provide possible date/s for a public meeting re this at the next meeting

m) 2025 Art Prize – meeting on 5 Sept.

Sponsors have been invoiced and some of the sponsorship money is already rolling in.

n) Progress on Proposed Walkway signage.

No new developments on this issue

o) Any update on Local Fire Management/Community Fire Unit

Still a work in progress

p) No update on vegetation clearance issue in Ngamba Place.

NSW authority still investigating issue

q) Resident suggestion of Footbridge over Duchess Creek & risks using existing pathways

PMHC has still not responded to resident submission, nor our follow up concerns about beach access

New Business

r) Ocean Club Resort upgrade was shared via maps on PMHC website to Committee members showing DA approval for it to increase in size to 420 units. Attendees posed the question, has this increase in residents been incorporated into PMHC infrastructure planning?

s) Meet the candidate sessions re local elections.

Action: Kathy to let us know when this is occurring so we can inform the BHPA membership

Kathy also reported that the foot bridge near Spoonies Beach is under repair at the moment.

t) Anniversary of the official naming of Bonny Hills

Ian R reported that this November 1st is Bonny Hills 76th “birthday” and wondered if there was something that might be done to commemorate this? He suggested he would get in touch with WBHSLSC. Paul P agreed for him to do that to see what they think.

Meeting closed: 8.46

**Next meeting: Tuesday 17th September 2024, same place, same time.
Paul P will be absent/Roger to chair**

President

Paul Poleweski

Secretary

Tony Robinson